

CONGREGATION BETH AM

North Tampa's Reform Synagogue



"House of the People"

Calendar & Event Digest

November 2012 - Cheshvan—Kislev 5773

November Service Times

Friday, November 2	Shabbat & Oneg <i>Oneg hosted by the Jasper family in honor of Andrew's Bar Mitzvah</i>	7:30 pm
Saturday, November 3	Café Shabbat Shabbat Service - Andrew Jasper, Bar Mitzvah	9 am 10:30 am
Friday, November 9	Shabbat Service, Vegetarian Potluck dinner and Oneg Art Meier will be a special guest speaker in honor of Kristallnacht <i>Oneg host needed please contact Victoria</i>	6:30 pm
Saturday, November 10	Shabbat Service	10:30 am
Friday, November 16	Tot Shabbat Service Shabbat Service <i>Oneg host needed please contact Victoria</i>	6:30 pm 7:30 pm
Saturday, November 17	Habitat for Humanities Pasco (Including Shabbat Service)	8 am
Friday, November 23	Learner's Shabbat Service followed by a vegetarian potluck dinner & Oneg <i>Oneg hosted by the Polster family in honor of Irma's birthday</i>	6:30 pm
Saturday, November 24	Shabbat Service	10:30 am
Friday, November 30	Shabbat Service & Oneg <i>Oneg hosted by the Lehman family & the Rifkin family in honor of their anniversaries</i>	7:30 pm

Honoring our Members

We're so proud! During November and December, we have several chances to honor our members at community events. Please come out and support all of them!

8 Over 80 - Honoring Art Meier

1 pm - Sunday, November 18, 2012
Congregation Rodeph Sholom
2713 Bayshore Blvd., Tampa

Sponsored by and (supporting) Weinberg Village, the Eight Over Eighty awards recognize eight individuals, eighty years or older, who have dedicated their time, talents, and lives to our community and devoted themselves to helping others.

This year, Congregation Beth Am will be honoring Art Meier. A long-time member, Art serves on our Ritual Committee, has taught in our Religious School and much more. We're thrilled to share this afternoon with him!

Women of Distinction - Honoring Mindy Bursten

7 pm - Thursday, November 29, 2012
Congregation Rodeph Sholom
2713 Bayshore Blvd., Tampa

Tampa Jewish Federations Women's Philanthropy invites you to celebrate with us as we honor the dedicated women leaders of our Jewish community organizations at The Bobbe Karpay Women of Distinction Program Thursday, November 29, 2012 7pm followed by a dessert reception \$25 per person / \$36 per patron.

This year, Congregation Beth Am honors Mindy Bursten. Our VP of Ritual and Education. Mindy is one of our most active members, and has been on the board for many years. We couldn't imagine a better woman to represent our congregation in the wider community.

Israel Bonds—Honoring Lili & Barry Kaufmann

5:30 pm - Sunday, December 2, 2012
Location: Grand Hyatt - Tampa Bay

Two of our staunchest, most dedicated Zionists are our honorees for this year's Israel Bonds Dinner. A gala night that not only honors them, it also raises money for Israel. Come to the dinner, and/or buy a bond in their honor!

To register, contact Monica DiGiovanni at 727-539-6445 or Tampa@IsraelBonds.com

Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Rosenberg

Thursday, November 1 at 12 noon

Location: Sweet Tomatoes - Carrollwood

Join Rabbi Rosenberg and others as we discuss a range of topics, from Judaism to current events, and anything else that comes up. Congregation Beth Am members and non-members always are all welcome!

**THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING
PEOPLE FOR THEIR
CONTRIBUTIONS AND GENEROSITY**

General Fund

Charles & Mitza Fisherman

In memory of Harry Etkins

The Ross family

In memory of Joseph M. Rubin

Oneg Fund

Dr. George Zucker

In memory of Jane Zucker

Prayer Book Fund

Jerry & Janice Nepon-Sixt

In memory of Ruthe Liebling Nepon

Design & Beautification Fund

Mary Young

In honor of Art Meier



Outback Bowl 2013

Beth Am is privileged once again to sell programs for the Outback Bowl game. This is Beth Am's biggest fundraiser this year. Those of you who have worked in the past know what a fun day of work and socializing this is. This will be our 22nd Outback Bowl and as always our success depends on YOU!! Last year we were able to raise in excess of \$12,500 for Beth Am.

We need at least 110 people to volunteer to make this unique fundraiser a success. Most people only work 3 or 4 hours. Please make a note that the date is **TUESDAY, JANUARY 1**. Volunteers can include congregants, your friends and children **at least 13 years of age**.

The work is fun and you even get the chance to watch the game after your shift is over, if you want. It truly is a great one day fund-raiser. The people who volunteer have a good time and enjoy the day while they are helping the synagogue. Everyone gets plenty of instruction weeks before the event and will be assigned to a group of about eight to ten people.

The day starts approximately 10 am and most volunteers are done by 2 pm. For those of you who are new, or did not know about this volunteer effort, please put New Year's morning aside to help out. **WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER.**

If you have any questions, please call Ken Young at 963-2019 or email Victoria at Admin@BethAmTampa.org



Café Shabbat

November 3 at 9 am

Please join us on Saturday, November 3 at 9 am for Beth Am's nationally recognized Cafe Shabbat!

Enjoy bagels, gourmet coffee, and fun-filled interactive programs for both adults and kids. Relax with newspapers and schmoozing, or join a discussion group - there is always plenty to do and see at Cafe Shabbat. We hope to see you there!

Sisterhood Events

November 13 - Paid-Up Membership Catered Dinner
6:30 pm at CBA

November 14 - Book Club - 6:45 pm @ Crisper's in Northdale "Sima's Undergarments For Women by Ilana Stangler-Ross"

November 18 - Sisterhood Meeting - TBA

**Thanksgiving & Christmas at
Metropolitan Ministries**

This year we continue Beth Am's tradition of helping feed those less fortunate than ourselves on Thanksgiving & Christmas Day. Every year our Congregational family meets at Metropolitan Ministries and helps serve lunch for families that live in the shelter and those people who live on the streets. Families are invited to come and help on Thanksgiving & Christmas Day. If you have children 12 and older, they can come and participate. Our teenagers can obtain community service hours required for High School graduation and Bright Future Scholarship opportunities. Please contact Joe and Marilyn Lehman for more information and to sign up at JoeMarLehman@Netzero.com or 813-245-4619.

Habitat for Humanities—Pasco County

Saturday, November 17

Please call Joe and Marilyn Lehman for more information at 813-245-4619 or email at JoeMarLehman@Netzero.com

Please notify us of your family

LIFE-CYCLE EVENTS

email Irma Polster at IPolster@TampaBay.rr.com

Caring Committee Chair

Zahav Group - Adults at Leisure

Tuesday, November 13, the Adults at Leisure, will be going to the Ybor City Museum and then to the Columbia Restaurant for lunch. The museum is at 1818 E. 9th Ave and the restaurant at 2117 E. 7th Ave. If you are interested in carpooling, we will leave the temple promptly at 11 am. You must r.s.v.p. so that there is a headcount for the museum and restaurant. The museum is a "gem". It also includes a tour of the "shotgun" cottage where the cigar workers lived. Call (962-3863) or email (jergo@aol.com) to reserve your place.

Talmud Study

Thursday Mornings 9:30 am

Location: Congregation Beth Am in Rabbi Rosenberg's Office For more information contact Rabbi Rosenberg at 813-968-8511 or RabbiRosenberg@BethAmTampa.org

Religious School Events Committee Update

GIVE US YOUR ENERGY, YOUR TIME, YOUR CREATIVITY
And we'll give you a reason to SMILE.

The Religious School Events Committee has some exciting events coming up and we would love for you to be involved. Any of your time is appreciated, as we begin the process of planning for our upcoming Hanukkah Party and Purim Carnival. We truly would appreciate your ideas, suggestions and /or time to help make these family fun events fantastic!

Please consider giving a few minutes (or more) of your time to assist in any area. This is a wonderful way to form friendships in our RS community and have your children be proud of your involvement.

We look forward to hearing from you and wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year.

For further information, please contact Jay or Francine Frenchko at JJJ2020@bellsouth.net

Congregation Beth Am is on Facebook!

Did you know that Congregation Beth Am is on Facebook? If you want to get updates on CBA activities, just go to the "**Congregation Beth Am of Tampa**" group and join up! If you're having trouble finding it, try clicking on: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/95315745634/>

December Dilemma:

Sunday, December 2, 2012

9:30 am Bagels and Coffee

10:00 am Discussion

Come join in our interfaith panel led discussion on the often-called December Dilemma.

Many interfaith families find the holiday season a bit challenging.

How do interfaith families make the holidays work for them? Come learn and share!

Itty Bitty

Sponsored by the Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Am

Calling all children 4 years old & younger!

Come learn about the holidays, sing a song, have a snack & meet new friends.

December - 9 Hanukkah

February 24 - Purim

March 23 - Passover (Saturday)

All sessions are 9:45 am - 10:45 am

Check Beth Am's calendar for updates:

www.BethAmTampa.org or email Amy Rothman at Adamyshoe@yahoo.com

Of course... You **HAVE** to bring a parent or grandparent with you!

Social Action Committee is collecting the following items year round:

Non-perishable food items
Children's books (new/used)
Clean blankets/towels
Hotel size toiletry items
Tabs from cans
Pet items (dry dog/cat food)
Dog Shampoo - Oatmeal
Copy Paper
10" Shabbat Candles
Gift Cards
Visa, Mastercard
Pet Stores
Publix, Sweetbay, Walmart, Target Gift Cards

Help save money on office supplies!

Please donate your used toner cartages to the office.
Victoria will take care of the rest!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October 28 7th Grade Retreat 9:30 am Religious School 4 pm Jews & Baseball: An American Love Story" movie screening	October 29	October 30	October 31	1	2	3
4 8 am Beth Am/Buddy Baseball Run 10:30 am Religious School 10 am Food Bank Help @ JCC	5	6	7	8	9	10
NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL Veterans Day	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL TBA- Sisterhood Meeting 9:30 am Teacher In-Service Mini CAGE Workshop 1 pm 8 Over 80 honoring Art Meier at Congregation Rodeph Sholom	19	20	21	22	23	24
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