



## Beth Israel – The West Temple

# BULLETIN

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### Our Mission

*To be a center of worship and vital community life where Jews and their families from Cleveland's western communities learn Jewish traditions and values, develop their Jewish identity, and assure the continuity of Jewish life.*

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*from the Rabbi's Desk...*

### Turn it, and turn it – for everything is in it...



This teaching from Pirkei Avot (5:25) is attributed to Rabbi ben Bag-Bag. Ben Bag-Bag was a disciple of Rabbi Hillel. The full text of his teaching is: "Turn it, and turn it, for everything is in it. Reflect on it and grow old and gray with it. Don't turn from it, for nothing is better than it." Let's take a closer look...

**Turn it, and turn it** – As we read each portion, it is as if it is a precious stone that we hold up to the light, examining each facet for its beauty – and wisdom...

**For everything is in it** – Each facet lends another perspective on the text. Sometimes there is struggle; there are parts of the text that are not easy and do not set well with us. And there are parts of the text which sing out to us. There is much richness to be found.

**Reflect on it** – What an invitation! We are encouraged to consider the words and their meanings, what the text might have meant in the time of its setting, and what it can mean for each of us in this day.

**And grow old and gray with it** – From babies to bubbes, Torah is with us throughout our lives. As children, we learn "Torah stories", but as we grow and mature, it is so important to bring adult perspectives to the text. We can turn to Torah to find inspiration, to find comfort, to find support – indeed, as we turn gray!

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**Don't turn from it** – There is so much in our lives that can take our attention away from Torah, and yet, Torah can inform so much in our lives!

**For nothing is better than it** – There are truths... and then there are eternal Truths. Nothing is better than eternal Truths to provide us with a solid foundation on which to base our relationships with each other, with our world, and with the Holiness in our lives.

**On Monday evening, October 5th, at 6:30 p.m., we will come together to celebrate Simchat Torah.** Once again, we have come to the end of our yearly Torah readings, and will turn it and turn it back to the beginning – and celebrate the joy of Torah!

I look forward to our upcoming year of Torah,

Rabbi Enid  
[eclader@aol.com](mailto:eclader@aol.com)

Happy are we as we dance with our Torahs... Ending...  
 Beginning the circle today!



### Congregational Celebration of Simchat Torah

Monday, October 5th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 Service featuring our Hebrew Students  
 and... The West Temple Intergenerational Orchestra,  
 Singing, Music, and Dancing.

Festive Oneg to follow

It's time to bless the wine...  
 It's time to make HaMotzi...  
 It's Shabbat time...



Friday – October 9th – **Shared Shabbat**

Join us as we celebrate Shabbat & October  
 Birthdays and Anniversaries

5:45 p.m. – Nosh and Schmooze; 6:15 p.m. – Family-  
 friendly Shabbat Service with Rabbi Lader;  
 7:15 p.m. – Shabbat Potluck Supper  
 RSVP to the temple office 216-941-8882

For our next **Lunch with the Rabbi & Friends** we will join with  
 Temple B'nai Abraham and Agudath B'nai Israel for a  
 Tri-Temple Lunch & Learn, **Wednesday, October 7th at 12 noon**,  
 at **Houlihan's** in Westlake (25651 Detroit Rd. Westlake, OH 44145)  
 Rabbi Lader and Rabbi Werber will join together to present  
 "Jewish Views of Happiness"



RSVP Marcia Demby ([mardemby@icloud.com](mailto:mardemby@icloud.com)) or call 440-458-4548

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**November Deadline: Thursday, October 15th**

## Goldberg awarded the NASA Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal



Rob Goldberg received the NASA Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal, which is one of the prestigious NASA Honor Awards “For exceptional achievement in the development, validation and dissemination of theoretical models and

computational tools for impact analysis of composite engine structures,” at the annual ceremony at NASA Glenn Research Center on August 14, 2015.

The Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal is given for individual efforts that have resulted in a key scientific discovery or resulted in contribution(s) of fundamental importance in this field or significantly enhanced understanding of the field.

Rob, who has worked as a research aerospace engineer at NASA Glenn for 24 years, was nominated for the honor by his center; the nomination then underwent a rigorous review by national administrators. His research involves developing computer models to analyze how advanced composite materials behave in high speed impact environments. His computer methods will help designers at NASA, and commercial designers, as well, create the next generation of aerospace components such as engine cases and fuselages.

Congratulations to Rob for his outstanding accomplishment. May he go from strength to strength.



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## Introducing this year’s monthly Adult Education program

### CHAI Israel: Examining our Connections with Israel

This series is based on the Adult Education Israel curriculum through Makom [Israel. In Real Life]



We will be meeting at temple on Sunday evenings, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Each session will begin with a potluck supper (try out new Israeli recipes!).

#### Dates & Topics:

- Oct. 11: The Meaning(s) of Israel
- Nov. 8: Geography of Israel – Getting to Know the Land
- Dec. 13: Locating Ourselves on the Map of History
- Jan. 10: Israel in the Liturgy
- Feb. 7: Medieval Connections to the Land of Israel
- Mar 13: Crisis of “Modernity” and the Birth of Zionism
- April 10: Development of Zionism
- May 8: Re-Birth of a Nation – Celebrations & Challenges

**Register with Charles Fisher**  
**CFisher440@gmail.com** or  
**call/text 440-723-0981**



from Circle of Friends...

## October Meeting Planned

Circle of Friends, Beth Israel's Rosh Chodesh group, has been carving out a special time for the women of the congregation and community for approximately 20 years. It has provided support, comfort, spiritual connection, shared stories, acts of giving, learning, fun, and, of course, food! As we begin a new season celebrating the month of Cheshvan, we hope that you will join us for our programs every other month. Come for all of them or come for just one; you will always be welcome.

Our first program of the year will be on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:30–9:30 PM. Carola Bamberger will welcome us to her home in Marine Towers East, 12520 Edgewater Drive, #705, Lakewood, OH 44107. You can let Carola know if you will be coming: 216-226-8753 or [carola@bambergeronline.com](mailto:carola@bambergeronline.com).

If you need a ride please contact either: Barbara Schwartz at 216-228-5246 or [baschwartz@cox.net](mailto:baschwartz@cox.net) or Susan Wagner at 216-221-6660 or [susangwagner@gmail.com](mailto:susangwagner@gmail.com).

Rabbi Lader will lead us in a short service to celebrate Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan, and then we will begin a great new project. As we agreed at our last meeting in June, Circle of Friends will create a new cover for the small Torah. Years ago, the women of Beth Israel needlepointed the covers for the three large Torahs, but nothing was made for the small Torah. Our hope is to create a beautiful cover for the small one in keeping with the splendor of the large ones. We will be able to show you the design being created by Gene Epstein based on the Tree of Life created by her father, Mort Epstein. We hope that you will all want to stitch a portion of the design, and we will pass it from one to another over the year, planning to finish and dedicate it for Shavuot in June. It does not matter what level of experience you have, as we will have practice pieces at our meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> so that you may learn the stitches. If you would like to help stitch the cover, but cannot make it to the meeting, just call or email Susan or Barbara.

Barbara Schwartz, [baschwartz@cox.net](mailto:baschwartz@cox.net)

Renew your Shabbat experience and enjoy our Cleveland MetroParks!

### **Shabbat b'Tevah Shabbat in Nature**

#### **Shabbat Morning Service: A Walk in the Park**

**Saturday, October 10, 2015  
10:00 a.m.**

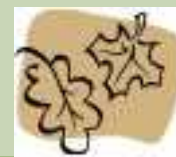
Meet Rabbi Lader at the **Chippewa Creek Gorge Scenic Overlook in the Brecksville Reservation** and "walk through" the Shabbat Morning service.

Wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather.  
Picnic Kiddush to follow.

*Directions: I-77 from the North or South  
(for the main section  
of the park)*

*Take I-77 and Exit at  
Rt. 82 East (Royalton Rd.) to  
Rt. 21 (Brecksville Rd.)*

*For Chippewa Creek Gorge Scenic Overlook, cross Rt. 21 (Brecksville Rd.) and turn right into Brecksville Reservation—Chippewa Creek Gorge Scenic Overlook will be on the left.*



Future Shabbat b'Tevah locations  
(dates and location  
subject to change):

January 9<sup>th</sup> – Westbrook Metropark (in Parma)

April 9<sup>th</sup> – Rocky River Nature Center

June 25<sup>th</sup> – Lake Erie Science & Nature Center (in Bay Village)



## Pictures from Community Commemoration of 9/11

*pictures courtesy of David Neumann*

On Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, more than a dozen people joined together at the Lakewood Park Gazebo to commemorate the 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11.

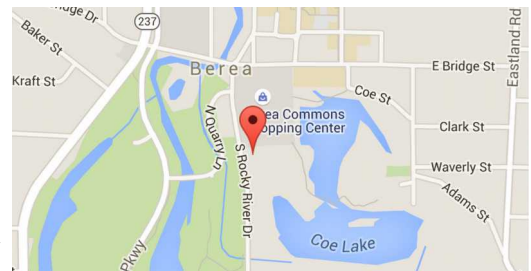


## A note of thanks

Dear members of Beth Israel–The West Temple. Again, I wish each of you a joyous New Year! As I stood before you on Rosh HaShanah Eve, it occurred to me that what you do for SCAN, every year, is the real incarnation of “We are our Brothers’ keeper”!

I am so grateful to one and all for your food and monetary donations.

Lona Gruber  
[lgruber@aol.com](mailto:lgruber@aol.com)  
Director, SCAN HUNGER CENTER PANTRY



*SCAN Hunger Center Pantry, 85 South Rocky River Drive, Berea, Ohio 44017*



**from the educator's desk...**

I hope that everyone had a good Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and that our students have had a good start to the new school year!

I, along with the Rabbi and our teachers, enjoyed seeing all of our families and students at the opening day assembly. We enjoyed singing Israeli music, meeting our new Israeli shin-shin, Itamar Cohen, and updating our Israeli flag with family Am Yisrael shields.



Our students and families also enjoyed celebrating Sukkot. Students and their parents learned about the important themes of the holiday including Haknasat Orchim – welcoming guests – and feeding those who are hungry. Together we also decorated the Sukkah, had a service, and shared a delicious meal.

**October:**

October is a busy month with a number of special programs for our students and their families.

On **Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**, our Hebrew students will help lead our **Congregational Simchat Torah Service, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**

Our High School students will begin their interfaith service project and studies by visiting the following religious organizations:

- Shiva Vishnu Temple (Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>)
- The Islamic Center of Cleveland (Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am)
- The Turkish Cultural Center (Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>).



There will be a **Parent/Child program** during Hebrew on **Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:30 p.m.** The program is “Making a Tallit” – grades 3-8 will explore the process of tallit making and learn about the origins of the different styles and colors.

On **Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**, Rivienne Levin welcomes all newborns to age 5 and their families to our monthly early childhood family program: **Yad B’ Yad** (9:45-11:15 a.m.).



Anti-Defamation League®

PARENTS mark your calendars! **Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 10:15 a.m.– 12:15 p.m.**, will be the first of our monthly parent education classes at Beth Israel–The West Temple. The workshop will be presented by the ADL (Anti-Defamation League) and is called **“Confronting Anti-Semitism—Taking Action Against Hate.”** The entire congregation is invited to attend.

I am looking forward to a fabulous school year!

Debbie Chessin, Director Of Education\*

[newjerseydmc@aol.com](mailto:newjerseydmc@aol.com)

\*This position is partially funded through the Fund for the Jewish Future of the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland.

## Pictures from First Day of Religious School *(pictures courtesy of Judith Weiss)*



*Debbie welcomes all*



*David and Itamar, our Shin-Shin from Israel*



*Hannah and Shane present gifts from Israel*



*Yad b'Yad--a big group this year!*



*Sadie studies the alef-bet*



*Julian and Harry play the tune*



*Sisters at orchestra rehearsal*





## URJ Lake Erie Community

Reform Congregations from Sylvania OH to Erie PA and south to Canton OH

**Do you...**

**Wish you were (back) at camp? Like meeting interesting people?**

**Love singing Jewish songs?**

**Members of all our URJ congregations are invited to a**

### **GET-TOGETHER FAMILY PICNIC**

***Israeli Lunch and Camp-style Singing***

***... and a chance to meet interesting folks who belong to other congregations in our 'community'...***

***Meet our new NFTY-NEL Regional President – (our own) Kathryn Fleisher***

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2015, rain or shine**

**12:00 noon – 3:00 pm**

**Mandel JCC, 26001 South Woodland Road, Beachwood**

**\$8 adults, \$6 under 18**

**Please register by Oct. 8 at <http://www.cvent.com/d/zrqq04/4W>**

Questions? Contact Art Krakauer [artk661@sbcglobal.net](mailto:artk661@sbcglobal.net) (330) 322-9896



**Our URJ Community**

Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple, Beachwood  
Beth Israel - The West Temple, Cleveland  
Congregation Rodef Sholom, Youngstown  
Oheb Shalom Congregation, Sandusky  
Suburban Temple - Kol Ami, Beachwood  
Temple Anshe Hesed, Erie PA  
Temple Beth Shalom, Hudson

Temple B'nai Abraham, Elyria  
Temple Emanu El, Orange Village  
Temple Israel, Akron  
Temple Israel, Canton  
The Temple-Tifereth Israel, Beachwood  
The Temple Congregation Shomer Emunim, Sylvania  
Tifereth Israel Congregation, Ashtabula

The URJ Lake Erie Community connects congregations in our geographic area to have fun and to share best practices and resources, and to create a network of URJ support for each other.



### Mitzvah Opportunity

... and a chance to say "Hineini - Here I am..."

Here is the link to the site that David Bamberger spoke about during his Haftarah commentary on Jonah.

No need to be "lazy" - just a click!

It's free and you can help make a difference to a number of organizations (i.e. Breast Cancer, Autism, Veterans, the Rain Forest...)

[http://thebreastcancersite.greatergood.com/ckToGive/bcs/home](http://thebreastcancersite.greatergood.com/clickToGive/bcs/home)

### Kvelling Korner

Mazal Tov to Judy and Roger Friedman, who are now the proud grandparents of

#### Mallory Blake Wright

Mallory is the daughter of Shaina (Friedman) and Zachary Wright, and was born just before midnight on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 lbs. 8 oz. and 19 inches long.

**Interested in Membership?  
Contact the temple office  
216-941-8882,  
or email us  
at [bethisrael@nls.net](mailto:bethisrael@nls.net)  
for more information.**



We invite the whole congregation to celebrate and worship with us as our son,

### Noah Barratt

becomes a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Join us for a Festive Kiddush following the Service.

Matt and Natalie Barratt

## Calendar of Events

*(Please call the Temple Office for more information or to RSVP. 216.941.8882);  
important information on services can be found on pages 14 and 15)*

Monday, October 5	Congregational Celebration of Simchat Torah, 6:30-8:00 p.m., BITWT (p. 2)
Wednesday, October 7	Lunch and Learn with the Rabbi & Friends, noon, Houlihan's in Westlake, RSVP to Marcia Demby (440) 458-4548 (p. 2)
Friday, October 9	Shared Shabbat, 5:45 p.m., Nosh and Schmooze; 6:15 p.m., Family-friendly Shabbat Service with Rabbi Lader; 7:15 p.m. Shabbat Potluck Supper, BITWT, RSVP (p. 2)
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Sunday, October 11	URJ Congregations Get-Together Family Picnic, noon-3:00 p.m., Mandel JCC, please register (p. 8)
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## Celebrations

### October Anniversaries

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kolesar	October 5	36 <sup>th</sup>
Dr. & Mrs. Sam Alterovitz	October 6	45 <sup>th</sup>
Mr. & Mrs. Roger Abady	October 8	32 <sup>nd</sup>
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Weiss	October 20	24 <sup>th</sup>
Dr. John & Carole Heimke	October 22	27 <sup>th</sup>
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Machol	October 27	36 <sup>th</sup>
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Strongosky	October 28	20 <sup>th</sup>
Allison Winokur & Neal Brashear	October 28	14 <sup>th</sup>
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Palnik	October 30	38 <sup>th</sup>

### October – Youth (up to age 25)

Cecelia Ross	October 1	12 <sup>th</sup>
Nathan Greenberg	October 4	19 <sup>th</sup>
Charlotte Watts	October 6	4 <sup>th</sup>
Noah Barratt	October 7	13 <sup>th</sup>
Rebecca Cutrona	October 7	24 <sup>th</sup>
Evelyn Payne	October 7	4 <sup>th</sup>
Rachel Neumann	October 8	11 <sup>th</sup>
Dalia Rak	October 11	1 <sup>st</sup>
Helen Levy	October 17	9 <sup>th</sup>
Caitlynn Weissberg	October 30	10 <sup>th</sup>

### October – Adults

Jerry Lopez	October 3	Simone Leffler	October 24
Beth Darmstadter	October 4	Dr. Evelyn Neufeld	October 24
Andrew Melott	October 11	Scott Machol	October 25
Dr. David Bamberger	October 14	Mary-Helen Wiesen	October 25
Rivienne Levin	October 21	Kathleen Weiss	October 26
Marilyn Morgenstern	October 21		



## Perpetual Yahrzeits

WEEK ENDING  
OCTOBER 3

Ben Goldman  
David Mandel  
Richard Rosen  
Sidney Rosen  
Richard Feigenbaum  
Anne R. Kantor  
Bernice Weisberg

WEEK ENDING  
OCTOBER 10

Harris Blecker  
Benjamin Cohen  
Ruth Kaplan  
Harry Mancher  
Robert Oscar Zabarsky  
Dave Gorland  
Sidney Gordon  
Frieda Provder  
Mady Solomonescu

WEEK ENDING  
OCTOBER 17

Reuben Slone  
Garson Hertzberg  
Pearle Fairberg  
Arthur Loeb  
Samuel Bir  
Fred Kassel

WEEK ENDING  
OCTOBER 24

Harry Mason  
Zelda Gruber  
Betty C. Sissman  
Saul P. Weissman  
Patsy Zabarsky  
Ann Rubin  
Harry E. Schwartz  
Nellie Palnik  
Frank Kramer

WEEK ENDING  
OCTOBER 31

Bernie Wanger  
Richard McGary  
Clifford Altfeld

WEEK ENDING  
NOVEMBER 7

David J. Samuels  
Ralph Forman  
Morris Rabin  
Thomas Covert  
Max Eisenstot  
James Feldman  
David Max Klipstein-Hauser  
Edith Lettofsky  
Vivian Lopatin  
Milton Hyman

The congregation extends its  
condolences to Jill Josselson on the  
death of her stepfather

**Dr. Mark Ludwig**

and also to Rebecca, Joseph, and  
Daniel Josselson on the death of their  
Grandfather.

Dr. Ludwig passed away on  
August 16, 2015.  
May his memory be for a blessing.

## Service Schedule

### **Friday Evenings**

Services at 8:00 p.m.  
(except where noted)

### **Saturday Mornings**

Torah Study 10:00 a.m.  
Service 11:00 a.m.  
Kiddush: 12:15 p.m.  
(except where noted)  
Call the *Temple Office* for more information.

### **October 2**

Service Leader: Rabbi Lader

### **October 3**

Service Leader: Rabbi Lader

### **October 5 – Erev Simchat Torah**

6:30 – 8:00

Service Leaders: Rabbi Lader and Hebrew Students

### **October 9 – Shared Shabbat**

5:45 Nosh & Schmooze  
6:15 Family Friendly Service  
7:15 Dairy Potluck Supper

Service Leader: Rabbi Lader

### **October 10 – Shabbat in the Park**

Service Leader: Rabbi Lader

### **October 16**

Service Leader: Rabbi Lader

### **October 17– Bar Mitzvah of Noah Barratt**

9:15 Torah Study  
10:00 Service

Service Leader: Rabbi Lader

### **October 23**

Service Leader: Matt Barratt

### **October 24**

Service Leader: Rabbi Lader

### **October 30**

Service Leader: Scott Machol

### **October 31**

Service Leader: Luis Fernandez

## Contributions – September 2015

### General Fund

A donation from Stephen M. Cohen.

#### *In Honor of*

Rose Priesand's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
From her children

#### *In Memory of*

John G. Ludwig  
Linda Kramer  
Carol Heisey  
Nancy Eilberg

### Rabbi Lader's Discretionary Fund

#### *Donations from*

Jeanene M. Kress  
and  
Susan L. Golden

*In Appreciation of Rabbi Lader for conducting  
the unveiling service for our father, and for her  
caring and compassion.*

The Family of Richard Feigenbaum

#### *In Honor of*

Rose Priesand's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Leona Ackerman

#### *In Loving Memory Of*

Harry Weiss  
Leonard Weiss  
Cecelia Weiss  
Leonard Weiss  
Eugene Weiss  
Leonard Weiss  
Brad Weiss  
Leonard Weiss

### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Renovation & Capital Campaign Fund

#### *We acknowledge donations from*

Jeanene M. Kress  
Karon & Gerald Greenfield  
Sandu Leibovici  
Drs. Neil & Mary Kay Greenberg  
Lisa & Sid Feldman

#### *In Loving Memory of*

Phyllis & Jack Keller  
Joel & Linda Keller  
Max Eisenstot  
Valerie Tate

### Tree of Life Fund

#### *In loving memory of*

Nita Goldberg  
Beryl & Michael Palnik  
Nellie Palnik  
Beryl & Michael Palnik

### The Miller Art Fund

#### *In loving memory of*

Murray Greenfield  
Karon & Gerald Greenfield

### Library Fund

#### *In loving memory of*

Harry A. Mittleman, M.D.  
Robert & Judith Weiss