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COMMUNITY SELICHOT

The Dayton Jewish community will come together to kick off the High Holidays with a joint Selichot service on **Saturday, September 9 at Temple Israel**. The evening will begin with a dessert reception at 8:30pm followed by Havdalah and the service at 9:00pm. Our community rabbis will lead the service along with the Dayton Jewish Chorale.

Save the date for Simchat Torah on **Sunday, October 8 at 9:00am**. We will be dancing and singing with the Torah scrolls, celebrating our joy of completing another cycle of Torah reading and study. The band will be there to uplift our spirits and get us dancing, and we will top it off with our popular "make your own ice cream sundae bar!"

The origins of the custom of *Tashlich* are uncertain; it does not appear in the Talmud and it seems to have begun in the Middle Ages. We call it *Tashlich*, meaning "you shall cast." Traditionally, we go to a body of running water, preferably one containing fish, and symbolically cast off our sins. Bring some bread crumbs, dogs and the entire family to Island Metro Park on the **second day of Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, September 17 at 5:30pm** for prayers and singing on the riverbank.

CELEBRATE IN THE SUKKAH!

Bring in the festival of Sukkot with dinner and the evening service on **Friday, September 29 at 5:30pm**. Enjoy a harvest pot pie, salad, challah and dessert in our sukkah followed by a short Ma'ariv service. Reservations will be limited so please **RSVP by September 10**. Dinner is $18 for adults and $10 for children 12 and under.

The Cantor's Corner *Cantor Andrea Raizen*

By now, you have all received the official notice that I will be retiring at the end of my present contract on June 30, 2024. Be assured that this was not a sudden or rash decision. Like so many others, it was something that I had been planning and looking forward to for some time. As the letter indicated, I will be staying in the area as Dayton has become my home. I hope to continue working with all of you, both as a congregant and a member of the Dayton Jewish community.

As we approach the New Year, I know that this cycle of the Jewish holidays will feel a bit different as each will be "the last" that I celebrate with you as your cantor. As I begin this journey, I think back to my first High Holidays at Beth Abraham in 2007. It was the last time the congregation would observe those holidays on Salem Avenue. I was not aware when I arrived in the summer that the congregation had already arranged to bring Cantor Beth Weiner from Israel to co-officiate the holiday services as she had done for a number of years. Although I was disappointed at first that I would not be leading services with Rabbi Barsky that year, it gave me the opportunity to observe, listen and gain an understanding of the flow of the services at Beth Abraham. In addition, I volunteered to house Cantor Weiner and we became fast friends. That year I facilitated the children's programs, led the *shacharit* services for both holidays and *mincha* on Yom Kippur. Cantor Weiner and I did some impromptu harmonizing during Rosh Hashanah *musaf* services and on Kol Nidrei evening we shared the bimah, each chanting a rendition of the Kol Nidrei prayer. I believe those services, blending the old with the new, were a fitting way to transition to our new building in Oakwood.

That fall also marked the beginning of an independent religious school for Beth Abraham. Before that, the school was a joint venture with Beth Jacob known as the Dayton Jewish School. I think that we had about 12 students enrolled that year. We began the year on Salem, made the move to Sugar Camp in March and celebrated with the Fuchsman family as Jack became the first Bar Mitzvah in the new building in April. The numbers in the religious school have remained fairly steady through the years, at about 10-12, with one year jumping to 21. I am happy to report that we have grown this year by about 33% to 19 students, which includes four sets of twins! Classes begin on Sunday, September 10 and, because the holidays fall primarily on the weekends, our students and their families will be here to learn and celebrate together from Rosh Hashanah through Simchat Torah.

And so the New Year begins. I have been warned that this year will fly by, but I plan to savor each moment celebrating together with my Beth Abraham family. Wishing each and every one of you, *L'shanah Tovah!"*

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL!

School starts September 10th

If you have a child, grandchild or know of someone looking for religious education in grades K-7, please contact Cantor Raizen. The registration form is available on our website.

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LOOKING TOWARDS THE PEAK OF THE NEW YEAR 5784

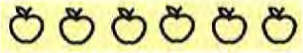
RAV AUBREY GLAZER

Imagine you are perched at the ridge of the tallest peak in Southeast Asia called, Hkakabo Razi. Like courageous climber, Emily Harrington, you are ascending that harrowing peak, reaching the ridge at 18,100 feet, and from there it drops off on both sides about 4,000 feet. You see the summit from the narrow ridge, but a more experienced climber warns you— the route to the top could lead to your demise. Are you really up for the final push? Or is it time to climb down? Like Emily, we often judge success and failure by whether we make it to the top. We may be so close, even seeing it, but stretched to the limits of our skill as climbers we become more discerning, and realize that continuing higher means we might not make it down. How have many of us proceeded in the face of insurmountable challenges this past year? Any climber needs to be bravely discerning—just like Emily who listened to the more experienced climber ahead of her and turned around. Is turning around giving up? Not necessarily. Sometimes, the most discerning decision is to begin that process of turning around and re/turning—we call that teshuvah. Rather than falling to our demise from high up on that ridge, we discern that life is never so simple. Wrong turns, bad weather and bad luck are beyond our control—the only thing each of us can every truly control is our attitude along the mountainous path of life. In the end, even the more experienced climbers end up joining Emily to turn back— so they descend the mountain together with her. We are high up on that ridge of 5783 in relation to the peak of the New Year 5784.

Every one of us has a story like Emily's story, because it exemplifies the courage to discern the split second of turning from one scenario and re/turning to another path less traveled, all of which marks the teshuvah of this past year as well as the path still ahead. Sometimes, we find ourselves upon that high ridge; other times, we re/turn to the place we have never been—it is all a re/turning home. Beth Abraham Synagogue is our base camp, the place we all re/turn to before taking leave to ascend higher and deeper into the journey of life. Over the past month of Elul, leading to the beginning of the New Year in Tishrei, we have been marking each step up the mountain by counting our days. We have been reflecting regularly on wisdom from Heschel that inspires this fourfold set of timeless questions: (1) Who am I really? Why am I here? (2) Why go on? Why have children? Family? Students? (3) How can one discern a path to live in God? (4) Why does the world matter? How can community make a difference?

In counting with the map in mind, we make this journey more palatable and accessible so this process no longer seems insurmountable. If we ascend a superficial mountain, then its peaks, even if averted, will remain superficial. (We plan to celebrate our completion of Rav's Count 30 Days of Elul in the Sukkah together with another Graeter's Ice Cream redemption—stay tuned!) This act of making time count is meant as a way of challenging ourselves, as we learn from the late great Polish Hasidic master, R. Kalonymous Kalman Shapira that: "we need to be Jews throughout the day... yearning to be close to the divine peak—sometimes with greater inspiration and sometimes with less, but always as Jews, always as children of the blessed Holy One. Everything we do should integrate our fullest spirit until even our thoughts are crystalline, strong and interconnected ever more deeply to their divine source."

May we all continue to ascend to new heights on the mountains of our life's journeys this New Year 5784. And know that our holy base camp at Beth Abraham Synagogue supports relationships that bind us to something greater than ourselves, while reminding us that together we can continue re/turning to even greater heights on our journeys.



NEW YEAR BONUS

There is a wonderful *minhag* (custom) to indicate the Hebrew year with a biblical verse or phrase equal to that year in *gematriya* (numerology). Such words or phrases have been called "chronograms." This practice of indicating the year by a biblical phrase is evident on the title page of sacred books and on tombstones. More recently, the custom has spread to correspondence and email, as a way to enrich the meaning of the current year as I have learned from my teacher, Daniel Matt. Below are my recommended biblical phrases to carry with you to enrich the new year that equal 784. The number of thousands in the year—currently 5000—is often omitted. May this be a sweet and blessed 5784 תשפ"ד!

רְאֵה־זֶה חָדָשׁ הוּא כְּבָר הָיָה (קהלת א, י)

"See this, it is new! It has already been" (Ecclesiastes 1:10)

בְּמַעֲשֶׂיךָ יָדֶיךָ אָשׂוֹחֵחַ (תהלים קמג, ה)

"On Your handiwork I meditated" (Psalms 143:5)

IMPORTANT
HIGH HOLIDAY INFORMATION!

Entering the Building: The chapel door entrance will be the only door open for security purposes. Please use these doors for dropping off and entering the building. The lower level doors in the circular drive will be locked.

Youth Services and Babysitting: Please call now if you will need childcare for Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur (up to age 5) - reservations are required! Please also RSVP for Youth Services (ages 5 and up).

Decorum: Please note that all school age children should be in the youth service or with their parent in the sanctuary during the High Holiday services. We also ask that you please refrain from wearing cologne or perfume out of respect for those sitting around you or who may be allergic.

Streaming will be available for all services. Please find the link on our website, in News & Notes or on the back page of this Bulletin.

Break-The-Fast will follow the Neilah service on **Monday, September 25**. This yearly tradition is prepared by our Beth Abraham kitchen volunteers and sponsored by the Men's Club. **Please call the office to RSVP by September 18.**

Reciprocity Letters can be arranged with Ann Rismiller at the office. Please call or email (arismiller@bethabrahamdayton.org) with the name of the congregation you will be visiting, their address, phone and fax number and email address if available. We will also need to know what holiday(s) you will be attending and with whom you will be sitting.

Parking for Yom Kippur will be available in the front portion of our parking lot on the upper two levels. There are many handicapped spaces available, however we ask that you be respectful of the professional buildings around us and their need for handicapped spots. Please do not park in front of the chapel doors so they are accessible for those who need assistance.

Remember the Fast of Isaiah! It is our tradition to bring donations of food on the evening of Kol Nidre for the hungry. Please make a stop at the food barrels before you proceed to the sanctuary.

Lulav & Etrog sets (pitomless) can be ordered through the office. Please call to place your order by **September 8**. The price is $50.

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Martin Schear's special birthday, by Alan & Elyse Berg

Musician Joey Weisenberg enriched our hearts and minds with his playing and teaching during the Ruth & Fred Scheuer Life Enrichment Series weekend.

In the Beth Abraham Family

Thanks to the following Service Sponsors:

August 5 – Howard, Michelle, Dayna and Samantha Pinsky in honor of Terry and Marlene Pinsky's 57th Anniversary
August 12 - Hindy, Rachel, and Elliott Gruber in memory of Rita Bloom and Max Gruber
August 19 - Ralph & Diane Williams and Michael & Ellen Leffak in honor of their 54th anniversaries
August 26 - Ruth & Fred Scheuer Life Enrichment Series

Congratulations to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in September:

September Birthdays

2	Steve Wyke
4	Barbara Sanderow
5	Maryann Bernstein
10	Franklin Lewis
11	Janis Sussman
11	Michael Sherman
12	Lucien Gabbe
16	Jules Sherman
16	Masha Kisel
17	Elena Rosner
18	Jacqueline Miner
18	Minnette Weiss
19	Marc Shaw
21	Michael Kimmel
21	Jerome Kopmar
21	Shoshana Krummel-Adkins
22	Beverly Saeks
23	Matthew Arnovitz
25	Lana Dorf
25	Jonah Dorf
26	Henry Guggenheimer
26	Joan Jacobson
28	Barbara Miller
28	Clara Hochstein

September Anniversaries

2	Joel & Angela Frydman
2	Marc & Francine Shuchat Shaw
2	Sheldon & Ann Berger
5	Alex & Jane Briskin
5	Abe & Marla Merdinger
5	Steve & Liz Musin
5	Michael & Harriet Massimini
10	Scott & Ann Liberman
15	Bill & Sharon Cohen
17	Douglas & Bonnie Deutsch

** If your birthday or anniversary is not listed above, please call the office so we can put it in the database

WHO'S AFRAID OF HASIDISM & WHY DOES IT STILL MATTER? JOURNEYING THROUGH THE FOUNDATIONS OF HASIDISM TODAY

Lunch & Learn with Rav Aubrey Glazer
Thursdays @ 12-12:45 PM EST on Zoom

QUESTION: Why does this idiosyncratic expression of Jewish pietistic living with an attitude of radical amazement and ecstatic exuberance for devotion still matter today? We will explore this question and more as we journey through the foundations of devotion, community and life in Hasidism of the modern world and reflect on its ongoing inspiration and challenges to Jewish living.

Mondays from 12-12:45 pm, October 2 through December 11, then resuming January 8, 2024.

*Pre-registration required. Look for more information in News & Notes and on the website.

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As we usher in the New Year, your generosity can help ensure Beth Abraham Synagogue is here for generations to come.

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Help ensure that your most important Jewish values will live on with a gift in your will, retirement account, or life insurance policy.

Contact Elaine Arnovitz, elaine@bethabrahamdayton.org, (937) 293-9520 ext. 116

YAHRZEITS

This list represents yahrzeits for this month as listed in Beth Abraham's database. If we have missed a name, please call the Synagogue office at (937) 293-9520 and let us know so we can update our records.

This September (Elul - Tishrei) we remember:

ELUL

Philip Atkins
Jacob Harry Auster
Joan Azen
Emil Barsky
Rose Bashner
Edward Baume
May Berkowitz
Rebecca Bodenstein
Beatrice Brook
Samuel Chudde
Harry Cohen
Charles Cooper
Jacob Deutsch
Evelyn Kravitz Driscoll
Max Ehrenberg
Cecile Fand
Jack Fishbein
Matilda Valens Friedman
Sol Friedman
George Friedman
Oscar Froikin
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Abe Garlikov
Miriam Gehatia
Anna Gurin
David Hanken
Stanley M. Harrison
Gussie Hellman
Sidney Hertz
Katie Hyman
Max Jacobson
Gussie Jacobson
Belle Jenefsky
Pearl Joffe
Herman Kahn
Dov Meir Kass
Aaron Koretzky
Louis Kotler
Beatrice Kuhr
Rae Kurs
Janet Kurtzer
David Larman
Meyer Larrison
Helen Leopold
Louis M Lerner
Aaron Mark
Carol Marks
Harriet Levy Marwil
Sadie Matusoff
Yitzhak Isaac Mellman
Joel Meredith
Paula Meyer
Herman E. Miner
Frances Oxman
Regina Pomeranz Krummel
Sidney Robby
Bessie Cameros Rockoff
Goldie Roden
Perry Ross
Phyllis Ross
Agnes Schetz
Max Schriber
Ervin Schriber
Florence Shapiro
Morris Shokler
Esther Rochel Shulman
John Silberman
Samuel Skal
Maxine Slone
Justin Stoler
Betty Strauss
Melanie Tayloe
Gilbert Unger
Abraham Waldman
Sarah Wall
Lena Valensky Weinhaus
Anna Weintroob
Stephen Weisbrod
Emil Weiss
Toby Wilson
Sam Zimmerman
Augusta Zimmerman
Bernice Zimmerman

TISHREI

Jenny Ableman
Harry Ableman
Robert Abrahamson
Aaron Joel Abramson
Rabbi Ernest A Adler
Ida Apfel
Beatrice Barnett
Corinne E. Beaman
Charles Beaman
Annalee Bender
Herman Brateman
Dora Brenner
Irene Charles
Lynda A. Cohen
Jennie Cohen
Ernest Dryfus
Emma Esther Dryfus
Anna Dworkin
Miriam Dworkin
Harry Einhorn
Tessie Eisenstein
David Elias
Jacob Ellison
Lori Ellman
Edwin Ellman
Ben Feldman
Elizabeth Feuer
Harry Finegold
Abe Friedman
Max Friedman
Fannie Friedman
Emma Mae Froug
Leah Froug
Chasey Froug
Charles Frydman
Abe Gaffin
Barney Gales
Cecelia Garlikov
Elizabeth Rice Gellman
Bessie Ginsburg
Regina Gisser
Renee Glassman
Carolyn Goldberg
Abe Goldberger
Joan Goldwasser
Caroline Gruenebaum
Barbara Guggenheimer
Morris Gurin
William Haegel
William Hammerman
Morris Handler
Pearl Harris
Issac Hellreich
Nathan Isenberg
Bertha Izenman
Bess Jacobs
Lee Jacobson
Joseph Jaffe
Rose Joffe
Stephen Kahn
Elizabeth Kahn
Raymond Kahn
Esther T. Kahn
Joseph Kanter
Susan M. Kessler
Sadie Klebanow
Boris Komsky
Samuel Kopelove
Abraham Kreitman
Dave Magilvy
Harriett Mann
Rebecca Marcus
Gil Marvin
Sidney Marwil
Beatrice Merdinger
Rose Musselman
Pauline Nisenholz
Ruby Odell
Frieda Oscherwitz
John G. Petosky
Ruby Pilder
Ida Pinsky
Eugenia Radus
Louis Raffner
Arye Riback
Naftali Ritter
Stuart Rittner
Eileen Rosenberg
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Paul Sacolick
Carol Fleishner Saeks
Dorothy Saeks
Max Saeks
Mildred Sanderson
Harold Schear
Harry Schear
Richard Schear
Jacob Schultz
Jerome Schwartz
Pinchas Seldon
Dorothy Shane
Jeanette Sherman
Ed Silverman
Elsie Slutzky
Albert Solkov
Barbara Solkov
Rose Stark
Vivian Ruth Stoler
Robert Tannenbaum
Florence Tannenbaum
Minnie Teres
Julius Teres
Jennie Vangrov
Juanita Warner
Ethel Weinhaus
Retta Weinman
Theresa Zawatsky
William Zuckerman

Many attendees joined Rav Glazer on the bimah for his installation.

It was a beautiful evening for Shabbat Under the Stars at Jody Pollack Blazar's home in August.

Beth Abraham Sisterhood - New Year's Greetings
L'Shanah Tovah Tikateyvu!

Beth Adelman
Matt & Elaine Arnovitz
Ruth Barnett
Ann & Shel Berger & family
Ellie & Bob Bernstein
Maryann & Jack Bernstein & family
Claire Berks & family
Carol Bernstein
Beth Abraham Men's Club
Jody Pollack Blazar
Janet & Barry Block & family
Frieda Blum
Ken & Lisa Blum
Linda Blum & family
Stanley & Connie Blum
Sylvia Blum & family
Bari & Steve Blumhof
Dena Briskin
Sandy Sloane-Brenner & Bruce Brenner
Larry & Cindy Burick
Roberts & Sharon Burick
Judy & Alan Chesen
Susan Chudde
Betty Crouse
Celia Diamond
Marlene Dori
Melinda & Bill Doner & family
Irwin Dumtschin
Douglas & Bethany Einstein
Enrique & Ruth Ellenbogen
Beverly Farnbacher
Tara & Adam Feiner
DeNeal & Esther Feldman
Bruce & Debbie Feldman
Gary & Irene Fishbein & family
Lynn Foster
Steve & Penney Fraim
Bella Freeman & family
Shirley Gotlieb Frankowitz
Joel & Angela Frydman
Renate Frydman & family
Rochelle & Michael Goldstein & family
Julie & Philip Goldstein
Mark & Kathy Gordon
Elliott Gruber
Hindy Gruber
Rachel Gruber
Henry Guggenheimer
Meryl Hattenbach
Clara Hochstein
Linda & Steve Horenstein
David & Susan Joffe
Julie Liss-Katz & Marc Katz
Stanley & Susan Katz
Susie & Eddie Katz
Marilyn & Larry Klaben & family
Ed & Marcia Kress
Miriamne Krummel & family
Ellen & Michael Leffak
Al Levin
Cheryl & Franklin Lewis
Norm & Kay Lewis
Scott & Ann Liberman
Beverly A. Louis
David & Joan Marcus
Donald & Carole Marger
Barbara Mendelson & family
Howard Michaels
Jacqueline Miner
Alan & Myrnie Moscowitz
Irvin & Gayle Moscowitz
Steve & Liz Musin
Carol Nathanson
Edie Pequignot
Marlene & Terry Pinsky & family
Cantor Andrea Raizen
Walter Rice & Bonnie Beaman Rice
Brenda Rinzler
Francine Roberts & family
Jeff & Connie Roberts
David Rothschild
Beverly A. Saeks & family
Lee & Patti Schear
Sharon Schiff & family
Andrew & Pamela Schwartz
Judy Schwartzman & Mike Jaffe
Felice Shane & family
Marcie & Michael Sherman & family
Claudia Birch & Allan Spetter
Zerla Stayman
Suzanne Thum
Rex & Louise Tincher
Minnette Weiss & family
Norm & Mary Rita Weissman
Judith Woll
Ron Wynne & Mindi Dorfman-Wynne & family
Sue & Don Zulanch

May you have a happy and healthy 5784!

Hillel students helped us show off some of the many school supplies donated to Crayons to Classrooms as part of the Ruth & Fred Scheuer Life Enrichment Series weekend.

crayons to classrooms

From the President's Desk...

Scott Liberman, Beth Abraham President

September not only brings the promise of cooler days, but also a chance to reflect on the remarkable contributions of workers in the United States, as well as the invaluable labor that upholds the very essence of our Beth Abraham Synagogue. Labor Day, a day dedicated to acknowledging the achievements of workers, invites us to recognize the dedication and sweat equity that have built and sustained our nation. It is a moment to celebrate the tireless efforts of countless individuals who have shaped the landscape of our society. It is with this spirit of appreciation that we also extend our gratitude to the often-unseen heroes, the volunteers of our congregation.

I would like to take a moment to extend a heartfelt thank you to the incredible workers of Beth Abraham Synagogue – Ann, Annie, Dennis, Elaine, Cantor Raizen, and Rav Aubrey. Your day-to-day dedication and unwavering commitment are the foundation upon which our vibrant community stands. From Dennis, who ensures our facilities are welcoming and well-maintained, to Ann and Annie who keep the gears of our operations turning smoothly, to Elaine who oversees all of this, - your labor is deeply appreciated. It is your devotion that transforms our vision into reality, creating a place of unity, spirituality, and shared purpose. Your contributions, often unnoticed but profoundly impactful, are what truly make Beth Abraham Synagogue a sanctuary of warmth and connection. Thank you for your selfless service and for embodying the spirit of community that defines us.

Next, I must thank all of our volunteers, but especially want to thank those involved in the past weekend's Ruth and Fred Scheuer Life Enrichment Series event. This annual event was a great success this year and was highlighted by the Installation ceremony for Rav Aubrey. That weekend required the assistance of many volunteers, including the following:

- The Event Committee included Jody Blazer, Julie Liss-Katz, and Marlene Pinsky.
- The public relations piece included Stephen Levinson and his co-worker, Sarah Mabe.
- Kitchen Helpers were Linda Katz, Linda Brotkin, Marlene Pinsky, Margaret Maimon, JoAnn Chambers, and Claudia Birch.
- Mashgiachim were Linda Brotkin, Marc Katz, Chaya Vidal, Penney Fraim, and Elyssa Wortzman.
- Setup helpers were Claudia Birch, Mike Kimmel, Ann Liberman, Marlene Pinsky, Louise Tincher, and Elyssa Wortzman.

Additionally, we want to thank all of those congregants that generously donated school supplies for the social action portion of the weekend. Thank you Elyssa Wortzman for creating the centerpieces using those supplies.

As we approach the High Holy Days, let us remember that the labor of building a strong and united congregation is a collective effort that involves each and every member. Just as we honor the achievements of workers in our nation, let us also honor the work of those who shape our synagogue in immeasurable ways. So, to the staff and many volunteers of Beth Abraham Synagogue, we offer our heartfelt gratitude for your dedication and selflessness.

As you gather with your loved ones this Labor Day, take a moment to reflect on the power of community and the strength of unity. Together, we can continue to foster a space where everyone's labor seen and unseen, contributes to the richness of Beth Abraham Synagogue.

L'Shanah Tovah to you all.

Rav Aubrey with his family and Joey

Kabbalat Shabbat with Joey Weisenberg in the Chapel

Library News — Off the Shelf

Allan Spetter

(Part 2 of a discussion of the book *Embattled Justice*, by Ellen Norman Stern).

One of the great turning points in the history of organized labor in the United States took place in 1909-1910 with a massive strike in the garment industry in New York. As Ellen Stern describes it, the strike amounted to a "civil war" between the mostly Jewish members of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, the ILGWU, and the mostly Jewish owners of the factories involved. The two sides could not reach an agreement, but they did agree to call on Louis Brandeis to try to settle the dispute.

Brandeis would tell both sides that the strike, which on occasion involved violence, represented a "shonda" (although Brandeis, the ultimate German Jew almost certainly did not know Yiddish) with Jews fighting Jews on display before the entire nation. Brandeis never gave up through very long negotiations and he achieved what became known as The Protocol of Peace on September 2, 1910.

Stern calls the agreement a "landmark" in the history of the labor movement. The strikers achieved an increase in the minimum wage, but working conditions meant much more than wages. The work week would go down to 50 hours or from six days, standard in those days, to 5 1/2 days with time and a half pay for overtime and ten paid holidays. The employers agreed to improve conditions in the "sweatshops" and, most importantly, to recognize the ILGWU and establish a closed or union shop. Employees would have to join the union.

Already the most prestigious Jewish individual in the nation, Brandeis would continue to add to his resume. The Federation of American Zionists, then only a marginal institution, wanted someone like Brandeis to join the movement and to accept leadership in the near future. Brandeis joined in 1912, a year that marked an important turning point in his life.

In the turmoil of the 1912 presidential election, with four actual candidates, Brandeis abandoned the Republican Party and supported Democrat Woodrow Wilson, who won the election. Former president Theodore Roosevelt had split the Republican Party by running as a progressive, incumbent Republican President William Howard Taft ran for a second term, and Eugene Debs ran as a socialist. About 900,000 men voted for Debs.

During the campaign, Wilson almost immediately began to consult Brandeis on various issues. Friends of Brandeis could not believe that Wilson did not appoint Brandeis to his cabinet. They could not have known that Wilson had even bigger plans for Brandeis. In January, 1916, just as Wilson began his campaign for a second term as president, he nominated Brandeis for a seat on the Supreme Court of the United States.

Brandeis understood what would be involved for him to win Senate confirmation. Stern offers two newspaper headlines. One: "Wilson Shocks Congress by Naming Brandeis for the Supreme Court." The second is even more to the point. He's the "First Jew ever Picked for the Bench." After a heated debate in which the opposition cited his support of "radical" causes and his religion, the Senate confirmed Brandeis in June. The Democrats had control of the Senate and Wilson indicated he stood by the nomination.

There are many interesting aspects to the vote of 47 to 22. Of a total of 96 senators, 27 abstained. That is typical when some senators realize the nomination will pass without their vote. At the same time only three Republicans voted for Brandeis. They represented the progressive wing of the party, at the time a dying breed. Brandeis would remain on the court until early 1939, when his health began to fail, most famous for his defense of freedom of speech and the right to privacy.

Brandeis had remained on the court long enough for President Franklin Roosevelt to begin to reshape the court from a traditionally very conservative institution to a liberal court for the first time in the nation's history. Perhaps Brandeis felt he could retire after Roosevelt appointed another Jewish justice, Felix Frankfurter. This began the tradition of a "Jewish seat" on the Supreme Court.

Mazel Tov!

Congratulations to Judy Schwartzman, who received the Past Presidents Award at the Federation Annual Meeting. We are proud of the work you do for our community. Mazel Tov!

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Irene Fishbein

Invitations for **Sunset in the Sukkah** will be arriving in your mailbox soon. Join us in the sukkah on **Wednesday, October 4th at 6:00PM** for a short program followed by hors d'oeurves, dessert, more camaraderie, and door prizes! This event is free and friends are welcome. The Gift Shop will be open. Please **RSVP** to Beth Abraham by **Friday, September 22nd**.

Our **Social Action** project is "SuCoats." We'll be collecting cold weather gear such as coats, gloves, hats and scarves through October. Help us do a big mitzvah for those less fortunate. Homemade or store-bought items as well as monetary contributions are greatly appreciated.

Calling all **Mah Jongg** players and anyone wanting to learn to play! Beginning **Thursday, October 12th from 1:00 – 4:00PM** we'll play at Beth Abraham on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month. Whether you're a seasoned player, a beginner, or a learner, come play with us - men included. Fun fact: this game originated in China with male players! Please email Liz Musin at musins@gmail.com if you are interested or have any questions. Don't miss out on the fun - email Liz now!

Our next Sisterhood meeting is **Thursday, September 7th at 10:00AM** on Zoom. The link will be in News & Notes on September 4th. All are welcome to attend!

The Gift Shop is fully stocked with all your holiday needs. Please contact Connie Roberts for information.

L'Shana Tova Tikatevu!

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

Irwin Dumtschin

It's time again to renew your Men's Club membership. In the letter you recently received is information on membership and a form to let us know how you would like to participate in Men's Club activities this year. Please return your forms as soon as possible.

High Holidays: Men's Club again is coordinating the High Holiday ushers, with Allan Katz chairing this effort. Please contact him by email if you'd like to volunteer. The Men's Club will again co-sponsor with Sisterhood the High Holiday hospitality bags for our local members.

Putting Up the Sukkah: Join us on **Sunday, September 24th at 9:30 am** in the courtyard outside the kitchen to erect the sukkah. No need to RSVP. Light refreshments will be served.

Break-the-Fast: We are again sponsoring the Break-the-Fast meal after the conclusion of the Yom Kippur services. Please be sure to RSVP so we can plan accordingly!

Rick Pinsky Sunday Brunch Speaker Series: Brunches will begin **October 15** following the holidays with Rav Aubrey Glazer as our first speaker.

Monthly Meetings: Our next monthly meeting is **Monday, September 11th at 7:30 PM** via Zoom.

Men's Club wishes you L'Shana Tova - a sweet, happy, and healthy New Year. May we all be inscribed into the Book of Life.

SAVE THE DATE: EAT. PRAY. LOVE JERUSALEM:

Jerusalem as an Abrahamic Journey

Beth Abraham Immersive Interfaith Mini-Mission

Led by Rav Aubrey Glazer & Dr. Elyssa Wortzman (& local guest clergy)

Monday, June 24 – Wednesday June 26, 2024

STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS

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LIVESTREAM LINK

The link for all livestreamed services through StreamSpot is:
https://venue.streamspot.com/72a802ed

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Times for Shabbat Candle Lighting & Services

Online service links can be found at www.bethabrahamdayton.org, Facebook, or in your weekly News& Notes email

Friday, Sept. 1
Candle Lighting 7:50 pm

Saturday, Sept. 2
Morning Service 9:30 am
Havdalah 8:48 pm

Friday, Sept. 8
Candle Lighting 7:39 pm

Saturday, Sept. 9
Leil Selichot
Morning Service 9:30 am
Havdalah 8:36 pm
Community Selichot Service w/Dayton Jewish Chorale at Temple Israel
Dessert Reception: 8:30 pm
Service: 9:00 pm

Sunday, Sept. 10
Rav Glazer present at cemetery for graveside prayers
11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Friday, Sept. 15
Erev Rosh Hashanah
Candle Lighting 7:28 pm

Saturday, Sept. 16
Rosh Hashanah I
Morning Service 9:00 am
Youth Service 10:00 am - noon
Candle Lighting 8:24 pm

Sunday, Sept. 17
Rosh Hashanah II
Morning Service 9:00 am
Youth Service 10:00 am - noon
Tashlich Service & Mincha/Ma'ariv 5:30 pm
Havdalah 8:22 pm

Friday, Sept. 22
Candle Lighting 7:16 pm

Saturday, Sept. 23
Morning Service 9:30 am
Havdalah 8:12 pm

Sunday, Sept. 24
Erev Yom Kippur
Mincha service 6:50 pm
Musical Interlude 7:00 pm
Kol Nidre 7:10 pm
Candle Lighting 7:13 pm

Monday, Sept. 25
Yom Kippur
Morning Service 9:00 am
Youth Service 10:00 am - noon
Yizkor 11:00 am
Mincha 5:30 pm
Neilah 7:00 pm
Havdalah & Concluding Shofar 8:09 pm

Friday, Sept. 29
Erev Sukkot
Dinner in the Sukkah followed by Ma'ariv 5:30 pm
Candle Lighting 7:04 pm

Saturday, Sept. 30
Sukkot I
Morning Service 9:30 am
Candle Lighting 8:01 pm

Sunday, October 1
Sukkot II
Morning Service 9:30 am
Havdalah 7:59 pm

HIGH HOLY DAYS – 2023/5784

SELICHOT

Saturday, September 9, 2023 – Leil Selichot

Community Selichot Program with Dayton Jewish Chorale at Temple Israel	
Havdalah time	8:36 PM
Dessert Reception	8:30 PM
Service	9:00 PM

ANNUAL CEMETERY VISITATION

Sunday, September 10, 2023

Rav Aubrey will be present for graveside prayers	11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, September 15, 2023 - Erev Rosh Hashanah

Ma'ariv Service	6:00 - 7:00 PM
Candle Lighting	7:27 PM

Saturday, September 16, 2023 - Rosh Hashanah (First Day)

Morning Service	9:00 AM
Youth Service	10:00 AM - NOON
Candle Lighting	8:29 PM

Sunday, September 17, 2023 - Rosh Hashanah (Second Day)

Morning Service	9:00 AM
Youth Service	10:00 AM – NOON
Tashlich Service & Mincha/Ma'ariv (Island Park)	5:30 PM
Havdalah	8:29 PM

YOM KIPPUR

Sunday, September 24, 2023 - Erev Yom Kippur

Mincha Service	6:50 PM
Musical Interlude	7:00 PM
Kol Nidre	7:10 PM
Candle Lighting	7:12 PM

Monday, September 25, 2023 - Yom Kippur

Morning Service	9:00 AM
Youth Service	10:00 AM - NOON
Yizkor	11:00 AM
Mincha	5:30 PM
Neilah	7:00 PM
Havdalah and Concluding Shofar	8:09 PM

Break-the-Fast following services

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