



# TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM B U L L E T I N



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Rabbi Debbie Stiel



**Beineinu – Between Us**

**By Rabbi Debbie Stiel**

## **What is the Source of Happiness?**

In 1938, Rabbi Eliyahu Dessler wrote a letter to his 15-year-old son who was studying at a yeshiva in Lithuania. The topic of his communication with his son was the pursuit of happiness. The letter is preserved in a book of Dessler's writings called *Strive for Truth* (or *Michtav Me'Eliyahu*, in Hebrew). Dessler was a mussar master, and you can certainly see this focus in his approach to this important topic.

In the letter, Dessler asks the question, "What brings happiness?" He begins by addressing the way that happiness is usually viewed, "you may say, happiness is having everything you want. And since what you want costs money, it would follow that money is the password to happiness."

Dessler examines that assumption in greater detail. Yes, one needs a certain amount of money to live, but beyond this, how much of a connection is there between finances and happiness? He notes, if you actually talk to wealthy people you will find that many of them have full treasuries without joy. Their bank accounts do not stop them from having dysfunctional family members, business problems, or material desires that are just beyond their reach. The middle class, too, Dessler points out, are often not happy. They are so busy earning a living and hoping to enjoy life one day when they finally have their wealth, that life may pass them by. And the poor often feel resentful of having to work so hard only to make others wealthier.

Having challenged our assumptions about the source of inner happiness, the author asks, "Why should God have created such a great and wonderful world so that everybody in it should live in misery and anguish?...What is this epidemic disease that robs us of all happiness in life?" The pitfall, he proclaims, is within us. "Our sages... have already told us the answer in the Mishna, 'jealousy, lust, and status-seeking remove man from the world.'"

So Dessler encourages his son and us to look for true joy from a more sustainable source than our pocket book and our comparative brain. Dessler's answer, "the one who enjoys a rich spiritual life is happy....Happiness is when the goals are attainable, when they depend on no one else for their fulfillment....when the ambitions flow from love of Torah, love of wisdom...the desire for true ethical living."

If I try to put Dessler's words into my own, I think he is encouraging us to try to live a life that we are proud of and one that we think God would be proud of. We need time for prayer and meditation. We need to keep our goals realistic and well intentioned. We should use our time on earth to make our little corner of the world better. And rather than focusing on comparing ourselves with others and looking for outward affirmations, we should take joy from the blessings of right living.

Dessler offers us important food for thought as we continue through this holy month of Tishrei. Wishing you a reflective, deep, and fruitful Yom Kippur, a sweet Sukkot and a joyous Simchat Torah. Please join us for these meaningful observances! L'Shana tova u'metukah!

## **Contributions**

### **General Fund**

**Einstein's**

**Simon Joseph**

**Russ and Jane Greene**

-In memory of Peggy Black

-Congratulations to Taylor and

Kelsey Atwood

**Ronald Cobb**

**Bruce Levine**

-In memory of Morris Levine

**Art and Carolyn Glassman**

**Patty Kahn**

-In memory of Peggy Black

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-In memory of Peggy Black

-In memory of Sylvia Kaufman

**Bruce Levine**

-In memory of Helen Levine

### **Security Committee**

**Len and Terry Richter**

-In memory of Peggy Black

-In memory of Michael Richter

-In memory of Nancy Kessler

-In memory of Sheila Fern

-In memory of Vera Caruso

-In memory of Norman Richter

### **Adult Education Fund**

**Ron and Frayna Scrinopskie**

-In memory of Peggy Black

**Jack and Rhoda Wisman**

-In memory of Peggy Black

### **Endowment**

**Kelly Perkins**

**Neal and Laura Straus**

-In memory of Zelda Straus

## **Women's Night Out**

will meet Thursday,  
October 24 at **6:30 pm** at  
the new A-Hann Thai  
Restaurant, 2222 SW  
Washburn Ave.

Please contact Liz  
Bergmann-Harms with  
any questions.

## **Men's Dinner Club**

will meet at Tuptim Thai  
Restaurant, 220 SW 29th St  
at 6:30 pm on Thursday,  
October 17. Please contact  
Alan Parker with any  
questions.

## **The Temple Beth Sholom family extends condolences to:**

**-Neal and Laura Straus, on  
the death of Zelda Straus,  
Neal's mother**

**-Rich Kessler and family on  
the death of Nancy Kessler,  
former Temple member.**

**-Len and Terry Richter on  
the death of Sheila Fern,  
Len's cousin.**

**Zichronam livacha – May  
their memory be a blessing.**

## **Yahrzeits**

**October 4** – Harold Chall,  
Margaret Hughes, Grayce  
Steiner, David Glazier, Joanne  
Ramberg, Steven Mudrick,  
Marcus Sickel, Roydon  
Margolies, Blanche Bryden

**October 11**– Judith  
Bergmann, Joann Felman,  
Herbert Moses, Isador Silver,  
Richard Taussig, Roman  
Renner, Minnie Malley, Sylvia  
Zelkowitz, Charles Pressman,  
Tamar Ginzburg, Samuel  
Baum, Morris Briman, Fannie  
Wisman, Wilma Gilmore,  
Norma Isaacs

**October 18** –  
Julia Domingues, George  
Gruenthaler, Ellen Federoff,  
Ada Hetman, Annabelle Levy,  
Thomas Allan, Evan Douglas  
Epoch, Patricia Burch, Irene  
Youngentob, Etta Samuels  
**October 25** – Pearl DeVine,  
Bill Weeks, Abraham Levy,  
Joe Nowick, Dorothy Enteles,  
Morris Lieberman, Harry  
Hetman, Josef Zatzkis, Mordo  
Levy

## **CORRECTED ADDRESS:**

Bryan, Elizabeth and Emma  
Cohn  
In paper bulletin

## **Calendars for 2019-2020 have arrived.**

A big thank  
you to Ron and Frayna  
Scrinopskie for providing the  
new calendars!

## **SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING:**

Sunday, October 20  
1:00 pm

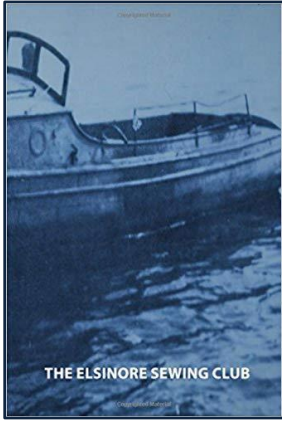
## **Monthly Meditation Practice**

**Wednesday, October 16**  
**7:00 – 8:00 pm**

In the Temple's Pusitz  
Library  
Led by David Chall

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Next Meditation Practice  
November 20  
Led by Rabbi Stiel

## UPCOMING SPECIAL SHABBAT SERVICES



### **Friday, October 4, 7:30 pm Shabbat Shuvah Service** **Melissa Householder will talk about *The Elsinore Sewing Club*** **(based on information in the book of the same name)**

**Shabbat Shuvah** is the Sabbath between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. During this Sabbath of Return we pray special endings to some of the prayers to remind us that we are observing the 10 Days of Repentance.

As we think about how to live up to our potential, this seems like the perfect time to learn about a group of people who risked their lives to help others (during the Holocaust).

***The Elsinore Sewing Club*** (from the back cover of the book) - This is the inspiring story of the Danish resistance group, The Elsinore Sewing Club. During the winter of 1943-44 they played a crucial role in maintaining the connection between occupied Denmark and the free Sweden by daily illegal transports over the narrow strait,

The Sound. The bookbinder Erling Kiaer defied his seasickness and sailed back and forth, day and night, through the tightly patrolled, ice-cold and mined Sound. He illegally transported refugees, resistance fighters, spies, courier posts, weapons and other compromising material. It is estimated that they transported around 700 Jews to Sweden.

## **SUKKOT AND SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATIONS**

### **Friday, October 11 – 7:00 pm Pre-Sukkot/Simchat Shabbat Service**

Fun and festive short service for congregants of all ages. We will sing some Sukkah songs in preparation for the festival. And as we think about this fall harvest holiday, we will rejoice and give thanks for the blessing of sustenance from God. Enjoy our indoor sukkah, shake the lulav and etrog. October birthday and anniversary blessings will be offered.

### **Sunday, October 13 - Welcoming Sukkot - Pizza in the Hut!**

#### **Pre-Sukkot Decorating & Lunch (Sukkot begins at sundown)**

**11:30 am – Decorating** – We will decorate the outdoor sukkah and prepare

for the beginning of the holiday with shaking the lulav and etrog and singing a few songs. If it rains, we will celebrate inside. Please bring gourds, branches and vegetables for decorating the sukkah. Grown-ups, you are needed to help hang decorations!

**Planting** – Bring a garden trowel or shovel and help us plant yellow daffodils as part of a national project to plant 1.5 million daffodils for the 1.5 million children killed in the Holocaust.

**12:15 - 1:00 pm - Lunch**

Everyone is invited to join in a picnic-style lunch of pizza, fruit, desserts, and drinks. **PLEASE RSVP TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE BY October 10 FOR THE LUNCH. FREE LUNCH, BUT YOU MUST RSVP SO WE KNOW HOW MUCH FOOD TO GET!**



### **Friday, October 18 – 7:30 pm Simchat Torah Service**



On Simchat Torah, we celebrate the gift of Torah! We finish one year's cycle of reading Torah and begin it anew. Join us as we dance with the Torahs and unroll one Torah completely. Sophie Thayer will chant from the end, and Rabbi Stiel will read the beginning of the Torah. This practice of ending and immediately starting Torah again is the Jewish people's way of saying that we never finish Torah. This is always a very meaningful, fun, uplifting service.



## **High Holy Days - 5780/2019**



**Sunday, October 6**

**High Holy Day Cemetery Services**

**Service at Topeka Cemetery – 3:30 pm**

(in the Jewish section--in case of rain, under the shelter just inside California entrance).

**At the Memorial Park Cemetery – 4:15 pm**

**Service at Mt. Hope Cemetery – 4:45 pm**

(in the Jewish section--in case of rain, in the mausoleum).

**Please remember our**

**High Holy Day Food Drive for Doorstep.**

**Items can be brought to the Temple from Rosh Hashanah through Sukkot. Bags will be handed out at Rosh Hashanah.**

**Tuesday, October 8 - 8:00 pm**

**Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre Service**

Rabbi Stiel, Temple members, and our Kol Neshamah choir will lead the service.

**Note: On Kol Nidre evening, the doors to the Sanctuary will close at 8:00 pm and will open again after the chanting of the Kol Nidre prayer. Please be seated before the beginning of the service.**

**Wednesday, October 9**

**Yom Kippur Morning Service - 10:00 am**

Rabbi Stiel, Temple members, and our Kol Neshamah choir will lead the service.

**Children's Service - 2:30 pm**

Yom Kippur worship for children from birth through fifth grade and their families.

**Afternoon-Yizkor-Neilah-Havdalah-3:30 pm**

A break-fast, facilitated by the Temple Celebrations Committee, will follow the conclusion of Neilah and Havdalah. Please bring any type of dairy or fish casserole, salad, fruit or vegetable tray.

**Congregants who own a shofar can bring it, practice with Warren shortly before our 3:30 pm service, and participate in our t'kiah g'dolah as our Yom Kippur services conclude on October 9.**

### **Sanctuary Request:**

In response to health concerns, we are asking that people refrain from wearing strongly scented products such as perfume, cologne, and lotions while attending Shabbat services. The sanctuary is a very enclosed space and strong scents make breathing difficult for some people. Thanks for your help.

**Child care services, with Jewish High Holy Day activities, will be provided during the High Holy Day adult services for children 7 and under. Suggested donation is \$5.00 per child per service. Please RSVP to the Temple.**

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## **Monthly Shabbat Morning Services Set to Begin Again**



**On Saturday, November 2, from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm, join us for a Shabbat morning service. We sit in a circle on the bima, take turns reading prayers, listen to the Torah reading, and briefly study the Torah portion. This Shabbat morning service is usually on the first Shabbat of the month during the school year. Watch the bulletin for future dates**





For the YOM KIPPUR pre-fast meal  
Candles, **no Kiddush**, Challah, a plate for Tz'dakah  
(Blessing phrases in parentheses are read only  
when holiday falls on Shabbat.)

## HOME SERVICE FOR EVEV YOM KIPPUR

When the family is gathered for the meal before the fast on Kol Nidrei evening (ערב כל נדרי):

וְנִתְּנָה תְּקוּף קִדְשֵׁי הַיּוֹם

U-n'ta-neh **Toh**-kef K'du-shat Ha-yom

Let us give this day the dignity it deserves. As we face the year ahead, we do not know what it will bring.  
Yom Kippur (יום קיפור) teaches us that that three things give strength and meaning to life:

- **T'shuva** (תשובה) - The knowledge that no matter what we have done wrong in the past, we can begin again and try to do better.
- **T'fillah** (תפילה) - When we are able to pray – we are never alone. We can find guidance and new hope as we open our hearts to our God.
- **Tz'dakah** (צדקה) - By helping others, we help ourselves. By doing for others, we deepen our own worth. We Jews live by deeds, not just words.

Therefore, on Yom Kippur:

- We direct our minds to the task of doing better in the New Year. We call this **T'shuvah**.
- We open our hearts to our God and God's teachings. We call this **T'fillah**.
- We open our hands to help others. We begin this night by placing coins for the needy on this plate. We call this **Tz'dakah**. (Each places some coins.) **T'shu-vah, T'fil-ah, Tz'da-kah**.

No Kiddush is offered before this meal, as this ushers in a solemn, not festive, Holy Day.

Let us thank God that we have bread as we say:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ.

Ba-ruch A-tah A-do-nai, E-lo-**hei**-nu **Meh**-lech Ha-o-lam, Ha-mo-tsi **Leh**-chem Min Ha-**a**-rets.  
Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the Universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

At conclusion of the meal, as Yom Kippur begins:

Light the candles and say:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו,  
וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל (שַׁבָּת וְיֵשׁ) יוֹם הַכִּיּוּרִים.

Ba-ruch A-tah A-do-nai, E-lo-**hei**-nu **Meh**-lech Ha-o-lam, A-sheer Kid-**sha**-nu B'mitz-vo-tav,  
V'tzi-**va**-nu L'had'lik Ner Shel (Shab-bat V'shet) Yom Ha-ki-pu-rim.

Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the Universe, who has sanctified us by Your Mitzvot and  
commanded us to kindle the lights of (Shabbat and) Yom Kippur.

For those Jewish adults permitted and willing to do so, a food and water fast continues until the break-fast at the  
end of the N'ilah Service, which concludes Yom Kippur the following evening.

# MAZON

A Jewish Response  
To Hunger

**Food Drive Reminder: Please send a check to Mazon at this time!**

**Our Unique Approach to Ending Hunger**

Mazon is striving to help end hunger in the United States and Israel. It provides needed food for food pantries in Kansas and beyond and advocates for good governmental policies that get food to the people most in need.

Please donate at [www.mazon.org](http://www.mazon.org).

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## **Sample High Holy Day Absence Letters**

Dear Teacher,

Please excuse my child from school on Wednesday, October 9. He/she will be attending worship services at Temple Beth Sholom for Yom Kippur. This is the most important day of the Jewish year, and it is customary for the Jewish community to assemble together for worship. I hope there will be no extra work assigned on these days. Thanks for your understanding.

Dear Staff,

Please excuse my absence on Wednesday, October 9. I will be attending worship services at Temple Beth Sholom. This is the most important day of the Jewish year, and it is customary for the Jewish community to assemble together for worship. Thanks for your understanding.

### **Join Us for an Opportunity to Worship Together At a Modern Orthodox Jewish Congregation**

Our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade class is taking a trip to experience Shabbat morning worship at BIAV, a Modern Orthodox synagogue, in Overland Park on October 19. We plan to leave the Temple parking lot at 9:00 am sharp. People will drive their own vehicles. After the service, those who wish may want to go out to lunch together. Call the Temple office to let us know if you plan to join us.

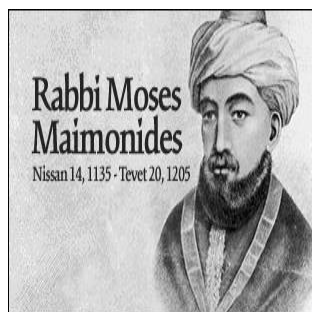
### **SHABBAT SERVICES WHEN OUR YOUTH WILL HELP LEAD Religious School Grade Level/Shabbat Date:**

Hebrew Classes Shabbat  
December 6, 2019, 7:30 pm

K – 3rd Grade Shabbat  
February 14, 2020, 7:00 pm

4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Shabbat  
March 27, 2020, 7:30 pm

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Shabbat/Yom HaAtzmaut  
May 1, 2020, 7:30 pm



Just a reminder, at the 2013 Annual meeting, the congregation approved establishing a Maimonides Rabbinic Fund to assure continued rabbinic leadership at Temple Beth Sholom.

This assessment amounts to \$5 per month per family or \$60 a year and started with our fiscal year beginning June 1, 2013.

If possible, please send a separate check for \$60 (made out to TBS), with your dues check to make your contribution to the Maimonides Rabbinic Fund.

Also, contributions to this fund do not need to be limited to this yearly payment. Donations can also be made for a *yahrzeit*, to commemorate a birth or a wedding, a thank you, etc.

## **TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM HOSTING INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

This year members of the interfaith religious community will gather at Temple Beth Sholom on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 pm for the annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. The theme this year is Connecting Our Hearts. A representative from Big Brothers and Sisters will be speaking. We hope you will join us for this event. It is always inspiring, and it is a good opportunity to celebrate our blessings and our common hopes and aspirations for the world.



As hosts, we are responsible for the reception after the event. We are asking Temple members to sign up to bring 1-3 dozen cookies. Please call the Temple office if you can bring some. Let us know, too, if you can help with set up and clean up. Thank you!

## **MATZA BALL SOUP FUNDRAISER**

**Saturday, November 16, 5:30 to 8:00 pm**

We will be holding a Matza Ball Soup fundraiser with Havdalah service for our Temple Community. The cost (payment at door) will be \$8 for people 13 or older and \$5 for under 13. People have asked for us to have Matza Ball soup back at the Blintze Brunch which is logistically too difficult. To accommodate, we have decided to do a small test run of a Matza Ball Soup fundraiser.

The plan is to make two big pots of chicken broth soup. We will have matza balls, chicken, carrots, celery, farfel, and noodles that you will be able to add to make your perfect bowl. So if you like just a broth soup with matza balls, or if you want a little of everything, you will have these options.

**Once we have run out of soup, we are out of soup.** We are not going to be advertising this to the Topeka community. We are attempting to test this and see what amount of soup this will make, as well as costs and workload. We are hoping to have between 150-200 servings. You may invite up to two guest but please inform them that once the soup is gone, we are out of soup. This fundraiser will support Temple's operating expenses.



## **New Course in Modern Jewish Intellectual History Starts this Month**

There are contemporary denominational schisms within the Jewish community particularly between Orthodox and non-Orthodox communities. There have also been a number of such schisms in the past. Professor of Modern Jewish History, David B. Ruderman of the University of Pennsylvania, has put together a course, "Jewish Intellectual History: 16th to 20th Century" which illuminates such divisions and forms the backdrop of today's denominational splits. The course consists of 24 thirty-minute presentations that are on DVDs.

A study and discussion group will meet twice a month on Sundays from 10:30 - 11:30 am to watch the lectures and talk about them. It is estimated that the group will meet 24 times over the course of a year. The first two meetings will be October 13 and 27 in the Social Hall. Please email the office ([office@tbstopeka.org](mailto:office@tbstopeka.org)) to register. Norm Spero will moderate the course. Thank you to Norm for sponsoring this DVD series.



## Join us for “Martin Buber, Theology and Zionist Politics”

Guest Speaker, Dr. Sam Brody, is an Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Kansas. He will speak at Temple Beth Sholom on Saturday, November 9 at 7:00 pm. We will begin with a short havdala and an opportunity to schmooze and snack.

Dr. Sam Brody specializes in the area of modern Jewish thought. He received his Ph.D. in the History of Judaism from the University of Chicago Divinity School, where he focused on the modern German-Jewish intellectual tradition. He has recently written a monograph on Buber titled “Martin Buber’s Theopolitics.” Brody will share with us his understanding of Buber’s religious vision for modern Israel, and what it has to offer us and Israel today.



Above: Honoring Paul Evans  
on August 9, 2019

Above Left: Rabbi Mark Levin,  
with Rabbi Stiel, spoke to  
congregation on August 23,  
2019.

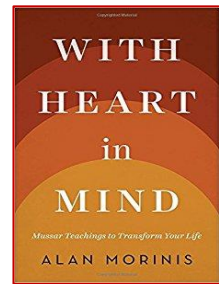
Left: First Day of Religious  
School!



## **Middot Va'ad: Gaining Jewish Wisdom and Understanding**

**October 16, Noon – 1:00 pm**

Bring a bag lunch and join us in the Temple Pusitz Library. We are reading Alan Morinis' *With Heart in Mind ~ Mussar Teachings to Transform Your Life*. We study the character traits (*middot*) and work on bringing them into our lives in the right amount. Please bring the book to the *Va'ad* meetings. We will review Chapter 21 and read Chapter 22. Newcomers are always welcome.



## **Monthly Shabbat Morning Opportunities**

### **Talmud Study – 9:00 – 10:30 am, Saturday, October 5 and 19.**

*Pirkei Avot* consists of the wisdom of our sages concerning the values and ethics of Judaism as reflected in the Oral Law. While I am paraphrasing here, perhaps one of the most famous is Rabbi Tarphon's dictum: "It is not for you to finish.....but neither are you free to desist from it." We shall read *Pirkei Avot* in small segments, simultaneously looking at and discussing different commentaries that have been written about each portion of it.

We invite and welcome you to join us in what we anticipate will be a very rewarding study. It is not necessary to commit to attending every session. Come as you are interested and able to.

### **Kabbalah Study - 9:00 - 10:30 am, Saturday, October 12 and 26**

***Introduction to the Zohar, by Arthur Green.***



Our group is reading Art Green's excellent and thorough introduction to the Pritzker edition of the *Zohar*. If you want to get an inside look at the *Zohar*, please join us for this fascinating read! We will hand out copies in class.

### **TaNaKh Study – 10:30 am – 12:00 pm, Saturday, October 12 and 26**

In this group, we are reading the Bible all the way through. Each time we meet we read a few verses or a chapter out loud and then stop to discuss it before going on. We enjoy a free-ranging discussion of what was read and its implications. Currently, we are reading the *Psalms* and would love your input.

## **September 4, 2019 Board Meeting Highlights**

1. A JUMP Listening Campaign is occurring at Temple on September 24 at 7:00 pm. This is an opportunity to voice concerns people have about their community. Everyone is encouraged to attend.
2. Leora Forstein tendered her board member resignation and Elaine Schwartz was voted on to the Board to fill this vacancy.
3. A survey is being sent out to Temple members addressing the old tradition of not having family members serve on the board concurrently.
4. The Board wishes everyone a happy and healthy Rosh Hashanah.

## ONEG SPONSORS NEEDED

We are looking for a host for the following Shabbat onegs in 2020: **January 31; February 21; March 20; May 15 and 29; July 3, 10, 17 and 31; August 7, 14, 21 and 28.** Please check times of services in the monthly bulletin and weekly email.

**June Onegs will be Potluck.**

**There will also be once a month Potluck Onegs which are the following dates:**

**October 25, November 29, December 20, January 24, February 28, March 20, April 17 and May 22. We will need help setting up and cleaning up.**

Please remember, for those of you who cannot host an oneg, you may donate any amount to our Oneg Fund. Contact Molly Wisman if you have questions.

## Historical Corner by Jack Wisman

I have become known as the Temple/Jewish history expert. I try my best to entertain and inform with these monthly articles on Temple Beth Sholom and Topeka Jews history. There was one person, who we lost recently, deserves credit for my information. That was Peggy Black.

Peggy had a tremendous skill in research. In particular, she was able to find information about former Temple members who were buried in the Jewish Section in the Topeka cemetery.

One discovery was the information on the relatives of the four Jewish children buried in the cemetery and where they reside. She also found information on the lone Civil War Jewish veteran, his wife and son. It was amazing to me what she could find!

Peggy and Harlan came to the Jewish History classes that Lorne Ruby, Jerry Frieman and I taught a few years back. She commented to me early this year that she wished I would teach another course. I was very flattered as I have felt that Lorne and Jerry are better teachers.

The Rabbi, in her eulogy, described Peggy as a woman of valor.....she was that for sure.

I will miss her.

Until next time, Jack.

## **High Holy Days and October Tzedakah Recipient is Doorstep**

Doorstep provides these emergency services: food, clothing, rent, transportation, prescriptions, and utilities. Emergency services are provided to people based on need, perhaps their home burned to the ground, they have been laid off or have become disabled. Those who are put on disability can get services while they wait for services from the government. 90% of the clients are at or below poverty.

Checks can be sent to Temple with Doorstep in the memo line or money can be put in the tzedakah box in the sanctuary foyer. Please remember to bring your food bags for the High Holy Day Food Drive for Doorstep.



## **ANNOUNCING! TOPEKA CENTER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE 2019 7th Annual PEACE PARTY**

October 23, 2019 Heritage Hall/Expo Center

**1 Expocentre Drive Parking lot off of 17th and Western Topeka, KS 66612**

6 PM Reception on the Patio, 6:30 PM—Banquet and Program

A donation will be requested. Contact Rabbi Stiel for more information. [Reservation Required.](#)

# October 2019

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Want to keep up with Temple EVENTS?! Access Temple's Calendar with the following link: <a href="http://templebethsholomtopeka.view-events.com">http://templebethsholomtopeka.view-events.com</a>		1	2 Board Meeting 7:00 pm	3	4 Shabbat Shuvah Service 7:30 pm Rabbi Stiel/ Warren Sickel/ Hurst Coffman	5 Talmud Study Group 9:00 am
6 RS Hebrew & Adult Beg Hebrew 9:30 am RS Classes & Adult Int Hebrew 10:30 am Adult Adv Hebrew 11:30 am RS Assembly 12:00 pm Kol Neshamah Rehearsal 1:00 pm Cemetery Service times in Bulletin	7  Chair Yoga 7:00 pm	8  Erev Yom Kippur 8:00 pm	9 Yom Kippur Morning service 10:00 am Children's Service 2:30 pm Yom Kippur Afternoon Service 3:30 pm	10  World Myths Class 7:00 pm	11 Sukkot/Simchat Shabbat Service 7:00 pm Rabbi Stiel/ Rhoda Wisman/	12 Kabbalah Study Group 9:00 am TaNaKh Study Group 10:30 am
13 RS Hebrew & Adult Beg Hebrew 9:30 am RS Classes Hebrew 10:30 am Jewish History Class 10:30 am Adult Adv Hebrew 11:30 am Sukkot decorating and lunch 11:30 am <b>Erev Sukkot</b>	14  Chair Yoga 7:00 pm  <b>Sukkot</b>	15  <b>Sukkot</b>	16 Middot Va'ad 12:00 pm Meditation led by David Chall 7:00 pm <b>Sukkot</b>	17 Men's Dinner Group at Tuptim Thai Restaurant 6:30 pm <b>Sukkot</b>	18 Simchat Torah/Shabbat Service 7:30 pm Rabbi Stiel/ Warren Sickel/ Stephanie Schuttera/ Hurst Coffman/ Torah will be chanted by Sophie Thayer <b>Sukkot</b>	19 Talmud Study Group 9:00 am BIAV 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade class trip 9:00 am <b>Sukkot</b>
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## Worship Services



**Friday, October 4**

**Shabbat Shuvah Service - 7:30 pm**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Warren Sickel. Hurst Coffman accompany. Melissa Housholder will speak. Oneg sponsored by Stephanie Schuttera.

**Tuesday, October 8**

**Erev Yom Kippur – 8:00 pm**

**Wednesday, October 9**

**Yom Kippur Morning Service 10:00 am**

**Children's Service 1:30 pm**

**Yom Kippur Afternoon Service 3:30 pm**

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**Friday, October 11**

**Pre-Sukkot/Simchat Shabbat Service - 7:00 pm**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Rhoda Wisman. September birthday and anniversary blessings will be offered. Oneg sponsored by Alan and Anita Haimowitz.

**Friday, October 18**

**Simchat Torah/Shabbat Service - 7:30 pm**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel, Warren Sickel and Stephanie Schuttera. Hurst Coffman will accompany. Sophie Thayer chanting Torah. Oneg sponsored by Leora Forstein.

**Friday, October 25**

**Shabbat Service - 7:30 pm**

Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Rhoda Wisman. Torah will be read. Oneg will be potluck. We will need help setting up and cleaning up.



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