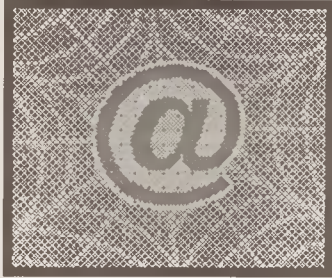




# Temple Beth El



## Temple Beth El's interesting and informative web page!



As we continue to barrel through the information age, it is hard to imagine conducting business without computers. Each day millions of people around the world depend on computer technology to do their jobs efficiently and economically. To truly understand the computer's history involves a daunting journey through mathematics, physics and electrical engineering; through binary code, Boolean logic, real time, and much much more! But luckily, most people do not need to understand this complex history to use computers and the dizzying array of software programs they execute.

*All you need to know is!*

## www.beth-el.com

### You can sign up On-Line to:

Purchase a Plaque  
Join a Committee  
Help with Room In The Inn  
and School Registration



### ROOM IN THE INN

We hope that you will help out this year.  
Jan. 05 Temple Beth El  
Jan. 12 Temple Beth El  
Feb. 02 Temple Beth El

Overnight Monitors,  
Food Service, servers,  
Set up and make beds,  
Clean up, Drivers.  
Plus - Volunteers to supervise the whole

process for each evening  
Prepare food --  
Call Jodi Valenstein at  
704-841-4040.

### You can read Messages from:

Rabbi's Reflections  
President's Word  
Notes from Cantor  
With Heart & Mind  
Kramer's Remarks  
"We Get Letters"



The number of people who have added their names to the list of active volunteers of Temple Beth El's Caring Community has been growing daily! Since the Covenant of Caring was introduced on Yom Kippur, hardly a day has gone by when someone hasn't brought or mailed in the response form, or telephoned or e-mailed to say that they, too, would like to make a deeper commitment in caring for our congregational family. Well over 100 people have volunteered so far!! Have you?

### Plus find out about the:

Temple  
Worship  
Religious and Hebrew School  
Business Office



We are a warm and welcoming community and are genuinely happy to have new people visit and join with us in worship. Friday evening Shabbat services are attended regularly by hundreds of worshippers, and there are Temple activities going on almost every day of the week. We are happy to arrange tours of our facility and will be glad to answer questions for all interested groups, both Jewish and non-Jewish. We are a growing congregation, over 1000 strong, and we look forward to welcoming you into our congregational family!

### You can see Special Dates of:

B'nai Mitzvah  
Birthdays  
Anniversaries  
Yahrzeits  
and read...



"What My Bar/Bat Mitzvah Means To Me"

### Russ Weingarten - September 15, 2001; Nitzavim

"To me, my Bar Mitzvah isn't about good food and fun. Being a Bar Mitzvah means that I will now be considered an adult in the Jewish community. It also means that I will have more responsibilities to live up to. It marks the beginning of my Jewish education and exploration of the past."  
Russ is the son of Amy and Andrew Weingarten, and the grandson of Miriam Friedman of Valley Stream, NY. He is the brother of Lee, 17 and Matthew, 9. Russ is an 8th grader at Crestdale Middle School. His hobbies and interests are computers, games, television and collecting stuff.

### Link to Other Web Sites:

Jewish Sites - In Charlotte  
Consolidated High School of Jewish Studies  
Carolina Agency for Jewish Education  
Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte  
Temple Israel  
Havurat Tikvah  
(Reconstructionist)  
Reform - Union of American  
Hebrew Congregations  
Israel - The Jerusalem Post  
Community Sites -  
www.gocarolinas.com



www.charlotte.com

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the central body of the Reform Movement in North America, was founded in Cincinnati in 1873 by Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise. It has grown from an initial membership of 34 congregations in 28 cities to more than 900 congregations in the United States, Canada, the Bahamas, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. It is the largest Jewish movement in North America, and represents an estimated 1.5 million Jews.

As the congregational arm of the Reform Movement, the UAHC's primary mission is to create and sustain vibrant Jewish congregations wherever Reform Jews live. The Union provides leadership and vision to Reform Jews on spiritual, ethical and political issues as well as materials and consultation for programs in the congregation. The Union also provides opportunities for individual growth and identity that congregations and individuals cannot provide by themselves: camps and Israel programs, study Kallot, national and regional biennials.



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