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Autumn and a New Year (5785)!

Rabbi Brown

Ahh! Fall! Brightly colored leaves! Apple cider! Crisp, clear air! Shorter, cooler days give us more reason to spend an evening on the couch with a cup of hot cocoa and a good book!

I am not a winter person, but I do love fall. For me, fall is really the beginning of the year. Not only does it make sense to me to have the new year begin around the time that school starts, but the high holidays on our Jewish calendar are so full of introspection and hope that they have always been a special time for me.

As I prepare to celebrate my second Rosh Hashannah, Yom Kippur, and beyond with you, I am excited about deepening our fledgling relationship! (continued Page 2)

New this year, on the Sundays during which I am at religious school (two per month), I will be teaching and facilitating adult discussions and learning. I especially want you to know that in November we'll have a discussion about the novel The Golem and the Jinni by Helene Wecker (very worth reading!). Our classes/gatherings/discussions take place from 9:15-10:15 on Sunday mornings during which I am at the Temple (two Sunday's a month). Topics are announced in our News You Can Use. I hope you will join us. And if there is something specific you would like to explore in a facilitated setting with other BI-TWT members, let me know. We may be able to fit it in!

I also want to invite you to meet with me. One of my colleagues (I wish I could remember who) pointed out that it is good to get a yearly check up with our primary care doctor. He suggested that it is also a good idea to have a regularly-scheduled "spiritual" check up – I'd like to invite you to set up a time to meet, to talk about your spiritual life, your relationship with God/That-Which-is-Greater-Than-Ourselves, and how the schedules, routines, activities of your day-to-day life nurtures/enables or limits your spiritual life. During this meeting, I will be present and completely focused on listening to you in a non-judgmental open manner. People who have done this have come away feeling clearer, lighters, and easier about their lives. Some have had insights that pushed them to make important changes for the positive.

For now, we turn our attention to the new Jewish year, 5785. I am looking forward to seeing many people from our Temple at services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. I am looking forward to get to know your better and to see the ways in which our relationship deepens and grows.

Shanah tova shaket umetuka – May this be a good, calm sweet year, a year full of light, joy, hope, love, and especially, peace.

Rabbi Rachel Brown

President's Desk



My uncle was a successful and well-respected veterinarian and veterinary researcher. He once found himself in Argentina for Passover, knowing no one. Through his sponsors, he was connected with a Jewish family and invited for seder. He told me that even though he knew no Spanish, he felt at home. The prayers, the tunes, the food – it was all familiar.

Several years ago, I was in Bangkok for work and had to navigate celebrating Rosh Hashanah. I turned to Chabad of Bangkok and they welcomed me with open arms. The service was foreign to me but I felt at home. The prayers, the food, the people – it was all familiar.

We are about to celebrate Rosh Hashanah, beginning at sundown on October 2, and Yom Kippur, with Kol Nidrei on the evening of October 11. We hope that you are all able to attend services in person, to see friends both old and new, to worship communally, and to admire the renovated sanctuary. But if you're not, we hope that you are able to join us virtually.

The Beth Israel congregation is a big family. We like to celebrate together and will do so at every opportunity. I encourage you to join us for familiar prayers, led by Rabbi Brown and Cantor Sheir and accompanied by the choir under the direction of Beryl Palnik, soul-nourishing contemplation, and great company. I can't wait to see you for the High Holy Days.

Josh Levy

Educator's Desk



As we head into October, we will have several special holiday celebrations and family programs throughout the month.

The holiday of Sukkot begins Wednesday evening October 16. This is a joyous time on the Jewish calendar. On Sukkot we will eat, spend time in our congregation's sukkah, and celebrate with friends and family in our community. The sukkah is a structure that symbolizes the divine protection that envelops us each day. The sukkah is not sturdy or permanent; when we sit in it, we are reminded of a very important lesson: God is always with us and brings us safety. No matter where we are, we are never alone.

This year we are once again able to celebrate this holiday as a community. On Sunday, October 20 from 10 am-12pm. We will have a special all school family Sukkot service and our traditional "pizza in the hut". We kindly ask families whose last name begins with A-L bring a side dish and if your last name begins with M-Z bring a nut free dessert to share. Pizza and drinks will be provided.

Debbie Chessin, Director of Education*

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

September Schedule

Wednesday, 2nd- Erev Rosh Hashanah Service- 7:30 pm

Thursday, 3rd- Rosh Hashanah

- 10:00am Morning Service
- 4:00 pm- Afternoon Family service and Tashlich- S. Mastick Rd Picnic Area, Rocky River Reservation

Sunday, 6th – Religious School-10-12 pm

- Yad B Yad- 10:30-11:30

Monday, 7th - Hebrew -6:30pm

Friday, 11th- Erev Yom Kippur- Kol Nidre- 7:30 pm

Saturday, 12th- Yom Kippur

- 10:00 am- Morning Service
- 12:30 pm- Yizkor Service I
- 2:00 pm- Study Session
- 3:00 pm- Family Service
- 4:00 pm- Afternoon Service
- 5:00 pm- Yizkor 2
- 5:45 pm- Neilah/Concluding Service
- 6:30 pm-Havdalah

10-7-23

ONE YEAR COMMEMORATION



Monday, October 7, 6 - 7 pm.

Check-in will open at 5:15 pm. Program will begin promptly at 6 PM.

Outdoors at the Jewish Federation of Cleveland

Federation 10-7-24 Commemoration Community-Wide Gathering -
[Registration Required.](#) (Link in newsletter).

October 7, 2024 marks one year since Hamas launched its attacks on Israel, murdering more than 1,200 people, kidnapping more than 250 others, and drastically changing our world.

What hasn't changed is the undeniable strength and resilience of our Jewish community.

This October 7, join the Jewish Federation of Cleveland for a community-wide gathering to remember all those who were lost or stolen a year ago, mourn all those killed in Israel and in Gaza because of Hamas since that day, and pray for the day when neighbors can live side by side in peace.

Seating will be available. Parking details will be provided in the reminder email. For mobility accommodations, please contact Jaclyn Szaruga at jszaruga@jewishcleveland.org or 216-593-2900 x218.

Pre-registration is mandatory. No walk-ins.



Chutzpah 2024 Jewish Climate Action

As we approach this critical election, our Jewish community has a unique opportunity to make a difference. Chutzpah 2024, organized by Dayenu and co-sponsored by the Greater Cleveland Dayenu Circle, offers a proven strategy to get more climate voters to the polls. This event is non-partisan.

What You'll Do:

- Make phone calls using a provided script
- Offer voting information that helps climate-concerned voters vote this year and every year
- Receive training and inspiration through kavanot and live music

Key Event: Tuesday, October 29 th , 6 PM – 8 PM (ET) - North Carolina Voter Outreach

How to Join: If you can join **this Zoom event**, **RSVP to Harry Lader at harry.lader@sbcglobal.net**.

For more information or to sign up as an individual at a different date: <https://dayenu.org/chutzpah/>.

Together we can turn our chutzpah into action
to create a more sustainable future for all!

Highlights from September: This year we celebrated had a special Opening Day of Religious School ! Enjoy the pictures!

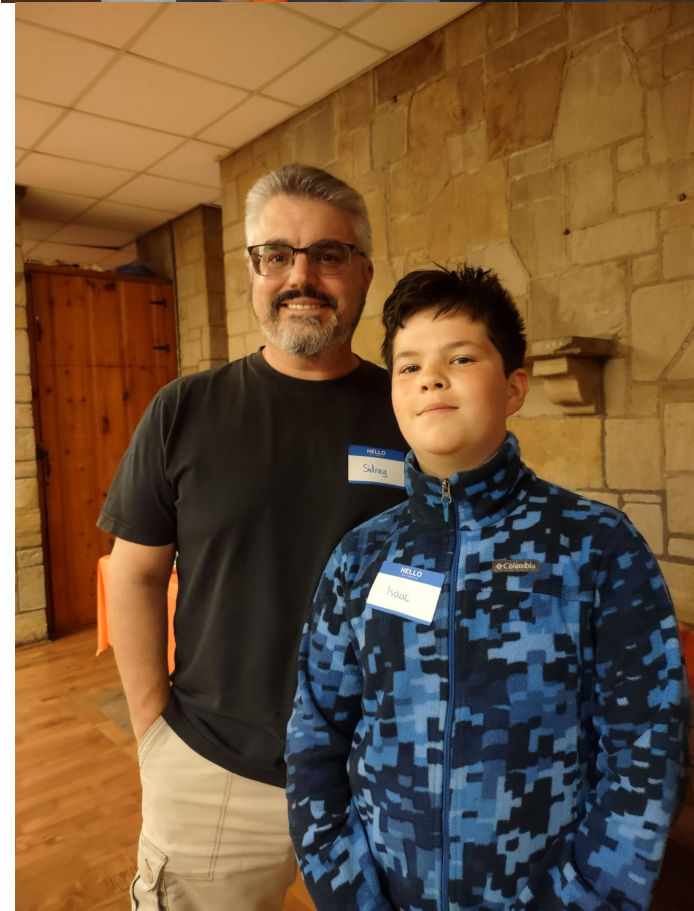


From our congregation picnic!













October Wedding Anniversaries

Michael & Renee Kolesar	October 5	45 th
Dr. Sam & Dalia Alterovitz	October 6	54 th
Roger & Vicky Abady	October 8	41 st
Leonard & Kathleen Weiss	October 20	32 nd
Craig & Amy Sumner	October 21	18 th
Dr. John & Carole Heimke	October 22	36 th
Emmie Hutchison & Michael Evans	October 22	25 th
Ed & Tricia Rand	October 26	11 th
Scott & Barbara Machol	October 27	45 th
Steven & Diana Strongosky	October 28	29 th
Allison Winokur & Neal Brashear	October 28	23 rd
Michael & Beryl Palnik	October 30	47 th

October Birthdays – Young People

Benjamin Griffith	October 4	7 th
Charlotte Watts	October 6	13 th
Evelyn Payne	October 7	13 th
Jackson Sumner	October 12	16 th
Helen Levy	October 17	18 th
Lucille Lercher	October 20	12 th
Zev Balanson	October 25	17 th



October Birthdays – Adults

Debbie Chessin	October 4
Louis Lazar	October 11
Andrew Melott	October 11
June Ridgway	October 15
Katherine Flynn-Wilson	October 16
Rivienne Levin	October 21
Marilyn Morgenstern	October 21
Dr. Evelyn Neufeld	October 24
Scott Machol	October 25
Kathleen Weiss	October 26

PERPETUAL YAHRZEITS

August 2024

WEEK ENDING

October 5

Isador Kantor
Harry Mittleman
Margaret Lenker
John G. Ludwig
Shirley Newman
Minnie Jacobson
Laura Green Stout
Thelma Goldberg
Lydia Faye Levinson
Albert Abady
Lea Leibovici
George Moseley

WEEK ENDING

October 11

Harry Weiss
Pearl Cohen
Judy Feldmar
Hyman Goldberg
Edith Gordon
Rose A. Lehrer
Dr. Sandor A. Schwartz
Jerome Nakrin
Hettie Schwartzfeld Zacky
Illy Brown
Esther Elias
Daniel Sissman

WEEK ENDING

October 18

Nita Goldberg
David Huber
David Mandel
Richard Rosen
Shirley Altfeld
Gerald Greenfield
Richard Feigenbaum
Zelda Gruber

WEEK ENDING

October 25

Susan Diamond
Tova Chait
Bernice Weisberg
Benjamin Cohen
Laurie Ellen Kranyak
Karl Kreuscher, Sr.
Harry Mancher
Robert Oscar Zabarsky

WEEK ENDING

November 1

Dave Gorland
Sidney Gordon
Frieda Provder
Mady Solomonescu
Phern R. Berns



Service Schedule October

Friday Evenings

All Friday services on ZOOM,
unless otherwise noted.

October 4

7:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat
On ZOOM
Luis Fernandez

October 11

7:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat
On ZOOM
Rabbi Brown & Larry Sheir

October 18

7:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat
On ZOOM
Rabbi Brown

October 25

7:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat
ON ZOOM
Rabbi Brown

Saturday Mornings

All Saturday services in person,
unless otherwise noted.

October 5

9:30am Torah Study
11:00am Shabbat Service
Luis Fernandez

October 12

9:30am Torah Study
11:00am Shabbat Service
Rabbi Brown & Larry Sheir

October 19

9:30am Torah Study
11:00am Shabbat Service
Rabbi Brown

October 26

9:30am Torah Study
11:00 am Shabbat Service
Rabbi Brown

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