



A Monthly Publication for Temple Beth-El,
Las Cruces, New Mexico

NOVEMBER 2014 (CHESHVAN-KISLEV 5775)



**Shabbat Services
in November:
(Full Schedule on Page 2)
Friday, November 7**

**Family Shabbat Service at 6:00 pm;
Dairy/vegetarian potluck dinner at 6:40
pm; Regular Service at 7:30 pm**

Friday, November 14

Shabbat Service at 7:30 pm

Friday, November 21

Shabbat Service at 7:30 pm

Friday, November 28

**Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit at
7:30 pm**

Saturdays

**Talmud Study at 9:00 am;
Shabbat Service at 10:15 am,
followed by a potluck Kiddush**

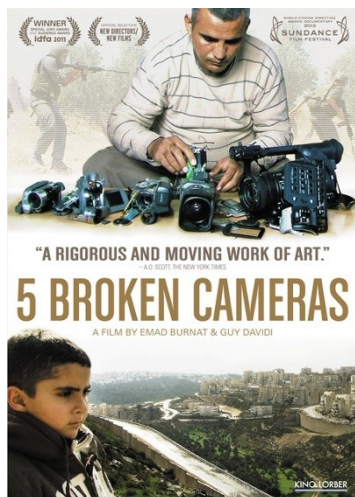
**SPECIAL EVENTS
AND EDUCATION**

**Jim Rosenthal will lead
his Short Story reading group,
“Two Writers: Two Generations”
on November 6 and 13.**

Save the date:

**Sunday, December 14, 2014 at 2:00 pm—
Join us for a special program featuring
Mark Medoff, sponsored by the Adult
Education Committee (see Page 8)**

**Rabbi Karol’s courses
will begin again in November:
Sweet Songs—A Journey Through the
Book of Psalms on Mondays
November 10 and 24
Judaism-Roots and Rituals:
An Introduction to Judaism on Tuesdays,
November 11, 18 and 25 (See Page 5)**



**The Mensch Club
will present a
screening of
“5 Broken
Cameras”
On Sunday,
November 16
at 2:00 pm in the
Temple Sanctuary
(see page 9)**

**“May our homes be safe from afflic-
tion and strife, and our country be
sound in body and spirit.”
(Mishkan T’filah—”For our Country”)**

**Be sure to VOTE
on Tuesday, November 4, 2014!**



**Go to www.tbcl.org
to see our new website!!!**

Worship Schedule



Friday, November 7—FAMILY SHABBAT

6:00 pm FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE FOR ALL AGES

6:40 pm Potluck Dinner—please bring a dairy/vegetarian dish to share.

7:30 pm Regular Shabbat Evening Service. *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Avis Lewis and Diane Fleishman.*

Saturday, November 8

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Vayeira Genesis 18:1-22:24

Haftarah II Kings 4:1-37

Friday, November 14

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service. Rabbi Karol will speak on “A New Generation.” *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Marlene Benz.*

Saturday, November 15

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Chayei Sarah Genesis 23:1-25:18

Haftarah I Kings 1:1-31

Friday, November 21

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Rabbi Karol will speak on “Family Legacies.” *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Susi Kolikant and Ellen Torres.*

Saturday, November 22

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Tol'dot Genesis 25:19-28:9

Haftarah I Samuel 20:18-42

Friday, November 28

7:30 pm Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit led by Rabbi Karol, featuring special music and prayers for healing along with our Shabbat liturgy. *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Shelly Silverman.*

Saturday, November 29

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Vayeitzei Genesis 28:10-32:3

Haftarah Hosea 12:13-14:10

Friday, December 5—FAMILY SHABBAT

6:00 pm FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE FOR ALL AGES

6:40 pm Potluck Dinner—please bring a dairy/vegetarian dish to share.

7:30 pm Regular Shabbat Evening Service. *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Michele Blum and Lynn Zeemont.*

Saturday, December 6

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Vayishlach Genesis 32:4-36:43

Haftarah Hosea 11:7-12:12

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TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Temple Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, November 20.



Message from Rabbi Karol

As I was leading a recent Temple program, I was looking around at those who were there, and thinking about the significance and contributions of each person who attended. On Friday, October 17, we engaged in a discussion about creation and creativity as our communal D'var Torah. The conversation was shaped by each individual comment from the congregants who were present that night, as well as my brother, Rabbi Stephen Karol, who was visiting us for several days. Had even one person who spoke not attended, the course of our comments would not have been the same.

In a large congregation, 1-3 people may not make so much of a difference in total attendance. At Temple Beth-El of Las Cruces, 1-3 people can have a great impact on a gathering. We all bring our experiences, our knowledge, and our love of Judaism and the Jewish people with us when we attend a congregational event. That is why YOUR presence enhances most any program or event.

Judaism teaches us about the importance of one, two and even three people to a community.

ONE: "For this reason was a single human being created in the beginning: to teach you that whosoever destroys a single soul, Scripture imputes guilt to him/her as though he/she had destroyed an entire world; and whosoever preserves a single soul, Scripture ascribes merit to him/her as though he/she had preserved an entire world" (Talmud Sanhedrin 37a).

"Despise no one, and call nothing useless, for there is no one whose hour does not come, and nothing that does not have its place" (Shimon ben Azzai, in *Pirke Avot* 4:3)

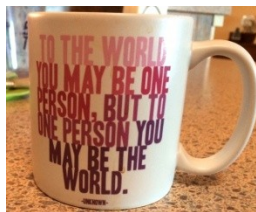
TWO: "Two are better than one...If either of them falls, one can lift up the other" (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10).

"When two sit together and words of Torah/learning pass between them, the Divine Presence rests with them: (Pirkei Avot 3:2).

THREE: "If three have eaten together and spoken words of Torah/learning, it is as though they had eaten at God's table." (Pirkei Avot 3:3).

"A triple cord will not be quickly snapped!" (Ecclesiastes 4:12).

We often forget about the significance of one: one person's leadership or idea, one vote in an election, one positive comment that can offer support or encouragement, or one gift. One of my favorite coffee mugs bears this statement: "To the world, you may be one person, but to one person, you may be the world."



The book of Ecclesiastes speaks of two from a pragmatic perspective, rather than considering the emotional benefits of friendship. A partnership of any type begins with two, and such a cooperative arrangement works best when it is

characterized by mutual support and the encouragement of sharing wisdom and growing in knowledge. That is why the statement of the rabbis focuses on what one person can teach another. That is what we can do for one another as well.

Three represents completeness in Judaism (we have three patriarchs and three major festivals), but it is also the minimum for creating a bond that is even stronger than two. The comment from Ecclesiastes notes that three people together can defend themselves better than two people can hold fast. That strength can also be brought to the sharing of ideas and to the building of community.

We know that ten people makes a minyan in Jewish worship, and sometimes congregations like ours may be only one, two or three people away from reaching that numerical threshold. Ten is said to represent absolute completeness. Never underestimate the blessing and gift that your presence can bring to a gathering at Temple or anywhere else in the community, because it might be you who adds something to make a program or event even more worthwhile and valuable than it otherwise might have been.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

L'shalom,

Rabbi Larry K.

See Rabbi Karol's blog at rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com.



Rabbi Karol served in the roles of "Hakafah 'Band'" and Torah reader at the Simchat Torah service on Wednesday, October 15.



Rabbi Stephen Karol, now Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Isaiah of Stony Brook, NY, visited Las Cruces in the middle of October and took part in holiday and Shabbat services on October 16 and 17.



President's Report

This last week our temple lost a very special member, Mel Taylor. Mel lived for Temple Beth-El and left quite a legacy. He was President more than once, Treasurer, board member and great historian. He officiated at B'nai Mitzvah, conducted funeral services and did Shabbat

services in the absence of a Rabbi. Security was always on his mind and when he was able, he was our security. He came early and stayed late for every event.

He was my mentor and when we needed background on something Mel was the go to person for clarification. He had a distinctive voice and knew how to tackle something complex with humor.

When the temple needed new furniture, Mel was there and we are still using the blue-armored chairs that he donated to our former temple.

He was a proud man and touched many lives. Even at the end, Mel did things his way and uniquely so. He contacted many people to say good bye in the time he had left and I will always remember our conversation. He will be missed.

These past few weeks, many of our congregants have faced medical challenges, and it brings to light how fragile and unknowing life can be. So it's time for us to think beyond ourselves and ask what we can do for others. Are you able to prepare a meal, drive someone to an appointment or just sit with someone to let them know you care?

Please let the Rabbi or me know if this is something that you would be willing to do so that we can compile a list. Most people, I know, would do something, but they need to know when they are needed.

Let's go forward as a caring community.

I hope you have a thankful and peaceful Thanksgiving.

***Thank you,
Dee Cook***

Rabbi Karol's Reflections on Shabbat Shira

On October 23-26, 2014, it was time to join my songleading community at the "Shabbat Shira" (Sabbath of Song, literally) workshop at Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute Camp in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. There were, as always, new melodies to learn and songs and compositions that I had heard before but needed to be reinforced.

There was multiple-part harmony during worship and song sessions that was rich and exquisite, demonstrating that we could generate a full sound among our group of 50-plus participants. The Open mic sessions exhibited the wide range of talent represented among us. There was a flurry of special moments throughout these few days:

washing our hands in Lac La Belle during our Friday morning service, Noam Katz's session on Songs for Social Change, getting to know long-time colleagues and new fellow participants in sessions and at meals, sharing original compositions, a beautiful Havdalah service, and time spent with some very good friends.

A new and "watershed" experience for me was Josh Nelson's "Create!" group, which was charged with developing a program for the Seudah Sh'leesheet "Third Meal (for Shabbat)" reflective session that preceded Saturday night dinner. We divided into three task forces focusing on (Creation/Entry, Present/Now, Future/Exit). Josh asked members of each group to comment on their theme. Alden Solovy, a widely-known poet and liturgist whose writings I have used in services, was part of our "Now" task force. After listening to our small group discussion, he wrote this:

There is no empty space in now.

No empty space between you and G-d.

No wound, no loss, nothing broken.

Wholeness. Only Wholeness. Shalem.

Feet on the ground, connected, head in the sky.

Seeing now, hearing now, only now.

There is no empty space between you and the heartbeat, you and the stillness. you and the surrender. So the precious present is sweet with song, sweet with joy, sweet with laughter.

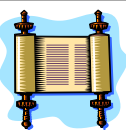


Each of the CREATE groups presented a meaningful and thoughtful compilation/collaboration of expression that included music, dance, prose/poetry, visual images, and community building. I had planned to sing one of my already-finished original songs in our section, but, instead, I decided to set Alden's words to music. Eventually, he and I sat down together and re-shaped the reading into a song with a singable chorus in the course of 20 minutes. **When our section of the program began, Alden read the first lines of his poem and then I sang this newly created song (see the photo),** a product of collaboration that demonstrates the Jewish value of chevurta/partnership at its best.

What I took away from this amazing experience - and Shabbat Shira in its totality - was the importance of being open to NEW experiences, to listening to others, to finding the most positive aspect of the moment, and to enjoying moments that can bring hope and joy. Song has always done that for me, and each of us has the capacity to find joy in our lives. May we seek and discover that SIM-CHAH, happiness and contentment, within ourselves and within the miracle of cooperation, collaboration, friendship, and the ever-present possibility of making a peaceful community and world.

ADULT EDUCATION

Culture תורה Holidays עברית Customs



TORAH STUDY (EXODUS):

Led by Rabbi Karol on Wednesdays at
10:15-11:20 am

TALMUD STUDY

Talmud study meets every Saturday in the Social Hall at 9:00 am before the Saturday morning service. Prospective students are welcome. Contact Erich Zameret or Tanah Hemingway for more information.

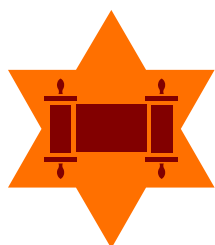


Sweet Songs: A Journey into the Book of Psalms

Meeting on Monday nights
November 10 and 24
at 7:00 pm

and continuing on selected Mondays
throughout the coming months

Please let Rabbi Karol know if you plan to
attend, by email (rabbi@tbelc.org)
or by calling Temple.



Judaism: Roots and Rituals An Introduction to Judaism presented by

Rabbi Larry Karol

A 10-week course on
selected Tuesday nights
at 7:00-8:30 pm

Meeting on November 11, 18, 25

December 2, 9, 16

January 6, 13, 20, 27

Text: Essential Judaism,
by George Robinson

This course is especially designed for adult learners, seekers and explorers who want to know more about the Judaism and Jewish life! (Materials fee for this course is \$54.00). Please let Rabbi Karol know if you plan to attend, by calling Temple Beth-El at 575-524-3380 or by sending an e-mail to Rabbi Karol at rabbi@tbelc.org

High Holy Day Worship Thank You's

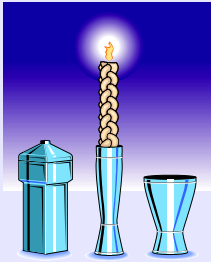
A warm thank you from Rabbi Karol
and the Religious Practices Committee
to all of our participants in High Holy Day Worship,
including leaders, readers, choir members,
ark openers, shofar sounders, and hagbah/gelilah
(lifting/dressing the Torah):

Dee Cook, Monika Kimball, Jim Rosenthal,
Linda Fisher, Marianne Rosenthal, Joe Bell,
Tanah Hemingway, Marcy Hundley, Rebecca Martinez,
Jerry Nachison, Brenda Parish, Ruth Rubin,
Judith Sherman Russell, Terri Sugarman, Erich Zameret,
Stuart Kelter, Leora Zeitlin, Michelle Skigen,
Elena Skigen, Sue Mazer, Sue Brown, Marieka Brown,
Patrick Quinn, Bill Stein, Susan Michelson, Dia Taylor,
Mel Taylor, Susan Fitzgerald, Arthur Berkson,
Klim Maling, Rhonda Karol, Frances Williams,
Martha Roditti, Phil Alkon, Neal Rosendorf,
Bernice Langner, Lilah Ziegler, Marianne Zeitlin,
Zuki Fishman, David Fishman, Avis Lewis, Jeff Lewis,
Joan Glickler, Tom Russell, Julie Serrano, Willie Pass,
Jesse Kalachman, Todd Silberman, Claire Silberman,
Carolyn Silberman, Michele Blum, Lynn Zeemont,
Paul Feil, Susi Kolikant, Ned Rubin, Allen Palanker,
Ellen Torres, Dan Tapper, Steve Halper, Julie Seton,
Diane Bass, Harry Bass, Christi Rubin, Noah Rubin,
Allen Blum, Rebecca Berkson, Mateo Garcia-Bryce,
Inigo Garcia-Bryce, Andrea Orzoff, Sam Garcia-Bryce,
Dave Zeemont, Bryan McCuller, Bob Libby,
Carla Libby, Ann Berkson, Gerie Muchnikoff,
Ann Gluck-Hansen, Sen Talley, Cherri Hudson-Brown,
Alison Mann, Jeff Brown, Jason Rosenberg,
Gavin Rosenberg, Casey Rosenberg, Carrie Swartz,
Susan Lapid, Yossi Lapid, Barney Sugarman,
Ruth Ann Sugarman, Marty Poel, Elissa Poel, Elisha
Rosenberg, Norm Osborn, Jim Locatelli,
Barbara Mandel, Joan Silar, Craig Stevens, Ilese Stevens.
(If we inadvertently left off your name,
please let us know).

Temple Beth-El
Sisterhood's
Jewish Women's
Spirituality group,
led by Susan Lapid,
is still meeting
periodically,

For more information,
contact Susan Lapid 496-5758, sblapid@gmail.com or
Leora Zeitlin 639-4475, lzeitlin@cs.nmsu.edu.





**Join us at
Temple
Beth-El
for a special
Havdalah
service**

**on Saturday, November 8
at 5:30-6:00 pm**

to welcome

**Dana Adler and Norma Cohen,
Women of Reform Judaism
Southwest Area Leaders,
to Las Cruces.**

**They will join in leading
Havdalah with a service
that was created for the
Women of Reform Judaism
Pacific District convention
on October 23-26, 2014
in Pasadena, California.
CONGREGANTS OF ALL
AGES ARE WELCOME TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE
HAVDALAH!**

**“Verdi’s Requiem: Resistance and Redemption at Terezin –A
Story of the Holocaust”**

Saturday, November 8, 2014-8:00 pm

El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center, partnering with El Paso Symphony Orchestra and UTEP Chorale, presents Verdi's Requiem in its entirety. This moving interpretation will include a dramatization and recreation of famed conductor Rafael Schachter and his chorale's performance of Verdi's Requiem in the Terezin Concentration Camp during the Holocaust. This event will be held at the Plaza Theater, One Civic Center Plaza. Special Educator and Student Tickets for \$33.50 are available. To purchase your tickets: Visit El Paso Symphony Orchestra at epso.org and click on "Buy Tickets" under Quick Links or by phone at 915-532-3776. For more information on this event or the El Paso Holocaust Museum & Study Center contact us at 915-351-0048 or visit us at elpasoholocaustmuseum.org



**BETY and BEMY
have a new advisor**

The Youth Committee is excited to announce that Maggie Feil, a life-long member of Temple Beth-El, has accepted the positions of BETY and BEMY advisor. Maggie has been actively involved with many aspects of TBE throughout her life. As a teen, she served as President of BETY and performed with the Jewish Story Theatre. As an adult, she has worked as a TBE administrative assistant and continues to support our community, now as the Youth Advisor. Maggie holds a Master's degree in Education from New Mexico State University and a Bachelor's degree in Religion from Colorado College.

Upcoming Sisterhood Council Meetings: Sisterhood Council meetings will be held on the 2nd THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH. Council meetings are open and anyone is welcome to attend.

COME SEE THE JUDAICA SHOP!

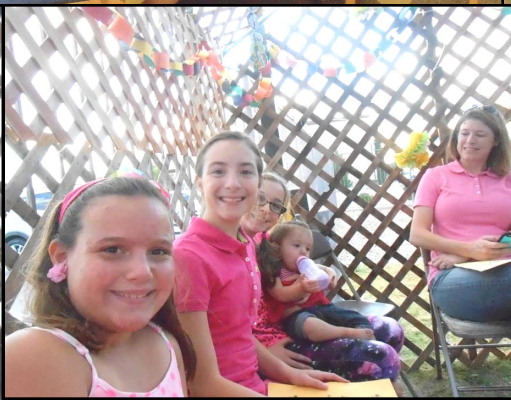


You can now find the shop inside the hallway to the right, next to the Temple office, and across from the quiet room.

New items have been ordered to stock the shop, so whether you are looking for yourself, your friends, or your family, the Judaica shop is a wonderful resource for Jewish gifts, learning, and ceremonial and religious items to enjoy in your own home! If you are interested in purchasing items from the shop, please contact Michele Blum at 575-373-9039, Rhonda Karol at sunflour55@aol.com or Marieka Brown, mariebro@nmsu.edu. Ann Hansen will be at Temple on Sunday mornings

during Religious School to open the Gift Shop. Check with her in the Temple Library on those days!

Sukkot and Simchat Torah 5775 at Temple Beth-El!!!



Marianne Zeitlin spoke about her book *Motherless Child* at Temple Beth-El on Sunday, October 12, 2014. Over 60 people came to hear Marianne read excerpts from her book and discuss its meaning.



Mark Medoff

“How it All Began”

Tony award-winning playwright, screenwriter, filmmaker, director, actor and professor Mark Medoff will share his experiences growing up Jewish in Miami Beach, FL, the impact of his mentors and community, and how these roots influenced his creative work and teaching practices.

Mr. Medoff will also discuss his upcoming production, **Waiting for Godot**, his first stage role in 22 years.



2 p.m. Sunday
December 14, 2014

Temple Beth-El
3980 Sonoma Springs Ave.
Las Cruces, NM

Tickets: \$10 (\$5 for Students). Available for purchase at:
White's Music Box – 200 S. Downtown Mall
& Steinborn Realty – 141 N. Roadrunner Parkway

Proceeds Benefit Mark Medoff Visiting Lecture Series & TBE Youth Fund

A limited number of tickets is available, so please purchase them early.
If there are any leftover tickets on the day of the talk,
they will be available at the door, but we hope to sell out soon.

Rosh Hashanah Thank You's

Thank you to everyone whose contributions enhanced the Rosh Hashanah Oneg on September 24:

Jeff Brown and Cherri Hudson-Brown; Jerry and Jodie Nachison; Debbie Levy, Andrea Orzoff, Gerie Muchnikoff, Sally Alkon, Ruth Rubin, Sue Mazer, Carla Libby, Susan Michelson, Michele Blum, Dee Cook, Brenda Parish, Sue Brown, Marieka Brown, Robin Labe, Alison Mann, Rebecca Martinez, Judith Sherman Russell, Erich Zameret, Dan Tapper, Zuki Fishman, Avis Lewis, Ruth Ann Sugarman, Terri Sugarman, Lucien Baltuch, Rebecca Berkson, Michael Mandel, and Ann Hansen.

For Rosh Hashanah Oneg set-up and clean up:

Elisha Rosenberg, Gavin Rosenberg, Colin Rosenberg, Casey Rosenberg, Terri Sugarman, Debbie Levy, Sue Brown, Stefani Singer, Rebecca Martinez, Monika Kimball, Terri Sugarman, Dee Cook, Rachel Bass.

For setting up the children's area: Marieka Brown and Robin Labe.

For clean-up following the Rosh Hashanah Second Day Brunch: Rebecca Martinez and Jesse Kalachman.

Sukkot Thank You's

For putting up the Sukkah on October 5: Jesse Kalachman, Tom Russell, Erich Zameret, Michael Mandel, Dave Zeemont. Dave Fishman, Rebecca Martinez and Jim Rosenthal

For taking down the Sukkah: Jeff Lewis, Michael Mandel, Mark Saltman, Jacob Saltman, Jason Rosenberg, and Dave Zeemont (and other unnamed helpers as well!).

L'hitraot!

We are moving to Lincoln, NE starting November 12th, to be near our five grandchildren and for Mark to go back to his year-round position as adjunct lab instructor at Southeast Community College. Our address is 4731 Old Cheney Rd #10 Lincoln, NE 68516. For the time being, our phone numbers will be the same. Thanks for all the wonderful friendships we have created here and please keep in touch! We will miss you all and expect to come "home" for visits whenever we can.

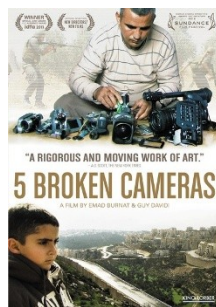
***Shalom v l'hitraot,
Stefani and Mark Singer***

Yom Kippur Break-Fast Thank You's

Lynn Zeemont and Michele Blum would like to thank everyone who made our 2014 break fast a delicious success! We wish to thank the following people for their help setting up and working in the kitchen, monetary contributions, food donations and tableware items. Please forgive us if we inadvertently omitted your name.

Susi Kolikant, Gerie Muchnikoff, Robin Labe, Zuki Fishman, Lisa McCuller, Brenda Parish, Nancy Rushforth, Julie Seton, Carolyn Silberman, Rebecca Berkson, Ruth Ann Sugarman, Elizabeth Lewis, Monika Kimball, Christi Rubin, Pearie Bruder, Terri Sugarman, Susan Michelson, Barbara Michelson, Julie Seton, Rebecca Martinez, Avis Lewis, Bea Klein, Erich Zameret, Marieka Brown, Dee Cook, Sue Mazer, Marlene Benz, Jodie Nachison, Aggie Saltman, Renee Frank, Sherlyn Shervanick, Andrea Orzoff, Eve Palanker, Marianne Panzini-Rosenthal, Deborah Levy, Harriet Wolf, Simy Allan, Frima Marquez, Frances Williams, Ann Berkson, Sally Alkon, Nancy Bergman, Rhonda Karol, Ellen Torres, Judy Long, Aida Samnigo, Elisha Rosenberg, Amy Fiszbein, Carla Libby, Irv Ross, Joan Glickler, Paul Feil, Joan Silar, David Rabinovich, Cyrille & Rabbi Jerry Kane, Tanah Hemingway, Alison Mann, Ann Hansen, Frank Bomberg, Cheri Hudson-Brown, Diane Bass, Lisa Weinbaum, and our coffee meister, Norm Mazer.

About "5 Broken Cameras"
The Mensch Club will show this film at
Temple on Sunday, November 16
at 2:00 pm.



5 Broken Cameras is a deeply personal, first-hand account of non-violent resistance in Bil'in, a West Bank village threatened by encroaching Israeli settlements. Shot almost entirely by Palestinian farmer Emad Burnat, who bought his first camera in 2005 to record the birth of his youngest son, the footage was later given to Israeli co-director Guy Davidi to edit. Structured around the violent destruction of each one of Burnat's cameras, the filmmakers' collaboration follows one family's evolution over five years of village turmoil.

You Count!

**PLEASE TAKE THE ON-LINE
DEMOGRAPHIC
SURVEY
OF JEWISH
NEW MEXICO
TODAY!**

www.jewishsurveynm.org

**JEWISH FEDERATION
OF NEW MEXICO**
New Mexico's Center for Jewish Philanthropy

Bringing Tikkun Olam to our corner of the world



In lieu of presents this year for her birthday, Mia Berkson asked for donations from her friends to go towards the Land of Enchantment Wildlife Foundation. They help the wildlife of New Mexico by providing financial and

logistical aid to people who help rehabilitate New Mexican wildlife. As a result, she got the best birthday present ever: she got to go to Moriarity, New Mexico, and participate in the release of rehabbed Swainson's hawks back into nature. The rehabbed hawks joined their fellow birds in migration back to South America. It was amazing! Mia thanks everyone who donated! Learn more about the Land of Enchantment Wildlife Federation at <http://www.landofenchantment.org>

Ongoing Events at TBE

WEEKLY TEMPLE BREAKFAST

Weekly breakfasts and discussions of Jewish and general interest topics are held at the Temple every Wednesday morning. Breakfast begins at 8:45am, speaker presentations begin at 9:00am. The cost is \$2.00 weekly or \$6.00 monthly. Please contact Phil Alkon

(philipalkon@gmail.com or 575-524-6945) for further information.

November 5: Ford Parks-Perret will speak on "A Bruised Ego"

November 12: Rabbi Karol will speak on "Our Spiritual Journeys"

November 19: Frances Williams will speak on "Vietnam Vignettes, Memories of the War"

November 26: Rebecca Levine will speak on "Participating in Birthright Israel"



MENSCH CLUB

For more information about meetings and events, contact Dave Zeemont at 523-0913 or email at mudjob@earthlink.net. The Mensch Club will screen the film "5 Broken Cameras" on Sunday, November 16 at 2pm.



KNITTING GROUP—A knitting group meets at TBE on Tuesday mornings at 10:15 am. For more information, please contact Deana Kessin at 521-4077 or Kessin@comcast.net

MAH JONG—A new Mah Jong group is meeting on Thursdays at 1:00 pm. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Frima Marquez at 522-0470 or panchic@comcast.net.



**Planning has begun for the next
Jewish Food and Folk Festival!
Save the date: April 26, 2015**

THE CHESED GROUP

Is here for members in need of assistance due to health issues. Please CALL well in advance:

- David Zeemont at 523-0913 if you need transportation to a medical appointment
- Sally Alkon at 524-6945 if you need transportation or someone to shop for food
- TBE office at 524-3380 if you would like a hospital visit from Rabbi Karol
- TBE office at 524-3380 if you do not drive and need a ride to Temple services.

If you are interested in being a coordinator/helper/driver for services or temple events, please call

Dave Zeemont at 523-0913

Ladies Clothing Contributions for La Tienda de Jardin

La Tienda de Jardin, located at 335 La Colonia Ave (at the southwest corner of Alameda and Main St), would greatly appreciate contributions of ladies clothing, jewelry, shoes, handbags and household items. La Tienda does the following very well:

- It supports Jardin de Los Ninos, a local charity that takes care of homeless and near homeless children and families.
- Purchases help mostly working women dress appropriately at a fair price.
- The donations help those who donate keep their closets tidy while doing a good deed.
- Items not sold are given to other charities and nothing goes to a landfill.

If you have not visited us, please do. We are open Monday-Friday, 10am to 5pm and Saturday at 10am to 2pm. If a pick-up would help you make your donation or you need more information, please call Joan Silar at 521-1925 or Bea Klein at 526-2684.

Congratulations to:

- Marty and Elissa Poel, on the birth of a grandson, Arlo Solomon Poel, son of Matthew and Sarah Poel, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on October 19, 2014.
- Jerry and Jodie Nachison, on the birth on October 22, 2014 of a granddaughter, Logan-Lee McKinley Miles in Memphis, TN. She's all ready to take on her big sister, Elliana, when she wakes up.
- Leora Zeitlin, long-time classical music host at KRWG-FM, who was nationally recognized recently for her interviews with musicians on her program, "Intermezzo." The National Federation of Press Women awarded her "First Place in Radio/Television Interviews" in their annual communications contest. In the photo, Teri Ehresman, president of the National Federation of Press Women, presents the award to Leora at the NFPW's national conference on September 6 in Greenville, SC.



Tzedakah Opportunities at TBE

Giving to Casa de Peregrinos & El Caldito

The food for November for Casa de Peregrinos is Rice
Foods for November for El Caldito are Tuna fish, rice, pasta and peas. (Plastic bags are needed as well!)

Casa de Peregrinos provides staple foods to the needy, and El Caldito provides a hot meal 365 days a year to the hungry in our community. Both organizations are part of the Community of Hope located on the same campus at 999 W. Amador. There are common interests and goals and the food received is often shared between the two organizations in order to best utilize both perishable and non-perishable foods. Please bring something for one or both of these organizations. For more information or questions, contact

- Liz Lewis-Olson, Casa de Peregrinos (elewis4@comcast.net)
- Eve Palanker, El Caldito (palanker1@msn.com)

VISITING CONGREGANTS

WHO ARE ILL OR HOME-BOUND

At Temple Beth-El, we depend on you, our members, to inform us if you know of someone who needs a visit, especially if they are in a hospital or a rehabilitation or assisted living facility, and also if they are not able to leave their homes due to health-related issues. In order for us to keep our list of who needs a visit current, we ask you to call or email Rabbi Karol (rabbi@tbelc.org) with the names of congregants who you know would like to be visited. We appreciate your cooperation in this area, so that we can be, as much as possible, a truly caring community.



Temple Beth-El is on Facebook!

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Temple-Beth-El/115816285166004>

If you are on Facebook already, find our page, click "Like" and join us on our new Facebook community!

Donations through October 29, 2014

General Fund

- Colette Meltzer, in memory of Dr. Richard Meltzer
- Ilese and Craig Stevens, in honor of friends Rabbi Larry and Rhonda Karol
- Neysa Pritikin
- Brenda and Arlon Parish
- David Fishman and Zuki Landau
- Sonny and Rosie Klein
- Gilbert and Becca Krebs
- Grace Hammesfahr, in honor of Nina and Irv Rothman
- Leslie Glater
- Jane Grider
- Nancy Oretskin
- Rebecca Martinez
- Claire Bellak
- Michael and Barbara Mandel, in memory of Perry Cohn and Kenneth Williamson

Building Fund

- Dee Cook, in memory of David & Nathan Edelstein

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- Russ and Jane Greene, in honor of Rabbi Karol's 60th birthday
- Ruth Rubin, in memory of Benjamin Geller
- Paul and Lisa Weinbaum
- Barnett and Ruth Ann Sugarman, in memory of Sadie and David Sugarman
- Brenda and Arlon Parish, in memory of Mary Lois Gardner
- Simy and Dan Allan, in memory of Evelyn Benowitz
- Jeffrey Brown and Cherri Hudson-Brown, in memory of Harold Brown

TEMPLE FUNDS—From the Treasurer

Donations are gratefully accepted for the following:

Torah Endowment Project—For the purchase of a new Torah. Donations above the cost of the Torah are used to secure the financial future of the Temple.

General Operating Fund—For the day-to-day operation of TBE.

Fund 2004—For upkeep on our new building.

Community Service Fund—For projects that benefit our community and Las Cruces and Southern New Mexico.

Send a Kid to Israel Program (S.K.I.P. Fund)—To send Temple youth to Israel.

Irving Batkin Memorial Scholarship Fund—To provide a Jewish education for our children. Earnings from this fund are used mainly to offset the cost of operating our Religious School.

Frances Williams Library Fund—To provide books and infrastructure for the TBE library.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund—Rabbi Karol uses the Discretionary Fund to meet a variety of philanthropic requests as well as to supplement TBE programs.

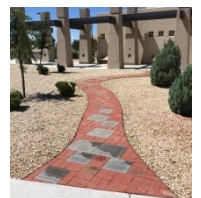
Rabbi Gerald M. Kane Adult Education Fund—Provides funds to help further adult education and cultural programming at TBE.

Beth El Temple Youth Fund—Provides support for Youth activities at TBE.

Periodically the temple may list short-term projects or needs. Contributions that do not specify a project or fund will be added to the General Operating Fund. If you have a question or wish to contribute to a project not listed here, please contact our Temple Beth-El Treasurer, Paul Feil.



Honor the memory of loved ones with a memorial plaque and mark celebrations and milestones (and also the



memory of friends and family) by adding leaves to our Tree of Life. AND....honor the memory of loved ones and celebrate life's milestones by adding bricks to our Brick Walkway!

NOVEMBER 2014 (CHESHVAN-KISLEV 5775)**Yahrzeits-November 1 through December 6, 2014****Read on Friday, November 7 and****Saturday, November 8**

Evelyn Benowitz*, Mother of Simy Allan
 George Bissonette, Brother of Lynn Berkeley
 David Edelstein*, Father of Dee Cook
 Nathan Edelstein*, Grandfather of Dee Cook
 Benjamin Galatzan*
 Le Roy Jenkins, Father of Brad Jenkins
 Arlene Metzger Jerome, Mother of Bryan McCuller
 Sylvia Hackman Lazar, Cousin of Tanah Hemingway
 Beverly Lewis, Mother of Jeffrey Lewis
 Edith Madenberg, Mother of Janet Stevens
 Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin*
 Freda Schoenbrun*
 Olga Szucs*, Mother-in-law of Ezra Neidich
 Kenneth Williamson, Brother of Barbara Mandel
 Erwin Willman*

Read on Friday, November 14 and**Saturday, November 15**

Elsa Galatzan*
 Sheldon J Harris, Cousin of Cyrille Kane
 Gustave Heart, Grandfather of Nancy Bergman
 Dr. Clarence A Lathrop*, Father of Jane Grider
 Fanny Levy*, Mother of Bea Klein
 Hunter Lewis*
 Isadore Rosenfeld*, Great-Uncle of Ann Hansen
 Herschel Schreier*
 Ausvel L. Williams*, Husband of Frances Williams

Read on Friday, November 21 and**Saturday, November 22**

Isadore Blumkin*
 Phillip Bond*
 Allen M Brooks*, Father of Sharon Dorfman
 Ruth L Evans, Grandmother of Dia Taylor
 Isaac Geisinger, Father of Ruth Ann Sugarman
 Estelle Holiday, Mother of Marjorie Gordon
 Adele Kimmel*
 Esther Kloss*
 Yetta Lipschutz*, Sister of Abe Pomerantz
 Erwin Michelson*, Father of Susan Michelson
 Esther Rosenfeld*, Great-Grandmother of Ann Hansen
 Sanford M Siegel*
 Mac Singer*
 Israel Isaac Taslitt*
 Dov Zameret, Father of Erich Zameret

Read on Friday, November 28 and**Saturday, November 29**

Lucy Miller Atkins*
 Leroy Bibo*
 George Brankman, Father of Sally Alkon
 Allen Elias, Father of Steven Elias
 Sam Greenberg, Uncle of Cyrille Kane
 Victor Hartman*
 Oscar Leaser, Father of Helen Raphael
 Benjamin Shane, Uncle of Nancy Bergman
 Bertha Shane, Aunt of Nancy Bergman
 Rebecca Wechter*
 Hershel Zohn*

Read on Friday, December 5 and**Saturday, December 6**

Meyer Bass, Friend of Tanah Hemingway
 Leo Bienstock, Father of Gerie Muchnikoff
 Rose Caplan, Step-mother of Betty Rosse
 Ivy Dessaur*
 Murray Gould*
 Celia Greenberg, Grandmother of Cyrille Kane
 Mel Kirschner, Father of Bob Kirschner, Husband of Lila Ziegler
 Dr. Michael Polsky, Husband of Rita Polsky
 David Silverman, Father of Jerald Silverman
 Arthur Wiener, Father of Robin Labe

***The Temple Beth-El Family
 extends condolences to:***

- ***Frima, Ramon, and Jeff Marquez, on the death of Frima's brother, Robert Krasner, in Rehoboth, Massachusetts on October 9.***
- ***Dia Taylor (and family), on the death of her husband, Mel Taylor, on October 28.***

May their memories be for blessing.

In order to ensure that the name of your loved one will be recited during services, we have instituted the following practices:

- The Hebrew dates for each week's Yahrzeits are listed in each Newsletter.
- Hebrew vs. conventional calendar: The temple's tradition is to base the Yahrzeits list on the Hebrew calendar. Those who wish to have a name read on a Friday night close to the conventional calendar date are asked to please email or call the administrator a few days prior to the service.

*Asterisks at left indicate that a loved one has been permanently memorialized with a plaque in the Temple sanctuary. If you are interested in acquiring a plaque for your loved one, contact the Temple office.



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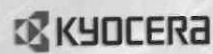
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Cheshvan 9 2 Religious School 9:00 am	Cheshvan 10 3	Cheshvan 11 4 Knitting Group 10:15 am	Cheshvan 12 5 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm	Cheshvan 13 6 Short Story Group 10am Mah Jong 1:00 pm	Cheshvan 14 7 Family Service 6:00 pm Potluck Dinner 6:40 pm Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 15 8 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am Havdalah 5:30 pm
Cheshvan 16 9 Religious School 9:00 am Sisterhood Brunch 11:30 am	Cheshvan 17 10 Psalms 7:00 pm	Cheshvan 18 11 Knitting Group 10:15 am Judaism Class 7:00 pm	Cheshvan 19 12 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm	Cheshvan 20 13 Short Story Group 10am Mah Jong 1:00 pm Sisterhood Council 6:30 pm	Cheshvan 21 14 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 22 15 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Cheshvan 23 16 Religious School 9:00 am Mensch Club Movie 2pm "5 Broken Cameras"	Cheshvan 24 17	Cheshvan 25 18 Knitting Group 10:15 am Judaism Class 7:00 pm	Cheshvan 26 19 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm	Cheshvan 27 20 Board Meeting 7:00 pm Mah Jong 1:00 pm	Cheshvan 28 21 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 29 22 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Kislev 1 23 No Religious School	Kislev 2 24 Psalms 7:00 pm	Kislev 3 25 Knitting Group 10:15 am Judaism Class 7:00 pm	Kislev 4 26 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am No Hebrew School	Kislev 5 27 THANKSGIVING DAY	Kislev 6 28 Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit 7:30 pm	Kislev 7 29 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
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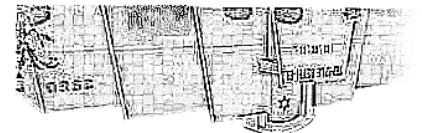
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