



Temple House of Israel Bulletin

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From the Rabbi's Desk

My dear fellow Valley Jews and Friends,

Shalom!

Confirmation and Shavuot are on the horizon. WOW! Where did the time go? ☺

The Calendar and Holidays

Beginning the 14th of Nisan (April 2nd) we celebrated Pesach (Passover), the Chag HaMatzot (Holiday of Unleavened bread), also known as Chag HaAviv (the Spring holiday). Pesach concluded on April the 10th at sundown. The 27th of Nisan (April 15th) was Yom Hashoah. Nisan concluded on April 18th, and Rosh Chodesh (New Month) for Iyar was on the 18th and 19th of April. Iyar 5 (April 23rd) was Yom Ha'atzma'ut (Israeli Independence Day).

Iyar 18 (May 6th) will be Lag Be'Omer (more on that in a moment).

May 17th is the end of Iyar, and May 18th is Rosh Chodesh for Sivan, which continues until June 16th. June 16th and 17th are Rosh Chodesh for Tamuz.

May 18th our Shabbat Service will include Confirmation at Beth El, preceded by a fund-raising dinner put on by the Youth Group.

The 6th and 7th of Sivan (evening of May 22nd through sundown on May 24th) is Shavuot (Holiday of Weeks, sometimes called the Feast of Tabernacles).

Throughout most of this month, we are in the middle of counting the Omer, which began on the second day of Pesach and continues until May 22nd, on which evening after sundown we begin our celebration of Shavuot, the giving of the Aseret Hadibrot (the Ten Sayings or Ten Commandments) on Mount Sinai. In this way we demonstrate the link of the liberation from slavery and Redemption of Pesach to the giving of the commandments and Revelation of Shavuot at Mount Sinai.

The Congregational Calendar

Allow me to point out a few of the many things that are upcoming:

- April 27th is a dinner by the Women's group for \$9/person at 6:30 pm, followed by Community Awareness Shabbat at 7:30. Invite your friends, neighbors, teachers, and anyone else you would like to give an opportunity to learn more about us.
- April 28th we will undertake the last of our Religious School Field trips to a Shabbat service. We will be attending the Shabbat morning service in Charlottesville at the P'nai Or/Jewish Renewal Havurah Shabbat morning service. If other congregants would like to experience this service, please let me (Rabbi Joe) know – you are welcome to join us.
- April 29th will be the next in our film series at Beth El. It will be 6 pm – bring a

meal and watch a movie, then talk about it afterwards. We will view Walk on Water. A great film exploring many different issues of identity, ethics, relationships, bigotry, and justice.

- May 3rd will be the fourth of five Adult Education sessions on Basic Judaism. Sessions meet at 7 pm at THOI. You can attend any of them: they are not a single unit. This topic is Jewish Observance. No homework assignment, no required reading, and no pop quizzes! Open to members of both congregations.
- May 6th we will be commemorating Lag Be'omer (33rd day of the omer count) during Religious school.
- Also May 6th, the first of 3 in the Interfaith Dialogue program from 2 to 5 pm at Beth El. The other sessions will be June 3rd at Otterbein United Methodist Church, and June 24th at Beth El. Details under Adult Education
- Friday, May 11th will be Religious School Shabbat at Beth El. Come and shep nachas (take pleasure) in the accomplishments of our religious school students.
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- Friday, May 18th at Beth El there will be a meal presented and served by SHORTY as a fundraiser, followed by Shabbat services which SHORTY will lead. All are invited to join our youth as they demonstrate their liturgy skills.
- May 19th will be the next Tot Shabbat at THOI at 10 am.
- May 20th, the Religious school picnic is scheduled.
- May 22nd will be a Tikkun Leil Shavuot. It will begin at 7 pm, at THOI. Members of both congregations are welcome to come and study Torah as a way of celebrating Revelation.
- May 24th will be the fifth of five Adult Education sessions on Basic Judaism. You can attend any of them: they are not planned as a single unit. The topic will be Jewish views on Sexuality. No homework, no reading, and no pop quizzes! Open to members of both congregations.
- May 25th will be the Shavuot service for this year. It will be at 7:30 pm at THOI.
- June 15th at Beth El will be a service geared to disability awareness. Our special guest that evening, addressing us for the Devar Torah, will be Rabbi Lynne Landsberg.

Trip to Israel

I am very excited! Our Congregational trip to Israel is on! Details, pg 5

Rabbi Joe Blair

<p>Reaching the Rabbi</p>	<p>The Rabbi is available this year on Sundays and Mondays in Harrisonburg, and Thursdays and Fridays in Staunton. If you wish to meet or speak with the rabbi, please email or call for an appointment to be sure that he will be able to give you his full undivided attention, as you deserve.</p> <p>Email: RabbiJoe@thoi.org Beth El Congregation 540-434-2744 Temple House of Israel 540-886-4091 Home [Emergencies only, please] 434-971-4741</p>
<p>Message from the President</p>	<p>Dear Congregants, Two weeks ago, at Friday night services, many of you heard Lou Boden’s impassioned plea for help in planning our fall Jewish Film Festival to raise money to restore our historic landmark of a building. If you didn’t hear it Friday night, you will soon and again and again. We need lots of warm bodies to do all sorts of things and we hope as many of you will join us as possible. Please email Lou, or Laurie Berman and tell them what you can do. This is our biggest, most ambitious, perhaps most important project yet – and if we succeed, with your help, our building will stand strong and beautiful for another century (or two!).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">---- Lisa Solod Warren</p>
<p>Recap of April Board Meeting</p>	<p>Crys Sragovitz was approved for individual membership. • Lou Boden reported for the film committee - working toward making the Oct 26-Nov 1 “Views of Life: The Staunton Jewish Film Festival” a major fundraiser. Volunteers are needed in many areas. • Alan Goldenberg will spearhead a “Holocaust Education Week” Nov 1-7.</p>
<p>Noteworthy Congregational News</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A huge thank you to Laurie Berman as well as Janet Brody, Sarah Grove-Humphries, Rosalie Waterman and Beth Young for putting together a wonderful Community Passover seder in April. It was a festive evening for all. ▪ The Fundraising Committee has announced that our Jewish film festival will be the week of October 26th. The goals for this project include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ to raise the money to update our historical building’s exterior façade ▫ to promote understanding and tolerance of other people by providing films, music, discussions and meals in order to raise consciousness and provide insight into diverse cultural life and issues ▫ to work with the city of Staunton, and its many businesses to promote another yearly destination event to ensure Staunton’s economic viability. <p>We need sponsorship to make this ambitious project a reality. Please consider volunteering to locate and enlist sponsors. Any suggestions or volunteers are asked to contact Laurie Berman by email or phone. laurieberman@mac.com or 885-2925.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Our next Mitzvah Day will be May 20th from 2:00 – 5:00 pm. Come help clean up and out in a variety of ways. ▪ Even though Rachel Jordan does, in fact, live in Richmond, her heart is in the Shenandoah Valley. And yes, she <u>is</u> our new membership chairperson. So if mail comes from Richmond or when your membership forms need to be sent to Richmond, it’s true. It’s really Temple House of Israel in Staunton! ▪ The next board meeting will be May 10th at 7:00 pm.
<p>News of our Community</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Our condolences to Margie Schwartz and to David Schwartz and his family on the death of Phil Schwartz on April 2nd. Funeral services were held in the sanctuary and cemetery on April 5th with an honor guard of VFW members. ▪ Mazel Tov to Betty Menaker who was recently named Woman of the Year by

	<p>the Junior Women’s Club of Waynesboro. Betty, as well as her late-husband Ed, worked for over 40 years in the public elementary schools tutoring students, and Betty continues with one-on-one tutoring even now. In addition to Betty’s work in education, she also volunteered at the Waynesboro Community Hospital and then at AMC, in the hospital’s Recovery Room Waynesboro shop, with the Boy Scouts, the Waynesboro Public Library, the American Red Cross, as one of the founders of the Valley Alliance for Education, a long-time member of AAUW and the League of Women Voters. Betty is and has been an effective community advocate for many years. Congratulations Betty!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stephanie and Byron Lee, former members, are in need of help. Stephanie has been diagnosed with cervical cancer. Contact information will follow. ▪ Mazel tov to Natasha Benenson on her first Torah reading! It was great! ▪ Welcome home to Dianne Mason who has been in Wales carrying for her mother for the past few months. Dianne plans to be here for a short while and then return to Wales. ▪ Camp Congregation Beth Israel in Charlottesville is looking for full time counselors for this summer’s 6-week program, June 11 – July 20. Applicants should have experience and love working with children, be positive, upbeat and outgoing. Great pay and great fun! To apply or to find out more about Camp CBI, please contact Shelby apple, Camp Director at camp@cbicville.org. ▪ Martha Bruin Degen is one of eight Virginia artists that make up the group Fiber Transformed. Together they have created “Wish You Were Here,” a traveling exhibit that showcases their art quilts and mixed media artwork. You are invited to the opening reception on Thursday, May 3rd, 5-7 pm at the Shenandoah Valley Art Center at 126 South Wayne Avenue in downtown Waynesboro. The exhibit runs through June 5th and the gallery is open Tues-Sat 10-4 and Sun 2-4. Congratulations Martha!
<p>A note from Sarah Young</p>	<p>Hello Temple Members!</p> <p>I hope this memo finds you all doing well. As I’m sure you’re all well aware, I’ve had some crazy ideas in my time, so here’s another one for ya... I’m writing to ask for your help in sending me back to Africa, to Uganda this time for a youth development and peace-building workshop this coming July. The cost of this trip is a little out of a recent college graduate’s budget, so I am hoping and asking for your help.</p> <p>I applied and was chosen to serve as a Student Global Ambassador for the Global Youth Partnership for Africa’s (GYPA) Uganda Immersion program. GYPA is a non-profit organization dedicated to fostering understanding, appreciation and respect between young American and African leaders of tomorrow. This fall, peace talks brought about a cessation of hostilities in the 20-year civil war in northern Uganda; now is a critical time to examine the political situation and engage in the processes of reconstruction and reintegration. The end of the conflict brings with it dramatic challenges as well as opportunities. It is clear that youth will continue to be the driving forces behind development and peace-building in this fragile post-conflict environment. The goal of the Immersion is to provide a platform for Americans and Ugandans to explore the important role that youth play in post-conflict Uganda by sharing experiences, ideas, approaches, and strategies. We- 15 Americans and 15 Ugandans- will be meeting with political, academic, and cultural experts to develop conflict resolution and post-conflict rehabilitation programs in</p>

	<p>Uganda. You can find out more at www.gypafrica.org.</p> <p>Unfortunately, since I'm graduating college in June and my trip is in July, my university can't give me funding assistance because I will no longer be a student, so I need some help to offset the costs of the trip. Anything you are able to contribute, monetary or otherwise (mosquito nets might be good), would be extremely helpful. Collegiate budgets aren't the most flexible, so I'd be grateful for anything.</p> <p>Donations to the "Send Sarah Back To Africa" fund can be given to my parents, Beth and Rich Young.</p> <p>Thank you all so much! Shalom, Sarah</p>
<p>New in the Library</p>	<p>Check out the following suggestions from Leah – all available in our library: <u>The Street Where I Live</u> by Alan Jay Lerner <u>Jewish Athletes Hall of Fame</u> <u>A Vanished World</u> – photos by Roman Vishniak <u>Great Tales of Jewish Occult and Fantasy</u> by Joachin Neugroschel <u>The Forgotten</u> by Faye Kellerman</p>
<p>Israel Trip</p>	<p>The Congregational trip to Israel is on! It will include some unusual sites including Rosh Hanikra as well as the more usual and expected sites such as Masada, the Dead Sea, Jerusalem, and Caesarea. You can see all of the information about the trip online, register and even pay online by going directly to the website for our trip, to be found at: http://www.arzaworld.com/632/Tour_To_Israel-Search=begdate=01Aug07&enddate=31Aug07.</p> <p>Select the tour listed under the name Temple House of Israel & Beth-El (nr).</p> <p>If you prefer, Arza World Travel contact information is: ARZA World Travel, 33 East 33rd Street, Suite 1102, New York, NY 10016 Toll Free: 888-811-2812 Voice: 212-683-6311 Fax: 212-683-6324.</p> <p>There is still time and room to have others sign up...</p>
<p>Book Group</p>	<p>Our next book group discussion will be on Wednesday, May 30th at 7:30 at Dianne Mason's home. Please come join us! Watch the email announcements for the title of our next book.</p>
<p>News from the Women's Group</p>	<p>Birthdays to be celebrated happily in May:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sim Brand celebrating on May 1st Susan Pereles on May 4th Kelli Lynn Goldenberg on the 6th Rachael Brody on the 7th Sammy Pereles on the 14th Don Chodrow on the 15th Dianne Mason on the 19th Ruth Chodrow on the 30th <p>Happy Anniversary to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AJ and Nick Hartung celebrating 41 years together Lynne Landsberg and Dennis Ward Rabbi Joe and Karen Blair celebrating 31 years together

B'nai Mitzvah	If you are interested in studying for and having your own B'nai Mitzvah, or in learning to leyn (read/chant) Torah and/or Haftarah, or to lead services, or you wish to discuss conversion, please be in touch with Rabbi Joe.
Religious School	<p>The end of the 2006-07 Religious School year is nearly here. We can hardly believe it flew by so quickly!</p> <p>We have been very busy celebrating the many holidays that occur this time of year. At the end of March, we all enjoyed a delicious Pesach Model Seder. We were pleased to have to add an extra table with chairs because of the great turn out. Thank you so much to Ronn Daniel and Hillary Gerson-Krohn for helping to organize the Seder, as well as set everything up and clean up at the end! Thanks also to all of the religious school families that brought all of the delicious foods that we shared! I was personally impressed with the number of hard boiled eggs and pieces of gefilte fish that were consumed! And many thanks to Jesse Brand for locating the afikomen, otherwise we'd all still be at Beth El waiting to complete the Seder...</p> <p>After everyone recovered from Passover and Spring Break, we returned to Religious School in time to observe Yom Hashoah on April 15th. The Daled students braved the miserable weather and joined the Rabbi at the Holocaust Museum. Kitah Bet and Gimmel students watched and discussed the documentary Paper Clips which follows the children of Whitwell MS in Tennessee who collected 6 million paper clips to visualize the number of Jews killed in the Holocaust. The Alef students observed the day by learning about how differences make each person special and that actions affect others and ourselves.</p> <p>The following week is the celebrations of Yom Ha'atzmaut, Israeli Independence Day, which commemorates the declaration of independence of Israel in 1948, as well as, Yom Hazikaron, Israel's National Memorial Day. This family education experience will surely be a lot of fun with crafts, music, dance, and food.</p> <p>For our last month of instruction we hope you will join us for the Religious School Shabbat Service at Beth El on Friday, May 11th. We will be ending our school year with a picnic and Lag Be'Omer Maccabi games at Westover Park on May 20th.</p> <p>Please be sure to contact Linda Kohn (540-269-2213 or lin5ko@aol.com) or Dara Hall (540-433-5596 or mddmhall@verizon.net) if you know of any new students for next year so we can be sure to send them an application packet.</p> <p>Cheers to all! Dara, Linda, and Ruth</p> <p>P.S. If you are interested in teaching or being a substitute next year, please contact one of the principals.</p>
Adult Education	<p>The three dates for the Adult Education Interfaith Dialogue program are now fixed, and will be May 6th from 2 to 5 pm at Beth El, June 3rd from 2 to 5 pm at Otterbein United Methodist Church, and June 24th from 2 to 5 pm at Beth El. The sessions are planned as three hours each, including time for snacks and to eat a light meal together towards the end. Up to ten members of the congregations who would like to engage in a meaningful dialogue with a similar number of Christians from the Otterbein United Methodist Church will participate. If you wish to take part, we still have some openings, so please call or write me (Rabbi Joe). We have</p>

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The first session will focus on the history and development of each participant's beliefs, and on the historical context of the Biblical text. Session two will look into how we read and use scripture and liturgy in each tradition. Session three will focus on the actual text and how it is read, including the significant differences in each of our traditions. In all sessions it is planned that there will be an opportunity for significant conversation and dialogue among the participants.

Because we will need to have you read some articles in advance of the meeting, we must ask that you sign up for this no later than April 25th. We will accept those signing up in order until our slots are full. We have six who have definitely signed up, and three more who have said they may do so. Please speak to Rabbi Joe as soon as you can. The sessions are planned as three hours each, including time for snacks and to eat a light meal together towards the end. Up to ten members of the congregations who would like to engage in a meaningful dialogue with a similar number of Christians from the Otterbein United Methodist Church will participate. If you wish to take part, we still have a couple of openings, so please call or write Rabbi Joe. We have adapted the Open Doors, Open Minds curriculum from URJ, which helps us to explore similarities and differences, and how each faith community uses their sacred text. We will use the Aseret Hadibrot (the 10 sayings, which are often called the Ten Commandments) as the major text, particularly for the third session. For more information, please be in touch with Rabbi Joe.

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Torah Parashiot

Torah parashiot (weekly portions) for this month include:

Emor, Behar-Bechukotai, Bamidbar, Naso, and the reading for Shavuot. This includes Vayikra (Leviticus) 21:1-27:34, Bamidbar (Numbers) 1:1-7:89, 28:26-31, Shemot (Exodus) 19:1-20:23, Devarim (Deuteronomy) 14:22-16:17.

Haftarot include readings from Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Hosea, and Judges.

Included among these readings are the topics of: the levitical code, the laws

	of offerings, the Sabbath, the period of the counting of the omer, Shavuot, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, rules on blasphemers, the Shemitah year and the Yovel, indentured servitude, the covenantal blessings and curses, mortgages, tithes, the census, the order of camp and travel, the census of the Levites, rules on Tzara'at, restitution, the Sotah ritual, Nazirites and vows, the priestly benediction, the dedication offerings of the tribes for the Mishkan, and the purification of the Levites (to briefly list some of the highlights!).
Judaica Shop	Dianne Mason is back – at least for the month of May! If you have any specific needs, please let Dianne know at 885-6254. A huge THANK YOU to AJ Hartung for doing such a great job with ordering and new displays in our Judaica shop while Dianne was in Wales caring for her mother.
Youth Group and Confirmation Class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ May 18th will be our fund-raising dinner and Confirmation service. After the services, SHORTY will go Cosmic bowling and then hold a shul-in. ▪ Then on May 19th from 8 to 12 SHORTY (and anyone who wishes to join them) will go to the Volunteer Farm in Woodstock for the mitzvah of weeding and planting food that will be given to the food bank. They will return from the farm and have lunch, then head for home about 2:30. ▪ SHORTY members should watch for more information on a Youth group trip to Busch Gardens in Williamsburg on the 20th of May with BITY.
Tot Shabbat	Come enjoy music, stories and crafts with your pre-school child. Our next program will be on May 19th, 10 – 11:30 at THOI . Please contact Shelby Apple at tot-shabbat@thoi.org if you would like more information.
Film Series	Join us Saturday, May 12th at 6:30 . The title will be announced in the email announcements. Bring your own brown bag supper, and Shirley Brand will supply the dessert. Shirley's choices have been wonderful. Hope to see you then!
Notes from the Editor	If you'd like to include anything, please have your information, comments and suggestions to me by May 20 th for the June newsletter.

Donations	<p>Thank you to these generous people who have made contributions to the Temple during the previous month. We greatly appreciate your donations!</p> <p>In memory of Phil SchwartzErnest and Cary Breeden Don and Ruth Chodrow R. D. Dove Otis and Nancy Holley Linda Howell IH and Sandra Baker Dan and Ellen Schorsch Staunton Elks Lodge 351 David and Carolyn Van Lear</p> <p>In memory of David BrodyDon and Ruth Chodrow Tony and Rachel Jordan</p> <p>In memory of Herb LernerTony and Rachel Jordan</p> <p>In memory of Karen Blair’s motherTony and Rachel Jordan</p> <p>In memory of Rosaline and Louis Kamerman Marlene Ross</p> <p>In memory of Sarah Grove-Humphries’ grandfather and of Byron Grove-Humphries mother Tony and Rachel Jordan</p> <p>For the general fundFinal Draft Booksellers Abe Ruday</p> <p>In honor of Rabbi Joe’s helpJanet Brody</p>		
From the Web Maven	<p>It's spring cleaning time for the THOI website (www.thoi.org). We want to add more useful links about Judaism to the Links page and also update basic information about the temple. If you have any suggestions, please send them along to Marcia at website@thoi.org</p>		
Yahrzeits for May	Gertrude Barber	Leah Barber	Ellna Byrne
	Velma Byrne	Blanche Cohn	Joseph Cohn
	Gloria Goldsmith	Ida Harris	Rosaline Kamerman
	Heidi Kaplan	Ethel Kelly	Morris Klotz
	Abraham Kravitz	Joseph Oppenheim	Edward Patterson
	Rose Pickus	Jack Printz	Max Raybin
	William Robins	Frank Rubin	Clara Sebell
	Mildred Shor	Flora Switzer	Moses Walters

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May 3	Adult Education at 7:00 – Basic Judaism: Jewish Observance
May 4	Torah study at noon Shabbat Services at 7:30 – Laurie Berman 885-2925
May 6	Lag B'Omer commemoration at religious school Interfaith Dialogue at Beth El 2-5 pm
May 10	Temple Board Meeting at 7:00
May 11	Torah study at noon – everyone is welcome! Religious School Shabbat at Beth El
May 13	Chevrah Kadishah training 2-5 at THOI
May 17	Adult Education at 7:00 – the holiday of Shavuot
May 18	Torah study at noon – everyone is welcome! Shabbat services at 7:30 – Ellen and Dan Schorsch 942-3149 and Rachel Peretz 363-4881 hosts
May 19	Tot Shabbat at 10:00
May 20	Religious School picnic
May 22	Tikkun Leil Shavuot at 7, celebrating Revelation
May 24	Adult Education at 7:00 – Basic Judaism: Jewish views on sexuality
May 25	Torah study at noon – everyone is welcome! Shabbat services at 7:30 Paula and David Chernoff 886-6212 and Shelby w/ Kevin Apple 943-6934
May 30	Book Group at 7:30 at Dianne Mason's home
June 15	Shabbat services at Beth El – Rabbi Lynne Landsberg will address disability awareness

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