

From the Presidents' Desk

May 2009

It's no secret the economy everywhere is poor, and we are all struggling. That includes Beth El Synagogue. In the past year, a number of people have fallen behind in sending in their quarterly membership dues. That in turn creates a significant cash flow problem for us. We are in a precarious situation right now as we near the end of the current fiscal year due to slow payments. We urge everyone to keep up with their membership payments -- even a partial payment would help -- so that we may continue to operate effectively, run the religious school and retain our highly regarded spiritual leader.

That being said, we don't want to lose **any** members especially for financial reasons. If you are having financial difficulties, please don't hesitate to call the office to let us know. No one will pressure you. We want to retain all our members no matter what.



Please mark **Sunday, June 14**, on your calendar. That's the date of our **annual meeting at 6:30 p.m.** Besides election of officers, a budget will be presented and other issues discussed.

The executive board will meet at 6 p.m.

Friday Night Shabbat Service May 15, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

Conducted by Rabbi Eisenberg, Oneg Shabbat will be hosted by Reine Zermati. Please join us.

News in Brief

- The **Stanley M. Mand Lox & Lecture** series is back. **Dr. Ruben Kier**, a noted radiologist and expert astro-photographer, will be the guest speaker on **Sunday, May 17, 10 a.m.**, talking about “A History of Jews in Astronomy.” As always and according to the wishes of the late Stanley Mand, longtime adult education chair, the program is free; but donations will be appreciated to offset the cost of the breakfast. Call the office for more information.

- **Saturday, June 13, 2009, 9:30 a.m.** The congregation is invited to the adult Bat Mitzvah of Joyce Peck and Stephanie Oakan during the Saturday Shabbat Service. A kiddish will follow the service. Joyce and Stephanie will also host the Oneg Shabbat the evening before, June 12, following the monthly Friday Night Shabbat Service at 7.

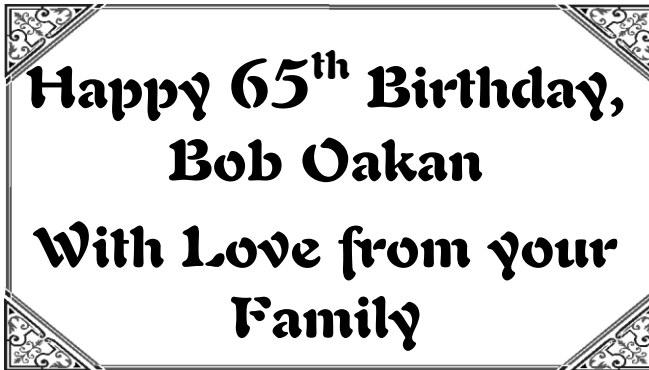
- Many thanks to **Aaron Podos**, who repaired the electrical component to the lawn sign so that now it is lit in the evening. It looks great!

- Happy Birthday to **Jerry Libby**, who celebrated his 70th in April. His family was among the founding members of our synagogue.

Wanted: Hosts for Oneg Shabbats following Friday night Shabbat services in July. We supply wine, juice and challah. Call the office or Joyce Peck to volunteer.



Beth El Blooms



If you'd like to honor someone, send congratulations or thank someone, try a Beth El Bloom for a donation of \$18 in the newsletter or ***The Voice***. Give us the information and we'll do the work.



Get Well, Stay Well

Bea Guralnick

Jeannette Radom

Reine Zermati

Barbara and Ken Weil, parents of Nancy Gottfried



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

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| George Ginsburg | May 2 |
| Tanner Cunningham | May 2 |
| Hope Boonshaft | May 3 |
| Andrew Bergad | May 3 |
| Samantha Regenbogen | May 4 |
| Casey Levine | May 4 |
| Joseph Lynch | May 9 |
| Marcia Lowe | May 9 |
| Danielle Levine | May 10 |
| Brian Denenholtz | May 16 |
| Sarah Freund | May 18 |
| Jonathan Levine | May 19 |
| Dr. Philip Levy | May 20 |
| Stephanie Pelletier | May 24 |
| Milton Rothburd | May 28 |
| Walter Wiener | May 29 |
| Herbert Aronson | May 30 |

Anniversaries

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| Dr. and Mrs. Lanny Moskowitz | May 19 | 23rd |
| Mr. and Mrs. Howard Newman | May 20 | 36th |
| Dr. and Mrs. William Handelman | May 24 | 28th |
| Dr. and Mrs. Jedd Levine | May 25 | 29th |
| Mr. and Mrs. Alan Matisoff | May 27 | 4th |

Yahrzeits

Light the memorial candle the night before. *These names have been inscribed on the memorial tablets.

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| Joseph Paletsky* | May 1 |
| Heime Stemple* | May 3 |
| Benjamin Wolk* | May 3 |
| Fivel Smith | May 4 |
| Dinah Bernstein | May 5 |
| Morris Smith* | May 6 |
| Odes Karasyk | May 7 |
| William Mayer | May 7 |
| Laura Weitz | May 8 |
| Rose Levin | May 9 |
| Nathan Shapiro | May 9 |
| Max Glasser | May 10 |
| Charles B Stewart | May 10 |
| Rose Chwasky | May 12 |
| Isaac Kaplowitz | May 12 |
| David Ben Natan | May 15 |
| Irene Sander | May 15 |
| Ruth Fuer | May 16 |
| Donald Haupt | May 16 |
| Libby Sammet | May 16 |
| Ann Lefsky | May 17 |
| Mier Anchel | May 18 |
| Barnett Carlin | May 19 |
| Jenny Libby Kurtz | May 19 |
| Rebecca Corb | May 22 |
| Gertrude Buxbaum Klegerman | May 22 |
| Anna Maskowsky | May 22 |
| David Schimerling | May 22 |
| Louis Silverman | May 22 |
| Ann Cohen | May 24 |
| Herbert Bernstein | May 25 |
| Leo Kabachnick* | May 26 |
| Abraham Temkin* | May 26 |
| Anna Goldman* | May 28 |
| Mae W. Haupt | May 28 |
| Leah Libby* | May 28 |
| Moses Libby* | May 28 |
| Meyer Gerson | May 29 |
| Elsie Hahn | May 30 |
| George Hahn | May 30 |
| Sophie Markwald | May 30 |
| Samuel Israel | May 31 |
| Anna Rudolph | May 31 |
| Samuel Akiba Spitz | May 31 |