



RELIGIOUS SERVICE, Friday, October 29th, 1982, 8:15 p.m.
RABBI HERBERT M. BAUMGARD
 "HOW TO MAKE FRIENDS"

CITY-WIDE SINGLES SERVICE Fri. Oct. 29th, 10:00 p.m.
RABBI BAUMGARD WILL SPEAK

TORAH SERVICE Saturday, October 30th, 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

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Adult Education Courses Continue in November

As we wind down toward the end of the first module of teaching in our Adult Education courses, the Adult Education Committee wishes to call your attention to the second module, which will begin in November.

Prof. Donald Michelson will present the second series of lectures/discussions on **Jewish History** beginning on Tuesday evening, Nov. 16th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Lounge. This series of five sessions will cover the early Medieval Period, highlighting the Golden Age in Spain. You do not need to have taken any of the earlier modules in order to enroll for this second session.

The Wisdom of the Sages Throughout the Ages will begin its second module under the leadership of Prof. Robert Sandler of the University of Miami on Monday evening, Nov. 8, in the Chapel.

In this course, Prof. Sandler, using a text entitled **Choose Life** by Dr. Bernard Mandelbaum, will guide students through the many areas of human thought in which Judaism has ventured to stake out a position. Jewish positions will also be compared with those of leading non-Jewish thinkers and philosophers.

Beginning on Wednesday evening, Nov. 17, the second module of Hebrew language instruction, under the direction of Mrs. Lenore Kipper, will take place at 7:30 p.m. in Room 24 of the Teenage Bldg. This second module of Hebrew is designed to help those who began with **Hebrew From Scratch** to continue to improve the basic reading skills.

There are quite a few adults who are nearing the completion of all requirements for Adult Confirmation and/or Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Rabbi Hoffman will soon be in touch with those who are within striking distance.

Beth Am Welcomes South East Youth October 29-31

Beginning Friday afternoon October 29 and continuing through Sunday morning October 31, BAFTY and Club 9 (Beth Am's Ninth Grade Youth Group) will be hosting a Leadership Conference for Executives and Board members of various Temple Youth Groups in the South East. Over 150 young people are expected to participate in the three day conference which will include creative services, music, leadership training and a special banquet and costume ball Saturday night.

The students will be hosted by various Beth Am families. Beth Am was chosen to host the conference because of our BAFTY's strong involvement in regional events.

New Entrance for Rabbinical Offices

We have opened up a new entrance to the Rabbinical suite of offices. This entrance is on the south side (the parking lot side) in the back of the Social Hall. This entryway gives direct access through a long hallway to the Rabbis' Study. Follow the signs if you need to see the Rabbis or their secretaries.

FOR TEEN AGE GIRLS ONLY

The School Board and the Temple Youth Committee are pleased to announce a new joint venture, a club for girls who want to rap (talk, discuss) about the problem of being a teen-ager in today's world. The Club to be called "For Girls Only" grows out of the rap session on teen-age problems already being held as part of our Monday Night Program for ninth and tenth graders.

In the club meetings, the young ladies will be invited to talk about themselves. The first session of the club will be held on Thursday, November 18th at 5 P.M. in Room 28 for one hour. The group will be limited to 12 young ladies from 9th and 10th grades who will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. Shira Baumgard, MSW, DTR, who leads the Monday night group, has been asked to lead the Club.

The Club is being organized as an experiment for ten weeks. The dues for the Club are only ten dollars for the ten sessions. Payment of the dues must accompany the registration (and are not refundable).

Should the Club be successful, as is fully anticipated, additional ten week terms will be arranged. Those interested will please fill out the following form:

To: Shira Baumgard, Temple Beth Am, 5950 N. Kendall Drive, Miami, Florida 33156

Please register my daughter _____ for the Club known as "For Girls Only." She is in the _____ 9th Grd. 10th Grd.

Signed: _____ ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____ FEE ENCLOSED: _____

Please make checks payable to Temple Beth Am



It's time to roll up YOUR sleeve —

**NOVEMBER 14TH
 IS BLOOD BANK
 SUNDAY
 8:30 - 2 p.m.**

We, the people of Dade County who are ill, need your blood donation on Sunday, Nov. 14th. We ask you to give when you are healthy and able to donate. The shortage of blood in our community grows every hour.

A few minutes of your time may save a life.

A delicious breakfast made by Brotherhood will be served to all who donate. We promise to get you in and out as soon as possible.

Call Syd Olitchick at 251-3183, or when one of our Committee calls you, say "Yes, I want to help save a life."



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

A VISIT WITH AN ISRAELI ARAB

Some of us were privileged to be part of a parlor meeting which featured Ibrahim Shebat, an Israeli Arab, who serves as the representative of Arab workers in the Israeli labor federation known as the Histadrut. Mr. Shebat who spoke at Beth Am on Friday, October 22nd, is one of the strongest supporters of modern Israel I have ever met. Here is what he told us:

1. Arabs in Israel have greater freedom than do Arabs in any Arab country, and this includes not only Arabs like himself who chose to stay in Israel after the 1948 war, but Arabs in the occupied territories. In Arab lands, i.e. those lands controlled by the Arabs, the government in each case is dictatorial. The citizens criticize the government, to organize for the purpose of opposing the government, etc. Witness what happened to the Arabs in Hama in Syria (20,000 killed by Assad).
2. Arabs in Israel may vote, run for political office, express their opinions, operate newspapers of various persuasions. They may not, because of the hostile sea of Arab lands surrounding Israel and the history of cooperation with Palestinian Arabs, be part of the Israeli army.
3. Mr. Shebat stated that the Israeli invasion of Lebanon was a boon to Lebanon, that the PLO had made the invasion inevitable because of its capture of Lebanon and its use of that country as a base against Israel. He said he was confident that the Lebanese who were squelched under the PLO will have far greater rights now than they have had for a decade.
4. I specifically referred Mr. Shebat to a TV discussion I had heard featuring the Mayor of Nazareth (an Arab) who claimed that the PLO is the chosen leader of the Palestinian Arabs including himself. Mr. Shebat described the Mayor of Nazareth as a man of small standing not as a Palestinian leader. The Mayor, said Mr. Shebat (who is a well known Arab journalist), is a Communist (publicly proclaimed) who spouts the Marxist line. He does not, stated Mr. Shebat, represent the majority opinion of Palestinian Arabs.

In line with the above, the following information is pertinent. Dory Chamoun, son of former President Camille Chamoun of Lebanon, said the following in a news conference at the Pierre Hotel in New York on June 22, 1982:

"For most of us Lebanese, the Israeli invasion has been long overdue. Having failed politically and diplomatically to rid Lebanon of Syrian and Palestinian occupation, we became more and more convinced that Lebanon could only be freed by military action. . . Because of the PLO's behavior in Lebanon and their attacks on Israel, we knew that there would come a time when Israel would have to perform that surgical operation which we had been unable to accomplish."

What one hears from the Arabs, obviously depends on who is speaking.

Another Success for "A New Beginning"

Our second social of the new year was a huge success. Over a hundred super singles between the ages of 34 and 55½ danced to the music of "The New World" band, ate, communicated, laughed and enjoyed meeting new friends.

Our next social is planned for Nov. 21st, at 7:30 p.m., in the Temple's beautiful new Social Hall. The New World Band will be there, some of the nicest people will be there - we hope to see you there.

If you, or if you have a single friend 34-55½ who would like to be part of "A New Beginning", you can. call the Temple office at 667-6667 and leave your name and number. We will return your call. Join us for "A New Beginning."

CALABASH TO HAVE BRUNCH

First things first! Our last Calabash (singles 22-33) event was a huge success. A lot of people enjoyed wine and cheese and had an opportunity to meet many new people. Welcome to CALABASH!

Remember, save Sunday morning November 21. CALABASH is having a brunch at 12:00 noon in room 101. The Bagels and Lox brunch will include an informal talk on Astrology. The cost for the bagels, lox and cream cheese, etc., will be \$3.00.

HAYURAH PLANS SERVICE NOVEMBER 26th Special meeting on December 1st

The Havurah Executive Committee met on October 12th and set plans for expanded and intensified activities for the next several months.

Both existing Havurot and members of the congregation who wish to join existing or new Havurot which are being formed should mark two dates on their calendars: Friday evening, November 26th and Wednesday evening December 1st.

On Friday evening November 26th, Havurah members will serve as hosts and ushers for the Sabbath Eve Service beginning at 8:15. The sermon at the Service will be devoted to the theme "Who Needs a Havurah?" This will of course be a regular service at which the adult choir will sing and to which the entire congregation is invited.

Following the Service, the Oneg Shabbat will be hosted by all of the Havurot. In addition to the traditional refreshments an evening of Israeli Dancing will be held to which all are invited.

The second date, Wednesday December 1st will be a follow-up meeting especially devoted to those who are new to Havurah and have not yet been integrated into an existing group or have not yet succeeded in forming a new group. ALL NEW WOULD-BE HAVURAH MEMBERS WILL BE GIVEN ADVICE AND HELP IN GETTING STARTED. This meeting will be held in the Youth Lounge at 7:30 P.M.

Please hold the date of December 1st. For further information please call Ira Pozen, Chair at 387-0184 or Rabbi Hoffman at the Temple office 667-6667.

MITZVAH CORPS BEING REACTIVATED

The Temple gets calls from people who want very much to come to services, but can not because they do not drive anymore.

We need volunteers who are willing to take on an extra passenger or two while coming to services themselves.

Contact BERNIE AND JEANETTE ELROD, 385-1276, and/or sign up after Friday night services. They will be on hand to answer any questions. We need you!

DIVORCE RAP SESSIONS

Rap Sessions will be held for divorced persons, led by professionals, beginning Nov. 4th, from 7 - 8:30 p.m., for four Thursdays.

In separate rooms, divided by age groups, Children of Divorce will meet simultaneously. Children from 4-16 are enrolled.

On a separate night, Wednesday, Nov. 10th, at 8:00 p.m., a Rap Session will be held for the non-custodial parent.

To reserve your place in any or all of the above, please call Diana Elson at 665-1958.

B'Nai Mitzvah Saturday October 30, 1982



Randi, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Nash

9:15 a.m.



Laurie, daughter of
Dr. & Mrs. Jason Zellner



Andrew, son of
Dr. and Mrs. Edward Feller

11:15 a.m.



Lisa, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Manekin