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From the Editor

The purpose of the Kol is to inform, educate, entertain congregants, and to attract other members of the Jewish faith or *Kro'vei Yisrael* to the Temple. "*Kro'vei Yisrael*" are relatives of Jews who express a desire for membership in Temple Beth Sholom.

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Worship Service Schedule

- 1st week – 1st Friday Night Family Shabbat
- 2nd week – Healing Shabbat
- 3rd week – Music Shabbat
- 4th week – Jewish History
- 5th week – Ask the Rabbi

Thank you

- **Ellen Gould** for baking challah for us to enjoy at our onegs. They are delicious and beautiful.
- **Dan Buchalter, Sondra Schwartz, Eleanor Tandowsky, Rita Goldhor, Olga Mandler, and Heidi Kolden** for staffing the office.
- **Eleanor Tandowsky, Heidi Kolden, Kathy Krohn, Merle Manning, Judith Eisenberg, and Wendy Sachs** for preparing the HHD materials and mailing them out.



Catering Prices for Onegs and Shabbat Dinner Sponsors

In order to keep up with the cost, Sisterhood is increasing the catering price for Onegs (from \$50 to \$75) and for Shabbat Dinners (from \$100 to \$200). Please contact Rita Cohen at 510.523.5180 or rc3429@aol.com if you are interested in scheduling a catered Oneg or dinner. *Thank you.*



ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

We will have barrels and bags in the lobby for you. Please take a bag or two and fill it with non-perishable food items for our neighbors in need.

From the Rabbi

I have been agonizing over this Kol Sholom article. I wanted to share my thoughts about this crucial agreement with Iran and be clear and as analytical as I could possibly be. None of you will be shocked with my support of the agreement, but I wanted to share my position with you. Please understand that I know that there are two sides to this discussion and that I do not have a monopoly on the truth or the only reasonable position. I respect your thoughts and understandings as being as valid as my own. So I am asking the editor of the Kol Sholom to share this article by Shai Feldman and Ariel Levite so that you might become acquainted with my thoughts in a more sophisticated way. I had the opportunity to hear Ariel Levite speak to the rabbis of the Bay Area on August 11th.

Seven Realities That Made an Iran Deal Almost Inevitable

Shai Feldman (*Director of Brandeis University's Crown Center for Middle East Studies*) and Ariel E. Levite (*Senior Associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*)

Much of the immediate commentary on the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) signed between the P5+1 and Iran on July 14 focused on the deal's details as well as its many shortcomings. Most of these reactions, both favoring and opposing the agreement, focused on elements of the nuclear package itself.

A number of commentaries did discuss some "big picture" aspects of the deal: primarily, the extent to which President Obama was "gambling" on its transformative potential—namely the possibility that it will eventually lead Iran to reorient its regional policies in a manner that would make them better aligned with U.S. interests in the Middle East. A different frequently mentioned "big picture" issue pertains to the likelihood that Iran would use the billions of dollars released to its disposal for the purpose of raising even greater havoc in the region.

Missing so far, however, is an assessment of the extent to which a nuclear deal with Iran had become possible, perhaps even inevitable for the United States—once Iran has come around to seriously look for one—due to larger forces at bay. Specifically overlooked is the extent to which the deal and its present timing *reflect* U.S. appreciation of some important global and Middle East *realities* of the first decade and a half of the twenty-first century. These realities motivated the United States to seek and ultimately accept a deal that it has been clearly unwilling to even consider over the past decade. Ascertaining these "inconvenient truths" is useful; as much as they explain certain aspects of the Iran nuclear deal they provide even more important insights about the broader parameters and current trajectories of Middle East and international politics.

The most important of these realities is that the 2003 U.S.-led invasion of Iraq and the complete dismantlement of its armed forces have left Iran as the uncontested regional

power in the Persian Gulf, eliminating in the process the traditional buffer between the Gulf and Levant. Iran has thus emerged by will as well as by default with a remarkable capacity to project power throughout the region, largely unopposed. With no one left to systematically check its capacity for creating mischief in the region (except for occasional and ad hoc efforts by Israel, Saudi Arabia, and the Gulf States), the belief that sanctions alone could have not only brought Tehran to the negotiations table but also to capitulate and accept the dismantlement of its nuclear project is unfounded.

The second reality is that President Obama's election in 2008 on a platform of taking America's boots off the ground of Iraq and Afghanistan and of favoring diplomatic engagement with Iran already reflected U.S. war fatigue. By 2015 the United States has been heavily involved in the region, militarily and otherwise, for almost fifteen years, at a cost of tens of thousands of U.S. casualties and at least two trillion dollars in direct and indirect costs.

The implication of this is that it was highly unrealistic to expect, absent a mad Iranian dash to the bomb, that the United States would use force, or could even credibly threaten as much to back its negotiations positions, given the odds, low as they may have been, that even very limited but unprovoked Israeli or United States use of force could have evolved into an open-ended military commitment. Hence, repeated assertions that "all the options are on the table," while remaining an indispensable communication tool to which the United States (and Israel) seem to be wedded, had become an ever less likely option to be exercised or taken seriously, either by Iran nor by America's regional allies, other than under the most extreme circumstances.

The third reality comprised the broader context of the second: a growing skepticism about the utility of force in the twenty-first century. This skepticism was bred not only by a stream of U.S. failures to achieve political goals through military means in Iraq and Afghanistan (and by Israel in both Lebanon and Gaza) but also by a growing appreciation that such use of force often results in unintended consequences. Indeed, as in the case of Iraq, such consequences could prove even more ominous than the challenges that led to the use of force in the first place. Interestingly, President Obama is not the only relevant leader who shares such skepticism. Measured not by his rhetoric but by his behavior in all military confrontations during his terms as prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu has apparently grown no less skeptical about the use of force and sensitive to its potential downsides, causing him to be historically among the most cautious of Israeli leaders. The result is that both Obama and Netanyahu found it very difficult to project a credible military threat that could have produced effective leverage in the negotiations with Iran.

The fourth reality is the global energy revolution and the corresponding dramatic increase in America's (and separately, Israeli) energy independence. In turn, this reality means that for the first time since the end of the Second World War the United States has become far less vulnerable to negative developments in the Middle East. This has made it even more difficult for the United States to contemplate and project a

willingness to launch even a limited military operation given the nontrivial odds that any military strike could escalate to another major engagement.

Fifth, in addition to the aforementioned limitations of U.S. leverage, the JCPOA comprised a middle ground between two narratives based on the lingering traumas of past realities: First, a U.S. narrative that views Iran's Islamic regime as having established a track record of both ruthlessly targeting Americans (in the U.S. Embassy in Tehran and later in Iraq, Afghanistan, Lebanon) and acting deceitfully, consistently failing to abide by past commitments. These reinforced America's determination to insist that the nuclear deal with Iran would include highly intrusive international monitoring and verification measures. And second, an Iranian narrative dating back to the CIA's removal of Prime Minister Mohammad Mosaddegh in 1953 that the United States has a propensity to behave in an underhanded manner and seek regime change in Iran whenever an unfriendly leader ascends to power. This narrative reinforced Iran's deeply rooted proclivity to resist verification and monitoring measures that could expose its regime's secrets. It is also for this reason that Iran sought a deal that binds the United States to the agreement while falling far short of fully normalizing the bilateral relationship.

Sixth, Al-Qaeda's horrific September 11 attacks (carried out by extremists, many of whom were Saudi born) meant that the anti-American Muslim fanaticism of the Shi'a variety to which the West has been treated since the 1979 Iranian revolution (typified by Iran's sponsorship of Hezbollah's deadly attack on the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut) was now matched by no less menacing Sunni extremism. This reality later became even more so by the horrors of the "shock and awe" strategy adopted and repeatedly implemented by ISIS and to a lesser extent by other Sunni forces in Lebanon and Syria. Indeed, the rise of ISIS has already transformed U.S.-Iranian relations, as the two discovered that while most of their interests remain conflicting, some of their interests overlap thus rendering their relations as no longer purely "zero-sum."

Finally, the increasingly complex regional realities in the aftermath on the so-called Arab Spring and the rise of ISIS means that in important parts of the Middle East—including Iraq, Syria, Libya, and Yemen (and even in the Sinai peninsula)—where chaos runs supreme, it is no longer possible for the United States to neatly distinguish between friends and foes or, for that matter, to find any unequivocally "good guys" among the warring parties to support. It also means that in addition to the secular-religious, Shi'a-Sunni, republic-monarchy and other divides, a new dichotomy is engulfing the Middle East: that between sophisticated chess players who engage in complex signaling maneuvers like Iran and its allies, and others like ISIS skillfully exercising brute force. Under these circumstances, beggars cannot be choosers, and the United States finds itself having to seek accommodation with rational and sophisticated (if occasionally assertive, forceful, and even prickly) parties who understand not only the utility of force but also its limitations against even more brutal adversaries. Indeed, it is noteworthy that during its thirty-six-year history the Islamic Republic never gambled its survival as Iraq's Saddam Hussein did three times: in 1980-88, in 1990-91, and in 2003. Importantly, in yet another virulent attack on the United States and Israel on July 18,

Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei refrained from committing his country to battle the two. Instead, he "outsourced" this mission to God, expressing hope that the Almighty would do so.

The implication of these new global and regional realities is that notwithstanding valid criticism of the various imperfections of the agreement reached by the P5+1 and Iran, America's negotiators deserve some empathy. Since international agreements usually reflect important realities, it would have been irresponsible not to explore a diplomatic resolution of the Iran nuclear crisis given the unprecedented challenges presented by the complex regional environment described here. Once the effort was undertaken in earnest, it was inevitable that serious concessions would be made, much as their precise nature could have been better managed.

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Rabbi Harry A. Manhoff

	<p style="text-align: center;">Your Kol Nidre Assignment</p> <p>For the past number of years I have shortened my Kol Nidre sermon to 300 words. At the same time for these past few years I have also challenged you to reflect on the same theme and to write 300 of your own words on the same subject. This year your Kol Nidre Assignment is inspired by the prophet Micah who taught: It has been taught you, o mortal, what is good and what the Eternal does require of you: to do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God. (Micah 6:8). The concepts of "justice" and "humility" are fairly understandable, even if we sometimes do not pay enough attention to them. But the concept of "mercy," sometimes translated "kindness" or "loving-kindness," is more obscure. Please consider this question: "What does it mean that God wants us to love mercy?" I'll give you my answer on Erev Yom Kippur, and I earnestly look forward to the answers that you will share with me.</p>
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Making a Difference - The High Holy Days

By Heidi Kolden

Each of us live our lives, both singularly, and together. Our prayers on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during the High Holy Days are also done individually, and communally.

So, community is a huge part of everything we are, as members of this very wonderful congregation, as well as a huge part of our prayers. Who we are as individuals is important, but who we each are as a member of a community is as well. We need to sustain our minds, hearts, and bodies, and we also need each other to make that happen as well.

During every service, we have an opportunity to support and help others to get through a trying time, to recover from a loss, to celebrate something wonderful that is happening, or just to say hi. We are alone in our thoughts, but together, we make a difference.

So, what makes the High Holy Days different than any other time of year, besides the obvious? Yes, I know it is the time we should work to right any wrong done, to atone for our sins, to wish each other a *Shanah Tovah*, and to especially come to the synagogue. In addition to that, it is our congregation that we each support, the new people, those of us who have been around for a while, and the older ones. It is important that we each find it in ourselves to give a little more, and not just financially.

I know that each of us is an integral part of what makes Temple Beth Sholom special. Each of us brings something special to the community. We are a family, and as a family, aren't we supposed to support each other?

So, I ask you, what do you want to see happen in the future, and what are you willing to do to see it come to life? That is a very important part of growth, of existing. Any action is not just for our own growth, but future generations. It is important to understand that no matter how small an effort is, or how little a contribution of time, energy, or ability it is, that it is not only welcome, but necessary.

I stumble, I fall, I fail, but, I pick myself back up, and I keep on going, and I still need Temple Beth Sholom and our community. It makes me feel like I am a part of something bigger, something worthwhile, and hopefully, that is the same for each of us. So, even though I, or any of us, might miss the mark, I will always keep giving, because I love this community, and want it to thrive. Hopefully, each of us feel the same, and want it to thrive and grow as well. So, for now, I wish you a *Shanah Tovah*, a sweet new year, for you, your family, for Temple Beth Sholom, and everyone in our community.

Together, we can make a difference for the present and the future. *Shanah Tovah*

May the Door of this Synagogue

By Eleanor Tandowsky

Dear Beth Sholom members,

I tried--and failed--to write a High Holy Days article for this edition of the Kol Sholom until I discovered 3 items that said it all so much better.

In the Mishkan T'Filah prayerbook that we use on Friday nights, the following prayer appears on page 124:

May the door of this synagogue be wide enough
to receive all who hunger for love, all who are lonely for friendship.

May it welcome all who have cares to unburden,
thanks to express, hopes to nurture.

May the door of this synagogue be narrow enough
to shut out pettiness and pride, envy and enmity.

May its threshold be no stumbling block
to young or straying feet.

May it be too high to admit complacency,
selfishness and harshness.

May this synagogue be, for all who enter,
the doorway to a richer and more meaningful life.

An article by Rabbi Adam Raskin of Congregation Har Shalom in Potomac, Maryland titled "Ten Truths of Synagogue Life" included paragraph #8 as follows:

"...Synagogue membership is a responsibility shared by both the synagogue staff and its members. The responsibility of the synagogue is to provide meaningful, engaging, spiritually invigorating prayer services, learning opportunities and other gatherings of significance. BUT it is also incumbent on members to avail themselves of these opportunities and to engage the synagogue as a place where they connect as Jews and become inspired by the gifts of active participation...."

And, finally, the Pirke Avot says it best:

"It is not your duty to complete the task, but neither are you free to desist from it."

Please consider all of the things the temple gives you--or has given you for many years and generations-- and make a generous donation to our Yom Kippur appeal.

L'Shanah Tovah Tikateivu!

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		Thank you for your kind donation	Irene Rozenblad & Family
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		In memory of my mother Dorothy Jacobs	Rita Cohen
		God has bestowed his blessing onto us	Irene Rozenblad & Family
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		Thank you for your kind donation	Irene Rozenblad
		God Bless you	Irene Rozenblad & Family
		In memory of John Heilborn	Inge Heilborn
		In memory of David Tandy	Eleanor Tandowsky
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Sisterhood	Rita Cohen	Thank you to Mrs. Rita Cohen	Djalal Vassigh

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The Tree of Life sculpture is in Zucker Hall – for all to see.

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*The order form is available in the newly revised “**How To Donate**” pamphlet, copies of which are in the lobby.*

Complete the order form and send it and your payment to the Temple Office to order your leaf.

LITTLE SHUL MEMORIAL BOARD

“May Their Memory Be a Blessing”



Temple Beth Sholom

We have installed another Memorial Board in the Little Shul. The plaques are clear lucite with gold letters. This is an elegant and modern way to remember our loved ones.

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Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood

(August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016)

“The mission of Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood is to support and strengthen our synagogue and community. We will accomplish our mission with these goals: To provide educational, spiritual, and social opportunities for the women of our congregation; and, To pursue social action to better the community.”

Thank you to the following 34 women who have renewed their membership in Sisterhood:

Deborah Aitken	Rita Goldhor	Olga Mandler	Diane Schoenfeld
Ursula Batz	Aviva Gonzalez	Barbara Manhoff	Armida Schultz
Donna Bruckner	Ellen Gould	Adrienne Mannis	Loretta Siegel
Sue Burg	Rita Hammer	Lois Gersten Medina	Patricia Silverman
Rita Cohen	Kathy Krohn	Maddi Misheloff	Bobbe Skiles
Gloria Eive Warwick	Ellen Levine	Lydia Osias	Eleanor Tandowsky
Marlene Fingerut	Shirlee Lustig	Robin Padilla	Ilene Weinreb
Ann Gershanov	Laury Mainini	Karen Santos	Roz Weiss
Sylvia Gerton			Bernice West

There is still time for you to renew or join for the first time. Annual dues remain a reasonable \$36 (double Chai). Please join Sisterhood. Become active in the heart of the Temple community. Together we can make a difference in our congregation and our community. Sisterhood donates \$1,500 to the Temple annually for operating expenses, as well as an additional \$600 annually supporting the kitchen and Oneg function. We can't do that without your contribution. We have already donated \$750 of our annual pledge. Thank you. ***The renewal form is available in the lobby. Complete the form and send it and your payment to the Temple Office to renew your membership.***

Sisterhood sponsored the Aug 8th Shabbat Dinner. Thanks to **Rita Cohen, Aviva Gonzalez, Eleanor Tandowsky, and Wendy Sachs** for their efforts.

Our upcoming event schedule:

Sunday 11/22/15		2:00 pm	Book Club Review. “Jerusalem Maiden” by Talia Carner. Loretta Siegel will lead the discussion.
Sunday 12/6/15		11:00 am	Chanukah Party for the congregation, with lunch. Featuring a TBS Talent Show.
Friday 2/12/16		8:00 pm	Sisterhood Shabbat
Saturday 2/13/16		10:00 am	Sisterhood Shabbat
Saturday 3/26/16		5:30 pm	Sisterhood Donor Dinner



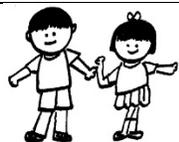
Yahrzeits for **September 1 through October 31, 2015**.
May their memory be a blessing.

September 3	Saraellen Streicher	Mother of Robin Padilla
September 3	Fanny Borris	Grandmother of BJ Borris
September 6 (22 Elul)	Hilda Sachs	Relative of Michael Becker
September 7	Maurice Cherry	Father of Marlene Fingerut & Roslyn Firestone
September 7 (23 Elul)	William Osofsky	Husband of Anita Osofsky; father of Gene, Stan, & Alan Osofsky
September 8 (24 Elul)	Dr. Victor Weitzmann	Uncle of Rita Goldhor
September 9	Pama Meltz-Farnan	Cousin of Dr. Scott Maslow
September 9 (25 Elul)	Esther Cohan	Mother of Bernice West
September 10 (26 Elul)	Joseph Hazelkorn	Grandfather of Arlene Hazelkorn
September 11 (27 Elul)	Sam Burg	Grandfather of Dr. Norm Burg
September 11 (27 Elul)	Leon Rosenblatt	Father-in-law of Judy Eisenberg
September 11 (27 Elul)	Edward Kraus	Son of Gerry Toorans and step-son of Milt Toorans; Nephew of Anita Osofsky; brother of Robert & Harry Kraus
September 12	Julius Willer	Father of Rita Goldhor
September 13 (29 Elul)	William West	Husband of Bernice West
September 13 (29 Elul)	Leo Berger	Husband of Pat Berger; father of Avi I. Berger, Sue Burg, & Sharon Haas
September 17 (4 Tishri)	Jacob Kosbie	Grandfather of Arlene Hazelkorn
September 18	Frieda Levites	Aunt of Mike Misheloff
September 18 (5 Tishri)	Nathan Tandowsky	Father-in-law of Eleanor Tandowsky
September 18 (5 Tishri)	Vera Goldman	Sister-in-law of Inge Heilborn
September 19	Margaret Gomori	Grandmother of Dr. Ellen Levine
September 20	Gerson "Buddy" Abramson	Father of Maddi Misheloff
September 20 (7 Tishri)	David Cohan	Brother of Bernice West
September 21	Ruth Levine	Sister of Ann Gershanov
September 21 (8 Tishri)	Ben Borris	Grandfather of BJ Borris
September 21 (8 Tishri)	Martin Silverman	Father of Dr. Alan Silverman
September 22	Allison London	Father of Larry London
September 24	Harold Graubart	Husband of Ann Gershanov
September 27 (14 Tishri)	Janet Riederman	Mother of Jill Stone
September 28 (15 Tishri)	Dr. Marvin Weinreb	Husband of Ilene Weinreb; father of Rachel Archibald, Debbie Jacobson, & Judith Weinreb

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September 29	David Meyer	Father of Merle Manning
September 29 (16 Tishri)	Gerry Toorans	Wife of Milton Toorans; Mother of Robert & Harry Kraus; sister of Anita Osofsky
September 30	Boris Sokolovsky	Father of David Lipovich
September 30	Ruth Adelson	Mother of Mike Adelson; grandmother of Tillie Adelson
September 30	Gary Manheim	Uncle of Barbara Manhoff
September 30	Rita Rosenbloom	Grandmother of Leah Rosenbloom
October 5 (22 Tishri)	Florence Manhoff	Mother of Rabbi Harry Manhoff
October 6	Jerome Rosenbloom	Grandfather of Leah Rosenbloom
October 8	Oscar Buchalter	Father of Dan Buchalter
October 8	Kenny Anderson	Cousin of Barbara Manhoff
October 8 (25 Tishri)	Samuel A. Weinreb	Father-in-law of Ilene Weinreb
October 12 (29 Tishri)	Laurie-Ellen Neustadt	Friend of Cantor Linda Hirschhorn
October 12 (29 Tishri)	Sara Pakdaman	Mother-in-law of Djalal Vessigh
October 14 (1 Heshvan)	Margaret Tandowsky	Mother-in-law of Eleanor Tandowsky
October 15 (2 Heshvan)	Sadie Goldhor	Mother of Sylvia Gerton; Grandmother of Dr. Norm Burg
October 15 (2 Heshvan)	Shimon Avi Rosenblatt	Nephew of Judy Eisenberg
October 16 (3 Heshvan)	Harry Cohan	Father of Bernice West
October 18	Charlotte Meyer	Mother of Merle Manning
October 18 (5 Heshvan)	Joseph Osias	Father of Dr. Leonard Osias; grandfather of Dr. Gary Osias
October 18 (5 Heshvan)	Harry Hals	Father of Vivian Phillips & Ethel Slavin
October 19	Lorraine Cooper Berg	Mother of Leonard Cooper
October 19	Mildred Sarah Wilkes	Mother of Leone Silberman
October 19 (6 Heshvan)	Earl Gould	Father of Dr. Murray Gould
October 20 (7 Heshvan)	Therese G. Adler	Mother of Dr. Miles Adler
October 23 (10 Heshvan)	Annette Barany	Mother of Steve Barany
October 25	Helene E. Gardner	Mother of Jerry Gardner
October 25 (12 Heshvan)	Saul Schlusberg	Grandfather of Bobbe Skiles, Mimi Gohlke, Vicki DeCastro, & Lois Medina
October 29	R. Ralph Dunn	Father of Alan Dunn
October 30 (17 Heshvan)	Rose Cherry	Grandmother of Marlene Fingerut & Roslyn Firestone
October 31	Stanley Gardner	Father of Jerry Gardner
October 31	Carol U Lewis	Friend of Larry Shore



Weinreb Learning Center/Slater Memorial Library

Come to the temple library and see the many new books that are on the shelves! I went to the Jewish Library Assn. in June and bought lots of titles for children, teens, & adults. I'm processing them as fast as I can and hope to have them ready for checkout when Torah School and Hebrew School begin in September.

The library will be open during Torah School on Sunday mornings. Several of the classes will come in for stories or browsing. Parents and family members are always welcome, also.

Please look around in your homes, children's rooms, cars, etc. for any temple library books and return them to the office, the library, or the wooden return box outside the library door. There are no fines for overdue books, and there is usually only one copy of each title, so returns are really important so that others can borrow them.

See you in the library!
Eleanor Tandowsky

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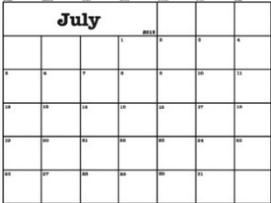
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	<p>Temple Beth Sholom Calendar</p> <p>September through October 2015</p>
<p>Tues 9/1/15</p>	<p>Preschool 1st day 2015/2016 school year</p>
<p>Fri 9/4/15 (Worship at 6:30 pm in Main Sanctuary; Dinner at 7:15 pm in Zucker Hall)</p>	<p>1st Friday Night Shabbat Worship Service (Preparing for Selichot) and Family Dinner sponsored by Rita and Oziel Cohen celebrating their granddaughter, Samantha's, 4th birthday</p>
<p>FROM 9/5/15 to 10/6/15</p>	<p>High Holy Days (from Selichot through Simchat Torah)</p>
<p>Sat 9/5/15 at 11:30 am</p>	<p>High Holiday Music Rehearsal with the Cantor</p>
<p>Sat 9/5/15 at 7pm</p>	<p>Selichot Worship Service</p>
<p>Mon 9/7/15</p>	<p>Preschool closed for Labor Day</p>
<p>Wed 9/9/15 @ 7:30 pm</p>	<p>Board Meeting in the Little Shul</p>
<p>Fri 9/11/15 & Sat 9/12/15</p>	<p>Healing Shabbat – oneg sponsored by Adrienne and Don Mannis</p>
<p>Sun 9/13/15</p>	<p>Erev Rosh HaShanah</p>
<p>Mon 9/14/15</p>	<p>Rosh HaShanah – 1st Day</p>
<p>Mon 9/14/15 & Tues 9/15/15</p>	<p>Preschool closed for Rosh Hashanah</p>
<p>Tues 9/15/15</p>	<p>Rosh HaShanah – 2nd Day</p>
<p>Fri 9/18/15 & Sat 9/19/15</p>	<p>Music Shabbat, oneg sponsored by Rita and Oziel Cohen celebrating their daughter, Aviva's, birthday</p>
<p>Sat 9/19/15</p>	<p>Shabbat Shuvah</p>
<p>Sat 9/19/15 at 11:30 am</p>	<p>High Holiday Music Rehearsal with the Cantor</p>
<p>Sun 9/20/15 from 9:30 am to Noon</p>	<p>Gersten Torah School 1st Day</p>

Tues 9/22/15	Kol Nidre (erev Yom Kippur)
Wed 9/23/15	Yom Kippur, Yizkor
Wed 9/23/15	Preschool closed for Yom Kippur
Fri 9/25/15 & Sat 9/26/15	Jewish History – Need oneg sponsor
Sun 9/27/15	Erev Sukkot
Mon 9/28/15	Sukkot
Tues 9/29/15	Preschool Back to School Night and the beginning of the Fall Fundraiser
Fri 10/2/15 (Worship at 6:30 pm in the sukkah; Dinner at 7:15 pm in Zucker Hall)	1 st Friday Night Shabbat Worship Service and Family Dinner. Need dinner and oneg sponsor.
Mon 10/5/15 at 10:00 am (Yizkor)	Shemini Atzeret, Yizkor Yizkor Worship Service in the Little Shul
Mon 10/5/15 at 7 pm	Simchat Torah and Parade
Fri 10/9/15 & Sat 10/10/15	Healing Shabbat – Need oneg sponsor
Tues 10/13/15 from 4pm to 6pm	Gersten Hebrew School 1 st Day
Fri 10/16/15 & Sat 10/17/15	Music Shabbat – Need oneg sponsor
Wed 10/21/15 @ 7:30 pm	Board Meeting in the Little Shul
Thurs 10/22/15 at 6:00 pm	Preschool Insect Lab
Fri 10/23/15 & Sat 10/24/15	Jewish History – Need oneg sponsor
Fri 10/30/15 & Sat 10/31/15	Ask the Rabbi – Need oneg sponsor

Save the Date - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

YITZHAK RABIN: LIFE, DEATH, AND LEGACY

A SYMPOSIUM MARKING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ASSASSINATION

THE MAGNES, 2121 ALLSTON WAY, BERKELEY

KEYNOTE PANEL

- Fred Rosenbaum (Rabin's Life)
- Prof. Amos Giora (Rabin's Death)
- Zohar Avigdori (Rabin's Legacy)

WORKSHOPS

- Zohar Avigdori — *Rabin's Values and Legacy in Israel*
- Tova Birnbaum — *How the "gunshot" caused secular Israelis to ask: What is a "Jewish" State?*
- Prof. Amos Giora — *The Climate of Extremism Before and After the Assassination*
- Dr. Eran Kaplan — *Leadership at the Crossroads: Rabin, Oslo and a Changing Israel*
- Fred Rosenbaum — *Everything at Risk: How Rabin Led Israel to Victory in the Six Day War and Changed the Middle East*
- Donna Rosenthal — *Civil Discourse in Israel Following the Assassination*
- **CLOSING**
- Rabbis Peretz Wolf-Prusan and Rabbi James Brandt
- Multi-media installation *Rabin: Searching for Peace Through Our Memories*

Admission is free. Due to space limitations, registration is strongly recommended: www.lehrhaus.org. For more info: [510.809.4953](tel:510.809.4953) or riva@jfed.org.

Presented by the Jewish Federation of the East Bay and Lehrhaus Judaica and co-sponsored by **TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM**.

SAVE THE DATE - Sunday 11/22/15 at 2:00 pm

Book Club Review. "Jerusalem Maiden" by Talia Carner. **Loretta Siegel** will lead the discussion.

The poignant, colorful, and unforgettable story of a young woman in early 20th-century Jerusalem who must choose between her faith and her passion, *Jerusalem Maiden* heralds the arrival of a magnificent new literary voice, Talia Carner. In the bestselling vein of *The Red Tent*, *The Kite Runner*, and *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, *Jerusalem Maiden* brilliantly evokes the sights and sounds of the Middle East during the final days of the Ottoman Empire. Historical fiction and Bible lovers will be captivated by this thrilling tale of a young Jewish woman during a fascinating era, her inner struggle with breaking the Second Commandment, and her ultimate transcendence through self-discovery.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, 12/6/15 at 11:00 am
Zucker Hall

Sisterhood is sponsoring a Chanukah Party for the congregation, the Gersten Religious School and the Beth Sholom Preschool



Lunch, candle lighting, singing, games and prizes, and a **TALENT SHOW**.



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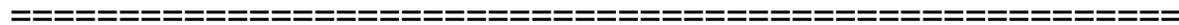
*Young man of gentle dreams
I heard your voice
in the sweet light of our worship
and I recall the laughter of your eyes
blazing like a star before me.*

*Son of the Commandments
be free to love our God
with all your heart
as your friends rise together
to celebrate your life.*

*I think you are always
a promise and a prayer,
good brother,
as the peace and trust of Adonai
wakes you with a voiceless whisper
morning by morning
and day by day -*

*Sing to the universe
remembering always
to take the time to play*

John Clarfield
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