



# BETH-EL CONGREGATION

OCTOBER 2009

## Musings \_\_\_\_\_ Rabbi Ralph Mecklenburger

## Worship Calendar \_\_\_\_\_



### If Sukkot is Here . . .

The "High" Holidays are over. But we still have the pleasure of Sukkot during the first week of this month. MRJ will build our Sukkah and we will all—especially the Religious School students—enjoy decorating it and saying the blessings in it. Mostly, of course, the Sukkah is a symbol of the

bounties of nature, as are the lulav and etrog. This is the Jewish Thanksgiving (that is backwards, of course, since we had a three-thousand-year head start on the Pilgrims).

In early rabbinic times, about two thousand years ago, the rabbis had to warn that the sincerity of the prayer with the symbols was what really counted. Or at least that is what I make of the prohibition in the Mishnah (Sukkah 3:1) not only against using old, dried out plants to make the lulav, but also the prohibition against using a stolen lulav! Would anyone praise God with stolen property?! Apparently so. This is a good follow-up on the Yom Kippur warning that repentance doesn't count if we are planning on sinning and repenting again. *Kavanah*—sincerity, inner intention—the rabbis tell us again and again, is what God delights in, not outward show.

### . . . Can Christmas be Far Behind?

Christmas?! Why would I bring that up, especially in October?! Because most years, I receive several calls

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Friday, October 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 8:00 PM

Erev Sukkot and Shabbat Service  
*Cantorial Soloist Genie Long will sing*

Friday, October 9 \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30 PM

Consecration and Simchat Torah Family Service  
*Cantorial Soloist Angie Kitzman will sing*

Saturday, October 10 \_\_\_\_\_ 10:30 PM

Shabbat Morning Service  
Bar Mitzvah of William Nober  
*Cantorial Intern Sheri Allen will sing*

Friday, October 16 \_\_\_\_\_ 8:00 PM

Shabbat Service  
*The Beth-El Choir will sing*

Friday, October 23 \_\_\_\_\_ 8:00 PM

Shabbat Service  
Bar Mitzvah of Nathan Siegel  
*The Beth-El Choir will sing*

Saturday, October 24 \_\_\_\_\_ 10:30 AM

Tot Shabbat

Friday, October 30 \_\_\_\_\_ 8:00 PM

Shabbat Service  
*The Beth-El Choir will sing*



### William Nober

Son of Jane and Roger Nober  
Bar Mitzvah, Saturday, October 10, 2009



### Nathan Siegel

Son of Carol and Adam Siegel  
Bar Mitzvah, Friday, October 23, 2009

# President's Message

Dr. Barry Bzostek, President

It was a dark and stormy night. Not really. There was maybe a little thunder left over from earlier rainstorms, but I have always wanted to use that truly great opening sentence. What it was, really, was a Friday night before a Saturday morning Bar Mitzvah, so there was no Torah service.

Norman Podhoretz, the famously conservative and formerly liberal writer, has said that the question “Why are Jews liberals?” is the one he is asked most frequently by his conservative colleagues. He has written a book to try to answer the question, and *Commentary* magazine has recently published a symposium in which several notable Jewish thinkers give their opinions. It is worth reading. The symposium is available online ([www.commentarymagazine.com](http://www.commentarymagazine.com)) and is also in the Temple library (as are many other Jewish magazines, which is another reason to visit the library). The symposium was the subject of the Rabbi's sermon that night, and a short discussion among the congregants followed. While many of the contributors to the symposium molded the question and their answers to fit their own political convictions, their erudition is obvious. But the question is such an intriguing one that further discussion among a more diverse population, say Beth-El members and anyone else who reads our Bulletin, would be worthwhile. Our recent Friday night session was a good beginning. What we may lack in flashy erudition, we probably replace with wisdom. As the philosopher and cartoonist Doug Larson has said, “Wisdom is the reward you get for a lifetime of listening when you'd have preferred to talk.”

Whether Jews, however you define them, tend to be liberal, however you define that, and if so, why that might be, are issues needing exploration. What is incontrovertible is that Jews have opinions. Lots of them. Right here in Fort Worth, right here at Beth-El. What we have not had is a forum for us to express our opinions on specific issues not necessarily related to the Temple. This is something that I think might be interesting and fun.

So here's the plan: we will periodically select a ques-

tion, like “Why Are Jews Liberals?” and ask you to submit written responses that will be published in the Bulletin. The logistics of this will depend on your responses. If they are too numerous or too verbose, they will be subject to editing or published separately. Eventually, the Bulletin will become primarily an online publication, with a paper version available for those who request it. Alexa has been working on making the online version more attractive—check it out on our website. It really looks good. When that happens, the questions of size and number of responses will become moot.

Let's start. The question: Why Are Jews Liberals? The resource: *Commentary* magazine, September 2009. Please submit your responses by October 15 to me or to the Temple, via email, or on paper if you must.

Also, remember that there are a couple of exciting events coming up. The Beth-El Family Retreat at Greene Family Camp is October 16 -18. A registration form is available online—the link is on the front page. The URJ Biennial, in Toronto, is November 4 - 8. These both promise to be great experiences.



## Beth-El Members/Authors to have Book Signing

Plan in advance to attend the book signing of our two “late bloomers.” Fannie Brooks, who wrote a book of poetry, and Corrine Jacobson, who together with Rose Rubin wrote *A Handbook for Widows*, will offer their books on **Sunday, October 25**, in the gathering area. Come join them for a continental breakfast from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. Fannie's book is \$10 and Corrine's book costs \$8, or you may buy them both for \$15.

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# Beth-Elements

## Daytimers

Join us as we visit the Kimbell Museum to see *“Butchers, Dragons, Gods, and Skeletons: Film Installations by Philip Haas, from Works in the Collection.”*

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2009

Lunch: 11:30 AM, **Reservations required**

Tour: 12:15 PM, **Reservations required**

Location: Kimbell Art Museum

Price: No charge for the tour, but you must buy your own lunch



The museum's newest exhibit is a collection of five short films by Philip Haas that reinterpret works in the Kimbell's collection. Because of limited viewing areas, we will split into groups to tour the five films. There are no show times; the films run continuously.

For reservations, call with your credit card to Barbara Rubin (817-927-2736) or Sylvia Wexler (817-294-1129). **You must specify “Lunch and Tour” or “Lunch Only.” Deadline for registration is Saturday, October 10.**

Please include your zip code and security code with your credit card number. You may also mail checks to Beth-El Congregation, 4900 Briarhaven Road, Fort Worth, TX 76109.

The basic luncheon charge at the Kimbell is \$8, \$10, or \$12, depending on the size of your plate. Drink and roll are included; dessert is extra.

### Also in October

**Tuesday, October 27, 2009, 1:30 PM.** Party Bridge at Beth-El.  
*Upcoming Daytimers Events*

**Wednesday, November 18, 2009.** We will honor World War II veterans. Our speaker, Bryan Rigg, is the author of *Hitler's Jewish Soldiers*.

**Wednesday, December 16, 2009.** Chanukah party featuring Darren K. Woods from the Fort Worth Opera.

**Wednesday, January 13, 2010.** Our speaker will be Star-Telegram consumer watchdog Dave Lieber.

**Wednesday, February 17, 2010.** We will enjoy a performance of the Texas Boys Choir.

## Mah Jong Game and Spanish Lessons at Ahavath Sholom

Congregation Ahavath Sholom, our Conservative neighborhood congregation, invites anyone who is interested to a beginner's class in conversational Spanish each Thursday at 1:00 PM. It is also an excellent way to brush up on your Spanish. Also, there is an ongoing Mah Jong class for beginners and for those who want to get back into the game. The latter meets every Tuesday at 1:00 PM. Both classes are free. For more information, please call Rita Hoffman at 817-923-0846 or 817-907-8646.

## Mitzvah Brigade

Thanks to Trudi Post and Sherry Gorsd for helping Ilana Knust with hours of computer work during Religious School enrollment. Thanks also to Debbie Bowden, who consistently picks up the name tags for the new members. This is not part of her office job, but she has been most helpful to handle this “little chore.” If you encounter any of our volunteers at the front desk during the week, please thank them—they're important to our office staff. We can always use more volunteers to work the front desk—if you are interested, contact Corrine Jacobson at 817-294-7844.

## Daughters of Abraham

All members of Daughters of Abraham enjoyed the opening meeting on September 15 at the mosque. We were treated to great hospitality as we helped them celebrate Ramadan with evening prayers and a great feast to end their daily fast. The program was a lively discussion of the misrepresentation of our three religions in public opinion. Also, members donated school supplies for a needy school.

Our next meeting will be at the Temple on Tuesday, October 20, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Our guest speaker, Mary Anderson from the Tarrant Area Food Bank, will speak of the problems that her organization is facing. Please bring a donation of canned goods to this meeting.

This year, we will have other speakers as well, which gives us an opportunity to perform community outreach and also to make other organizations aware of our tri-faith dialogue group. If you need more information, contact Corrine Jacobson at 817-294-7844.

## Pencils

Perhaps you remember last year's pencil drive for the Bedford school teacher who is building a Mogen David to honor Holocaust victims. Since a short article about the project appeared in the latest issue of *Reform Judaism* magazine, we have received packets of pencils from all across the country, from Maine to California—some with notes saying that the contributors had lost loved ones in the Holocaust and that they appreciated the teacher's efforts. If you would like to contribute to the effort, you may drop off your pencils at the Temple.

# Women of Reform Judaism Loretta Causey, President

## Happy New Year to Everyone!

Thanks to several ladies who provided a wonderful Rosh Hashanah reception for us!

Elizabeth Cooper, Chair of the Bake-In

Amy Cooper

Sheri Gorsd

Linda Hoffman

Eileen House

Becky Perry

Trudi Post

Ellen Rubinson

Robin Ruthford

Cindy Simon

Jenny Soloman

Sonja Stein

Also, thanks to Laurie Kelfer, Mara Berenson, Stacy Smith, and Faye Slater for the beautiful orchestration.



## Membership! Membership!

As we go to press, we have 124 ladies who have joined WRJ this year. There are about seventy-five ladies who are past members but who have not paid this year's dues. Don't be left behind! Contact Fredi Stryer at 817-269-7892 or Loretta Causey at 817-276-5164, or complete a membership form at the Temple during the High Holy Days.

## Brotherhood Update

Adam Siegel, President

Come join the fun of MRJ—we meet in the Great Hall on the second Sunday of each month during the school year. We have some fun activities planned this year, and we'll be developing some new programs and events that will involve the whole congregation and the local community.

Special thanks to Mitch

Reitman, who donated a BBQ grill to the MRJ, and to Howard Bellet,

Marty Rubinson, Guy Bustillos, and Mike Kalpin for cooking breakfast for the Religious School teachers on August 16th.



## Another Gift from WRJ to our Youth!

Every year, WRJ provides \$1,000 to our FWFTY organization. Teenagers and their activities are expensive! We do not want finances to be a difficult issue when they consider their FWFTY events or activities. We also provide funds for the advisor's room when he travels with the group. It has been said that we are the only organization that gives to this group on an annual basis. Please know that when you make a purchase in the Gift Shop or support any of our fundraisers, the money goes to our youth.

## New Uniongrams

This year, we have updated the uniongrams! They have the new WRJ logo and the color WRJ floral leaf on a glossy finish. We are most thankful to the ladies who coordinate this beautiful celebration for members who have significant anniversaries. It is a long Temple tradition that is most appreciated by the recipients. **Hollace Weiner** meticulously coordinates the list of members celebrating and the names of people who want to participate. Behind the scene are **Suzie Siegel** and her daughter **Jennifer Siegel**, who design individual uniongrams and have them sent to couples who celebrate joyous occasions. Mazel Tov and happy anniversary to this year's couples.

## Save The Date!

**Sunday, October 25, 2009**  
**Free Community**  
**Performance at 1:30 PM**  
**at Congregation Ahavath**  
**Sholom**

*Kids Who Care perform*  
**"Deep in the Heart"**

*featuring a vignette by Hollace Weiner and Riki Zide*  
*and community player Ben Feld*



Grab some lunch and join us for a lively performance, followed by dessert. You'll be done by 2:30 PM (if you want to catch the Cowboys Game!).

*Don't forget to bring canned goods*  
*for the Tarrant Area Food Bank.*

Sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Fort Worth and Tarrant County,  
 with financial support from the Dan Danciger/  
 Fort Worth Hebrew Day School Supporting Foundation.

# Lifetime Learning News

Louis D. Schultz, Chairman

*There are many exciting programs planned for this fall. Mark your calendars for the following:*

## Judaism 103

Sundays, 9:30 - 10:30 AM

October 4

Psalms, Part 1: Poems More Beautiful Than Happy

October 11

A Reform-Jewish View of Miracles

October 25

A Brief History of Conversion to Judaism

## Bring Jewish Tradition Alive!

“Connecting To Our Jewish Heritage,” a nine-week course taught by Batya Brand, begins this month. Stories to bring Jewish tradition alive! The course will be on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM, for eight weeks beginning October 14. To register, contact Ilana Knust, Director of Education, at 817-332-7141 or ilanaknust@bethelfw.org.

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from parents about how to handle Christmas observances in schools, and I made a note to myself to bring up the subject this year well before December.

If I could be in charge of public education—and private, too, for that matter—I would ban all religious holidays from schools. To my mind, any observance that celebrates religion violates First Amendment “church-state” separation. But I am not in charge, and you live in Texas (things aren’t much better outside the Bible Belt, frankly). Some Christians seem to think that they need total Christmas saturation, and it is simply a lost cause to think that you can stop your children’s schools from being hung with red and green decorations or pictures of reindeer. Not only will you make yourself “the grinch,” but you will fail—the courts, sadly, won’t back you up—if you fight Santa and Xmas trees. If it will make you feel better (it will some, it won’t others!), most schools will add Chanukah paraphernalia if you suggest it—or maybe even if you don’t.

## 92nd Street Y

Thursday, October 29, 2009, 7:00 PM

Alan Dershowitz vs. Dennis Prager:

“The Left, the Right, and Judaism in America”



Wednesday, November 4, 2009,

7:00 PM

Mitch Albom: “Have a Little Faith”

Monday, December 7, 2009, 7:15 PM

“The Coming Commercial Revolution in the Muslim World,” with Vali Nasr

*Be sure to check for current updates to Lifetime Learning at the Beth-El website ([www.bethelfw.org](http://www.bethelfw.org)) by clicking on “Lifetime Learning” under “Education.”*

So what is a Jewish parent to do? Pick your battles. Your children should not have to sing religious songs, and neither should there be nativity scenes in public-school lobbies. If you have reason to think this may be a problem with a particular teacher or school, I urge you to bring the subject up *now* with teachers, choir directors, and even principals. More often than not, it just hasn’t occurred to them that someone might be offended or that a student could feel uncomfortable because the school choir is going to sing “Silent Night.” On this, the courts generally will back us up, and the school administrations know that. Don’t fight over Rudolph and Santa, but don’t back down over “Adeste Fidelis.” Once again, don’t wait until the teacher is going to be embarrassed by having to change plans; let her know ahead of time that you will appreciate her sensitivity. If she is unresponsive, please let me know—my call to the principal or the central administration will usually take care of it.

*At any Moment in Time,*

**Our Congregational Members may be in Need—Not of Charity—  
but in Need of Acts of Loving Kindness!**



*In order for the Caring Congregation Committee to do its best job, we need to know who needs a ride to services, who welcomes a visit, who is ill, and who needs a meal. Please contact the Temple office, and a member of our committee will be in touch.*

***We want to know, for the Caring Congregation cares!*** Carol Minker, chair

# FWFTY

Zach Beldon, Corresponding VP

Hey, Beth-El! Last month, we took a weekend field trip to Greene Family Camp for NFTY-TOR Summer Kallah! Every FWFTY member had a blast there. Those members who had never been to a NFTY event said that they can't wait for Fall Conclave later this month!

We "pumped it up" for the holidays by preparing school-supply donation bags, and then we jumped around in the bounce houses at Pump It Up. It was great fun.

We then ended the month with our annual DeZavala school-supply drive during the high holidays.

FWFTY Programming Vice President Danielle Knust said, "Hearts full of helping and bags full of giving—this holiday was an immense success in our DeZavala drive. Also, our High Holiday children's services were high-en-

ergy and enjoyable for everyone, from youngsters to grandparents."

"On behalf of FWFTY and the DeZavala School, I would like to give a huge thanks to everyone who helped us out with the drive," said FWFTY Corresponding Vice President Zach Beldon.

This month, we will hit the ground running again with a scavenger hunt on Saturday, October 3. The following day, FWFTY will lead the Religious School Sukkot program. On October 16-18, FWFTY will once again be gone for a weekend as we head to Houston for NFTY-TOR's Fall Conclave! To end the month, we will have our annual Halloween event on the 24th.

I hope to see all high-schoolers at these events!

*Twenty-two FWFTY members attended NFTY-TOR Summer Kallah at Greene Family Camp. The theme of the weekend was "URJ: Undercover Revolutionary Jews." The 228 teenagers from all over Texas and Oklahoma studied many things that have changed our world: immigration, women's rights, racism, poverty, and more. Additionally, the NFTY members attended Shabbat Services, performed in a talent show, and had lots of fun during the social. Attendees seen in the pictures are Josh Cristol, Ty Webb, Danny Amsellem, Matt & Zach Beldon, Shelby & Francesca Roberts, Jennie & Jessie Brow, Ted Dayton, Meyer Wallace, Emily & Dylan Shelby, Cooper Simon, Hailie Hartman, Daniel Knust, Brandon Bito, Alyssa Cimonetti, Emily Englander, Jay Factor, Madison Moses, and Jenna Lee, accompanied by Scott Slotter and Kendra and Marilyn McCown.*



*Hanging out during free time.*



*"Dirty" dancing means getting painted while dancing.*



*FWFTY at the general assembly.*



*Left: Danny Amsellem looked cool in the talent show. Right: Dylan Shelby in the talent show.*

# Religious School News

Ilana Knust, Director of Education

“Try not to become a man of success, but rather a man of value”

~Albert Einstein

## The Most Precious Thing

by Rosalind Kaye

A rich man fell in love and got married. The couple lived happily, but they had no children. Believing that a marriage without children is not really a marriage, the husband followed an old custom and asked his wife for a divorce.

“It’s more my fault than yours that we haven’t been blessed with children,” she protested.

“I know that,” he sighed. “And we have had a wonderful life together. Even so, you must leave and return to your parents’ home. As my parting gift, you may take with you the most precious thing you can find in the house.”

Their home was filled with beautiful dishes, silverware, candlesticks, samovars, blankets, and rugs, as well as fine clothing and jewelry. What did the wife choose to take with her?

She took her husband.

He was so touched by her love that they stayed married. In less than a year, they were blessed with a child.



We all agree that the most precious things that we can find in our lives are our children. What can we give them to show our love? The gift of caring, the gift of example, the gift of heritage, the gift of the past, the gift of happy memories, and the gifts of love and acceptance.



## Upcoming Religious School Events

- \* **Sunday, October 4**—School-wide Sukkot celebration led by FWFTY.
- \* **Sunday, October 11**—K-4th grades: Simchat Torah parade. 5th-7th grades: Torah scavenger hunt. Midrasha (8th-9th grades): Special Project.
- \* **Sunday, October 18**—No school.
- \* **Sunday, October 25**—Midrasha interfaith program.



*Kim Factor showed the Religious School children how to blow the shofar (top left photo), then let them loose. The Temple grounds were filled with a joyous noise!*



# Contributions

## Rosenthal-Siegel Education Endowment Fund

**In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_ **From**  
 a speedy recovery for Sandra Luskey Roz Rosenthal  
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 the marriage of Jacqueline and Irv Robinson  
 Brigitte Altman, on her birthday  
 a speedy recovery for David Cristol  
 Sarah Herman, on her birthday  
 the birth of Ely Uettwiller Susan Samson Saxe

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 Dr. Barry Bzostek, on being elected Temple president  
 Rabbi Mecklenburger, on his 25th anniversary at Beth-El  
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 Frances Rothstein Roberta, Caitlin, and Howard Bellet

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

**In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_ **From**  
 the birth and bris of our son, Mason Lawrence Laura and Russell Lawrence  
 Rabbi Mecklenburger, on his 25th anniversary at Beth-El Frances Weltman

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

**In Memory of** \_\_\_\_\_ **From**  
 Alfred Davis Mollye and Robert Kahn  
 Minnie Kahn  
 Dorothy Kaplan  
 Rose Hochberg Al, Sandy, and Joe Polsky, and John, Debbi, and Julian Tyler

## Religious School Fund

**In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_ **From**  
 the birth of Ely Uettwiller Judy and Burton Schwartz

## Religious School Fund

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 Brigitte Altman, on her birthday Ida and Ben Schreiber and family  
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## Religious School Fund

**In Memory of** \_\_\_\_\_ **From**  
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 Eleanor Gachman, on her birthday  
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 a speedy recovery for Joyce Gerrick  
 Jacob Oderberg, on his Bar Mitzvah  
 the birth of Ely Uettwiller  
 Brigitte Altman, on her birthday

a speedy recovery for Madlyn Barnett  
 a speedy recovery for Jerry Weiner  
 Leon Brachman, on his birthday  
 Jeanne and Steve Ginsberg, on their anniversary  
 Alden Karotkin, on being asked to participate in the  
 Texas Realtors Leadership program  
 a speedy recovery for David Cristol

a speedy recovery for Nina Knight  
 a speedy recovery for Jerry Berkowitz

a speedy recovery for Dick Simon  
 a speedy recovery for Marcia Kurtz

## Temple Fund

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 Roz and Harvey Micklin  
 Joyce and Jack Gerrick  
 Harriet and Leon Lurie  
 Roz Rosenthal  
 Amy and Bob Stien  
 Carol and Richard Minker  
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 Carol and Richard Minker  
 Julie and Bob Herman  
 Leon and Eleanor Gachman  
 Alla and Mikhail Barash  
 Sandra and Kenneth Baum  
 Rick Klotz  
 Leigh and Louis Schultz  
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**Operating Endowment Fund****In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_

Roz Rosenthal, on her birthday

a speedy recovery for Jerry Berkowitz

**From**

David, Rachel, and Reuben Cristol

Trudi Post

David, Rachel, and Reuben Cristol

**Tree Fund****In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_

the marriage of Jacqueline and Irv Robinson

Brigitte Altman, on her birthday

the birth of Ely Uettwiller

**From**

Corrine Jacobson

Jane and Simon Oderberg

# The Temple Family

**Welcome New Members** \_\_\_\_\_

- Steve Klotz, 4328 Lanark Ave., Fort Worth 76109, 817-926-4116, skhott61@yahoo.com
- Jo and Constance Siegel, 2513 Livingston, Grand Prairie, 75052, 972-522-1019, josie@allstate.com
- Dr. Russell and Laura Lawrence, 1928 Dartmoor Court, Fort Worth, 76110, 682-224-4442, lauratlawrence@gmail.com

**Members on the Move** \_\_\_\_\_

- Dr. Stewart Keller, 2026 Glenco Terrace, Fort Worth, 76110
- Bene Turner, 5800 Highland Park Dr., #1077, Fort Worth, 76132

**Mazel Tov** \_\_\_\_\_

- to Alden Karotkin, who has been honored with an invitation to participate in the Texas Realtors Leadership Program.
- to Elliott and Loesje Blumberg on the birth of their most recent grandchild, Michael Jacob Cote—and to Aunt Charna and Uncle Dan Blumberg, too. Proud parents are Judy and Scott Cote of Allen, Texas.
- to Michael Appelman, on his engagement to Jennifer Kethley—and to Michael's parents,, Louise and Gordon Appleman.

**Our Sincere Condolences** \_\_\_\_\_

- to Harriet Schneiweiss, and all the family, on the death of her mother, Rose Hochberg.

## The Judaica Shop

It may seem a little early for Chanukah shopping, but many of our items are one-of-a-kind or in short supply. Come in, look around, and if you see that special gift, use our layaway program. In addition to Chanukah merchandise, we have a new glass-jewelry line, signed, matted prints from Israel, colorful candles from Safed, and some unusual mezuzahs.

**October Hours**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, &amp; Thursdays:

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Sundays: 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

(closed Sunday, October 18)

For special appointments, call Edythe Cohen at 817-923-2160. **Volunteers are needed—training will**

**be provided. If you are interested, call Edythe Cohen.**

**Tree Fund****In Memory of** \_\_\_\_\_

Dorothy Simkins

Dee Dee Friedberg

**From**

Judy and Burton Schwartz

Jane and Simon Oderberg

**Carl J. Schoenfeld Campership Fund****In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_

Brigitte Altman, on her birthday

**From**

Mimi and Hal Klotz

## Yahrzeits

**October 2**

Abe Anisman  
Max Brumer  
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Jacob Cohen  
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Richard Jack Evans  
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Rose Ungar  
Seymour Weisser  
Hortense Weltman

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Abraham Carp  
Gail Chance  
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Charles Etcoff  
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Louise Freeman  
Bayard Friedman  
Hyman Ginsberg  
Elise Schoenberg  
Greenman  
Steve Grisham  
Isadore Grossfield  
David Weisman Hirsch  
Dr. Richard Hochberger  
Sol Hochster  
Shirley James

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Donald Louis  
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Harold Schechter  
Jake Schneider  
Loraine Schwartz  
Viola Fleetwood Seltzer  
Harold Sloane  
Ethel Stenzler  
Dorothea Slavin Tabor  
Cipa Rosenberg Taylor

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David Field  
Harold Frolkis  
Solomon Griver  
Robert C. Gurney  
Rose Honigfeld  
Byron Jacobi  
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Irving Leve  
Mabel Saperston Levy  
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Mecklenburger  
David Nathan Meyerson  
Ethel Collins Oshman  
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David Stenzler

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Rose Bock  
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Solomon C. Freed  
Menford Gaines  
Meta Hochster  
Faye Kaitcer  
Betty Kessler  
Shirley Rubinson  
Irving Sachs  
Carl J. Schoenfeld  
Derrell Slater  
Mike Stein  
Milton Stryer  
Jim Zack

**October 30**

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Louise Gaston  
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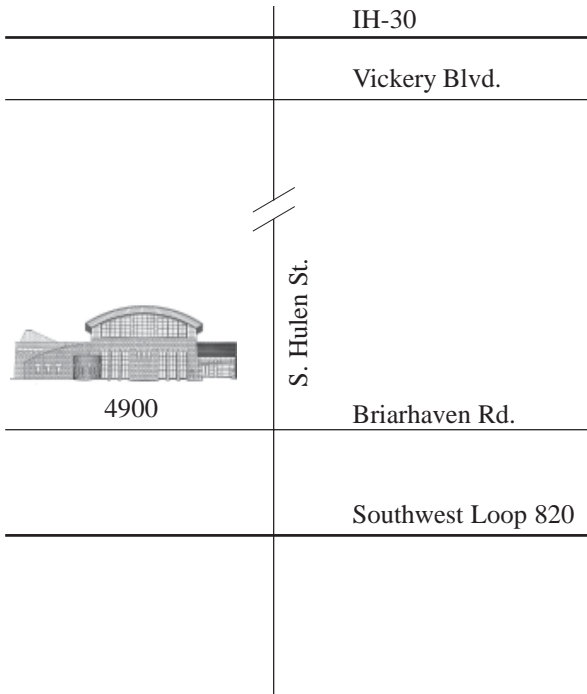
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