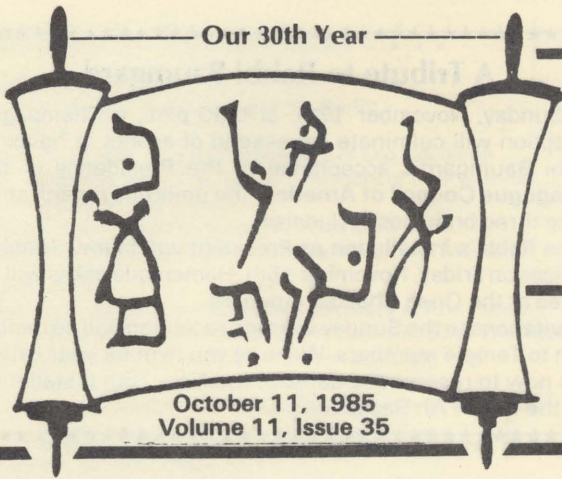


Our 30th Year



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RELIGIOUS SERVICE, Friday, October 11, 1985, 8:15 p.m.

Rabbi Herbert M. Baumgard

"CAN YOU BELIEVE IN GOD AND STILL BELIEVE IN EVOLUTION?"

Adult Choir Sings under the direction of Selma Baumgard

CONGREGATIONAL TORAH SERVICE

Saturday, October 12th, 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.

Torah Portion: Beresheet, Gen. 1:1-6:8

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### Does Florida Need a Lottery?

will be the question for discussion at the next Brotherhood Breakfast Forum on **Sunday, Oct. 20th, at 9:30 a.m.** in the Temple Youth Lounge. Participants will be:

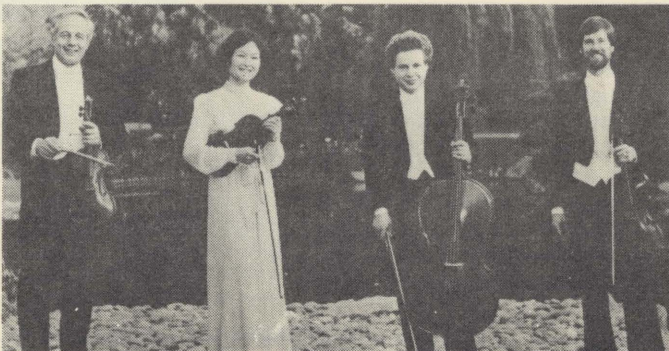
Rep. Art Simon, who will say YES  
Sen. Larry Plummer, who will say NAY  
Judge Murray Goldman, Moderator

Admission: \$3 for Brotherhood members, \$3.50 for non-members. All are welcome.

### Teenage Problems For Parents Course Starts Wednesday, October 9th at 8:00 P.M.

Teenage Problems For Parents will be taught by Shira Baumgard, MSW, who has taught this same course to our teenagers for many years. Shira will help parents understand why teenagers are concerned most about suicide, sex, drugs, fear of social failure, difficulties with parents. Find out what's troubling your teenagers and discover techniques for dealing with them. This lecture-discussion course will cover five weeks beginning October 9th at 8 p.m. Since a large participation is expected, the group will meet in the Youth Lounge. This course is co-sponsored by Adult Ed, The Caring Committee, and the Monday Night School.

### The Sequoia String Quartet on Sunday, October 27th, at 4 p.m.



announce the first of four exciting concerts on Sunday afternoon, October 27th, at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Sequoia String Quartet recently entered its second decade as one of America's outstanding string quartets. This season, in addition to its home concert series in Los Angeles, the Sequoia String Quartet & Friends will include an East Coast tour and a series of concerts in Israel. Their program on Oct. 27th will include works by Mozart, Dvorak and Kurt Weill.

Future concerts will be presented on Nov. 24th, with PETER ZAZOFSKY, violinist, and MICHELE LEVIN on piano; on Feb. 16th a return engagement by soprano MARVIS MARTIN (for many years Marvis was lead soprano in the Temple Choir under the direction of Selma Baumgard); and the final concert on Sunday, May 18th, featuring the American pianist, RICHARD GOODE, who will be making his South Florida debut at Beth Am.

For parents with young and teenage children, this is a wonderful way to introduce them to the delights of fine music.

The Temple Beth Am Concert Series is presented to the Community with the assistance of tax deductible donations by our Benefactors, Donors and Patrons. All ticket holders in these categories are invited to the Artists' Reception following each concert and seating is in the preferred section.

Benefactors: \$250 for 6 tickets to each concert  
Donors: \$150 for 4 tickets to each concert  
Patron: \$100 for 2 tickets to each concert

In addition, there is general admission at \$10 and a reduced rate of \$5 for students and seniors.

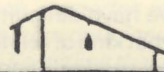
### Persily Basketball Court Dedication Sunday, October 13th at 12:45 P.M.

On Sunday, October 13th at 12:45, Rabbi James Simon will formally dedicate the Persily Basketball Court. The outdoor court is named in memory of the late Andy Persily who was active with the basketball league and with all of our youth programming. This basketball court is a fitting tribute to a fine caring man. The plaque says it all:

In Memory of Andy Persily  
Larger Than Life

●  
He Filled our Lives  
With Love and Laughter

We are looking for funds to help finance this project.



### The Committee of 100

The following family has volunteered to join the "Committee of 100" for the coming year:

Sanford and Sandra Miot

The following families have rejoined the "Committee of 100" for the coming year:

Robert and Deena Birenbaum  
Richard and Eileen Breslow  
Bennett and Joan Cooper  
Lewis and Norma Goodman  
Marilyn Grossberger  
Sanford and Nauma Levin  
Beverly Kislak

Jay Kislak  
Leonard and Gloria Luria  
Doreen Marx  
Maurice and Pearl Noble  
Sherwin Ross  
Nathan and Evelyn Rudne  
Bertram and Suzanne Schild





## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

### The Seagull and the Tree

*(The following is an excerpt from a sermon given in 1976. Copies of it have been requested from around the country. You, too, can have a copy by inquiring at the Rabbi's office.)*

But Rabbi, you might ask, are you saying that we shall give up the traditional Jewish emphasis on learning? I am not saying that at all. **What I am saying is that learning is not the only thing in the world.** I am saying that even more important than academic learning and preparation for a career is teaching a child his responsibilities to the family, to the Jewish people, and to his country.

Since we do not give our children the opportunity to work for family, people, and country, we are teaching them something else. In addition to teaching them of the consuming importance of a career, we teach them to receive. We do not teach them how to give, to share. We teach them to take. No wonder so many of our children join all sorts of crazy groups that offer just these other possibilities for them!

What does the Rev. Moon offer his young people? He offers them work for a cause, a high purpose **beyond** themselves, and **belonging** to a meaningful group. We Jews have all these things to offer and more, but we don't offer it. All we offer is attendance at the best college and free room, board, and spending money!

Children trained only to receive but not to give sometimes cannot understand that paradoxical moment when we parents finally say, "All right, you're on your own now. We're not giving any more." "How can this be possible?" the young person might well ask. "Parents are meant to give. All our young life our parents gave and gave and gave. How dare they now say they are not going to give anymore?" For young people trained only to receive, this moment when the handouts cease can be overwhelming. It can be perceived by them as vindictiveness or as miserliness on our part. Other children are sensitive enough to perceive that they are constantly taking from their parents without giving in return. They understand this as a dehumanizing process. They see this as an undermining of their character; but since they are involved in the long term effort towards professionalism, they have no alternative but to take from their parents. As a result, they come to have ambivalent feelings towards the hands that feed them, for these very hands have made mushy dependents of them. This is a paradox of our career-oriented society.

People trained only to receive but not to give have difficulty when they get married. Since they have only known that kind of relationship where they are the receivers, how can they now suddenly participate in a relationship where they are **also** required to be givers? They have been trained to be entertained constantly. How can they now assume, suddenly, that marriage is for trees but not for seagulls? When you're married, you can't be flying all over the place. Marriage cuts down on your mobility. People trained all their lives to move around but not to sink down roots have considerable trouble with the marriage relationship.

The visible results of what is going on in America today are these: many young people are delaying marriage until their very late twenties or even into the thirties. When they do get married, the divorce rate is around fifty per cent. If they do get married, many of them are not interested in having children. If they are interested in children, their interest wanes after the first or second child. Why? Having children, I am told, interferes with their lifestyle. No self-centered person wants to share his sky space with his own child. Besides, a child binds one to the earth.

## A Tribute to Rabbi Baumgard

On Sunday, November 17th, at 6:30 p.m., a Champagne Reception will culminate a weekend of events in honor of Rabbi Baumgard's acceptance of the Presidency of the **Synagogue Council of America**, the umbrella organization of the three branches of Judaism.

The Rabbi's installation as President will follow Shabbat services on Friday, November 15th. Homemade cakes will be served at the Oneg Shabbat outdoors.

Invitations to the Sunday evening reception will be mailed soon to Temple members. We urge you to mark your calendars now to reserve the dates of the Nov. 15th Installation and the Nov. 17th Reception.

## — — Youth Group News — —

### Kiddie Movies for Children 3-8 Oct. 13th

B.A.F.T.Y. (9-12th Grade Youth Group) will be having Kiddie Movie day on Sunday, Oct. 13th from 1-4 p.m. in Room 101. All children between the ages of 3-8 are welcome to attend. The charge is \$5 per kid. We will be showing Disney movies and having popcorn. You **MUST** call and make a reservation if your child plans to attend. Please call Adrienne at 279-1862 or 667-6667.

## The Art Scene Presents Work By Meredith Joy Weiland



Meredith Joy Weiland, printmaker, painter and photographer, is a Beth Amite who has exhibited her art in museums and galleries throughout the country.

In our current exhibition featured in the entryway to the Sanctuary for the month of October, the three media represented are the artist's response to ancient as well as modern Jewish tradition. A trip to Israel is fondly remembered through color photographic interpretation, a series of eight paintings were inspired by Genesis, and the etchings are an expression of images and emotions which relate to Jewish life.

### B'Nai Mitzvah

Saturday, October 12

9:15 a.m.



Ashley, son of  
Ms. Terri Bevan

11:15 a.m.



David, son of  
Dr. Roy Krochmal and  
Ms. Lauren Meyer



Richard, son of  
Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rosenthal



## We Give Thanks. . . .

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## Prof. Bernard Schecterman Offers Course on Embattled Israel Oct. 24th at 8:00 p.m.

**Embattled Israel** is the title of a series of lectures by Professor Bernard Schecterman of the University of Miami School of International Studies. The lectures will be given on **Thursdays**, beginning October 24th at 8 p.m. in Room 101 of the Learning Center, for five weeks. Professor Schecterman will deal with the crisis raised by Rabbi Kahane and his radical nationalism, General Sharon and the super-militarists, the Ethiopian Jews, The West Bank, inflation, etc.

## Super Sukkah Setup

The Temple owes a hearty vote of thanks and appreciation to all those who labored in the hot sun one Saturday afternoon to put up the Sukkah.

In charge of the operation were Bernard Goodman and Stan Mintz, and their wives, Evelyn and Barbara, aided by a number of B.A.F.T.Y.ites, and families. (Names are not important; YOU know who you are!) It was, indeed, a family undertaking, and all who participated came away with a warm feeling (pardon the pun) and the knowledge that their combined labors produced a "tabernacle" of peace and love for all Beth Amites.

## Warner-Arky Caring Program Presents "Coping With Cancer" Discussion Nov. 5th

"Coping with Cancer" explores the importance of self-healing meditation, nutrition, effective medical treatment and, of course, prayer. Join us as we share ways to live with cancer. Our panel will consist of a cancer specialist, Dr. Mark Oren; a nutritionist, Ronni Korschun; and a cancer patient, Susan Korschun. No reservations necessary; **November 5th from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in Room 101 of the Learning Center.**

## Camp Coleman Applications Now Available

It probably is hard to believe, but we have already received our applications from Camp Coleman for the 1986 season. The applications are for the two four week sessions for children between the ages of 7 and 15 years.

We know that it is quite early to start thinking about Summer plans for 1986, but during the past season, there were children who could not be accepted because their applications were received late. There were others who attended, but did not get the session of their first choice. Therefore, we encourage all parents to come by the Rabbis office as soon as possible to pick up your application for 1986.

## Hebrew Art Book Published By Temple Member

Barbara Genet, who formerly taught in the Beth Am Religious School as an art teacher, has had a Hebrew Art Book published by "Alternatives In Religious Education", Denver, Colorado.

The book, entitled, "Ta-poo-ach Means Apple", is distinguished by its appealing art-work, all by Barbara.

Barbara joins Lenore Kipper and Mickey Lipton, who published a similar book several years ago entitled, "The Aleph-Bet Of Jewish Life", which has won widespread use around the country.

Both of these books are available at the Beth Am Judaica Shop.

## A Letter from a Beth Am Member:

October, 1985

Dear Fellow Congregation Members:

*The safety and well-being of the Jewish people depends strongly upon the financial health of the State of Israel. Those of us who grew up in the 1930's know how many fellow Jews would be alive today if the State of Israel existed at that time.*

*The State of Israel needs our help and we can aid them painlessly. Purchasing Israel Bonds is a loan to our fellow Jews who will repay us, not only with interest and principal, but with achievements and a sense of pride.*

*You and I have to stand up and be counted among the leaders of our people. My theory has always been to "lead by example." As a staunch supporter of the Jewish State, I have purchased Israel Bonds from their inception and have continued to do so on a yearly basis. Each time that I have loaned them money, I have been repaid many times over.*

*The Israel Bonds that we buy, help develop the schools, the roads and the infrastructure of the State of Israel and we create housing and jobs for their citizens.*

*You and I have an awesome job to finish, but one which gives us great pleasure in the doing. I hope that all members of the Beth Am Congregation will pledge and purchase an Israel Bond to help support the State of Israel. I am proud to lead the way with my purchases, and I hope you will join with Gloria and me.*

*My best regards, Leonard Luria*

## Hearing Enhancement Apparatus

The Contemporaries of Beth Am are putting an additional hearing system in the Suchman Social Hall for the forthcoming High Holidays.

Each individual unit cost \$70. If you would like to make a donation to this worthy cause, please send it to the Temple with a note. Ushers will have the head sets available for use.



## Jewish Vocational Service Offers Special Counseling

The Miami Jewish Vocational Service is now offering a program called "Teen Between" to provide vocational and career planning for learning disabled Jewish adolescents in grades 10 - 12. Utilizing an individualized approach, "Teen Between" professional counselors will provide indepth career exploration, including specific career information, opportunities for vocational training, and college and secondary boarding school resources.

Supportive and informational group counseling for clients and their families will also be provided. For more information, please call JVS at 576-3220.

## Sisterhood Opening Luncheon Oct. 16th

Please come and help us celebrate, "The Women of the 80's" at Sisterhood's opening luncheon and fashion show on Wednesday, Oct. 16th, at 11 a.m. You will see the exciting fashions by designer Jillian Bos and be treated to great goodies from the Bagel Emporium.

The luncheon is free of charge for all paid up members of Sisterhood. There is a \$12 charge for guests. For reservations please call the Temple Office at 667-6667.

## Sisterhood's "Ideas Through Books"

BOOK: "NO ENEMY BUT TIME" by Evelyn Wilde Mayerson  
 REVIEWER: THE AUTHOR HERSELF! Buy the paperback (Bookworks has collected some for our group) and get it autographed by the author in person.  
 DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24th, 9:30 a.m. for coffee  
 7:30 p.m. for dessert  
 PLACE: Morning: Home of Phyllis and Sam Rosen  
 1 Grove Island, PH 9  
 RSVP: 858-8585, or to Gail at Temple  
 Evening: Home of Evelyn and Bern Goodman  
 6245 SW 117 Terrace  
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"May their memories be for a blessing."

Each Friday night, the names of those on the Temple Memorial Board are read on the occasion of their Yahrzeit. If the name of your loved one is not on our Board and you desire to have the name read from the pulpit, please call the Temple Office at 667-6667.

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