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FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

By Rabbi Alan B. Lucas



A Sukkah Riddle

Riddle: How can things be exactly alike but no two are the same?

Answer: Build a *sukkah* and find out!

Last year there was an amazing experiment that became known as *Sukkah City*. It was a *sukkah* design competition where architects around

the world were invited to submit designs that all met the exact same stipulations that were set out by the traditional *halacha* for a *sukkah* but each and everyone of them were radically different. 600 entries were received and each had to be vetted by a rabbi to pass on it being kosher. "It's the first kosher thing I've ever done," joked Henry Grossman, an architect based in Queens who is Jewish, when he learned that his *sukkah* had passed rabbinic muster. In the end 12 winning designs were chosen and built and put on display in Union Square Park.

Some of the world's finest architects served as judges. The resulting designs were extremely radical – one resembled an inflatable pool toy, yet another made of cardboard signs printed by homeless people, a third was a log *sukkah* which balanced an 18-foot tree trunk atop walls made entirely of glass. None of them looked anything like the traditional booths erected outside most of our homes during *sukkot*, yet all of them fulfilled the exact same *halachic* requirements that ours do.

Some were rejected as being a little too far out – like the one that took an existing subway entrance and put some sticks over it. So you would be sitting on the stairs, in your *sukkah*, and people would be walking through on their way to the subway! The judges also eliminated a proposal for a taxicab *sukkah*!

The project was so successful that it is spreading to other cities this year – and contests are being held in St. Louis and Toronto to name a few. Places like London and Melbourne and San Francisco have expressed interest.

But what I find most fascinating about this project is that while limited by the same *halachik* requirements – confined by the same rules of construction – these *sukkot* are so radically different from each other. It is the same thing that always amazes and impresses me when we participate on our annual TBS *Sukkah* hop (which this year will be right after Services on Shabbat October 15) as we visit the various *sukkot* built by TBS families in the neighborhood. Each and every one conforms to the traditional laws that have guided the building of *sukkot* for the last 2000 years. But no two of them are alike. Each captures the unique spirit and personality of the family that built it.

This to me is what Jewish life and living is all about. The rules give each of us the framework to build our unique lives. Halacha is not a constraint but a foundation upon which to build. The purpose of Jewish law and Jewish living is not conformity – just the opposite – once the rules are internalized and respected the creativity can begin.

How can something be exactly alike – but no two are the same? That could be the title question for the Jewish enterprise itself. Each of us confronts our commonality and our uniqueness. Each of us strives to participate in the age-old traditions of our people and yet infuse them with our own unique personalities and insights.

This is the challenge of being Jewish and this is its great joy as well. This may be one reason that *Sukkot* is called – *Hag Simchateinu* – the holiday of our rejoicing. I look forward to rejoicing with you as we celebrate together the joy of *Sukkot*.

L'Shanah Tova Kol Nidre-October 7 Yom Kippur-October 8



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

By Marc Magid



5772 Will Be a Great Year at TBS!

As we usher in the Days of Awe with Rosh Hashanah at Temple Beth Sholom, I realize just how fortunate all of us are to be able to participate in our spiritually uplifting services. I'm sure you will agree with me that the High Holy Days are especially beautiful and meaningful here at TBS. There

are so many different ways in which we are able to *daven* in this wonderful congregation: There are traditional religious services and sermons from the pulpit, as well as separate, more intimate, sessions on various topics with our clergy and educators outside of the sanctuary in our Ohel, our spiritual "tent."

The many options at TBS, not only on the High Holy Days, but throughout the year, are an important part of what makes our beloved synagogue so special. Perhaps I should call it "Spirituality Your Way," all within Conservative Judaism observance. There are traditional Shabbat and holiday services with our rabbis and cantor; Friday Night Live! services accompanied by our choir and live band; Family Shabbat morning services for school-age children, their parents and siblings; children's services, and services for tiny tots! There are morning and evening services every day, and early-morning *Yizkor* services for those whose schedules preclude attending regular morning services on some of our Festivals.

Here at TBS, we go a long way to accommodate our members and their busy lives. We are always looking for new and exciting ways to engage you in our many offerings: whether it is the Hartman Institute for studying our tradition on Sunday mornings; the new Queens College lecture and panel discussion series we offered in September; or the new Hazak adult social and cultural group started in May. Participants enjoyed dinner, Jewish films, and discussions at gatherings that were so well received they continued through the summer! We extend our thanks and appreciation to Deborah Brosowsky, chair, and her wonderful committee.

In June, 15 adult congregants culminated two years of preparation in a poignant B'nai Mitzvah ceremony during Shabbat services. Soon we may launch another class for adults – men and women – who desire to achieve this important rite of passage. If you are interested, please contact our Lifelong Learning Director, Gila Hadani Ward.

Let's Enjoy the Fall Festivals

During October, our congregation will be focused on observing Yom Kippur and celebrating the festivals of Sukkot and Simchat Torah. Please join me on our Sukkah Hop after services on Saturday, October 15, when we will tour sukkahs of congregants who live walking distance from TBS. Since it will be lunchtime, we will grab a bite to eat— a little *nosb*— at each sukkah. It is always great fun for the entire family.

On Sunday, October 16, Rabbi Lucas will host members of the Rabbi's Circle in his sukkah. If you're able to increase your annual Fair Share contribution to our synagogue to the Rabbi's Circle level, please join us at this lovely acknowledgement event.

Three Congregants Will Be Honored

On Simchat Torah, we will have the pleasure of honoring three dedicated members of our congregation: James Schlesinger, Phyllis Fried Goldenberg and Beatrice Karten. Please join us at services on Friday morning, October 21, when we recognize them for their efforts on behalf of our synagogue community as part of our festival observance. An invitation is forthcoming.

I would like to remind you that the Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education, directed by our esteemed member, Florence Meyer, in memory of her brother, Rabbi Herbert Tarr, begins with an opening lecture and registration on Sunday night, October 23. Brett Stephens, the Wall Street Journal's Foreign Affairs Columnist and former Jerusalem Post chief editor, will address: "The Aftermath: A Look at the Middle East as the Arab Spring Turns to Fall." The Herbert Tarr Institute will continue for six Monday-night sessions beginning on October 31. Florence puts together an excellent series of mini courses taught by area rabbis, followed by lectures featuring prominent speakers on stimulating topics. TBS is honored to serve as the site for this year's Institute, which is open to the entire North Shore Jewish community.

We at TBS are proud of the many leaders of Jewish organizations emanating from Temple Beth Sholom. Our immediate past Sisterhood president, Molly Chernofsky, has become the President of the Brooklyn-Queens-Long Island (BQLI) Region of Women's League, where she has responsibility for 62 temple Sisterhoods. I hope you will join me in congratulating Molly on her new position.

As you can see, there are many opportunities for you and your family to participate in the religious, cultural and social life of Temple Beth Sholom. I'd like to remind you that our clergy are always available to you, especially in a time of need, and request that you notify the office when a member of your family is ill or in the hospital so that they may visit and support you and your loved ones.

Communication between us is essential if we at TBS are to serve your needs and those of the larger Jewish community. I am looking forward to updating you on our *shul's* priorities for the coming year when I address the congregation on Kol Nidre.

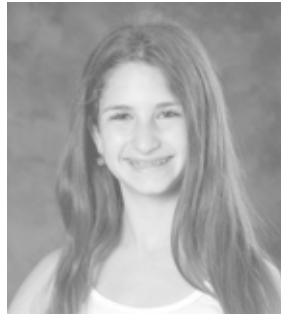
Shalom chaverim, Shalom friends,
Marc Magid



B'NAI MITZVAH



SARAH SILVERMAN
Daughter of
Stacey & Mark
October 15



JORDAN POLLACK
Daughter of
Ellen & Josh
October 16



DREW BALBERA
Son of
Eileen & Gregg
October 22



RACHEL WECHSLER
Daughter of
Denise & Adam
October 22



ANNIE ROSE
Daughter of
Laurie & David
October 29

*To our Beth Sholom family
Best wishes for a happy and sweet new year!*

Rob Salzbank & Family

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WHAT IS THE SOUND OF YOUR SOUL

By Rabbi Cecelia Beyer

When I was in college, I attended the Hillel Leaders Assembly. Held in a beautiful Jewish summer camp in the Pocono Mountains, the week long conference was an intense and wonderful experience in which Jewish student leaders of all kinds joined together in learning, training, and action.

Toward the end of the conference came Shabbat, and those of us who had been working together on various social action projects and leadership training activities went our “separate ways” to celebrate Shabbat. There were, if I recall, no fewer than four separate minyanim: Orthodox, Conservative, Classical Reform, and Renewal.

We began with candle lighting and a melody all as one, and just as we were about to split up, Richard Joel, then President and International Director of Hillel, said something I will never forget: “This is my favorite moment. Each of you will go to a different service and will pray slightly differently. But I will remain here, in the center of camp, for this is indeed my favorite moment. There may be four separate services in four separate places with four separate voices, but right here, in the middle of camp, I will sit, and I tell you what I will see: your four separate services mingling together right here and going up to God as one.”

This image of perfect pluralism has always stayed with me, and I see it here at TBS as well. On any given day of the week, there can be classes, meetings, and social activities going on in various parts of the building, each with its own flavor (and sometimes, each with its own catering); yet as each class, meeting, or activity raises its collective voice, as each leaves our building and ascends to the heavens, I know they combine into one strong, beautiful voice that reaches God as one.

On any given Shabbat, with all of our wonderful children and family services, we can also, just as Richard Joel did, stand in the center of the synagogue building and almost literally see our prayers, from the main sanctuary, the Mini-Minyan, Mishpacha Minyan, Minyan Yeladeinu, and even the sounds of our greeting each other in the lobby – mingle together and ascend to God as one joyful prayer.

This year I am excited to offer one more voice to our collective prayer. This *Rosh Chodesh Heshvan*, October 29th, will be the first meeting of our new Minyan Nafsheinu. Minyan Nafsheinu, the minyan “for the soul” will be an intimate, spiritual service filled with song and *kavannah* which will meet once a month in the library. Minyan Nafsheinu will begin at 9:15 am with a short parasha study session, followed by a participatory Shacharit service at 9:30 am. Song and prayer will be interspersed with kavannot and insights into the service as well as moments for discussion and reflection. Minyan Nafsheinu will conclude by 10:45 am, at which time all are invited to join the main sanctuary service for the rabbi’s sermon and musaf. This minyan is for your soul, and for your voice. I hope you will join us in this new exciting prayer opportunity and together we will add another harmonious layer to the voice we as a community offer to God.

Psalm 150 encourages us to praise The Holy One with as many different instruments as we can muster, to dance, and to finally, praise God with our very soul, the life-breath that God has given us. Let us together make an orchestra! I wish each and every one of you, members of my TBS family, a happy and sweet, *harmonious* New Year!

To enhance your observance of Sukkot ORDER YOUR ETROG AND LULAV SETS

Sukkot begins Wednesday night, October 12

**To order call the Temple office
621-2288**

**Deadline for all orders:
Sunday, October 9, 10:00 AM
Sets are \$40 each**

**Pick up for all sets:
Monday, October 10, 7:15-9:00 PM
and
Tuesday, October 11, 7:15-9:00 PM**





DERECH: LIFELONG LEARNING AT TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

By Gila Hadani Ward, Director of Lifelong Learning

Parenting is a tricky business. TV Moms made it look so easy. June Cleaver (“The Beav’s mom”), who cooked a 3 course breakfast and vacuumed in her pearls. Carol Brady, the hip mom who sewed costumes for all of her 6 kids and still had time to run potato sack races in the

backyard! These were the role models I grew up with.

But times are different (they were probably a little different than the TV moms back then, too). In a world where children are facing greater and greater pressures, both academically and socially, where the internet provides our children with both wonderful opportunities as well as a world with no boundaries, parents need to think about what it is we are teaching our children, what we are modeling for them and how we are shaping them.

And where does Judaism fit in? How do I integrate it into my life and that of my family?

If you have questions like this (and if you didn’t before, maybe you do now), I want to invite you to join me on Thursday November 3, 2011 as Temple Beth Sholom, Temple Sinai and the Sid Jacobson JCC present An Evening with Wendy Mogel.

Dr. Wendy Mogel is an internationally acclaimed clinical psychologist, parenting expert and the author of the *New York Times* bestselling parenting book, *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee*. Her new book, *The Blessing of a B Minus*, is about raising teenagers. A popular keynote speaker, she lectures widely at conferences and schools. What makes Dr. Mogel different from the myriad of parenting “experts” that exist is that she bases her parenting and child-rearing techniques on Jewish teachings. Her approach emanates from her own Jewish journey and her own struggle to bring meaning and depth in to the lives of her children and family.

Dr. Mogel is world renowned and her approach has struck chords with both Jewish and non-Jewish audiences. Together, we realize the importance of **faith and spirituality in our lives and in the lives of our families.**

The program begins at **7:30PM at Temple Sinai**. Tickets are available for sale in the Temple Beth Sholom office. We are also selling Dr. Mogel’s two books at TBS for a discount if you want to “read up” before the talk.

Looking forward to seeing you on November 3!

Temple Beth Sholom USY At-A-Glance
October 2011
(does not include Hebrew High School Sessions or Gimme 10)

Monday October 17
Machon and USY Sukkah Dinner
7:30-8:30

Tuesday October 25
Machar (Grades 4 and 5)
Opening Program
6 – 7:15PM

Thursday October 27
Kadima (Grades 6 and 7)
Opening Program
6 – 7:15PM

USY (Grades 8-12)
Program Night 7:30 – 9PM

Saturday October 29
METNY USY Kickoff Boatride
(Grades 9-12)
Pier 83, \$55 includes transportation

For More Information on any of these great programs
-Contact Loen at youth@tbsroslyn.org

HERBERT TARR INSTITUTE

By Florence Meyer

The opening session of The Herbert Tarr Institute, co-sponsored with AIPAC, will be held on **Sunday evening, October 23rd, 7:15 P.M.**, at Temple Beth Sholom. (Please note that this is the only Sunday evening the Institute will meet--all the rest of the sessions will be held on Monday evenings.)

Bret Stephens, the brilliant wall street journal columnist and former editor-in-chief of The Jerusalem Post will deliver the keynote address: “The Aftermath: A look at the middle east as the Arab spring turns to fall.”

As usual, we have a most interesting and informative series of lectures which follow the excellent classes taught by our participating Rabbis, all of which will be held on Monday evenings.

Herbert Tarr October Class

Monday, October 31st--“Sacred Trash: The lost and found world of the Cairo Geniza” Adina Hoffman & Peter Cole, Co-authors, will illuminate this enormously significant accidental historical find by two Scottish sisters.

FROM MBS

By Gila Hadani Ward, Director of Lifelong Learning

As I write this article, I am watching the seniors arrive for their Hebrew High School classes. They are pale, exhausted and stressed out. They have a lot on their mind – most notably, the college admission and selection process. While they often share their angst about the process with us, I feel it is our obligation to talk to them about Jewish life on campus and what their choices mean for them as Jews.

I share with you excerpts from a wonderful article written by my friend and colleague at the United Synagogue, Rich Moline. It gives us another view of this process – one that is too important to overlook.

B'Shalom, Gila

Choosing a College From a Jewish Perspective

By Richard S. Moline

A first year college student, worried about where he will go for the high holidays, phones home from his Midwestern university just prior to Rosh Hashanah; the few Jewish students on campus are not particularly organized and he does not know whom to call to see if there is a synagogue nearby. At a small liberal arts college, a student tells her parents that she has a midterm during Pesach and will not be able to go home for the s'darim because her professor will not let her delay the test. Another student at a large state school talks about anti-Semitic speakers who are often paid from the student activities fund (i.e., tuition dollars).

Panicked, concerned parents all too often find out that little, if anything, can be done to help their child. "If only we had known," they proclaim, "we would have pointed them towards a different school." Frustrated, students may spend a miserable semester or year, or even find themselves transferring to another school where they might feel more comfortable being Jewish.

The college selection process, while opening doors to unparalleled growth and exploration, can also be very stressful and trying. Scores of books are published each year providing students and their parents with information on various schools, their academic requirements, financial aid, and other concerns. Most families explore these areas quite carefully while neglecting to consider the availability of any Jewish programming or community...

There are certain questions each Jewish family must ask when looking at schools. It is important to know in advance the population and percentage of Jewish students on campus. While students should not limit themselves to only Jewish friends and acquaintances, it is comforting to know that there will be others with similar backgrounds who share common experiences. It is just as essential to know which institutions on campus are available to support the Jewish population.

- Is there an active Hillel Foundation (or its equivalent)?
- Who are the professional staff?

- What Shabbat and holiday activities, student groups, kosher meal plans, etc. are offered?
- Is there a KOACH group for Conservative Jewish students? Is there a Jewish community nearby?
- Are there job possibilities in a local synagogue as a religious school teacher or USY adviser?
- Are Jewish studies courses offered?
- Will your student be able to receive credit for a year of study in Israel?
- How does the university respect Jewish observance in relation to the school's calendar? ...

Moreover, parents and children need to discuss Jewish issues prior to attending college (whether living at home or on campus). What are the expectations in terms of inter-dating? Where should a student run if confronted by a missionary? For which holidays is the student expected to be home?

... As a final step in the decision-making process, visit the campus. Arrive towards the end of the week in order to observe classes and ensure appointments with university personnel. Make arrangements to stay on the campus for Shabbat. This often serves as a barometer of Jewish life.

Students should feel secure in knowing that their Judaism need not be compromised at the college of their choice. With prior investigation and dialogue, students should be able to graduate, not only with a diploma, but with their Jewish identity intact.



SAVE THE DATE

Temple Beth Sholom in partnership
with
Sid Jacobson JCC and Temple Sinai

present Dr. Wendy Mogel
NY Times Best Selling Author and
Leading
Clinical Psychologist

Thursday November 3 at 7:30 PM
At Temple Sinai

Tickets \$25/ members \$18/ \$30 at the
Door

Sponsorships Available

Purchase Dr. Mogel's books at a
discounted price
The Blessing of A Skinned Knee \$12
The Blessing of A B Minus \$18

See TBS Office for details

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

By Sharon Solomon, Religious School Director



During the month of October we celebrate Sukkot and Simchat Torah. The Religious School has a wonderful Sukkah Happening where every student has the opportunity to create beautiful decorations for our Temple Sukkah. Every year we take recyclable materials and along with our wonderful art teacher and students create beautiful art for our Sukkah. This year we asked our families to bring hangers so that we could create mobiles. Todah Raba in advance to Francine Weinman and Felice Bergman, our PTA Co-Presidents, and all the parents who assisted in the decorations and making our Sukkah a sensation!

Our Zayin (7th grade) students had a Rosh Hashana Shofar workshop, as well as a Yom Kippur workshop on Teshuva with Rabbi Cecelia Beyer. The students studied the concepts of Teshuvah, Tefillah and Tzedakah followed by a discussion about the meaning of Teshuvah and the process of forgiveness. The students studied in Chavruta - study groups - and learned about forgiveness from each other. It is amazing to see the level of sensitivity and understanding our students display. It is empowering to see how much our students learn from one another.

We began the October Mitzvah of the Month helping the JCC Food Pantry in the Five Towns. We have been in partnership with this organization for many years. We have been able to continue our support and supply non-perishable items to those less fortunate. We, at Temple Beth Sholom can always be relied on to help. I am proud of our students and families for helping our neighbors in need and always answering the call for a helping hand! May we continue to grow in Mitzvot and help our neighbors and each other!

Chodesh Tov!

Upcoming Events for October

- October 2nd
Sukkah Happening/Decorating
(Gan, Aleph, Bet, Gimel)
- October 3rd
Yom Kippur Workshop with Rabbi Cecelia Beyer
(Zayin)
- October 4th
Sukkah Happening/Decorating
(Daled & Hay)
- October 6th
Sukkah Happening/Decorating
(Vav)
- October 9th
PTA Sukkah Decorating

2011 Recipient of the Barbanel Award



Elise Kitaeff Babanel
award recipient for
2010-2011

Celebrate Simchat Torah

Friday, October 21, 2011
and help us honor these special people who have served our synagogue in very special ways:

Honorees:

James Schlesinger
Beatrice Karten
Phyllis Fried Goldenberg



Honoring Paula Margulis



Paula Margulis, chair of Board of Education and Sharon Solomon, Religious School Director, accepted a UJA award this past June 2011 in honor of Partnership 2000.

The Religious School has been blessed with a ten year long partnership with our sister school in Yad Ha'Moreh in Jerusalem. Temple Beth Sholom has been fortunate to have had programming and visits to Israel because of a UJA grant, Temple Beth Sholom has been fortunate to have had programming and visits to Israel because of this grant. We are grateful to UJA for their support of Temple Beth Sholom and our Religious School.



EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

By Helayne Cohen, Early Childhood Center Director

The 2011 - 2012 school year has just begun, and we are already getting inquiries for 2012 - 2013! Families are eager to secure a spot for their children; and the tours have begun. When parents come to see the Early Childhood Center, I am often asked, "what makes your school different from others?" I am always excited to tell them about all that is going on at our school.



We love our jewels

Our developmentally appropriate curriculum uses the latest research and best practices in child development and early childhood education. Our teachers integrate curriculum content within the classroom and on the playground including Jewish learning, social and emotional development, literacy, mathematics, science, social studies and the arts.

These are very important reasons to send your children to our school, but as the tour continues, I don't have to say much. I just have to bring them into a classroom. Each one, filled with joyous children, actively exploring their environment and learning as they play and socialize with one another.

Our teachers, with their knowledge of early childhood education, as well as their love of young children are

professional, hard working and caring. They challenge each other and continue to bring fresh ideas to our children. They are the backbone of our school. Also on staff are a music, movement



Building friendships

and science specialist. Our enrichment programs include classes relating to the fields of cooking, music, math, sports, science/nature and gymnastics.

Another thing that parents note during the tour is our beautiful building. We have a wonderful, state of the art facility complete with a beautiful, shaded

playground and an indoor playroom fully equipped for the development of large motor skills. Each week, our 3 and 4 year old children visit with the Rabbi in the chapel where they sing, hear a story and welcome Shabbat. Our Rabbis visit our classrooms and interact with the children on a regular basis. Sharon Solomon, our religious school principal, joins our 4 year olds on a weekly basis to impart



Helping hands

her knowledge of Hebrew. So much learning taking place!!

Families are an integral part of our school and the synagogue. Our Parent Association actively works on behalf of our school. We have many exciting programs planned for the year including Pizza in the Hut for Sukkot, in-class Chanukah parties, Hooray for Havdalah, our Shema PJ Party and much, much more. We have classes for children starting at 12 months old through pre-kindergarten. And this year, we will be offering a transition class for those children not quite ready to be in our two year old program.

There is so much going on here at the Early Childhood Center. Please tell your family, friends and neighbors about our program. Drop by the preschool office, call us at 621-1171 or email me at hcohen@tbsroslyn.org. I look forward to giving you a tour of our amazing school.

As our celebration of the fall Jewish holidays continues, all of us here wish all of you Chag Sameach.

Important Dates at the Early Childhood Center For October

Oct. 7 Friday
Erev Yom Kippur (No Classes)

Oct. 10 Monday
Columbus Day (No Classes)

Oct. 13-14 Thur-Fri
Sukkot Holiday (No Classes)

Oct. 20-21 Thur-Fri
Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah (No Classes)

Oct. 27 Thursday
Fall Professional Day (No Classes)

For inquiries about our school, call us at (516) 621-1171



JTS Inaugurates Unique, Fully Funded Semester in Israel

Defining Israel's place in American Jewish identity and education is one of the greatest challenges facing Jewish educators today, and The Jewish Theological Seminary's William Davidson Graduate School of Jewish Education—America's largest pluralistic school of Jewish education—is responding. The 2011–2012 academic year marks the start of Keshet Hadash (New Connection), an innovative Semester-in-Israel program in the field of Israel Education.

The landmark program, which is fully funded by The Davidson School, will send 10 students to Israel for five months, where they will take part in a 12-credit Israel Education curriculum. Geared toward first-year students in The Davidson School's master's degree programs and students who will join the programs in fall 2012, Keshet Hadash will be an exclusive opportunity to spend a semester in Israel and take part in a groundbreaking and intensive program.

The Keshet Hadash program is designed to expose Jewish educators who already have some expertise in Israel Education to a markedly more comprehensive yet practical experience of life and education in the Jewish State.

Academic Courses: Keshet Hadash students will explore the philosophies and pedagogies of cutting-edge approaches to teaching about Israel in different educational settings. They will deepen their knowledge of Israel's history, culture, sociology, and politics, while studying with Israelis who are also training to become Jewish educators. Together, these new colleagues will learn about the challenges they share and the differences among them.

An Experiential Program: Keshet Hadash students will intern in Israeli schools, experiencing the thrill of Jewish education in an immersive Hebrew environment, and gain insights into the nuances of the Israeli education system.

Hebrew Immersion: Keshet Hadash students will experience a radical new approach to Hebrew language instruction. The experiential *ulpan* will help them make great strides in their command of Hebrew. They will also take part in social activism programs alongside Israelis.

The Experience of Living in Israel: Keshet Hadash students will live in one of the beautiful neighborhoods of South Jerusalem, where they will be able to enjoy daily and Shabbat experiences like no other. They will spend Shabbatot at Kibbutz Hanaton, a remarkable new pluralist Jewish educational community in the Galilee.

The Keshet Hadash program is the result of a generous gift from the Jim Joseph Foundation Education Initiative, which provided a total of \$45 million in grants to JTS, Yeshiva University, and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for the purpose of increasing the numbers and enhancing the quality of Jewish educators working with Jewish youth and young adults in North America.

For more information on the Keshet Hadash program, The Davidson School, or supporting JTS, please contact Gwynne Wicks at (212) 678-8866 or gwwicks@jtsa.edu.

INTRODUCING ARCHIE RAND

Paintings from the Bible



Aaron



Elijah



Moses



Sacrifice of Isaac



Adam & Eve

To view the entire exhibit please visit www.tbsroslyn.org

ARCHIE RAND MUSEUM OPENING

By Bat-Sheva Slavin, Museum Curator

This exhibition is dedicated to the memory of Carl Freyer “(I) had the feeling that it (creating Jewish themed works) had not come from me, but through me – that I had been the instrument of god. I think every good artist *who ever lived gets that feeling when he does the work he really has to do.*”
-Archie Rand

Archie Rand – Three Major Works

Archie Rand is recognized as one of the most forward pioneer, among American Jewish artists of the 20th century. These artists have opened a new barely recognized and not yet sorted –out chapter in the history of Jewish American art both because of their turn to ancient texts for inspiration and subject matter and because of their open embrace of their Jewish heritage. He is arguably the best known, most important, most imaginative, and most prolific among this group as well as the artist most willing to take risks. (1)

In 1966 while still a teenager, Rand had his first solo show at Tibor de Nagy Gallery in NYC. He continued to strike a risky path with his *Letter Painting* (1967-1971), featuring the names of African American musicians, his unique pioneering style of obstruction and text, was letter followed by others. His massive commission, to create murals at Syrian-Jewish Synagogue, B’nei Yosef in Brooklyn, took three years to complete, from 1974-1977. It was the first time, since second century Dura-Europas, that a synagogue has been completely covered in thematic murals. After considerable controversy the murals were declared “kosher” by the undisputed Talmudic legal scalar of the day, Rabbi Moshe Feinstein. Other synagogue and mural commissions had followed.



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Since then Rand has been established as the leading proponent of Biblical and Hebrew liturgical content in modern art. It has been frequently referenced that no painter since Marc Chagall has attempted so vest a digestion of Jewish culture. (2), (3) He has continued to successfully approach, and dissolve, the division between advance secular aesthetics and an unconventional, and uncompromised, Jewish extract.

Rand is known for being most productive artist of the era, creating over 1000 Jewish themed

art works between 1972 till present. His numerous series includes, *The Seven Days of Creation*, *The Nineteen and Had Gadya*. In 2008, Rand completed his major, public endeavor, a 1700 square feet painting, based on the 613 commandments, drew many noteworthy responses. According to Rabbi Laura



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Geller, “Archie Rand’s monumental installation... both delights and challenges. It is provocative, stimulating...and playful, in the best tradition of midrash, Jewish commentary and sacred text.” Art critic, Eleanor Heartney writes, “Archie Rand’s ability to reimagine biblical and spiritual truths in the language of contemporary culture makes him that rare individual-

an artist who communicates across diverse generations, cultures and religious affiliations. His work reminds us that art has the ability to simultaneously delight, educate provoke thoughts.”(4)

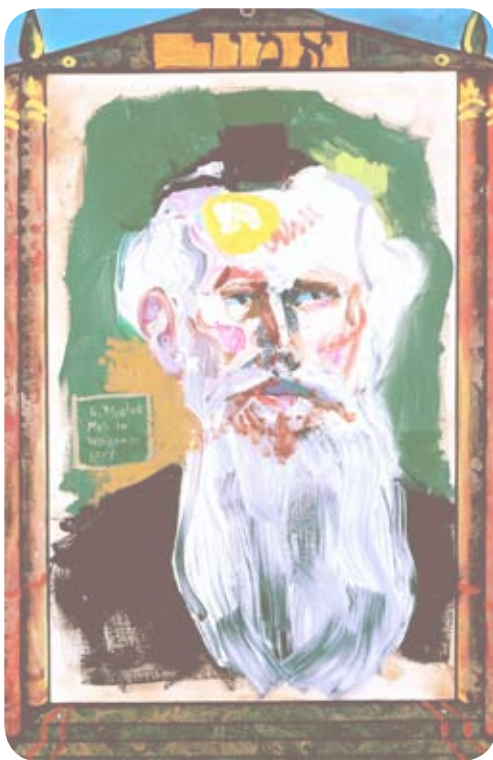
The Rabbi Ario S. and Tess Hyams Judaica Museum is delighted to host this exhibition “Archie Rand – Three Major works”, in which three of his most important, and revolutionary series of works will be exhibited at the same time at the same place. The exhibit will include: *The 54 Chapter Paintings*, a selection from the provocative *Sixty Painting from the Bible* and the energetic series *Psalm 68*.

The 54 Chapter Paintings (1989)

Rand’s pioneering 1989 series “The 54 Chapter Paintings”, which dedicated one painting to each of the 54 sections of the Hebrew Bible, instigated curator Norma kleeblatt’s groundbreaking 1996 “Too Jewish” exhibition at the Jewish Museum (NYC) and traveled to other sites. Rand’s 54 Chapter Paintings anchored this landmark show, which initially strove to provide context to Rand’s inexplicable achievement. The exhibition generated an unprecedented amount of media interest, focusing on the esthetics of Jewish subject matter. Post –modern art historians and contemporary theoretical positions acknowledge this exhibition as being a pivotal event, which introduced Jewish themes and issues into current discursive dialogue.(5) Rand painted what he felt was visually the most significant image for each Parasha; What he calls “the visual Key”. As with any discourse on the Torah, the specific leads to the central knowledge. In a sense, each painting becomes a Parokhet or ark curtain of the Torah, and then opens and leads us to the inner meaning. The painted Roman arced frames surrounding each image(labeled on top with its Hebrew title) reflect the Torah ark...The faux-jewels encrusted in the pediment of the frames are symbolic of the ornate finials and breastplates that embellish the Torah.(6)

Sixty Paintings from the Bible (1992)

Rand's cartoon-style *Sixty Paintings from the Bible* Marks the first significant merger of his cartoon style, which he had previously used in "non-Jewish" works, with biblical subjects... Rand wants to show that the Bible is really a book filled with interesting human stories that can recall episodes in our daily life as well as a book filled with Moral values.(7) in a review of "Archie Rand: Iconoclast" exhibition at Yeshiva University Museum in New York, Menachem Wecker remarks; that the series



Emor

takes scenes from the bible, illustrates them with classical compositions, expressionist, almost cartoony lines, and bold pastel colors. The images contain speech bubbles that convey what the biblical characters really said... to Archie this playful synthesis of cartoon and Biblical stories...by creating a patchwork of different styles... provides a 'way of compensating for the inability of the English to get at the Hebrew text' all in cartoon bubble form.(8)

Psalm 68 (1994)

Psalm 68 consist of 36 paintings, each encompassing a block of English text encased in an abstract representation. Deliberately choosing a difficult text, thirty-six verses long and complex.(9) Rand continually challenges the viewer with his interpretation of Jewish content steamed from his deep convictions: "the world is a lonely place. As Jews we need to feel that God is sharing some special teaching or even some conversation with us so that we



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are reassured that god cares. Those conversations for which we yearn convey God's respect for our secret avenues. God dotes lovingly on our imagination knowing that, in faith, it expands glory and further demarcates holiness."(10)

Archie Rand is a startling original: his extraordinary work combines radical contemporary wit with the radiance of an illuminated manuscript, in which word, form, color and spirit fuse.

He is a master of every conceivable technique forged out of imagination- he can elevate the cartoon to a commandment; he can transmute the Hebrew alphabet into fiery sparks, or dark interiors; his colors roar like Sinai. He stands among the very few courageously dedicated painters of our times for whom the idea of **Jewish Artists** is not a willing oxymoron, but a passionate and holy embrace. (11)

It is with much **kavod** and **kavanah** for the New Year 5772, that the Rabbi Ario S. and Tess Hyams Judaica Museum presenting "Archie Rand – Three Major Works".



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MEN'S CLUB MADNESS SISTERHOOD SCOOP

By Joe Bruck, President

Welcome all back from our summer hiatus. The Men's Club season kick-offs on Thurs. Sept 15 with festive meal at 7 P.M. followed by an excellent speaker, Bob Lippert, film historian and Advertising Exec. who will speak on The famous stand-up comedians of our time (Milton Bearle, Alan King, etc) . This should be an interesting event. Thanks Larry Atlas for his work in arranging this. We will soon release the date for our next defensive driving course (end of October to mid November) which has become increasingly more popular with our Temple members. Everyone could always use a savings from our insurance companies. November continues to be a busy month. Our first paid-up membership dinner is slated for November 1 followed by a tour and tasting event on Sunday November 20 of the largest Vineyard on the North Fork. More to follow on this event in the future. We want to thank all Men's Club members for their participation in the forthcoming High Holiday services as Ushers and Security personnel. We will let you know more about future events at a later date

Lashana Tova to all!

LIBRARY NEWS

By Laura Schutzman, Librarian

I hope you are having an enjoyable holiday season and want to again encourage everyone to come look at our extensive new collection of adult and children's books in our Temple Beth Sholom Library.

We have multiple award-winning and nominated books, as well as books hot-off-the-presses. We also have a new section on parenting Jewish teenagers as well as a number of new biographies and novels by Jewish authors, including Shawn Green*former MLB Baseball player and Lucette Lagnado, author of *The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit*.

Feel free to stop in and borrow a book or just browse. If you do have special requests please email me at Laura.Schutzman@gmail.com and I will try to accommodate everyone. Don't forget our Book Fair on Sunday, December 11, 2011 at 9:00 am.

By Beth Eichenholtz & Mahvash Zarabi, Co-Sisterhood Presidents

Do you want a place to meet your peers, whether they be young, senior, or somewhere in between? Do you want a group to schmooze with, exercise with Zumba or Yoga, play mah jong, discuss Jewish books, learn to speak Hebrew? If you answer yes to any of these questions, then TBS Sisterhood is the place for you. This year we will be reaching out to our current and prospective Zahava members,

We are off to a great start this year, with our Bob Perla Institue (BPI) on Monday mornings. Our first Brunch and Learn was on September 12, with our own co-President, Beth Eichenholtz filling in as our guest presenter. Did you know that ELUL was an acronym for the Hebrew phrase Ani L'Dodi V'Dodi Li (My beloved is mine and I am my beloved's)? What a beautiful way to look at the month before Rosh Hashana.

On October 19th we will be holding our New & Prospective Member Evening in the Sukkah. Cantor Barnoy, as in the past, will provide the entertainment and dessert will be served. We are reaching out and inviting our ECC moms to join us on this occasion. Also, on October 19th, we'll be holding our first senior luncheon. Thanks to Mahnaz Pourabbani and Judith Seltz for chairing this important function.

A Happy, Healthy New Year to all! *L'shanah Tova V'Ketivah* For a good year and may you be written in the Book of Life.

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October 4, 2011
Walking with Mitzvot begins

October 11, 2011
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New & Prospective Members in the Sukkah

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By Lisa G. Schlesinger

When we “adorn a mitzvah”, we do not simply do that which is commanded- the mitzvah. We also show our commitment and enthusiasm by performing the mitzvah in a way that appeals to our senses, beautifies the act, and embellishes the underlying intent. In this way, we use our own talents and tastes to make good enough even better, and to add greater meaning to our actions and to our lives. This is the concept behind *Hiddur Mitzvah*, this year’s Women’s League for Conservative Judaism and Torah Fund Campaign theme.



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES OCTOBER

Friday Evening, September 30 Candle Lighting Time	6:15 PM 6:22 PM	Saturday Evening, October 15 Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:15 PM
Saturday Morning, October 1 <i>Shabbat Shuvah</i> <i>Parashat Ha'azinu</i>	9:00 AM	Sunday, October 16 <i>Hol Hamoed Sukkot</i> Bat Mitzvah of Jordan Pollack	9:00 AM
Saturday Evening, October 1 Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:30 PM	Hoshannah Rabbah Wednesday Morning, October 19	6:30 AM
Friday Evening, October 7 Yom Kippur Mincha Kol Nidre Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 6:10 PM 6:11 PM	Shemini Atzeret Wednesday Evening, October 19 Candle Lighting Time	5:45 PM 5:53 PM
Saturday Morning, October 8 Yom Kippur Sanctuary & Chapel	9:00 AM	Thursday Morning, October 20 <i>Yizkor</i> Candle Lighting Time	6:30 AM & 9:00 AM 6:51 PM
Saturday Evening, October 8 Community <i>Yizkor</i> Mincha Neilah Ma'ariv Shofar Blowing ending Yom Kippur	3:00 PM 4:05 PM 5:35 PM 6:55 PM 7:06 PM	Simchat Torah Thursday Evening, October 20 Mincha/Ma'ariv and Hakafot	6:30 PM
Sukkot Wednesday Evening, October 12 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 6:03 PM	Friday Morning October 21	9:00 AM
Thursday, October 13 Sukkot, First Day Morning Services Mincha/Ma'ariv Candle Lighting Time	9:00 AM 6:30 PM 7:02 PM	Friday Evening, October 21 Candle Lighting Time	5:45 PM 5:50 PM
Friday, October 14 Sukkot, Second Day Morning Services Mincha/Ma'ariv Candle Lighting Time	9:00 AM 6:15 PM 6:00 PM	Saturday Morning, October 22 <i>Parashat Bereshit</i> Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Wechsler	9:00 AM
Saturday Morning, October 15 <i>Shabbat Hol Hamoed Sukkot</i> Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Silverman	9:00 AM	Saturday Evening, October 22 Mincha/Ma'ariv Chapel Mincha Bar Mitzvah of Drew Balbera in Main Sanctuary	6:00 PM
		Friday Evening, October 28 Candle Lighting Time	5:45 PM 5:40 PM
		Saturday Morning, October 29 <i>Parashat Noah</i>	9:00 AM
		Saturday Evening, October 29 Mincha/Ma'ariv Chapel Mincha Bat Mitzvah of Annie Rose in Main Sanctuary	6:00 PM

DAILY MINYAN SCHEDULE

Sunday Mornings 9:00 AM • Monday - Friday Mornings 6-45 AM • Sunday - Thursday Evenings 8 PM