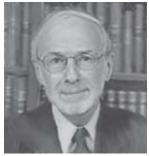


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Rabbi Moshe Adler

## The High Non-Holy Days

Well, Tishre with its mind-blowing fall holidays ends, and in comes Heshvan, the month with no holidays, the "Blue Monday" of Hebrew months. (Sigh...) The party's over.

But is it? The Midrash (Tanhuma, Warsaw ed., P'kudey 11) invites us to take a closer look at Heshvan:

When was Moses told to build the Mishkan? On Yom Kippur. ... On that day Moses was told that "HaShem renounced the punishment He had planned to bring upon His people [for the sin of the Golden Calf]" (Exodus 32:14); on that day he was told, "Let them make Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them" (Exodus 25.8); on that day Moses said to HaShem, "Pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for Your own!" (Exodus 34:9), that is, bequeath this pardon and forgiveness to us for all generations; and on that day the Holy Blessed One said to Moses, "On this day, atonement shall [always] be made for you to cleanse you of all your sins; you shall be purified before HaShem" (Leviticus 16:30). So the Israelites built the Mishkan in joy and gladness. And how long did it take to complete the work of the Mishkan? Rabbi Ishmael bar Nahman said: They completed the work of the Mishkan in three months Tishre, Heshvan, and Kislev.

No sooner had our ancestors learned that they were forgiven for the sin of the Golden Calf, that the anniversary of their forgiveness would be a Day of Atonement for all time, and that HaShem wished to dwell among them once more, than they eagerly set to work building HaShem's sanctuary, completing the project in three months. And the month that was right smack in the middle of that joyously busy period? Heshvan.

Thus, though Heshvan does not contain any High Holy Days, Heshvan itself is a period of High Non-Holy-Days. This matter is somewhat analogous to the moment when Shabbat ends and we dash out the Havdalah candle, knowing that we have returned to the workaday week. At first there is a bit of a letdown, which we try to offset by smelling the spices. Then, remembering the sweetness and uplift of Shabbat, we resolve to carry its spirit with us into the workaday week, turning it into an opportunity to serve HaShem with renewed vigor. In the final blessing of Havdalah, the words ha-mavdil beyn kodesh l'hol mean "who distinguishes between the holy and the nonholy." The great Jewish philosopher Franz Rosenzweig, however, used to translate them "who distinguishes between the holy and the not-yet-holy." Whereas Shabbat itself is a holy day whether or not one is aware of

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**President's Perspectives, October 2007** 

## **Collective Responsibility:**A First Principle of Jewish Community

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The plaques in our sanctuary honor some of the founders of Temple Beth El, people who dedicated themselves to building a community led by Rabbi David Genuth, of blessed memory. Other plaques and documents record thousands of donations, large and small, given to support the congregation.

Decades later, another dedicated group started Heights Synagogue. Countless hours of hard work brought our two congregations to the Mayfield JCC in 1998, where we merged to become **Beth El** – **The Heights Synagogue** in 2001. We contributed more than a hundred thousand dollars to acquire our synagogue in 2003, and build our accessible front entrance in 2005. Although individual donations varied in size, each donor is recognized equally on the giving tree mural that graces our sanctuary entrance. This view of money is one of our congregation's founding principles.

Meir Tamari, in *With All Your Possessions: Jewish Ethics and Economic Life* (Jason Aaronson, Inc., 1998), suggests that the Jewish view of society's responsibility for the needs of its members was founded on the axiomatic principle of collective responsibility. From rabbinic until modern times, the halachic system supported a variety of financial structures. *Hilchot Shechenim*, the Laws Concerning Neighbors, obligates those who share a common facility to finance common needs regardless of their individual financial circumstances.

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When we donate money, we are doing more than patching a roof, replacing carpeting, or repairing an elevator. (continued on p. 3)

Beth El – The Heights Synagogue Newsletter, Vol. 10, No. 2, October 2007 Carol Bruml, Editor – Telephone 216-932-9155, E-mail: news@bethelheights.org 3246 Desota Ave., Cleveland Heights, OH 44118 http://www.bethelheights.org/ © Beth El – The Heights Synagogue General submittal deadline is the 8th of each month. Published 11 times per year. For address or mailing list change, call 216-320-9667 (The High Non-Holy Days, continued from page 1) that fact, the workaday week is non-holy and waits for us to make it holy through our actions.

On Yom Kippur we reaffirmed our commitment to keeping the mitzvot, those that are between the individual and G-d, and those that are between the individual and other people. On the High Holy Days it's relatively easy to accomplish that task; the trick is to accomplish it during the rest of the year as well. That, however, is what Shabbat and the holidays teach us to do.

Just as our ancestors made the remainder of Tishre and the months of <u>H</u>eshvan and Kislev holy through their devoted service to HaShem, we can we make the new year holy through ours. That's how we take the world as it is and try to shape it into the world as it ought to be. That's tikkun olam.

Happy Heshvan, everybody!

- Rabbi Moshe Adler

(Collective Responsibility, continued from page 2)
Our donations affirm our meaningful relationships, shared values, and a sense that our stories are connected to the larger story of building a vibrant Jewish community. Our story began with Rabbi Genuth and a committed congregation in 1948. We are committed to continuing our story today, and for our children tomorrow. Please do your part by fulfilling the mitzvah of Hilchot Shechenim, the Laws Concerning Neighbors, with your check to our Rainy Day Fund.



Yahrzeits, October 2007

TISHREI	תשרי	<u>H</u> ESHVAN חשון	
Carola Jacobs	19 Tishrei	Ben Tepper	2 <u>H</u> eshvan 5718
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Isaac Warshay	22 Tishrei	Barney Krasny	10 <u>H</u> eshvan 5705
Lenore Singer	23 Tishrei 5760	Harry L. Miller	10 <u>H</u> eshvan 5728
Blema Beitman	24 Tishrei 5706	Blanche Carr	10 <u>H</u> eshvan
Eva Naiman	24 Tishrei 5713	William Schenkelman	10 <u>H</u> eshvan 5724
Freida C. Brody	26 Tishrei 5701	Sarah Dolin	12 <u>H</u> eshvan 5734
Leo Guzik	26 Tishrei 5735	Norman Koff	14 <u>H</u> eshvan 5718
Mirmie Ginsburg	27 Tishrei 5734	Mildred Morton	14 <u>H</u> eshvan 5730
Henry A. Hollander	28 Tishrei 5725	Sadie Bernstein	14 <u>H</u> eshvan
Mary Ann Gordon	29 Tishrei 5731	Pearl Maeroff	16 <u>H</u> eshvan 5731
Ethel Neuger	29 Tishrei 5734	Elsie Narmon	16 <u>H</u> eshvan 5729
Sam Tepper	29 Tishrei 5703	Yehuda Leib Schultz-Shalit	16 <u>H</u> eshvan 5734
Sam Dworkin	30 Tishrei 5732	Herman Collin	18 <u>H</u> eshvan 5723
Marvin Dubin	30 Tishrei	Louis Freumker	18 <u>H</u> eshvan 5733
		Anna Kessler	18 <u>H</u> eshvan

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is the rest
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in prayer
for five
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Sometimes

**Etty Hillesum** 

## The Macks' First Year in Israel

#### **By Cheryl Birkner Mack**

I spent 1980-81 studying and working in Israel. In 2000-2001 I returned for another year of study. Each time, I returned home shortly after a year. I am now starting my second year in Israel, having arrived last year on the 13 of Elul/September 5. While Elul 13 occurred in August this year (since the lunar calendar is 11 days shorter than the solar calendar), any way you count, we are approaching the end of our first year in Israel. Now I am not "returning home." I am staying home.

A few weeks ago Aliza and I went to see an exhibit of the "United Buddy Bears" an international exhibit promoting peace and tolerance, launched in Berlin and currently in Jerusalem. While looking over the bears, I said "our bear" and then turned to Aliza and said, "Did you hear what I just said? I was talking about the Israeli bear. We're Israelis!" It still takes some getting used to, but it also feels very right. I miss family and friends a lot, and even some material things, but I have no doubts that we are home.

The year has not been entirely smooth, but immigrants to any country have adjustments to make and encounter bumps along the road. I try to laugh at some of the bureaucracy - like the clerk at the Ministry of Education who told me that the mess on her desk was on account of me or the one who told me she "wasn't there. Secret." In the first case, the woman told me she had lost all my documentation, which she had just spent a long time searching for, and I would likely need to fill out all the paper work again . After she spent about 10 minutes on the phone with someone else, who was also searching for my documentation, it became clear, that she hadn't misplaced MY papers, but rather those of someone named "Frances." In the second case, the clerk did refuse to talk to me, but I found someone else to help me. I'm also learning how to negotiate the medical system. I won't tell you how long and how many phone calls it took to get Aliza to see the dental hygienist (we had an appointment). It took the intervention of a friend of mine who is a social worker at Hadassah Hospital to finally get Aliza in the chair.

I've also figured out how to handle my lack of a sense of direction coupled with Jerusalem's penchant for changing street names for no apparent reasons, and for omitting street signs. First of all I buy a monthly bus pass (around \$50) most months, so I can ask bus drivers and passengers for help, and if I miss a stop or make a wrong turn, I can always get on another bus. Second I've adopted the plan of "when in doubt walk uphill." It's not that my destinations are always uphill (although some days it feels like it), but if I've made a mistake, I get to walk downhill to correct it. Of course, getting to know the city helps a lot.

The wonderful things about Jerusalem and Israel include old and new friends who have made us feel welcome and are always ready to answer questions. Also, we benefited from organizations like Nefesh B'Nefesh and AACI (Americans and Canadians in Israel), both of which help immigrants both before and after immigration. Community Aliyah Program, a quasi-goverment program meant to encourage us to live in Jerusalem, has organized day trips and one overnight trip in addition to providing rent subsidies, arranging an ulpan (Hebrew language instruction) program for elementary school students which Aliza benefited from, and has being available for questions.

We love being able to walk to the Kotel, and we are overwhelmed (in a good way) with the choices of synagogues here. I love saying the prayers that mention Jerusalem and thinking to myself – we are here, in the city our ancestors dreamt about and prayed for. Jerusalem is also very much a "capital" city, even if most of the world doesn't recognize it as such. There are many international exhibits, like the bears I mentioned above, or "puppet theater," which appears in Jerusalem this week. The centerpiece is the "Vietnamese Water Puppets" but there are also puppets from Europe and Israel. Quite often there are street fairs; we enjoy walking through these fairs, knowing that in general the weather will be fine, and that we don't have to think twice about sampling the food – cotton candy, pizza, meat all are kosher.

Esther and Aliza love going to "Machane Yehuda," the main fruit and vegetable market in downtown Jerusalem. We not only buy produce, but candy and nuts, spices, freshly squeezed juices, cheeses, (continued on page 5, bottom)

## Ashton Elrad Will Become Bat Mitzvah

My name is Ashton Elrad. I am 13 years old and I am in the eighth grade at Agnon School. I have a younger brother whose name is Nicky but everyone else calls him by his middle name, Logan. He is 15 months younger but we have always been like twins. It's like twin telepathy. He has always been there for me, and I know we will always be there for each other. The thing I love most about my brother is that we can talk about anything. The nicest part about being close is the laughter in our lives.

My hobbies include playing my guitar, playing basketball for Agnon, hanging out with my friends, camping and shopping. I also like to cook for my family; my specialty is Indian. I have many friends, but I have always had a special relationship with the boys. I love sports and



athletics; maybe that's why I feel women can be just as competitive or possibly even more competitive in sports or anything else they want to do. I feel that's what gives me my edge! A special part of my summer is going to the JCC overnight camp, Camp Wise, second session. I love going to Camp Wise because I can spend time away from my normal life and enjoy my camp friends and Jewish culture.

I am proud of my accomplishments and hope one day to become a dermatologist or an attorney at law.

Ashton's parents, Lisa and Stephen Elrad, invite the congregation to Kiddush luncheon, after services on October 20.

(The Macks' First Year in Israel, continued from page 4) fish (swimming in water minutes before we buy it — enough to give rise to thoughts of becoming vegan). Aliza is particularly happy to carry her backpack on these shopping excursions and load it full with food.

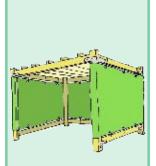
The girls are very much involved in their youth groups, which generally meet on Shabbat and Tuesday afternoons, but also have other events, both formal and informal. They have made friends, and although school had some challenges (mostly expected), we are happy with the schools the girls will be at next year. Eric has found interesting work both as an accountant and as a legal researcher. Although his Hebrew is very good, to his relief, both offices work in English. I am teaching English, and at the moment I have more job offers than I can handle. Too bad salaries are standard – it would be nice to have a bidding war!

We sometimes regret not having a car, although we have a very generous neighbor who takes us on shopping trips and other places, too. Most often though, we rely on busses with the occasional taxi. I have lots of stories to tell about drivers and passengers, many of them very amusing. The girls take a bus to and from school, and sometimes Esther and her friends travel to the mall or other locations on their own.

We have travelled a bit, visiting friends in Efrat and Rehovot for Shabbat visits, and enjoying a two-day trip to T'verya/Tiberius and the north. Aliza and I spent an afternoon at the Tishbi winery outside of Zikhron Ya'akov. We've twice been to a nature reserve that recreates biblical and rabbinic times, and have ridden donkeys and camels. (Most of us prefer buses!) Aliza and I went to the tank museum and memorial for soldiers in the tank corps at Latrun with my niece Regina and her family.

We don't eat out much, but there's a Burger King in the mall down the street from us, and we occasionally enjoy eating felafel or pizza. We have also eaten in restaurants that specialize in Middle Eastern and Ethiopian cuisines.

It was a difficult move in many ways, but it was worth it. We knew we would miss the US, but we also knew we would love being in Israel.



# Dinner in the Sukkah

Join us for dinner in the sukkah, Tuesday, October 2, 6:00 PM.

\$10.00 per adult, \$7.00 per Child 6-12 Children 5 & under, free

Dinner will be vegetarian and dairy.

(Reservations are required and are due by Sept. 25!)

For more information call Merry Lugasy, 216-337-4761.

In case of rain, the brochot will be said in the sukkah, but dinner will be indoors.

# NEWS FROM BETHEL

#### Condolences to:

#### ניחום אבלים

- Morrie and Brondy Shanker, on the death of their daughter, Chari (Charlene). Chari was production director of the Los Angeles Opera and Opera Pacific in California.
- > Marvin Warshay, on the death of his stepbrother, Dr. Abe Rapoport, of Toronto, Canada.

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- > Betty and Richard Bloomfield
- > Yelena Boxer
- > Lisa and Stephen Elrad
- Alan Lerner and Erica New

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- > Michael and Shelley Bloomfield, to the Kiddush Fund.
- > **Bill and Robin Halpern**, in honor of Jeff and Abby Halpern's second anniversary.
- > Carole and Daniel Litt
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- > Gary and Rosalind Simson
- Linda Tobin and Stephen Pepper, in honor of the anniversaries of Lisa and Russell Berusch and Rabbi Moshe and Nili Adler.

#### Thanks for Kiddush sponsorship to:!תודה!

- ➤ August 17 Menachem Shoham, Deborah Smith, and Oren Shoham, in honor of the birth of Menachem's granddaughter and Oren's niece, Adi.
- > August 25 Harvey and Karen Kugelman, in honor of their Chai anniversary.
- September 1 Moshe and Nili Adler and Russell and Lisa Berusch in honor of their anniversaries.
- > October 20 Lisa and Stephen Elrad, in honor of their daughter, Ashton, who will become Bat Mitzvah that day.

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### **Ushers Needed for JCC Performances**

Ushers are needed for JCC performances of *A Shayna Maydel*. The JCC will be presenting *A Shayna Maydel* from Thursday, October 18, through Sunday, November 4. Performances are at 7:30 PM on Thursdays, 8:00 PM on Saturdays, and 2:00 PM on Sundays. If you would like to usher for one or more of the performances, please contact Judie Amsel at jbjbjbjb38@ameritech.net or 440-449-5855.

## CALENDAR, OCTOBER 2007

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Saturday, September 29 - Shabbat Hol HaMoed

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9:15 AM – Morning service Shabbat ends no earlier than 7:53 PM.

Sunday, September 30

2:00 PM – Sukkah Hop – Watch the BigList for hosts' names and addresses.
7:00 to 8:30 PM – Short Stories by Jewish Authors Discussion Group (see below)

Tuesday, October 2, 6:00 PM – Dinner in the Sukkah. Reservations required.

Reservations and prepayment required for the dinner. See flyer, September newsletter.

Wednesday, October 3 – Hoshana Rabbah (last day of <u>H</u>ol HaMoed) הושענא רבה 6:48 PM – Candle lighting (at home)

Thursday, October 4 – Sh'mini Atzeret

9:15 AM – Morning Services with Yizkor

7:45 PM – Candle lighting, followed by evening service with Hakafot

Friday, October 5 – Simhat Torah

9:15 AM – Morning service with Hakafot

6:44 PM – Candle lighting for Shabbat (at home)

Saturday, October 6 – Shabbat B'reshit

9:15 AM – Morning service: 9:15 AM Shabbat ends no earlier than 7:41 PM

Saturday, October 13, approximately 10:30 AM – Learners' Service (see below)

Saturday, October 20 – Ashton Elrad will become Bat Mitzvah. Kiddush will be sponsored by her parents, Lisa and Stephen Elrad, in her honor.

Saturday, October 27, approximately 10:30 AM – Learners' Service (see below)

Friday, November 2, 5:30 PM – **Kabbalat Shabbat** services, followed by dinner at 6:30. Reservations and prepayment required for the dinner. See flyer, last page.

#### **Learners' Services**

Shabbat mornings, October 13 and 27 – Come to our Learners' Services the second and fourth Shabbat mornings each month, beginning right after the High Holy Days, in October, and ending in May. Explore the meaning and history of prayers, customs and holidays. Practice praying at a slower pace. Ask questions and get answers. Meet around 10:30 AM in the library off the balcony, and rejoin the main service for the d'var Torah.

#### Short Stories by Jewish Authors Reading and Discussion Group

The SSBJA group will meet on Sunday, September 30, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM, to discuss stories by Isaac Bashevis Singer (the same stories that had been scheduled for August 26). New members are welcome!

For information, details, and a list of the readings for this meeting, please contact Sondra Jacobs, 216-397-1481, or sondrajacobs@sbcglobal.net.



## Kabbalat Shabbat

Join us for
Kabbalat Shabbat
the first Friday
of most months
between the
fall Holy Days
and Pesah.

Services 5:30 PM Dinner 6:30 PM

Reservations and prepayment required, if you would like to stay for dinner. No reservations needed for the service alone.

The first Kabbalat Shabbat of the season will be on Friday, November 2. See flyer for details.



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A hundred tímes a day I remind myself that my inner and outer life depend on the labors of other people, living and dead. and that J must exert myself in order to give in the full measure I have received and am still receiving.

Albert Einstein



### Friday, November 2



5:30 PM Services begin in the sanctuary6:30 PM Dinner in the social hall, followed by singing and dancing

The cost of the dinner is \$12.00 per adult \$10 per child (ages 5 -12) Children under 5 are free.

Reservations and prepayment are absolutely necessary. Reserve your spot by Monday, October 29, by sending in payment with response forms (to help us keep track of what your check is for!) to:

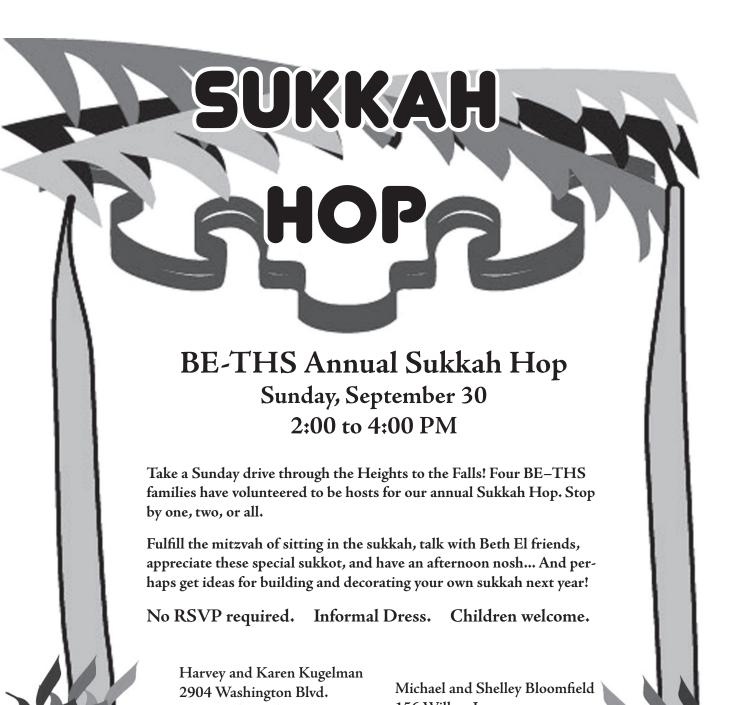
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For more information call Merry Lugasy, 216-337-4761. No reservation necessary if you would just like to come to services!

Yes, we are coming to the Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat dinner on November 2, 2007.
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