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# TEMPLE BETH EL

Share our past Shape our future

April 2016

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## Temple Beth El Renovation and Rededication

The success of the renovation project was only possible because of the hard work, exceptional dedication and extraordinary generosity of our donors. Many thanks go to you, our congregants, and friends of Temple Beth El in the Pensacola area and beyond.

The Renovations Committee was expertly led by co-chairs, Matt Dannheisser and Rodney Rich. Thank you to Matt, Rodney, Rabbi Joel, Andrew Rothfeder, Terry Gross, Chip Merritt, Fred Levin, Dr. Steve and Renee Eilen and Janet Kahn.

Additional special thanks go to Kathy Smith, Temple Administrator, Greenhut Construction (Bill Greenhut, Ryan Greenhut, Larry Northup, Stewart Dunford) and subcontractors, commissioned artisans, Merritt Glass (Chip and Faye Merritt), and Carter Quina, architect.

On March 18, 2016 we celebrated the project with a Rededication of the Temple, followed by worship and a special Oneg Shabbat. The celebration was carefully planned by Pat Braunstien, Tammy Dannheisser, Renee Eilen, Cricket Rich, Beverly Zimmern and Janet Kahn. During the wine and cheese reception, we were fortunate to have a UWF String Quartet perform, followed by expressions of gratitude and gifts of appreciation. Then on our new doorway, Rabbi Joel installed a gorgeous mezzuzah, which was generously donated by Rabbi Joel and Andrea and his siblings. Rabbi Joel and Cantor Richard Cohn led us in a highly moving and inspirational service. (Cantor Richard Cohn is a native of Pensacola and is currently the Director of the Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music.) Beautiful music was provided by Drs. Victoria Adamenko on piano and Leonid Yanovskiy on violin with another Pensacola native, Dr. Ed Siegel, playing our postlude. Following the service, all enjoyed a festive and delicious Oneg Shabbat with the crowd spilling over from the Max L. Bear Auditorium into both the upper and lower lobbies.

### Thank you Shabbat Service

**Please attend the "Thank you" Shabbat Service for our friends at First United Methodist Church to show our appreciation for providing worship space during our renovations.**  
Friday, April 8, 2016, 7:00 p.m.  
Temple Beth El



## Worship and Torah Study

Friday, April 1  
TBE, 8:00 pm  
Jazz Shabbat

Saturday, April 2  
Torah Study 9:30 am

Friday, April 8  
Azalea Trace, 4:00 pm,  
UPB Service

Thank you FUMC  
TBE, 7:00 pm

Friday, April 15  
TBE, 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 16  
Torah Study 9:30 am

Friday, April 22  
Passover Seder  
TBE, 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 23  
Shabbat in the Park  
Bayview Park 10:00 am

Friday, April 29  
TBE 7:00 pm

PENSACOLA JEWISH FEDERATION PRESENTS

3RD ANNUAL JAZZ SHABBAT

AN EVENING OF JAZZ AND SPIRITUALITY  
FEATURING THE KLEZMATEERS

Hosted by Temple Beth El  
Friday, April 1 at 8:00 PM

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**Patrons' dinner 6:00 pm \$54.00 Reservations required**  
Information, Please contact Cindy Gross  
850-449-2409



## From Tal....

Dear Community,

We will start this month with a unique opportunity to have a very special guest speaker in our community, the Deputy Consul General of Israel, Ron Brummer. Please join us on Thursday, April 7th for the lecture: "Israel's challenges in an unstable Middle East". Don't miss it!

This month we will celebrate Passover, which commemorates the liberation of the nation of Israel from bondage in Egypt. The old story is still relevant today and makes me think about the idea of freedom. What is the meaning of being free people? Can we overlook our own internal bondage? How often do we fill our hearts and minds with fears and negative thoughts that holding us back from fulfilling our dreams? I invite you to share with me your thoughts and feelings!

On May 1st, when Passover ends, we will celebrate together the Mimouna festival- a Jewish tradition of North Africa that has become very common in Israel!!! Please look for further information about it and be ready to eat and dance!

Let's decide to be us, as simple as it is, and truly free and happy.

Tal

### Sisterhood Meeting

Wednesday, April 20  
11:30 am

Program by our outstanding Shlichah Tal Itzhakov

Yes, There IS a Difference (part 2)

How Jews Celebrate Spring Holidays in Israel and the US

#### Menu

Grilled boneless, skinless chicken breast  
Fresh bread, corn casserole, fire grilled vegetables  
Sweet Potato Bread Pudding with pecan praline sauce or Pecan Trifle  
Tea or Coffee  
Cost \$15

RSVP:  
Alice Klein  
449-7439 OR  
gingging13@gmail.com

### Shabbat Passover in the Park, Saturday April 23 at 10:00 am

Bring a chair, sunscreen, and a picnic lunch and join us at beautiful Bayview Park as together we celebrate Shabbat Passover with song, prayer, and study. In addition to the beautiful morning liturgy, Rabbi Joel will lead a discussion of the special Haftarah reading for the first day of Passover, which in Reform tradition is Isaiah 43:1-15.

Following the service, relax and enjoy a Passover lunch with friends and fellow community members. The local birds have kindly agreed to clean up any matzah crumbs left behind.

Family, friends, children and pets are all welcome and encouraged at this informal Shabbat morning experience.

Please note that on Friday, April 22, Shabbat evening worship will not be held at Azalea Trace or Temple Beth El.



### Mendelsohn's Elijah:

Interaction between  
Composer and Prophet

Sunday, April 10, 2:00 pm, Pensacola Public Library, 239 N. Spring Street.

Join Rabbi Joel Fleekop and Charles Smoke, Executive Director of the Choral Society of Pensacola for a discussion of how Felix Mendelssohn's seminal work "Elijah" builds upon Judaism's understanding of the prophet. The program will include samplings of the musical composition.

"Elijah" will be performed by the Choral Society of Pensacola on Saturday, April 23, 7:30pm at Cokesbury United Methodist Church located at 5725 N 9th Avenue.

### Torah on Tap is on the Move! Tuesday, April 5

We are moving to Gulf Coast Brewery  
500 E. Heinberg Street

Topic: What Does It Mean to Be Free?

Please join us at our new location

Schmoozing: 5:00 pm

Learning: 5:30 pm



### April Shabbat Sponsors

Bimah Flowers

April 1 - Cookie Kichler

April 8 - Janet and Chuck Kahn

April 15 - Wanda and Jody  
Schlesinger

April 29 - Sydney McAbee

Bimah flower sponsors are need  
for May 6, 20, 27

Contact Janet Schilling to  
reserve any of these dates.  
944-3349

Onegs

April 1 - Jazz Shabbat

April 8 - Temple Board

April 15 - Janet Levin

April 22 - Passover Seder

April 29 - Cindi Montero

### Community Open House

We welcome the Pensacola area  
community to tour our newly renovated  
Temple Beth El.

Sunday, April 3, 2016  
2:00-4:00 p.m.

Please encourage your friends and family to  
come visit!

**With Thanks.....**

We would like to thank our Temple Beth El family for all the love and support recently extended to us. We were hit by the tornado and sustained quite a lot of damage to our home. As traumatic as this was, it would have been so much worse without the care and concern you gave us. We are so grateful to the Rabbi for everything he did, including calling us almost as soon as the last rain drop fell. Thanks to everyone who offered us lodging, food, chain saws, and a few good laughs. Knowing that our Temple family is always here for us has provided us with the moral support to keep going. Thank you all so very much.

Penny and Dan Philips



We enjoyed beautiful string music provided by UWF students during the rededication reception.

**April Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**April Birthdays**

- 1st Nathan Kahn
- 2nd Jody Schlesinger  
Bruce Lamb  
Weston Robles  
Mindy Flores
- 3rd Azriel Boles
- 6th Terry Gross
- 7th Bonnie Jacobson
- 8th Carol Engel  
Bryce Friedland
- 9th Sonia Yanovskiy
- 11th Linda Finkelstein
- 13th Linda Liberis
- 15th Mary Brockett  
Sara Goldfarb
- 16th Taylor Landa  
Christopher Gummere
- 17th Ann Schops  
Alan Kryz  
Benjamin Suhrbier
- 18th Jacob Sacks  
Dawn Wein  
Ada Ejikemeuwa
- 19th Taris Savell
- 20th Randall Aronson  
Judi Aronson Patrick
- 21 William Boyle  
Lilith Neisler
- 22nd Rachael Soloway  
Wendi Ochs
- 23rd Paul Finkelstein  
Cyndi Montero  
Perry Finck
- 24th Andrea Fleekop
- 26th Jay Zimmerman
- 29th Dolores Gelfand
- 30th Jillian Lisner

**April Anniversaries**

- 5th Erin and Sean Chaffee
- 8th Wendi and John Ochs
- 14th Deborah and Jeff Buchalter
- 16th Victoria Adamenko  
and Leonid Yanovskiy
- 17th Alice and Robert Klein

**OUT OF DARKNESS**  
A chamber opera in two acts  
Music by Jake Heggie  
Libretto by Gene Scheer

We are honored to host a performance of the Holocaust themed opera, *Out of Darkness* at Temple Beth El.

Sunday April 17, 2016  
6:30 p.m. Wine and Cheese Reception  
7:30 p.m. Performance  
This event is free and open to the public

Commissioned by Music of Remembrance (Mina Miller, artistic director) and first performed at MOR Holocaust Remembrance Concerts at Banroya Hall, Seattle, WA.

*Out of Darkness* will also be performed at the Pensacola Opera Center on April 1st & 2nd at 7:30 p.m. and April 3rd at 2:00 p.m.

Please support Maestro Jerome Shannon and the Pensacola Opera. Temple Beth El is most appreciative of this opportunity to host this opera.

Deputy General Consul,  
Ron Brummer to Speak

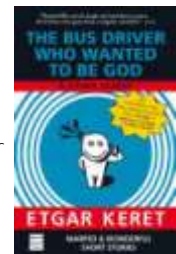
**Israel's Challenges in an Unstable Middle East**

Thursday, April 7  
Palafox House, 196 N. Palafox Street  
Reception, 5:30-6:00 pm  
Lecture begins at 6:00 pm  
Free and open to the public  
Sponsored by Federation

**Next Men's Book Club for Everyone!!!**

Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 pm  
Temple Beth El  
"THE BUS DRIVER WHO WANTED TO BE GOD"  
by Etgar Keret  
Presented by  
Tal Itzhakov and Steve Eilen

Brief, intense, painfully funny, and **shockingly honest**, **Etgar Keret's stories** are snapshots that illuminate with intelligence and wit the hidden truths of life. As with the best writers of fiction, hilarity and anguish are the twin pillars of his work. Keret covers a remarkable emotional and narrative terrain - from a **father's first lesson to his boy, to a standoff between soldiers caught up in the Middle East conflict**, to a slice of life where nothing much happens. These wildly inventive, uniquely humane stories are for **fans of Etgar Keret's** inimitable style and readers of transforming, brilliant fiction.



## Donations

**Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:**

In honor of Rabbi Joel and Andrea Fleekop for Hannah Buchalter's Bat Mitzvah from Jeff and Deborah Buchalter  
 In honor of Hannah Buchalter's Bat Mitzvah from Bettie Kahn  
 In memory of Rise Lynn Cole from Cookie Kichler  
 In memory of Sally Riesenberg Lowe from Shirley Lowe and Aurome Riesenberg  
 In memory of Bill Foley from Lucille Foley

**Temple General Fund:**

In memory of the Berlins from Rochelle Simpson

With sadness we share the news that Alan Sacks's father, Joe Sacks, passed away Tuesday, March 22. Joe lived with his wife, Harriet, in Huntsville, Alabama. Our deep condolences go out to the entire Sacks family.

May his memory be for a blessing.  
 Zichrono livracha



Temple Beth El Seder  
 800 N. Palafox, Pensacola, Florida  
 Friday, April 22, 2016 6PM



Choice of:

Braised Brisket with tomato olive sauce and lemon/parsley garnish  
 OR Mahi Mahi with tarragon chive oil  
 OR Vegetable stuffed zucchini with feta and lemon/parsley garnish

Accompanied by vegetable matzo ball soup, gefilte fish plate, horseradish mashed potatoes, roasted asparagus with roma tomato, red onion and carrots.

Dessert: Coconut macaroons with strawberries and huckleberry sauce.

Catered by Portabello Market

Prices:	Number	Total cost	Entrée choice
Children 4 and under	free _____	_____	_____
Children aged 5 - 12	\$18 _____	_____	_____
Teens, college & military	\$20 _____	_____	_____
Adult members	\$30 _____	_____	_____
<b>TOTALS</b>	_____	_____	_____

With whom do you want to be seated?

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Will you bring wine to share? Yes/No      Will you make charoset to share? Yes/No

**Seating is limited, so please reply by Wednesday April 13th. Kindly remit your check and reservation to "TBE Sisterhood" with "Seder" on the memo line, 800 N. Palafox, Pensacola, 32501.**

(Non-members \$35 - if space is available) Your phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Babysitting will be available. Call Pat Braunstien for additional information or questions: 850 598-9718.

Kindly print this page and submit to the Temple with your check and reservation.

Yahrzeits

<i>To be read on April 1:</i>		7th	John Q. Owens	17th	Harold Siegel
26th	Gus Berman		Aaron Krumbain	18th	Jesse Davis
	Clara Frenkel		Mike Mohr		Freda Spett
	Sally Riesenber		Fred Seligman	19th	Rebecca L. Goff
	Guy Newberry	8th	Benjamin Levinson		David Dannheisser
27th	Rabbi I. E. Wagenheim		Emma Berlin		Harold Marcus
	Samuel Frank		Jonathan Zukrow,		Aaron Moe Cohen
	Alice Aronson		Rosh Chodesh Nissan		Marion Beech
	Ruth Broz Klein	<i>To be read on April 15:</i>			Jean Evans
	Richard Morros	9th	Carson A. Whitlock		Albert Spett
	Michael A. Schwartz		Mary Rosing		Bill Foley
28th	Frank Goldman	10th	Sarah L. Ball	20th	Lee Pelsinger
	Irwin Freidman		Peter Van Wezel	21st	Bessie Harris Shiller
	Maxine Bear Marcus		<b>P.E. "Buddy" Daniel</b>	22nd	Corrine Weinberger
28th	Frank Dreyfus		Sharon Cohan Gross	<i>To be read on April 29:</i>	
	Max Stern		Bertram Levin	24th	Mollie Frenkel
	Sarah Strickland	11th	Estelle F. Klein		Sidney Rosenthal
	Gladys Rosenberg		Augusta Eliasoff		Lynn S. Holmes, Jr.
	Moses Joshua		Nellie Van Wely		Sylvia Rosenbloum Cole
	William Ziv	12th	Louis Rosenbloum	25th	Lewis B. Rosenau
29th	Fannie Lindy		William Lean		Leoma B. Goodman
	Raymond Goldstein		Alfred Zewe		Nana Heinberg
30th	David Levy	13th	Miriam K. Levy		Helen Dante Kahn
	Ann B. Silver		Esther Belle Maring Yates		Martha Bentivich
31st	Arne Sorensen		P. Leonard Orenstein	26th	Jerome Bear
	Red Rockholm		J. L. Kahn		Betty Lean
1st	Carrie Bestoff		Florence Segesser	27th	Minnie Rapaport
	Herbert Israel		Eva Reischer		Roy Kohn
	Rise Kichler Cole		Alice Moretsky		Yetty Streiffer Sear
	Lisa Kichler	14th	Victor McPherson		Gloria Monahan
	Leon Mondry		Ida Mae Jaffe		Manuel Lean
	Eileen Mondry	15th	Fannie Isaacs	28th	Bertram Raul Heinberg
	Sally Riesenber		Alex Lischkoff		Ruth Greenfield
			Deborah Soloway		Joseph Rubel
<i>To be read on April 8:</i>				29th	Benjamin Gerson
2nd	Jennings M. Hertz, Sr.	<i>To be read on Saturday, April 23:</i>		<i>To be read on May 6:</i>	
	Sidney Needle	16th	Frances Dashevsky	30th	Frederick A. Greenhut, Jr.
	Dr. Nathan Arenson		Sam Lyon		Robley Smith
4th	Donna Ratner		Walter Zitzewitz		
5th	Albert Klein, Sr.	17th	Louis Gates		
6th	Louis Babkoff				

Donation Form

Send this form with your check to:

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Circle one:

In memory of/In honor of

\_\_\_\_\_

**(person's name or event)**

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## April Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 8:00 pm Jazz Shabbat Service	2 Torah Study 9:30 - 11:00 am TBE
3 SJL 9:00-12:15 pm Community Open House 2:00 - 4:00pm	4	5 Torah on Tap New Location Gulf Coast Brewery 500 E. Heinberg 5:30 pm	6 Intro to Judaism 6:30 pm	7 Ron Brummer Lecture at Palafox House 5:30 pm	8 Azalea Trace 4:00 pm Service 7:00 pm Shabbat Services: Thanking FUMC at TBE	9
10 SJL 9:00 -12:15 pm	11 Café Israel Cactus Flower 6:00 pm	12 Israeli Book Club TBE 7:00 pm	13	14 TBE Board Meeting 5:30 pm TBE	15 7:00 pm Shabbat Services	16 Torah Study 9:30 - 11:00 am TBE
17 SJL 9:00-12:15pm  Out of Darkness Reception 6:30pm Performance 7:30pm	18	19 Chai Discussion Group 12:00 pm	20 Sisterhood 11:30 am TBE Intro to Judaism 6:30 pm	21	22 Passover Seder TBE 6:00 pm	23 Shabbat in the Park Bayview 10:00 am
24 SJL 9:00-12:15pm	25	26	27	28	29 7:00 pm Shabbat Services	30