

Beth Am COMMENTATOR

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Bus Service And Parking Info

Arrangements have been made to park some 150 cars for the Rosh Hashanah services on Wednesday night, September 26, at the Bank of Kendall.

The Bank of Kendall is located at Kendall Drive, just east of Dixie Highway. We will provide shuttle bus service from the Bank of Kendall parking lot to the Temple for the Family Service and the Adult Service. Buses will leave from the Bank of Kendall starting at 5:55 p.m. for the early Service and at 8:25 p.m. for the second Service. Buses will return to Kendall Bank right after services. **REMEMBER, THIS IS FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT ONLY.**

SEE MAP ON PAGE 3

On page 3 of the COMMENTATOR is a map of how we will be parking cars in the Temple parking lot.

It is imperative that all cars be parked bumper to bumper, and that all spaces be filled up. We cannot allow people to look for "good spots" so that they can get out easily. If we follow instructions, we are sure that within 15 or 20 minutes after the service, we will have the lot cleared. We are providing ample police to park you at the start of the service, and to clear the lot at the end of the service.

To all those attending the Adult Service Rosh Hashanah eve, please do not attempt to come to the Temple parking lot earlier than 8:30 p.m. There will be no way that you will be able to enter the lot because we may be using both roads as exits and when the service starts, these roads will be blocked off.

Rosh Hashanah Wednesday Eve

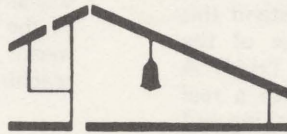
Rosh Hashanah begins Wednesday night. The family service for Wednesday, September 26, which is the beginning of Rosh Hashanah, is at 6:30 p.m. You may bring your children above the fourth grade to this service providing you can see that they remain in their seats and conduct themselves with proper decorum for this occasion. The content of this service is identical to the 9:00 p.m. service which is limited to adults only including those children above the tenth grade.

Those attending the adults only service at 9:00 p.m. are urged not to come to the Temple before 8:30 p.m. This will allow us to clear the parking lot of cars from the early service.

The morning adult service is on Thursday, September 27, at 10:00 a.m. The repeat family service is at 3:30 p.m.

The Children's Service for children of all ages is at 2:00 p.m. This service is geared for the younger children and is about 45 minutes duration.

Bring your admission cards to the service. This is for your protection as seating is limited.



The Committee Of 100

Listed below are the current members of the Committee of 100. Will you join? We need more participants.

Allen and Barbara Abelson
William and Irene Baros
Alfred and Peggy Biele
Jordan and Judith Bittel
Murray and Lois Bloomenfeld
Stephen and Anna Carner
Elliot and Jeanne Dinnerstein
Howard and Dolores Engel
Morris and Mikki Futernick
Saul and Barbara Genet
Lewis and Norma Goodman
Gordon Jones
Evan and Michelle Katz
Marshall and Barbara Langer
Al and Jean Leibert
Alfred and Pauline Lewis

Ronald and Mickey Lipton
Norman and Nancy Lipoff
Peter and Yiska Moser
Richard and Rosalind Pallot
Ed and Barbara Raduns
Marshal and Barbara Rosenberg
Lee and Francien Ruwitch
William and Frances Sanes
Bert and Suzanne Schild
Samuel and Beverly Schoninger
Roger and Gerrie Soman
Sam and Edith Stark
Clifford and Betty Suchman
Sanford and Betty Susman
Sheldon and Rosalie Weiss
Alden and Letty Zieman

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
8:30 p.m.

RABBI ALTMAN

'What Price Oil?'

RELIGIOUS SERVICES



HERBERT M. BAUMGARD
Senior Rabbi

Stephen Dubov
Cantorial Soloist

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
11:15 a.m.

TORAH SERVICE



FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

The Holy Days How Do We Use Them?

When I was a boy, the coming of the Holy Days had a kind of magic. It was one of the few times in the year when I did something with my father. The Holy Days were special to us kids because it was a time for family togetherness, and that togetherness was centered around a religious responsibility. We walked a long way to the Synagogue, and the walk was all the more adventurous and meaningful because it was done together. The Holy Days were a time when our family got closer together. It strikes me that this is not always true today. The ride to the Temple in a fancy air-conditioned car is over in a few minutes. One hardly is able to get settled in one's seat before one is at the Temple. It is not possible in so short a time, to initiate conversations on serious matters.

Everyone in our Jewish neighborhood, when I was a boy, went to synagogue for all of the services on the High Holidays. It was unthinkable that a Jew would not take his place along side other Jews on these days. The occasion was a show of allegiance. It was a vote for the continuance of Judaism. Whether one understood the Hebrew or not, one came to synagogue and stayed through the major portion of the service (I must admit there was less decorum in my boyhood synagogue than there is at Beth Am).

I am astounded to speak to adults, on occasion, today who say they are coming to the Yom Kippur Service, but not to the Rosh Hashanah service. I cannot understand this division into less and more important. The value of the Holy Day period is that it encompasses MORE THAN A BRIEF MOMENT in our life and provides us with a real opportunity, over ten days, to do some serious thinking and measuring. But we are so attuned in America to sudden engagement, to quick experiences, and to rapid switching of moods that many of us can't preserve a serious mood for more than one day. How sad!

Among the things we ought to be thinking of in these ten days is: Are we really doing all we can for the members of our family--as persons? What do we give them besides money and advice? Do we also give them understanding and sympathy? In our family, we always have a family pow-wow on Yom Kippur. It begins with an expression by dad and mom that they have not been perfect and have made mistakes and the asking of understanding from the children for our human inadequacies. Then, we assure them that we forgive them for all of their mistakes, and that we understand they are just human too. There is much affection, even sweet tears.

This is a time too for asking: What am I doing for the community? Am I just on an ego trip for myself and my family? The answers to these questions ought not to be merely in a financial reference. That's the least. One can give money, but not one's self. We have many people at Beth Am who give money, but do not give a commitment to Judaism and to its values. We want more than your money. We want you. God wants more than your money. He wants you as a co-worker in a community and in a world in dire need of workers. This is a time for plumbing the depths of your soul.

The Staff of Temple Beth Am would like to wish you a year of peace and contentment.

Chazak, Chazak

By Rabbi BARRY ALTMAN

Turned-On Judaism

This column will become a regular feature in the COMMENTATOR. For the most part, we hope to devote this space to the issues confronting Jewish youth today.

It has become apparent to us these days that Judaism, both culturally and religiously, is having a revival in areas of our society. Once turned-off to religion, colleges and universities around the country have begun to offer extensive courses in Judaica. Right here at the University of Miami, a student can now major in Jewish studies. F.I.U. and South Dade will soon be affiliated with the National Hillel Foundation of B'nai Brith. Chassidism has found a market, to become missionaries to the disillusioned left of the late sixties. The cry of "Never Again" is heard at Soviet Jewry rallies from the mouths of those too young to have lived through the ghastly experiences of the holocaust. Israel is seemingly friendless in the world community except for American Jewish support. Amongst Israel's most ardent supporters is American Jewish youth.

In keeping with this real concern for Jewish learning, we will embark upon a new program called the Free University. On October 7, the Central Agency for Jewish Education, along with the Beth Am Youth Committee, will sponsor a series of seminars on alternate Sunday evenings. A communal dinner with Jewish folk singing will precede the elective courses offered. Among courses open to senior high and college students are "Literature of the Holocaust," "Politics of the Near East," "A Chasid View of the World." Each course will be led by a college level instructor. Interested? Call David Robins at 665-6133.

The title "Chazak, Chazak" comes from the traditional exclamation of the congregation upon the completion of any of the Five Books of Moses. This exclamation is understood to mean: Let us gather courage to live in accordance with the teachings of our Torah and for the benefit of our people.

Joan's Gems

By JOAN SCHWARTZMAN

Dr. Bill and Marcia Silver just returned from a fabulous trip to Russia where they had dinner with the Zalmonsons, the Russian family Beth Amites are trying to help. Bill just raved about the interesting people he met there. . . . Congratulations to Mona and Irvin Goldstein whose son, Mark, was recently married to the former Laura Metzger. Both Laura and Mark are honor graduates of the University of Pennsylvania and Mark is currently studying medicine at the University of California. . . . Get well wishes to Ted Goldblatt, David Kleinberg, and Carol Clein, who were hospitalized recently. . . . Andrew, son of Norman and Ellen Dressler, won a bronze medal and first place award in history for the sixth grade at Kenwood Elementary. Andrew is now a student at Glades Junior High.

Bnai

Mitzvah



Saturday
September 29
11:15 a.m.

Jeffrey, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Harris Cohen