



CHAILIGHTS – OCTOBER: TISHREI-CHESHVAN 5781

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THE RABBI SPEAKS:

What a joy to creatively celebrate Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur and Sukkot with you!

It takes a village and I appreciate everyone's participation in our fall holidays including Cantor Francyne, Stew, Deb, Shawn, Yuri, Andrea, Jill and her helpers, and Judith, Gadi from Israel, Mike and Cinnamon and others. Please enjoy the pictures below from each of our holiday gatherings.

Some of you have asked for Gadi Ben-Dov's website. It is www.israelvirtualltour.com. He, his wife Amy, and other Israeli tour guides offer phenomenal virtual tours of every aspect of Israel, her land, history, culture, and people on this website. Those of you who remained on Zoom after the conclusion of our Rosh Hashana morning services were privileged to learn from my friend Gadi about growing up on a kibbutz near the Lebanese border and how Rosh Hashana was celebrated. I will include some of his pictures below. Please remember it is a difficult time for Israeli tour guides as their work has come to a standstill so I hope you will give generously as you partake in the wealth of experiences Gadi is offering.

We have been privileged to learn from my colleague and friend Dave Bailey a couple of times during our Friday night services. His last talk was based on the story of Na'aman in 2 Kings 5:1-19 and he concluded by sharing a couple of timely and thoughtful questions which led to an interesting conversation. I'd like to share them with you for further reflection:

- 1) Do I say I think one way, but find myself acting another?

2) Am I allowing the peace of G-d to lead me in quiet, confident, and peaceful ways? Is my life moving in the direction of peace and wholeness? And can I rest in the trust that I have for G-d?

These introspective questions are both timely and timeless!

Finally, Friday October 23 we welcome Cantor Francyne back to services.

THIS Friday night we will creatively acknowledge and celebrate Simchat Torah. I could use your help in sharing with me at rebdeb18@comcast.net words that begin with G for Genesis, E for Exodus, L for Leviticus, N for Numbers, and D for Deuteronomy that describe each of these books as we'll be skipping a Torah pass this year ♦♦

Stay safe and enjoy our beautiful weather for Sukkot,
Rabbi Deborah

SOME SUKKOT PICNIC CELEBRATIONS PICTURES!





The Prez Says

I love Fall. It reminds me of gratitude. In this harvest of gratitude, I can't even begin to thank those who helped make the HHD and Sukkot such an amazing success. From our beautiful Rosh Hashanah boxes chocked filled with goodies from home made challah to donated fruit from Brothers Produce, our talented artistic religious school students, Joe Wallack, Ritual Director and Super Fundraiser, Stuart manning the techno thang, Myrna singing, the Rabbi and Cantor, Mike and Cinnamon Howell getting our Sukkot up and ready, the MacGregors and parents for decorating the Sukkah. And most importantly **YOU ALL** for caring about our TBT family. ***THIS is the energy of gratitude I hope we can carry throughout the year.***

And speaking throughout the year: What programs would you like to see happen at our TBT? What kind of speakers would you like to hear? What talent can YOU bring to the table to share? Please send your wonderful comments, ideas, suggestions to: **Tbtpres@gmail.com** I'll be waiting for them. As the old baseball adage goes you cannot complain unless you bought a ticket.

Continued health and happiness, dodging hurricanes, and an abundance of gratitude. See you on the ZOOM. ~Deb Nowinski





JOE WALLACK – FUNDRAISING APPEAL

Justice, Justice, Shalt Thou Follow

They asked the "holy Yehudi": "Why is it written: "Justice, justice, shalt thou follow"? Why is the word "justice" repeated?" He answered: "We ought to follow justice with justice, and not with unrighteousness." That means: The use of unrighteousness as a means to a righteous end makes the end itself unrighteous; injustice as a means to justice renders justice unjust.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ruth_Bader_Ginsburg

"In addition, she decorated her chambers with an artist's rendering of the Hebrew phrase from Deuteronomy, "Zedek, zedek, tirdof," ("Justice, justice shall you pursue") as a reminder of her heritage and professional responsibility.[138]"

Help pursue Justice Justice with a charitable contribution to TBT:

- 1) Temple Beth Tikvah's 5781 Book of Remembrance – It's traditional and appreciated to make a donation in memory of those you choose to list in The Book.
- 2) Temple Beth Tikvah's HHD 5781 Pledge Drive – This is an important part of our budget and can be in honor of whoever you choose.
- 3) Please drop off dry items for the hungry and strangers at our front door in connection with our 5781 Food Drive because you never know Who may need it or What difference it will make.

Please make checks payable to Temple Beth Tikvah, indicate what the check is for (in memory of/in honor of/other) and mail to:

Temple Beth Tikvah
12411 Park Shadows Trail
Houston, TX 77058

Email operators, big machers, movers and shakers and alta cockers are standing by to handle your pledges.

Paypal link: https://www.paypal.com/donate/?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=FRVKNT5CDFDT2&source=url&fbclid=IwAR0PYZ99pvCfBC8qXe-pVAtVscm2FLT7n7_To70b_613M7I1P9YRTLXOEWY

Joseph Wallack – Ritual/Fundraiser Director joewallack@gmail.com

Sisterhood

Nancy Schwartz cordially invites all Sisterhood to something that would make things seem "normal" in these hectic times:

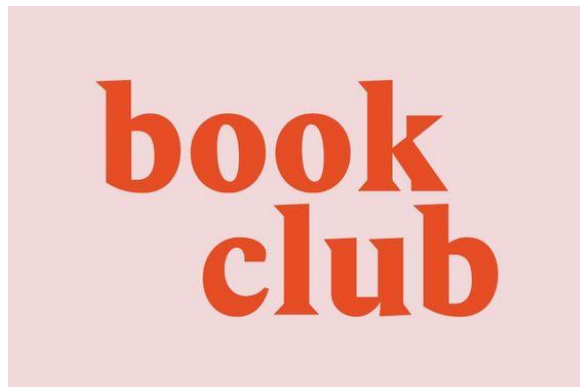
SCHMOOZ and BOOZ TIME LADIES!

Thursday evening, October 8th

8:00 PM

Call it what you want, drink what you want, hang out wherever you want from the porch to the bathtub - but let's get together over ZOOM and have some laughs, chats and joy - I would like to update everyone up on Zachary and hear whats going **with YOU**... I hope to see you there.

Again, much thanks to Jill MacGregor for doing a great job on the boxes for Rosh Hashona! ~Nancy



The Next Book Club Meeting:

Sunday, October 11th at 12:30 p.m

The book is: **AMERICAN DIRT BY JEANNINE CUMMINS**

Myrna will lead the discussion

November's Book: The Other Wes Moore by Wes Moore.

Stuart will send out the Zoom link for both events this month.



Simchas this Month!
Happy rockin' October!

BIRTHDAYS

3rd – Mardy Schweitzer
3rd – Adam Baker
14th – Tabitha Maierson
17- Daniel Wilson
17 – Phyllis Baker
21 – Ngan Maierson
24- Joe Wallack
30 – Don Maierson

ANNIVERSARIES

11TH – Jed & Annette Logan
20th – Neal & Susan Wallach
23RD Daniel & Cori Wilson

OCTOBER SCHEDULE AT TBT

8TH AT 8 P.M. Sisterhood Zoom "Schmooz and Booz"

9th- at 7 p.m. – Rabbi leads services SIMCHAT TORAH

11th – 12:30 p.m. Book club

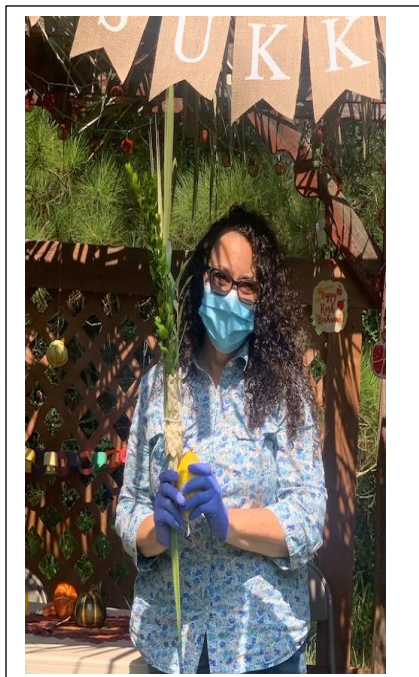
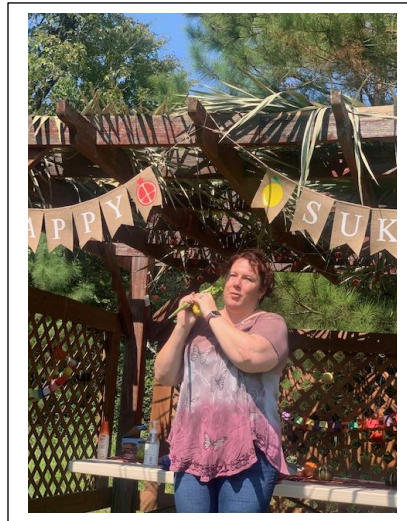
14th at 7 p.m. - Board of Directors Meeting

23rd at 7 p.m. – Rabbi and Cantor

30th at 7 p.m. – Myrna and Music

Religious School meets on Sundays in a combined Zoom with Cong. Bnai Israel in Galveston.

***I HOPE YOU ENJOY THESE FUN PICTURES AND ENJOYED THIS MONTHS
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