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 Rabbi Herbert M. Baumgard
 'THE SOVIET UNION - OGRE OR SUITABLE PARTNER?'
 Adult Choir Under the Direction of Selma Baumgard

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U.S. Vatican Ambassador David Walters to Talk On Israel-Vatican Relationship at Brotherhood Breakfast Forum Sun., Nov. 16th

On Pope John Paul's recent visit to the Jewish Synagogue of Rome, he was questioned as to when the Vatican would consider recognizing the legitimacy of the State of Israel. His reply was, "We shall see, it is not yet time." The Vatican is one of the few enclaves in the world, outside of the Arab Bloc countries except Egypt, that does not recognize Israel. This is one of the number of facets of his office that the HONORABLE DAVID WALTER, AMBASSADOR TO THE VATICAN 1976/78, will discuss at the Brotherhood Breakfast Forum on Sunday morning, Nov. 16th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Temple Youth Lounge.

Since the Holy See is not an independent country but the ruling body of the Catholic Church, what are the duties and responsibilities of an American ambassador, since there is a constitutional law as to the separation of church and state in the U.S.? How does the American people benefit from such relationships? These and many other vital questions will be asked and answered at this very interesting and enlightening talk.

Admission to the all-you-can-eat Brotherhood Breakfast Forum is \$3 for Brotherhood members and \$3.50 for all non-members. Bring your friends and neighbors, they surely will thank you. Ladies are, of course, always especially welcome.

Introduction to Judaism Class Begins Again Oct. 29

Rabbi Schoolman's Introduction to Judaism class will begin a new cycle of classes on Wednesday evening, October 29 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 28 of the Teenage Building.

The course, which continues for 13 weeks, covers in summary form the basic ideas of Judaism, with emphasis on Reform Judaism. There will be an overview of Jewish history, an extended discussion of prayer and the prayerbook, an examination of the Torah, a look at the Jewish life cycle, and finally an exploration of what it means to live as a Reform Jew.

Members of the congregation and those who are interested in converting to Judaism are warmly welcomed. There is no charge for the course.

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International Terrorism & The Middle East

A Four Week Series Beginning
 Tuesday, Nov. 11th, 8 p.m., in the Youth Lounge

Conducted By

Prof. Bernard Schecterman
 Dept. Politics & Public Affairs, U. of Miami

P.A.T.I.O. BOOK FAIR NOVEMBER 6th

Our annual Day School Book Fair will be held in the Youth Lounge on Thursday night, November 6th from 6:30 - 9:00 P.M. We will also be selling books on Thursday, November 6th from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. "A Likely Story" will be supplying our books. Come see the outstanding selection! All members of the Temple are welcome! Buy your Chanukah gifts now!

It's Time to Roll Up Your Sleeve



NOV. 9th IS BLOOD BANK SUNDAY AT BETH AM

The South Florida Blood Service Mobile unit will be at our Social Hall on Sunday, Nov. 9th between 8:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Please come and donate a pint of blood. You may also be the lucky winner of one of our fabulous door prizes. Please call Sydell Olitchick at 251-3183, and tell us you'll be there.

Brotherhood will serve a delicious breakfast to all donors (no lines) and we promise to get you in and out as soon as possible. See you Sunday, November 9th.

Be sure to Vote on Tuesday, November 4th



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

A Nobel Prize For Elie Wiesel

On this day, October 15th, we read in our newspapers that Elie Wiesel was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. This is indeed a great honor for a Jew born in Romania whose family was victimized by the holocaust and who himself suffered considerably at the hand of the Nazis.

The emphasis in Wiesel's life, which won for him the Nobel prize, was in keeping the memory of the holocaust alive. In his books and lectures, Wiesel has taken a simple theme, "We cheapen the sacrifice of those who were murdered unless we keep the memory of their slaughter alive. In this way, humankind might be sensitized to avert a similar disaster in the future."

In awarding the Nobel prize, the distinguished international committee was expressing its agreement with Wiesel. They were saying, "By keeping the memory of the holocaust alive, we contribute to world peace".

If it is important for non-Jews to keep the memory of the holocaust alive, it is all the more important for Jews to keep the memory alive. On the other hand, thinking about and discussing the holocaust is extremely painful for Jews. Many of us seek to repress thoughts about it because they become too personal and too overwhelming. I know that I could not stay in the great hall of the Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem (The Yad V'Shem) more than a few seconds. I had to run out, so deep were the emotions stirred by this enforced recall of the horrors of the holocaust.

The memory of the holocaust should make a difference in how Jews live their lives. First of all, it should inspire us to live our life more fully as Jews. It should move us to learn more about our history, more about our experience as a people. We should want to know the roots of anti-semitism and how anti-semitism arose out of the conflict of Judaism and Christianity.* It should move us to have more children in an effort to replenish the small stock of Jewish people left after the decimation of one-third of our number by the Nazis.

If I were a Jewish young person today I would want to marry someone who would help me raise Jewish children. This is not so easy in a society which smiles so easily on "playing house", i.e., living together without any of the responsibilities of marriage and children. Nor is this easy in a society where many young people do not have Jewish children, they are cutting off the supply of Jews in a very real way. Were it not for the holocaust, this would not be so tragic. Since we cannot undo the holocaust, Jewish survival will depend, amongst other things, on the number of children our young people have and how intensely they raise them as committed Jews. This is a great responsibility to place on the shoulders of our children, especially in an open society that mitigates against Jewish marriages and Jewish children. Unfortunately, I cannot see an alternative to this responsibility. It has not seemed too much for previous generations.

**The Adult Ed. Institute of Beth Am will have a course on this subject in January taught by Professor Helen Fagin.*

November 2nd - Israel Bond Reinvestment Day

Sunday, November 2nd, has been designated as Israel Bonds Reinvestment Day in our Community. From 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, people who have in their possession **Israel Bonds purchased in 1972** or earlier are being asked to bring them to the **Main Office at Temple Beth Am for reinvestment** in new Israel Bonds.

*** Attention Business & Professionals *** November 11, 7:30 p.m., Room 101

SISTERHOOD is having an evening for you and everyone else who would like to hear about the DIRTY DOZEN, the so-called Biblical Heroines.

Some of their lesser known and infrequently told exploits are described in both prose and limerick. All stories are authentic, directly from our Bible, but not those WE learned in Religious School. This original expose is written and presented by Adrienne Sundheim, a new member of our congregation, whose husband, Rabbi Frank Sundheim, is our new S.E. Regional Director of U.A.H.C. The evening begins with half an hour of NETWORKING -COME AND BRING YOUR BUSINESS CARDS. This program is for you.

Adult Education Classes in November

SHABBAT WORKSHOP, Wednesday, November 5th, at 7:30 p.m., in the Social Hall. A one shot demonstration session led by Rabbi Schoolman and Joan Schwartz.

INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND THE MIDDLE EAST - Prof. Bernard Schechterman of the Dept. of Politics & Public Affairs at the University of Miami, will lead this course on four Tuesday evenings beginning Nov. 11th, in the Youth Lounge, at 7:30 p.m.

"I'M O.K., YOU'D BETTER BE PERFECT" - a lecture and discussion by Wm. Novak, co-author of the recent book by Lee Iococa and a popular lecturer in the area of Jewish singles in the New York area. Wed., Nov. 19th, 7.30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

JERUSALEM - A visual trip of the beautiful city including discussions on the special virtues and problems of this unique city. Rabbi Mark Kram, Hillel Director of the University of Miami, will be the guide on Wednesday evenings, 8 p.m. in Room 101. There is still time to attend some of these sessions.

JOAN'S GEMS by Joan Schwartzman-Rothstein

Marlene and Bob Price are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Sara to Hal Kessler. The young couple plan a summer wedding... We are indeed proud of Lenore Kipper, our Judaic curriculum director who is a member of the National Association of Temple Educators and has won countless awards for her work in her field of education. In the recent edition of Reform Judaism she was quoted about the dignity of the R.J.E. title (Reform Jewish Educator) "A Reform Jewish educator is first, last and always a teacher and a student. A teacher has to be a learner -learning for the love of learning Judaism and learning for the love of teaching..." Did you read the wonderful article in October 9th issue of Neighbors about our own Edie Spiegel. She was featured in the section "The Faith Keepers". Beth Amite David Berg, our intrepid sailor, came in first in his class in the Columbus Day Sailboat Regatta. According to Dave he had to avoid any sightseeing and sail as fast as he could to get back in time for Yom Kippur services. This is the third time Dave won this coveted prize...

B'Nai Mitzvah

Saturday, November 1

11:15 a.m.



Tara, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. John Breslin



Joshua, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fuller