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Many Events at Temple Keeping Us Busy!

It's been a busy and exciting month at Temple Beth El. Congregants as well as visitors from the outside community attended a variety of events. Rabbi Joel hosted a Clergy Open House on Wednesday March 30th. On Thursday March 31st, we hosted the Pensacola Jewish Federation sponsored musical event An Evening with the Artist: Violinist Yevgeny Kutik. Pensacola Jewish Federation then sponsored the third annual Jazz Shabbat on Friday April 1st. We held a Community-Wide Open House on Sunday afternoon April 3rd. On Friday April 8th, Temple Beth El held a "Thank You Shabbat" for our friends at First United Methodist Church. On Sunday evening April 17th, we hosted the Pensacola Opera Center's Holocaust-themed opera Out of Darkness. Finally, the Max L. Bear Auditorium was filled to near capacity for the Temple Beth El seder on April 22nd which was expertly planned by Pat Braunstien and Sisterhood and beautifully led by Rabbi Joel. Each event and service over the past month was very well attended, giving an immeasurable number of people an opportunity to not only participate in interesting, fun, inspiring and spiritual events, but to view and enjoy our newly renovated Temple.

Please remember to support our local Pensacola Symphony Orchestra and the Pensacola Opera! They were both very generous in providing spectacular musical events at no charge for our congregation and the general public.

Emerald Coast Shabbat May 20, 7:00 pm

With last summer's "First Annual Emerald Coast Shabbat" a rousing success, Temple Beth El is excited and honored to welcome the membership of Fort Walton Beach's Temple Beth Shalom to our newly renovated campus. Join with fellow Reform Jews from across Northwest Florida as together we celebrate Shabbat with prayer, song, learning, and friendship. As part of this special evening we will also mark "Baccalaureate Shabbat." Join us in celebrating the accomplishments of our High School Seniors and offering them a blessing for success in all their future endeavors.

# Worship and Torah Study

Friday, May 6 4:00 Azalea Trace 6:00 Shabbat Under the Stars, Jurnovoy Home

Saturday, May 7 Torah Study 9:30 am TBE

Friday, May 13 Services 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 14 McCulley B'nai Mitzvah Services 10:00 am Friday, May 20 Services 7:00 pm Emerald Coast Shabbat and Baccalaureate

Saturday, May 21 Torah Study 9:30 am TBE

Friday, May 27 Services 7:00 pm





Shabbat Under the Stars!

Please join us at the home of Steve and Holly
Jurnovoy for an outdoor Shabbat Service
followed by a covered-dish dinner.

The service will be led by Rabbi Joel and Nick May

Friday May 6, 2016 6:00 p.m. 2713 Del Mar Drive Gulf Breeze

Please bring your family and friends, a dish to share, folding chairs and if possible, a table. Please RSVP to Kathy Smith at (850) 438-3321

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday May 22, 2016 2:00 p.m.

Temple Beth El
Please plan to attend this
very important meeting.
Watch your mail for more information.



### From Tal....

Dear Community,

"Yom" in Hebrew means "a day", just a regular random day. But when you add to it a powerful word, it can change from just a day to something more meaningful. For me, these days, the "Yoms", are the most important days in the year, which make you think, ask, understand, not understand, remember and more than all- FEEL.

I invite you to take part in each one of the special "Yom events" this month:

- \* Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) Commemoration— Thursday, May 5th, 5:30pm, Martin Luther King Plaza. Honored Guest: Molly Gross, Holocaust Survivor and mother of Lori Ripps.
- \* Yom HaZikaron (Memorial day for Israeli soldiers) Commemoration-Sunday, May 15th, II:30am, B'nai Israel Synagogue

\*Yom Ha'atzmaout (Independence Day for Israel) Festival-Sunday, May 15th, 12:15pm, B'nai Israel Synagogue

In Israel, every year, we have the same sharp transition between Memorial Day for the fallen soldiers and the victims of terror attacks, and Independence Day. It makes a person rapidly change from sadness to joy, a sense of creation from destruction. We have decided to do something similar in our community on May 15th and mark these two events one after the other. Please join us for this important "Israeli experience".

Yours as always,

Tal



Sisterhood Meeting

Wednesday, May 18 11:30 am

Sisterhood Board
Installation with
Angela Banker,
Senior Area
Director for GANS
(Georgia, Alabama,
North Carolina and
South Carolina) for
WRJ
Southeast District
Luncheon \$15.00

RSVP: Alice Klein 449-7439 OR gingigingi13@gmail.com

Sisterhood Board
Workshop
10:00 am
with Angela Banker
Discussing successful
strategies for
membership recruitment
and retention

The Pensacola Jewish Federation invites you to mark the end of Passover with a traditional Moroccan celebration!

"MIMOUNA"

BELLY DANCER - MUSIC - SWEETS TRADITIONAL "MUFLETAS"

SO MUCH FUN!
Sunday, May 1, 5:00pm

B'nai Israel Synagogue

1829 N. 9th Avenue, Pensacola RSVP IS NECESSARY No Charge

Cindy Gross- cindyhgross@gmail.com / 850-449-2409

Torah on Tap
Tuesday, May 3
Gulf Coast Brewery
500 E. Heinberg Street
Topic: Bathrooms, Gender Identify, and
Judaism: **Who "Goes" Where?** 

Please join us at our new location Schmoozing: 5:00 pm Learning: 5:30 pm May Shabbat Sponsors

Bimah Flowers
May 13/14 - Liz and Tom
McCulley
Bimah flower sponsors are need
for May 20 and 27
Contact Janet Schilling to
reserve either of these dates.
944-3349

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April 29 - Pat Langnau and Cindi Montero

May 6 - Service and covered dish dinner at Jurnovoy's home May 13 - Liz McCulley in honor of her children's B'nai Mitzvah on May 14

May 20 - Baccalaureate Shabbat and joint service with FWB Temple. Sisterhood Members May 27 - Alice Klein and Pamn Ravenscroft May 2016 Page 3

### Kitchen Kibbitz by Janet Schilling

I hope you are enjoying the new shorter version of the bulletin. I think you will agree that you are still getting all the information you need to take advantage of the many and varied activities at Temple. One of the columns that was eliminated in the interest of brevity was my Kitchen Kibbitz. I have always enjoyed sharing recipes and stories from my kitchen with you. So I was happy that I had a bit of extra space this month to share a great recipe. I made this mandel bread for Passover, but it was so good, I will make it year round. The recipe is from Merrick Girls Weekday Recipes, a food blog I belong to.

Chocolate Chip Mandel Bread

4 eggs 1 c. oil

1 1/2 c. sugar 1 Tbsp. vanilla

1 Tbsp. almond extract 2 c. matzoh cake meal 2 Tbsp. potato starch

1/4 c. orange juice 2 c. chocolate chips

1 tsp. cocoa powder mixed with 1/4 c. sugar

Beat eggs 5 minutes. Add sugar. Gradually add oil, then extracts. Mix dry ingredients and add. Finally add orange juice and chocolate chips. Chill in bowl 2 hours. Divide into 2 logs. Sprinkle tops of logs with cocoa sugar. Bake on parchment paper 35 minutes at 350 degrees. Slice on diagonal into 1/2 inch slices. Carefully turn on sides and sprinkle again with cocoa sugar. Return to oven for 5-10 minutes.

# May Birthdays and Anniversaries

May Birthdays

16th

17th

Chad Engel 1st Hunter Borelli 2nd Jacob Gordon Robin Zimmern Steven Olensky Cindy Hixson-Robles 6th 7th David Loeb Chad Rich 11th Sid Braunstien Summer Boyle Andrew Ochs 13th 14th Alicia Schneider Maya Leshnov

David Bear Cindi Bear Bonner Gabe Lujan 20th Richard Schwartz 21st Joshua Zimmern Heather Rutland

Wesley Landa

Jana Dannheisser

Maya Fleekop Myron Rosenthal 23rd Christopher Brown Cindi Montero 25th

Michael Krys 26th Floyd Nash

27th Jacob Rosenbloum Steve Kass

28th Howard Erskine 29th Melissa Hackel 30th Eliana Rae McCulley

31st Sarah Sacks May Anniversaries

3rd Susan and Alan Sacks 4th Faye and Chip Merritt 5th Penny and Dan Philips Maria and David Goldberg 9th Carol and Ray Engel 14th 15th Robyn and Tony Borelli Joshua and Sara Goldfarb Audrey and Stephen Bernstein 20th Robin and Jeff Schwartz 24th Holly and Steve Jurnovoy 25th Carol and Brad Rosenblatt 26th Andrea and Rabbi Joel Fleekop



Young Jewish Pensacola BBQ & Israeli Humor Monday, May 16 6 - 8 pm

Join with other Jewish 20, 30, and 40 somethings for a delicious BBQ and a chance to learn about the shows, movies, and skits making Israel laugh.

The event will be held at the home of Rabbi Joel and Andrea Fleekop, 417 Warwick St. Gulf Breeze, FL 32561, with the presentation on Israeli Humor led by Tal Itzhakov.

For more information on Young Jewish Pensacola or to RSVP please contact Rabbi Joel at 850-438-3321 or rab-

bi@templebethelofpensacola.org.

### NINTH ANNUAL TEMPLE BETH FI POKER TOURNAMENT

WHEN: Saturday, August 20 WHERE: Temple Beth El 800 N. Palafox Street, Pensacola (Corner of Palafox and Cervantes) TIME: Doors open 4:15 p.m. Play begins 5:00 p.m.

FORMAT: NO LIMIT HOLDEM Re-buys until 7:15 p.m. BUY IN: Pre-Registration \$100.00 (first 100 people)

At the Door \$110.00 Re-buys \$100.00

CHIPS: \$3,000 - Re-buys \$3,000 (\$100)

And a one time \$5,000 add on at 7:00 to 7:15 P.M. (\$100)

BLINDS: Start at 25/50 and go up every 45 minutes until break at 7:00, then 30 minute intervals until 9:00, then 20 minute intervals

REFRESHMENTS: Free Food and cash bar

PRIZES: Top nine players receive deluxe non-monetary prizes

CONTACT INFORMATION: Terry Gross - 434-3333 or 449-1762

> FIRST PLACE PRIZE: Large Green Egg

SECOND PLACE PRIZE: Large Flat screen TV

### Donations

Temple Beth El Fund:

In memory of William Lean, Betty Lean and Maxwell Lean from Marge Wein

In memory of Sandie Weston's mother, Jeanne Ash Schwartz from Stewart and Sandie Weston

Temple Renovation Fund:

In memory of Joe Sacks from Ray and Carol Engel
In memory of Joe Sacks from Terry and Cindy Gross
A donation was made from Lisa Levin Davidson

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

In memory of William Foley from his son Bill Foley A donation was made to the Rabbi's fund from the Kiva Oberstein Trust

A donation was made to the Rabbi's fund from the Pensacola lewish Federation

In memory of "Tiny" and Emma Berlin from Rochelle Simpson

B'nai Mitzvah of Aidan, Eliana and Julian McCulley

We would like to announce the Great B'nai Mitzvah, of our three incredible children on May 14th at 10:00 in the morning. A Kiddush luncheon in the social hall, immediately follows the service.

So you understand, all three of our kids were born in the year 2002! Aidan changing our lives forever in January, Eliana gracing us with her premature birth in May and finally being blessed with Julian, in December. It is such a treat for us to be able to look at our kids and know just how special they are as individuals.



We are a society that makes frequent reference to labels when we describe people. The rub there is that the true, identifying colors of that person's soul is completely overlooked and mistaken. Sometimes that happens when multiples come to the game. Sometimes there is too much expectation on one child and not enough on the others. Even sometimes along the way, there is the danger of no expectations at all.

Watching our children come up in Temple Beth El since they were 4 & 5 years old, has grown into a memory filled with a sense of belonging. There have been a handful of people that have nurtured and educated our children along the path we laid for them. Our prayer is they discover their spiritual faith, as they become adults themselves.

It is interesting to observe in our kids, the amazing grace of irony in stepping up during their pre-teenage years, to seize their very own G-d given tools. It is quite the challenge to be cherished. This ritual of ours, us Jews; goes way back in time. It is a wonder how so many of us have been recognized and considered responsible enough to carry our own, and lead a religious service.

Our first born son Aidan, came barreling into our lives with an incomparable passion. He stole our hearts the instant our arms touched his. He is a master at most things he does and was born knowing right from wrong: yet makes his decisions without restraint. He's thoroughly insightful and boundless in his thought process. He is a truly gifted person, in that he will completely mark his sight and persevere without boundaries. He is a thinker with an analytic brain and an artist in his own right. Aidan is physically and mentally very strong; he's daring and funny, sarcastic, musically inclined and a leader. He is warm and he is completely loving and generous. He essentially has a brilliant mind and discovers new ways to challenge his creativity daily.

Oh my gosh! Five months later, Eliana Rae decided to make her appearance on the scene. She was just a 5 lb. little peanut, with little tiny socks going up her little tiny legs like Go-go boots. She lit up our lives because she has this vivacious way about her, that will get her going in every direction she chooses. She is so methodical and fiercely loyal; Her dreams are painted bigger than her daily planner. Her sense of adventure is truly captivating and builds her desires, as she continually collects experiences. She is witty as all get out and quick as a whip. She is athletic and smart and uses both to get her where she needs to be. Always the nurturer and a story teller. She's always tackling new things, a go getter and always lights up her relationships.

Then there's our youngest son, Julian. Our lives could not ever have been complete without this blessing. Julian was gifted with a strong mind, the art of sense and a love for life. Julian has a very old soul and wears it daily, as his wisdom guides his way. He is everywhere and his keen eye of reading a situation is spot on. When facing something new, he is cautious; many times shy. He allows himself this leisure to assess, then steps in on his terms. He commands respect from his peers and wins over all whom he favors. Julian is a born athlete, constantly discovering his capacity, for all things physical. He's one of the most generous people I know and if I deserted with on an island, I'd want him to be there too. He's brave and dependable, supportive and smart.

We will see you May 14th at 10:00 am

Liz and Tom McCulley

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# May Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 SJL 9:00-12:15 pm Mimouna at B'nai Israel 5:00 pm	2	3 Torah on Tap New Location Gulf Coast Brewery 500 E. Heinberg 5:00 pm	4	5 Yom HaShoah Program 6:00 pm MLK Plaza	6 Azalea Trace 4:00 pm Service 7:00 pm Shabbat Services	7 Torah Study 9:30 - 11:00 am TBE
8 Mother's Day No SJL	9	10	11	12	13 7:00 pm Shabbat Services	14 McCulley Family B'nai Mitzvah 10:00 am
15 SJL 9:00 -12:15 pm Yom Haatzmaut 12:15-2:15 pm <b>B'Nai Israel</b>	16 YJP 6:00-8:00 pm Fleekop Home BBQ and Israeli Humor	17	18 Sisterhood 11:30 am TBE	19	20 7:00 pm Shabbat Services	21 Torah Study 9:30 - 11:00 am TBE AIPAC Program 7:00 pm Bnai Israel
22 SJL 9:00-12:15pm Congregational Meeting 2-3:00 pm	23	24 Chai Discussion Group 12:00 pm	25	26	27 7:00 pm Shabbat Services	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				