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Latest & Greatest events during our High Holiday Celebrations and a surprise visit from **MILTON!**



The Presidents' Message



My Fellow Congregants and Rabbi Kane, I need to start with Thank you and how Grateful I am for all of you! October was full of wonder and awe. Meriting special attention are the Rabbi, Cantor and the Choir and everybody who helped organize or took part in all of the Holiday Services. The Kitchen Angels out did themselves under very challenging post-Hurricane circumstances and our Sukkot crew as well as the Ice Cream Sundae organizers were equally fabulous. Also, the Rabbi and I, along with many other Congregants especially appreciate Kay, our one woman office! The CBT family is a true blessing.

November will be a month of unknown challenges and change and in that I wish all of you peacefulness.

Looking forward to seeing you at services.

With compassion, mercy, intent, and love, wishing your health and prosperity .

Howard Silverstein, President

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*****KABBALAH KORNER*****

Sharing wisdom from a 3,000 year old mystical tradition

Noach-Dig deep and persevere. This month we hold fast to the power of never giving up and push past our comfort zones, because only there do we begin to feed our soul. When we read about redemption, it says that there will come a time when all the spiritual knowledge in the world will be gathered together. People of like minds will join together. Regardless of where they were born or what their specific pathway is to their Creator, they will find a common denominator.

We know there is only one aspect in this universe that does not diminish by its being shared. That is light. We can light a thousand candles, and the light of the first candle is never diminished. The wax diminishes, but the light does not. This light of the candle is akin to the Light of the soul. This is the Light that binds us, each to one another.

A Message From Rabbi Kane



This season, the High Holidays had it all, prayer, beauty, drama and a sweet ending!

Our prayer was especially moving because we got to enjoy Cantor Rich Walters live and in person for the entire Rosh Hashanah. A certain hurricane pushed him to evacuate and he joined remotely for the rest of the Holidays. Still, I remember thinking as he chanted just a few feet away from me, how very lucky I am to be a Rabbi with a Cantor who is both an musician, an artist, and a mensch.

I smiled with delight when the Choir, (under the capable direction of Harriet Fritz), began their first song on Rosh Hashanah. As the holidays came and went, my smile got bigger and bigger from the moving music coming from a lovely group of singers. We are grateful to them and proud of them; and they should be very proud of themselves.

There are many more people to thank, but I will leave that to the president this month.

As many of you know, I have been quite ill recently with Covid Pneumonia and a lung infection. My recovery is ongoing, but my doctor has recommended I take some time to rebuild my stamina/health (as I only have one complete lung from a previous cancer bout) and develop a strategy that doesn't involve working countless hours many days in a row.

After Friday, November 1, I am going to work a reduced schedule.

For the rest of the month, I will work with Kay in the office in the mornings as necessary and continue doing visits and teaching the Hebrew and Bnai Mitzvah students.

Obviously, I always welcome your phone calls and will respond as soon as possible.

My thanks to Rabbis Lennick and Shapiro, Cantor Rich Walters, Charlie Moskowitz, Larry Cooperman, my students, and any other congregants assisting with services for the month and Rabbi Simon and Jonathan Frankel for Shalom School efforts.

After Thanksgiving weekend, I expect to be back full time and look forward to a month filled with anticipation of our gathering for all of our Hanukah events!

Rabbi S. David Kane

Congregation B'nai Torah Religious School Report

By Helen Farb



We have been very busy this holiday/hurricane season. All these holidays; Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. We had a great family participation. The Shalom School included the students in many holiday activities. Rabbi Kane has been teaching all the students many new songs. We had 74 students last Sunday. WOW! They all made La Shana Tova cards which were given out at the Jewish Federation Senior Luncheon.

We have had many family activities at B'nai Torah. The children did a great job at Yom Kippur enacting Jonah and the Whale. Our actors were: Ori ; Jacob and Aaron; Avi, Amara, and Scarlet; and Micah and Kaida. Who can forget Michael Sznajstajler (the whale). swallowing Jonah (Ori). Our Sukkot looks fantastic. Our great builders, Alan and Ira did a great job putting it together, even with all the wind! I hope you were able to go in and see all the decorations that the students made and shake the Luluv and Etrog.

Today, Sunday, October 13th, the students learned facts about what was involved in making a Torah and about the holiday Simchat Torah. They made edible Torahs which they ate in the Beth-El succah. The Shalom school invited all parents and students to have lunch with them in their Succah. It was a great finish to a beautiful day!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, November 1	Kid and Tot Shabbat	6:00
Sunday, November 3	Shalom School/ Beth El	9:00-12:00

Hope you did not have much damage from the hurricane!

Miss Helen

Helen Farb, Religious School Director

Rushing off to Shalom School!





Sensational Sukkot!





**Dancing
at
Sukkah
Time**



Making an Edible Torah—Simply Delicious!





Sisterhood in the News

The month of October had some challenges, Hurricane Milton gave us a run around, but Sisterhood was able to pull off their annual Break the Fast and it was a big success. A huge Thank you to Lea Moskowitz who was the leader of this feast. Many of our Congregants had struggles with the storm's fury and flooding. Please understand that Sisterhood is so much more than a social group. We are the heart and soul of Congregation B'nai Torah. We are continually raising money for our own congregants. The dues stay in our Congregation to benefit our members. All it takes is a single payment of \$36.00 annually. There are several ways to join; submit your payment either online at mybnaitorah.org website, mail it, or drop it off at the CBT office from 9:00 am-1:00 pm Monday-Friday.

Our annual CBT Mah Jongg Tournament had over 70 players and for the first time we co-hosted our event with Temple Beth -El. The tournament went off without a hitch and we had a very successful event, thanks to our Chairs, Sema Friedman and Lea Moskowitz.

Mark your calendars, Sisterhood is having an Estate Sale with antiques and rare finds. Go shopping early for the Holidays on Sunday, November 3rd, from 9am until we have sold out., at Congregation B'nai Torah. Proceeds from the **Diane Goldsmith Memorial Mitzva Fund** will help congregants in need.

Look what's coming up.....

- **Tuesday, November 5th**, Election Day
Just remember that if you are not present and do not VOTE your voice will not be heard!
- **Thursday, November 14th**, 6pm Dinner – look for flyer to update restaurant.
- **Sunday, December 15th**, Hard Rock Community Hannukah Party - Sisterhood will have a table to sell items from our gift shop. Please contact Barbara Kusnick 985-705-1236 if you can help with working at our Sisterhood table.
- **Thursday, December 19th**, Sisterhood Hannukah Party – Details coming soon
- **Friday, December 27th**, CBT Hannukah Dinner
We are always looking for new ideas and members to get involved. Call any of your sisterhood board members for information.

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Vice – President Programing.....	Netta Wiener
Vice -President Fund Raising.....	Sema Friedman
Vice-President Membership.....	Helen Farb & Marcia Bergman
Secretary.....	Melanie Shiffman
Treasurer & Kitchen Chair.....	Lea Moskowitz

Toda lech (Thank You)

Barbara Kusnick, Sisterhood President
Come join the fun!

Download the CBT Sisterhood Membership Application
[HERE](#)



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED TO OUR BREAK-THE-FAST

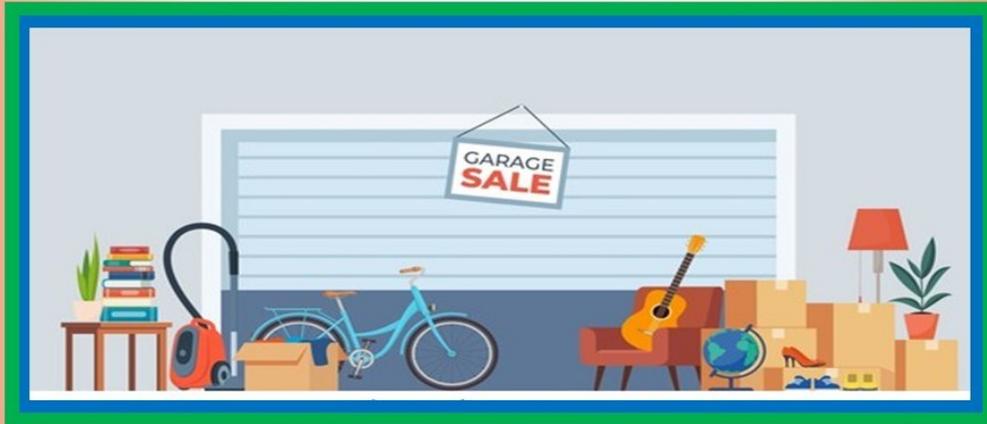
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THE LADIES ENJOYED THE SISTERHOOD MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT



ESTATE SALE



**SUNDAY, November 3rd
CBT Office at 9:00 AM Sharp**

**Do your holiday shopping!
We have many craft items, fall
decorations, you name it,
we've got it!**

**Lots of one of a kind items as well
as antiques!
Come and check it out!**

MEN'S CLUB®

Men's Club Upcoming events:

The Brunch and Shoot program at Bunnell Range, originally scheduled for Nov 17, has been postponed. We are hoping to get a new date soon. Look for upcoming announcements on this event. Our entire schedule can be found at the Men's Club page on the CBT website: <https://mybnaitorah.org/mens-club/>

Everyone had a great time at Schnapps in the Sukkot, thank you for those who participated, and thanks to Rabbi Kane for sponsoring one of the bottles. Also, Kudos to Ray Leonard, who did a fantastic presentation of his new book, "Sons of Srol", on October 27.

Men of CBT, our annual membership drive continues. If you haven't done so already, we need you to complete the application. Membership is \$36/year. In case you have misplaced it, here's the link.....

<https://forms.gle/uffvn1aGmzsEtubC8>

You can always check the Men's Club page on the CBT website: <https://mybnaitorah.org/mens-club/>

**Do you have a great idea for the Men's Club? Contact me:
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cbtobmensclub@gmail.com**

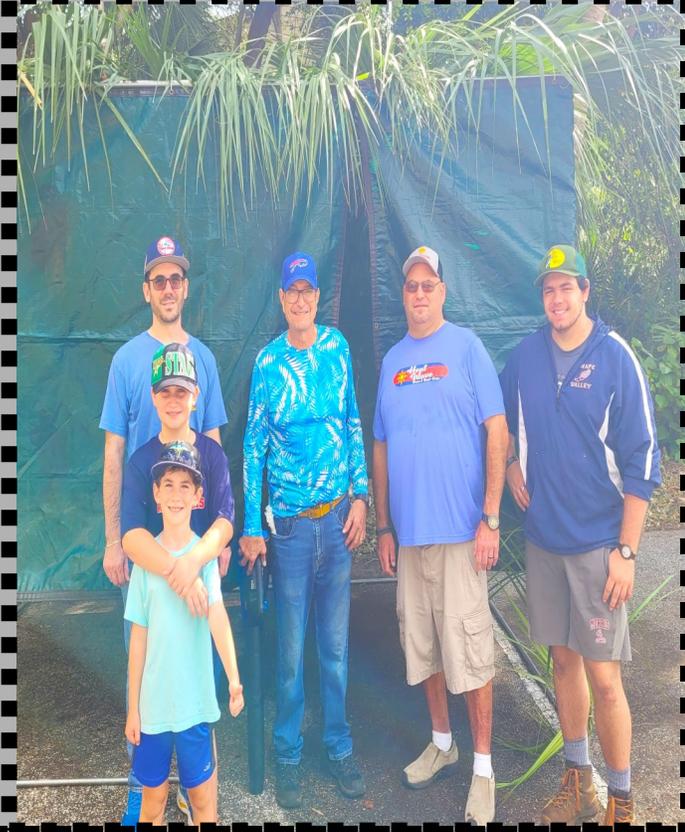
**Thanks!
Mark Givarz, CBT Men's Club President**

Here's the link to submit: <https://mybnaitorah.org/mens-club-donation/>

Let me know if you have any ideas for the Men's Club.



Great Job Erecting the Sukkot



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We need volunteers for the
Membership and Visiting
Committees.

Please consider volunteering a
couple of hours a week or more to
visit congregants at nursing homes,
the hospital, or their homes. We also
need volunteers for the Lunch Buddy
Program to take older congregants
out for coffee or lunch. We also need
volunteers to write welcome cards
for new members, to call potential
members, to call members who are
sick, and to write get-well cards.

If interested, please call Kay at the
CBT Office at (386)672-1174.

**WE NEED
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Jason Suran
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Please be prepared to make a pledge of \$3,600 or more to the upcoming, new
2025 Federation Annual Campaign commencing January 1, 2025.

**PLEASE RSVP BEFORE NOVEMBER 11, 2024
CALL (386) 672-0294 FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Jason Suran is a New York based performer whose unique illusions have been featured on television, radio and in venues that range from Carnegie Hall to the United States Pentagon. Often described as a "mentalist", "mind-reader" or "demon we should kill with fire just to be safe," Jason has earned widespread acclaim for his groundbreaking immersive performances. In addition to a two year ensemble run at the McKittrick Hotel (home of Sleep No More). Jason served as artist-in-residence at the Norwood Club in Chelsea and in January 2021, was named a New York Times "Up Next" artist to watch. His most recent project, Reconnected (a virtual theatrical experience executive produced by Alan Cumming) has become a smash hit among all forms of virtual entertainment and has sold out over 500 performances worldwide.

"Jason is that rare combination of mentalist who makes you laugh uproariously while leaving you wanting to question everything you have ever known to be true in your lifetime."

Ben Stiller (Emmy-winning Actor of Meet the Parents and Zoolander)

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, November 17th, 2024

At 1 PM

At the Jewish Federation of Volusia County
Jewish Cultural Center

**AS WE DEDICATE our Magen David Adom
ICU ON WHEELS
(Before it is sent to Israel.)**



The Jewish Federation sent a thank you for the CBT contribution to their “Emergency Room on Wheels” campaign. This gift was most helpful and will enable them to purchase the state-of-the art emergency vehicle that Israel’s first responders so desperately need.

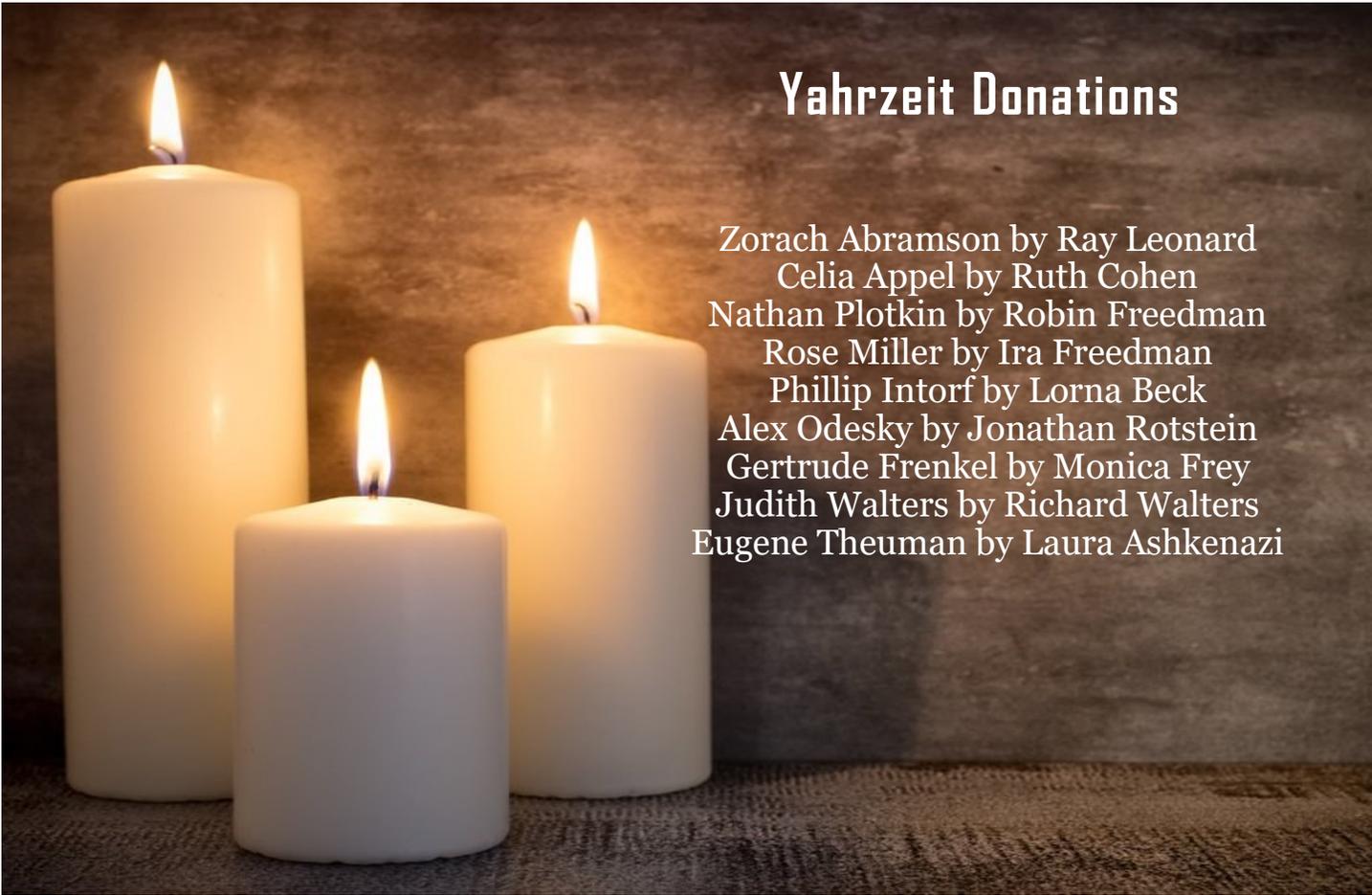
The Social Committee needs your help.

We are looking for volunteers for social events, to call members and potential future members to inform them of upcoming events.

CBT members! I am looking to assemble a committee for the Jewish Women's Retreat taking place early next year.

If interested, please contact Melanie Shiffman at (386)506-9494.





Yahrzeit Donations

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| 1 Patrizia Rubin | 13 Chanah Zimmerman |
| 3 David Surrey | 16 Naomi Beggelman |
| 5 Michael Katz | 19 Marsha Shapiro |
| 7 Robyn Shapiro | 26 Scott Ravede |
| 7 Robert Goldberg | 29 Scott Selis |
| 9 Zev Cohen | 30 Jared Kisseloff |
| 13 Jacob (Jack) Rohald | |

Happy Birthday from Lea & Charles Moskowitz to Patrizia Rubin, David Surrey, Michael Katz, Robyn Shapiro, Robert Goldberg, Zev Cohen, Jacob (Jack) Rohald, Chanah Zimmermann, Naomi Beggelman, Marsha Shapiro, Dr. Scott Ravede, Scott Selis, Jared Kisseloff



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| Eileen & George Selis | Sheryl & Ken Lipowitz |

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION

A big thank you to the co-sponsors for all the lovely High Holiday flowers and a big thank you to all the donors who contributed to our Break-the-Fast.

TWO Yom Kippur Miracles:
First, the power miraculously came back on!
Secondly, the KITCHEN ANGELS managed to create an amazing Break-the-Fast in no time at all!
THANK YOU ANGELS!!

Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan for Hebrew Year 5785 will be celebrated from sundown on Thursday, 31 October 2024 through nightfall on Saturday, 2 November 2024

BE A CBT MITZVAH MAVEN!

Have an extra hour (or two)? Volunteer!!!

We have several homebound congregants who have found a visit from a CBT Family Member is one of the best ways to bring a smile to their faces.

Interested in spreading some sunshine?

Contact Valerie Kane, our interim Chair of the Visiting Committee at 386-871-9909. You can help assist the elderly members of our congregational family. So please consider joining us with this important mitzvah!

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE

Sharing a link to AJC's website:

**Resource for reporting Antisemitism to Federal Agencies, Law Enforcement, and Social Media Guidance
(<https://www.ajc.org/ReportingAntisemitism>)**

SPREAD THE NEWS

Robin & Ira Freedman are expecting another Granddaughter. Congratulations!

Rabbi & Val got to see the Swedish branch of the family who came for a visit.

Ruth Kywi is off to Texas to heal and spend time with her family.

Bon Voyage to the December 2nd Cruisers! Enjoy!



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The Sanctuary of Congregation B'nai Torah houses impressive memorial boards. Memorial plaques with the names of our dearly departed loved ones adorn the boards. A brass memorial plaque with the name of your departed loved one inscribed thereon can be added to the Memorial Board for a donation of \$300.

TREE OF LIFE

The Sanctuary of Congregation B'nai Torah houses an impressive Tree of Life, donated by Dr. & Mrs. Richard Rhodes.

Stylized “Leaves” or “Foundation Stones” celebrate any occasion and will be engraved with the name of the celebrated person(s) and any other appropriate information.

A leaf can be added for a donation of \$118. For extra special occasions, a limited number of “Foundation Stones” are available for a donation of \$500.

Please call the office at **(386) 672-1174** if you would like more information about either the Memorial Board or the Tree of Life.



Upcoming Events

Shabbat services start at 7:00 PM each Friday

RESERVE THESE DATES

Fri	Nov 1	6:00 PM	Kid & Tot Shabbat
Sun	Nov 3	9:00 AM	Estate Sale at CBT Office/Garage
Sun	Nov 3 & 17	9:00 AM	Shalom School, Temple Beth El
Tue	Nov 5		ELECTION DAY— GET OUT AND VOTE
Wed	Nov 6	7:00 PM	Men's Club Zoom Meeting
Tue	Nov 5, 12, 19, 26	7:00 PM	Bible Study with Rabbi Merrill Shapiro
Thu	Nov 7, 21	9:00 AM	JPGT Breakfast, BRUNCH DAYTONA, LPGA
Mon	Nov 11		VETERANS DAY
Thu	Nov 14	6:00 PM	Sisterhood Dinner—TBA
Tue	Nov 18	7:00 PM	CBT Board Meeting
Thu, Fri	Nov 28, 29		THANKSGIVING BREAK—CBT OFFICE CLOSED

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