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Christiane Amanpour

Wednesday, Feb 18, 8pm

Christiane Amanpour is CNN's chief international correspondent. Her coverage of the Gulf War, genocide and natural disasters around the globe have made her one of the most recognizable international correspondents on American television. She has earned numerous awards including an inaugural Television Academy Honor, Emmys, Peabody Awards, George Polk Awards, an Edward R. Murrow award and other major honorary degrees.



Why Zionism Has Become a Dirty Word?

Oren Rudavsky, Abraham Foxman, and Bret Stephens
Thane Rosenbaum, moderator

Tuesday, Mar 24, 8pm

How did Zionism, which originated as the national aspiration of the Jewish people, end up being so misunderstood, mischaracterized and lamented throughout the world? Join award-winning documentary filmmaker Oren Rudavsky; Abraham Foxman, the Executive Director of the Anti-Defamation League; and Wall Street Journal editor Bret Stephens for a stimulating and provocative conversation of the hate that is being directed toward Zionism. Professor and award-winning author Thane Rosenbaum engages some of today's most provocative cultural figures and intellectuals in wide-ranging, humorous, dynamic conversation.



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OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY. Reserve seats via Temple office, please!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Recently a columnist for the Herald Tribune, Eric Ernst, wrote a piece about Temple Beth Israel. Now generally, we would be pleased to be featured in the news – here we are, a temple offering warm, meaningful spirituality as well as a wonderful array of educational, cultural and social activities. We are also a temple not satisfied with the status quo but one that seeks out ways to improve, expand and innovate. Nothing would please me more than having someone shout our praises from the proverbial rooftops or at least from his space in the Sarasota Section of the Tribune.

In his article Mr. Ernst spoke of the Innovation Committee's work last year and the recommendations that resulted from those meetings. Then he added: "the temple has yet to adopt any of the committee's suggestions." Not so. Much of what came out of the Innovation Committee, which was chaired by Bill Sandy, has great merit and is especially exciting for the Board of Trustees to consider.

During our board retreat in November we devoted half the day to the suggestions raised by the Innovations Committee. In small groups we identified those areas we could logically improve upon and created a list of recommendations to guide our efforts.

Mr. Ernst's article alluded to how slowly change occurs. Actually, I am pleased by the eagerness with which our board has acted upon a number of the recommendations. Examples of these include an expansion of our Chavarot program to include many of our new congregants; adoption of software programs which will provide far more information more readily about our membership, and the energizing of our Social Action, Caring and Ritual Committees.

Further, we have created new programs beyond those that were suggested by the Innovation Committee such as our Annual Yom Kippur Appeal, the Community Liason Committee and a reorganized Endowment Committee.

In addition to the changes that have already come in to being, please be assured that many more are on the way thanks to the continuing efforts of our most dedicated Board of Trustees...changes that will further enhance our temple experience.

There's no doubt, we're making our own headlines right here, right now, at Temple Beth Israel. Stay tuned...

Elaine Weill, President

Purim



This year the Bima Players will be casting for this year's Purim play entitled *Ship of Jewels*. Tryouts were held on Tuesday, February 3, at ten A.M.

The play calls for four men, four women, Achashverot (a small part) and Vashti and Haman (very big parts.).

The women will rehearse separately from the men, and Haman and Vashti will have their own time to rehearse.

We will need to put it all together the week before. We will hold rehearsals in the morning at ten o'clock every day.

The Purim Play will be on Sunday, March 8, following the Megillah Reading. The play features quite a few musical numbers. Only Haman and Vashti have solos. We are hoping for the professionals in our choir to be persuaded take those parts. If you want to learn any more, please come!
Judy Goldstein

WORSHIP SERVICES

FRIDAY EVENINGS 8:00 PM

SATURDAY MORNINGS 10:00 AM

Rabbi Jonathan R. Katz will conduct Services with Music Director, Dr. Ann Stephenson Moe and our Magnificent Temple Choir



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY....

SUPERFICIAL MASTERY

Physicists deploy powerful atom smashers in an attempt to identify the universe's most fundamental elements.

Geneticists seek to unlock the mysteries of creation by decoding DNA in ever more sophisticated ways. Psychologists probe formative childhood experiences to try to discern the authentic self.

In order to comprehend the intrinsic nature of things we often strive to return to the time of their earliest conception. There, it is held, we will encounter essence in its purist and most telling state. But what is essence, really? The story below from, the preeminent work of Jewish mysticism, the Zohar, sheds intriguing light on this question.

There was a man who lived in the mountains. He knew nothing about those who lived in the city. He sowed wheat and ate the kernels raw. One day he entered the city where some residents brought him a loaf of bread. He asked, "What is this for?" "Bread," they replied, "to eat!" He tasted a piece and liked it. He said, "What is it made of?" They answered, "Wheat." Later, they brought him cakes kneaded in oil. After eating them he once again inquired, "What are these made of?" They again responded, "Wheat." Finally, they brought him a royal pastry made with honey and oil. He repeated, "And what are these made of?" They said, "Wheat." He replied, "I am the master of all of them, for I eat their essence: Wheat!" Because of this attitude, the man who conceived of himself as a master actually knew nothing of the delights of the world. They were lost to him. So it is with one who grasps the principle and does not know all the delectables deriving and diverging from that principle.

In his book, *The Essential Kabbalah: The Heart of Jewish Mysticism*, Daniel Matt explains that the mountain man's mastery is superficial. He only knows the plain or raw meaning of wheat. When he learns that many enjoyable foods can be made from wheat, he still concludes there is nothing more he needs to know or experience. "After all," writes Matt, "doesn't he have the essence? Usually in mysticism essence is the goal, but the Zohar's parable indicates that essence is inadequate, unless it flowers into all it can be. The master of wheat is wallowing in essence. Instead of venturing into the unknown, he reduces the unknown to the familiar. He misses the delights reserved for those who savor a variety of flavors and range of meanings."

The quest to isolate essence can actually result, like the master of wheat, in a diminishment of awareness, not its deeper embrace. Essence is not something only in and of itself. It also

includes the process of its unfolding. Ultimately, our individuality is evinced by our soul's immersion in a spectrum of activities, not its sequestration.

We may be hesitant to allow our "wheat soul" to be transformed into delectable entities out of fear it may not be of appropriate quality or that its permutation will lead us into unfamiliar realms.

Yet, our aim should not be to try to isolate our fundamental nature but to allow it, even with its ultimate elusiveness, to be played out in the manifold life experiences that present themselves. A rose is no longer a rose once we begin picking it apart. Rather than appreciating the flower's beauty, once we begin removing its petals, we are merely left with the stem. Though the stem may be regarded as the rose's fundamental element, what real value does the rose then possess?

Judaism works the same way. Many have sought to grasp the essence of Judaism by aggressively peeling away what are perceived to be the religion's externals in order to reach its primary aspects. However, holding this bare stem of Judaism exclusive of its cultural, sociological and historical unfolding ultimately leaves our faith barren and prosaic. In other words, essence cannot be differentiated from the whole through which it has been fulfilled.

Once we fully appreciate this about both ourselves and our religion, we will be in a better position to appreciate the delectables and possibilities of each.

Rabbi Jonathan R. Katz

Save The Date

Wednesday Evening, April 1st

Rising Comedian, Joel Chasnoff

An evening of entertainment and fun

Details will follow in March Bulletin.

Lunch with the Rabbi



Should there be any limits to Israel's right to self-protection?

The program will also include the screening of the fascinating and provocative short Israeli film, "Cockfight."

BETH ISRAEL WOMEN



There are some thank you's I would like to mention before I talk about coming events in February. The fashion show/luncheon at the Longboat Key Club was a great success, if you missed it you missed a day of fun, good food, door prizes, raffles, and fabulous fashions. We have Anita DeVine to thank for a job well done along with the help of Nessa Levine. The fashions from Wearable Art on Main St in Sarasota and our own models were marvelous. I heard thru the grape vine that several models bought their outfits. I also want to thank Pearl Kushner and her committee for the center pieces on each table, but most of all I want to thank you, our members, who supported this event.

Now on to February. Our Sisterhood luncheon/meeting will be on Monday February 16th at 12 noon at the Temple. Judy Goldstein, our program VP, states that our program will be a short intriguing movie with a discussion to follow.

Our Sisterhood Sabbath is on Friday Night, Feb 27th, at 8 PM under the able direction of Rhoda Cooper. We hope to see you all there for a very spiritual service and evening.

We do have some very exciting events for March. On March 6th we will have our BIW game Day. The Chairperson is Sheila Zinder and more information will follow. Don't forget that on March 21st we will have our night at the Ballet with a lite supper and cash bar. It will be held at the Van Wesel starting at 6:30 PM in the Grand Foyer and at 8 PM the performance will begin.



This year you will have your choice of price for seats. The seats are \$60.00 or \$75.00 a person including the lite supper. So send your reservations in, as seats are limited and time has a way of eluding us.

Please use coupon page to make reservations for our events.

Remember BE A PART -- NOT A PART. Shalom
ARLENE H. KRUM

Beth Israel Women Nominating Committee

Anyone with suggestions for nominations to the Board of Beth Israel Women, please call Leah Barker, Chairperson at 383-5897.

FEBRUARY BOOKS AND BROWN BAG SELECTION

Those Who Save Us by Jenna Blum will be discussed on Monday, February 9, by Judith Feldman, facilitator. The sacrifices a mother makes to save herself and her child in Nazi Germany is an enthralling story that is intertwined with the daughter's life in the present. Participants can bring lunch and dessert and coffee will be available at 12:30 p.m. The discussion begins at 1 p.m.



Gloria Sabin, Chair

Calling... All Cooks (and former ones too)!

We need your special recipes for a cookbook to be published and presented by BIW in the fall of 2009. We require a minimum of three hundred recipes; therefore, we welcome those of your friends and husbands, too. Not only will this be an easy and enjoyable fundraiser for our Sisterhood, but it will also be a way of preserving our treasured dishes and passing them on to the younger members of our families. For more information, please call Sandra Cutler-Cohen at 383-7298.



Flowers, Onegs and Kiddush

Celebrate a Simcha with the Temple Family. Remember a loved one, honor birthdays, anniversaries, birth of a grandchild or great-grandchild. It's a Mitzvah to share. To reserve a Friday evening date contact Selma Horowitz 346-8225 or the Temple Office at 383-3428. To sponsor a Saturday Kiddush call Marsha Frank 383-3082.



MEN'S CLUB

OPERA NIGHT IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3 AT 7:30. IF YOU HAVEN'T MAILED IN FOR YOUR TICKETS ALREADY, PHONE THE TEMPLE OFFICE FOR SEATS NOW!

The Movie for Thursday Night at the Movies February 7 at 7:00 will be: THE COUNTERFITTERS, a true, thrilling story of a known, crooked German Jewish counterfitter taken hostage by the Nazis and placed into a concentration camp specifically to print counterfeit pounds and dollars.

The next LUNCH WITH THE RABBI will be Monday, February 9 at 12:30. The subject is: "What limits, if any, should there be in Israel's right to defend itself?" You MUST reserve even if you've already paid for the year. Mail in the coupon.

Over 50 members listened attentively and stayed to discuss the LUNCH WITH THE RABBI January 12 where two guest speakers spoke on that day's subject: their life for themselves and their families as Jews in small towns in the U.S. which had no congregation or rabbi.

Sunday, February 22, at 2:00 Thomas Hecht, Middle East expert speaks. Mail in your coupon. Admission is \$10/person.

Sunday, March 8 at 2:00 our own member Professor Herb Waltzer speaks on "A new President and Congress: What can we expect?" In his retirement from Miami University Herb is today an Adjunct Professor at USF. He received accolades at his talk at our Temple a year ago; those attending his lectures at USF leave enthralled. Mail in your coupon. Admission is \$10/person.

The April program with Mark Potok of the Southern Poverty Group has been canceled.

The Men's Club end-of-the-season Barbeque will be Sunday, April 26 at the Grand Bay.

Donald Kayton

Why We Wear A Kippah



I have frequently been asked, "Why do we wear a kippah?" While a kippah is not Biblical, there is a mention of priestly headwear in the Torah. The Talmud discussed kippot as optional rather than mandatory. Gradually, it became customary for

men who were studying Jewish texts or praying to wear a kippah. By the 17th Century, wearing a kippah differentiated Jews from non-Jews.

One reason to wear a kippah is to demonstrate one's identification with the Jewish people. Also, out of respect to God.

Joseph Miller, Ritual Committee

ENDOWMENT

THE FUTURE OF TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL

As I look at lists of donors to the many non-profit organizations in the greater Sarasota area, I cannot help but notice the many generous members of TBI whose names appear as major supporters of the arts, religions and other charitable organizations in the area. While having a conversation with a prominent local philanthropist, her opinion was that TBI was well provided for in future years.

That is the accepted opinion by many of our members, but not reflective of the truth.

The realities are that TBI has been overlooked by many of our very generous members, and that our Long Term Future on Longboat Key is not assured and will not be without our Temple being remembered by you, your charitable trust, or by will during your lifetime. Many of our newer members are part-time or snowbird members, whose fees and feelings about TBI are much less than our long term members.

Please take time to consider the importance of a Jewish presence on Longboat Key for future generations. Speak to any member of our Endowment Board about how you can help insure our future.

Norman Reiter

The Rabbi Michael B. Eisenstat Miniversity of Judaism

ALL CLASSES AT 2:00 P.M.

Tuesday, February 3

Czech Mate, A life in Progress - Dr. Thomas Hecht

Wednesday, February 4, 11, 18

Three Intersections Where Judaism and Christianity Meet and Diverge - Rabbi Michael Eisenstat

Thursday, February 5

We Were There—Memories of the Holocaust - Adam Broner, Eva Slane, Helga Harris; Moderator — Carole Kleinberg

Monday, February 16

Bible Study - Rabbi Herbert Rose

Tuesday, February 17

Leonard Bernstein and his Music - Lief Bjaland

Thursday, February 19

Another Point of View - Rabbi's Spouses

Thursday, February 25, March 4, 11

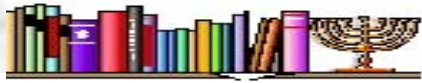
Eloquent Silences - Kevin Costello

Please review the catalogue for course descriptions. Copies of the catalogue are available from the temple office or online at the temple's website: www.tbi-lbk.org.

Earl Gordon



LIBRARY



LIBRARY COLLECTION GROWS

We have just added some fascinating books to the library collection, consistent with our goal to be the best Judaic collection in Southern United States.:

Price of Whiteness: Jews, Race, and American Identity by Eric Goldstein- This documents what it means to be Jewish in a nation preoccupied with categories of black and white. It traces the place Jews held in America's culture from the 1870's through World War II.

Body of Diminishing Motion: Poems and a Memoir by Joan Seliger Sidney – The poet, Jean Sidney, writes about chronic illness and its affect on the body and mind.. It is a deeply felt exploration into serious physical and psychological illness and the fight to maintain a positive attitude.

Coming Together, Coming Apart by Daniel Gordis – The author's family moved from Los Angeles to find a new life in Israel. They deal with the complexity of living in a land torn by conflict while "falling in love" with their new country..

David Golder, The Bell, Snow in Autumn, The Courilof Affair by Irene Nemirovswky – Four novellas are included by the author of *Suite Francaise*. The stories include various situations: in ***David Golder***, a businessman becomes embittered after the suicide of his partner; ***The Bell*** is a psychological account of a narcissist mother and her rebellious adolescent daughter; ***Snow in Autumn*** is a portrait of a Russian nanny who cannot adjust to life as an émigré in Paris; and in ***The Courilof Affair*** a Russian revolutionary becomes fond of a man he is ordered to kill.

Surprised By God by Danya Rutenborg – This is a coming of age memoir of a young girl who ends up becoming a rabbi. Along the way, she investigates various approaches to spiritualism.

Friendly Fire by A. B. Yehoshua – A long married couple spends a week apart when the wife attends her sister's funeral in Africa and deals with a family tragedy. Meanwhile her husband remains in Israel to care for an extended family. The author, a famous Israeli writer, expertly renders details of life in modern Israel.

Fairy Tales for the Young at Heart by Howard Silver – Temple member Howard Silver wrote for the amusement of his grandchildren. These imaginative tales appeal to adults as well as children.

Be sure to take a close look at the *Albert and Rose Shulman* display case in the social hall near the Library. This latest display features the holiday, Tu Bish'vat, the New Year of the Trees and how it is celebrated around the world..

There is a new convenience featured in the Temple Library. We will be selling donated books throughout the year. Signs show the prices. To see if they are of interest, stop in the library during open hours, Monday, 9 AM to 12 Noon, Tuesday , 2 PM to 3 PM, and before and after services on Friday nights.

Marjorie Sandy, Librarian

A Welcome To Our New Members!!

Gerald and Ursula Bamberger

Gerald and Ursula lived in New York and then Washington, D.C. for many years. Gerald was a business executive with a plastics firm. They have four adult children, two sons in Israel and two daughters in the US.. ten grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Dr. David Marcus

After graduating from MIT in Boston with a degree in chemical engineering and living in Canada via Philly, in 1974 Sarasota became Dr. Marcus's home town. He has three adult children, one is a lawyer, and two have earned MBA degrees. In 1989 he enrolled in USF and got a MBA in humanities, music and art history and then a PHD in English/Scottish literature where he taught for 16 years. Retired now, he keeps very busy helping manage the board of apt.888. Audrey Frush Marcus, a prominent Sarasotan and Dr. Marcus's wife, now deceased, had a distinguished career in real estate development and was a professional wild animal photographer.

Dr. Lois Barson

Born in New England, and moved to Philadelphia, Pa. where she went to school and received a Doctorate in secondary education in math curriculum, design and implementation. Last four yrs. spent in adm. at central office level.

We are so happy to have all of you as a new members.

Nancy and Stan Skadron

92nd St. Y Simulcast

CHRISTIANE AMANPOUR, the CNN Chief International Correspondent is the featured speaker emanating live from the 92nd St. Y via satellite to Temple Beth Israel. on Wednesday, February 18 at 8:00 PM.



Her coverage of the Persian Gulf War that followed Iraq's occupation of Kuwait in 1989 brought her to prominence and brought CNN to a new level of news coverage.

From 1996 to 2005, she was contracted by "60 Minutes" creator Don Hewitt to file in-depth news reports as a special contributor.

Over the years from 1992 to the present she has been the recipient of numerous wards, including, among others, the Edward R. Murrow Award for Distinguished Achievement in Broadcast Journalism.

Reservations are required by contacting the Temple office at 383-3428. There is no admission charge but donations to the Saperstein Memorial Fund, which has been underwriting the series of satellite telecasts are welcome. For information about these programs, contact **June Stern** 351-0352.

NEW TBI DINNER PROGRAM SET FOR MARCH 16



Our congregation is embarking on a new program to provide a fun and enjoyable way for Temple members to get to know each other better. On Monday, March 16 TBI members will have the opportunity to gather in each other's homes for dinner.

These gatherings are intended to include from 8-14 people each. Some Temple members are requested to serve as hosts for the evening. Each host will receive a home-made challah for the occasion, a list of attendees and a short guide explaining the goals of the dinner. The meal will be pot-luck with hosts asking guests to bring an appetizer, dessert, side dish, beverages, etc.

We hope that at least 8-10 TBI members will serve as hosts. Beth Israel members who are interested in attending a dinner will be matched with a host once they have registered for the program. This dinner program has been successfully replicated in several congregations throughout the country.

If you would like to be a host or to attend a dinner please call the office, 383-3428, by Thursday February 26. We look forward to a wonderful evening of dinner parties but we require your participation to make it happen.

For more information contact **TBI Dines** Chair **Sheila Zinder**.

TIDBITS . . . AND REMINDERS

The Sarasota-Manatee Jewish Federation will present "KALLAH 2009" on Thursday, February 19, 2009 at Temple Beth Sholom, 1050 Tuttle Ave. Sarasota, with registration from 5:30 to 6:00 PM. The community is welcome and a minimum contribution is requested of \$5 per person and \$10 per family. The theme is JEWISH IDENTIFICATION IN A NON-JEWISH WORLD THROUGH THE ARTS AND SPORTS.

What's happened to the collection of miniature toiletries destined for women's shelters? Contact Libby Adelman at 383-1991.

Don't forget to bring perishables to the Temple to be deposited in the All Faiths Food Bank barrel in the Social Hall.

Kudos to Judy Goldstein, Pearl Kushner and the Gala Committee for a very grand and beautiful "Girl with the Pearl" Gala.

On March 7, at 7:00 PM, our Temple will be the scene of the great Hamantash vs. Latke Debate by the Boomers+ Organization sponsored by the Sarasota-Manatee Jewish Federation. In addition to the debates, a catered meal will be served including—what else?— hamantaschen and potato latkes. Cost is \$25 per person.



Finally, not to be outdone by the WOOO club, a group of single men in the congregation has formed a club that meets for dinner on Monday evenings. They refer to themselves as R.O.M.E.O.— (Retired Old Men Eating out). Bob Chalphin handles arrangements and anyone interested in the new club may contact him at 383-6025.

Doris White

Thomas Hecht Speaks about Middle East

On February 22, at 2:00 PM, the Men's Club will present a talk by Middle East expert and Men's Club member Thomas Hecht on "The Significance of the February 10 Israel Elections." Reservations are required along with a check for \$10 made out to the Temple Beth Israel Men's Club.

Hecht is a former lecturer at Concordia University in Canada in the field of international relations, political philosophy and comparative government. During the 1973 Middle East Yom Kippur War, Hecht was elected president of the United Israel Appeal of Canada and represented Canada on the Board of Governors of the Jewish Agency.

He has received numerous awards and accolades for his active support of Jewish causes that included two doctorates awarded respectively by the Ben Gurion University in Beer Sheva and Bar-Ilan University in Tel Aviv. In July, 2007, he was named *Chevalier de l'Ordre* (Order of the French speaking countries). This is the highest decoration given by the French-speaking to individuals promoting cultural understanding.

The speaker is also the *author* of a book titled *Czech Mate: A Life in Progress, as told to Joe King*, published in June, 2007.

On Tuesday, February 3, 2009, at 2:00 PM, as one of the courses in the Rabbi Michael B. Eisenstat's Miniversity of Judaism, he will present a program consisting of readings from the book and discussion of his family's odyssey to reach safety during World War II. There is no charge for enrolled Temple members, but non-members who sign up to attend pay \$10.

For further information, contact Men's Club President **Donald Kayton** at 383-8592.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 2 Mrs. Tedde Kadison
- 2 Mrs. Nessa Levine
- 2 Mr. Robert G. Schwartz
- 4 Mr. Ralph Einstein
- 5 Dr. Irvin Blumfield
- 6 Dr. Stanley Skadron
- 6 Mr. Arthur Stern
- 8 Mrs. Jeanne S. Epstein
- 8 Mrs. Nellie Markovitz
- 9 Mrs. Gloria Bergman
- 10 Mr. Myron Ash
- 10 Mrs. Betty Loeser
- 10 Mr. Ted Simon
- 11 Mrs. Betty T. Schiff



- 14 Mr. James D. Raymond
- 14 Mrs. Sally Yanowitz
- 14 Mrs. Bonnie Zeeman
- 16 Mr. Herbert Gold
- 19 Mrs. Mardy Cohen
- 20 Mr. Larry Cohen
- 20 Mrs. Alexandra Cooper
- 20 Mrs. Marcie Mackman
- 21 Mr. Richard Burton
- 21 Dr. Tanice Knopp
- 21 Mrs. Gloria G. Sabin
- 22 Mrs. Shirley Klein
- 23 Mr. Jerome Lee
- 24 Mr. Donald M. Weill

- 25 Mrs. Marsha Frank
- 25 Mr. Earle Miller
- 25 Mr. Paul Rifkin
- 26 Mrs. Wendy Gould
- 27 Mrs. Marjorie T. Lieberman
- 27 Mrs. Sylvia Samet
- 29 Mr. Saul Putterman

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- 8 Earle & Gabrielle Miller
- 10 Samuel & Sally Shapiro
- 14 Norman & Pam Reiter
- 15 Robert & Frankie Nelson
- 24 Leon & Rhoda Cooper

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Yahrzeits

Yahrzeit names in order of the date of death. To be read on each of the following Fridays:

February 6, 2009

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Victor Ben Berger
Minnie Carten
Anna Radner
Jeffrey Dryer
Herman Wolfson
Benjamin Frank
Freida Frankel
Max Garelick
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THE ROSIE THAT I KNEW

My dear friend, Rosie Horwitz, who died on Thanksgiving Day 2008, was a unique and a very special person.

I met Rose sixteen years ago at a local memoir-writing class. We bonded immediately using our mutual ability to speak Yiddish and to tell stories to the class about growing up in large families. Her sense of humor was ever present: Rose was not a shy violet and wouldn't hesitate to give an opinion no matter how direct and biting it could be. She was feisty and we all loved her for her honesty. Even though she was legally blind, she in fact, could see and understand much more than some of us.

Rose was a long time member of TBI and a happy and contributing member of the "Temple Tuesday" group sponsored by Jewish Family & Children's Service and Temple Beth Israel.

My husband Arnold and I enjoyed bringing Rose to Friday night Services and other TBI activities. One of her happiest moments was when she expressed a desire to touch the Torah. So after the conclusion of Friday evening services, I took her up to the Bimha, opened the Ark and Rose touched the Holy Scroll. She cried real tears from happiness and a lifetime of her Jewishness seemed to explode right before my eyes.

Even though Rosie was many years older than me, age was unimportant when you have mutual respect, mutual love and mutual interests.

There will be a Memorial Kiddush for Rose Horwitz after Services on Saturday, February 14 at 10:00 am. We miss you
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Bible Study - Rabbi Herbert Rose

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9
12:30 PM

To: Temple Beth Israel Men's Club, 567 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, FL 34228
Please save me a seat at Lunch with the Rabbi (reservations are required).

- I am a subscriber.
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 Sign me up for Men's Club Membership for \$40.00.

Reservations are required.

Name _____ Tel # _____

DR. THOMAS HECHT
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22
2:00 PM

DR. HERBERT WALTZER
SUNDAY, MARCH 8
2:00 PM

To: Temple Beth Israel Men's Club, 567 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, FL 34228

Please save me a seat to hear Dr. Hecht

- Please reserve _____ seats to hear Dr. Hecht at \$10.00 per person.
 Please reserve _____ seats to hear Dr. Waltzer at \$10.00 per person.

My check for \$_____ is enclosed.

Reservations are required.

Name _____ Tel# _____

BIW LUNCHEON



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16
12:00 P.M.

Beth Israel Women, 567 Bay Isles Rd., Longboat Key, FL 34228

- Yes, please reserve _____ seats for the BIW luncheon on Monday, February 16
Cost: Members \$10 per person Guests \$12 per person

Reservations are required.

Name(s) _____ Tel _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

BIW GAME DAY



FRIDAY, MARCH 6
11:00 AM

Send this form and payment to: Sheila Zinder, 434 L'Ambiance Drive, Apt. K-605,
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Women.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 21
6:30 PM

To: BIW, Temple Beth Israel, 567 Bay Isles Rd., Longboat Key, FL 34228

Please reserve a seat for the Ballet and lite supper at Van Wezel on March 21 at 6:30 PM

- Please reserve _____ seats at \$60 per person
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Name _____ Tel# _____