



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

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### Shabbat Services in September:

(Full Schedule on Page 2)

Friday, September 5-5:30 pm

Our FAMILY SHABBAT and PICNIC is open to members of all ages, at Veterans Memorial Park 2651 Roadrunner Parkway. We will hold a concise

Shabbat service followed by a potluck dinner (HOT DOGS provided—bring a non-dairy dish to share!) Please join us!

There will be a service at Temple that night at 7:30 pm as well.

Friday, September 12-7:30 pm

Installation Shabbat—this service will include installation of Temple Board members, Sisterhood Council and Mensch Club officers.

Friday, September 19-Shabbat Service at 7:30 pm

Friday, September 26-Shabbat Shuvah Service for Renewal of Spirit at 5:45 pm (Note Early time)

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### Saturdays

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

Rabbi Paul Citrin will speak on his new book, *Ten Sheaves*, on Sunday, September 7 at 2:00 pm in a program sponsored by the Adult Education Committee. See page 5 for more information.

The Mensch Club will present a screening of the film “The Producers,” starring Zero Mostel and Gene Wilder, on Sunday, September 14 at 2:00 pm. See page 10 for more information.

You are invited to the  
**Brick Walkway Dedication**  
**Saturday, September 13**  
**at 7:30 pm**

See Page 4 for complete information!



Go to [www.tbcl.org](http://www.tbcl.org)  
to see our new website!!!



ראש השנה

### High Holy Days

5775

Selichot

Saturday, September 20, 2014 7:30 pm

Dessert, Study and Selichot Worship (see Page 5)



יום כיפור

Erev Rosh Hashanah-Wednesday, September 24, 2014  
Evening Service, 8:00 pm

Rosh Hashanah —Thursday, September 25, 2014

Family Service, 9:00 am

Morning Service, 10:00 am

Tashlich at Young Park an hour following the conclusion of the morning service

Rosh Hashanah, 2nd Day-Friday, September 26, 2014

Morning Service, 10:00 am

Bagel Brunch following, sponsored by Rabbi Larry and Rhonda Karol and the Religious Practices Committee

Friday, September 26, 2014

Shabbat Shuvah Service at 5:45 pm (Note Early Time)

Saturday, September 27, 2014

Shabbat Shuvah Morning Service at 10:15 am

Sunday, September 28, 2014

Cemetery Service (Masonic Cemetery), 1:00 pm

Erev Yom Kippur —October 3, 2014

Kol Nidre/Evening Service, 8:00 pm

Yom Kippur —Saturday, October 4, 2014

Family Service, 9:00 am

Morning Service, 10:00 am

A Time for Sharing, 1:00 pm

Meditation Service (led by David Fishman), 2:00 pm

Study with Rabbi Kane and Rabbi Karol, 3:00 pm

Afternoon Service, 4:30 pm

Yizkor and Neilah, 5:45 pm

Break-the-fast, 7:20 pm

Join us for worship and the warmth of community as we welcome 5775 together!

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*Child care will be provided during Morning Services from 9:45 A.M.*

*on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur*

## Worship Schedule



### Friday, September 5—FAMILY SHABBAT AND PICNIC

to be held at VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

IN LAS CRUCES on 2651 Roadrunner Parkway—members of all ages are welcome!!!!

5:30 pm FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE FOR ALL AGES

6:15 pm Potluck Dinner—HOT DOGS PROVIDED—please bring a non-dairy dish to share.

At 7:30 pm, there will be a regular Shabbat service in the sanctuary at Temple. *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Susan Lapid and Sally Alkon.*

### Saturday, September 6

9:00 am Talmud

10:15 am Shabbat Morning Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Ki Teitzei Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19

Haftarah Isaiah 54:1-54:10

### Friday, September 12

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service: INSTALLATION OF TEMPLE BOARD MEMBERS, SISTERHOOD COUNCIL AND MENSCH CLUB OFFICERS. *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the Swartz family.*

### Saturday, September 13

9:00 am Talmud

10:15 am Shabbat Morning Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Ki Tavo Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8

Haftarah Isaiah 60:1-60:22

### Friday, September 19

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Rabbi Karol will speak on "Standing Together." *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Sue Brown, Marieka Brown and Jeanne Abkes in memory of Emily Cohen.*

### Saturday, September 20

9:00 am Talmud

10:15 am Lay-led Service and Potluck Kiddush

Nitzavim-Vayeilech Deuteronomy 29:9-31:30

Haftarah Isaiah 61:10-63:9

### Saturday, September 20 - Selichot

7:30 pm Study/Discussion: "The Essence of Judaism" - What are the central values of our heritage? We will explore a classic rabbinic text and offer our own insights into this ongoing conversation!

8:45 pm Havdalah/Refreshments (Please bring a dessert to share)

9:30 pm Selichot Service

## High Holy Day Worship

Led by Rabbi Karol and assisted by Rabbi Emeritus Gerald Kane and congregants of Temple Beth-El

### Wednesday, September 24

8:00 pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Service

Rabbi Karol will speak on "WHO (are we)?"

Followed by Rosh Hashanah Oneg sponsored by Sisterhood.

### Thursday, September 25—Rosh Hashanah Morning

9:00 am Family Service

10:00 am Congregational Service

Rabbi Karol will speak on "WHAT (is required of us)?"

*Tashlich at Young Park will be held starting one hour after the end of the morning service.*

### Friday, September 26—Rosh Hashanah—Second Day

10:00 am Rosh Hashanah Morning Service, including a creative Shofar Service led by Leora Zeitlin

Followed by a Bagel Brunch sponsored by Rabbi Larry and Rhonda Karol and the Religious Practices Committee

### Friday, September 26—SHABBAT SHUVAH-5:45 pm

EARLY TIME: Shabbat Shuvah (Sabbath of Return) Service for Renewal of Spirit. *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Deanna Kes-sin on the occasion of her granddaughter becoming Bat Mitzvah on September 6 (others will host).*

### Saturday, September 27—SHABBAT SHUVAH

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Service and Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Haazinu Deuteronomy 23:1-52

Haftarah Shabbat Shuvah: Hosea 14:2-10,

Micah 7:18-20, Joel 2:15:27

### Sunday, September 28

1:00 pm Cemetery Services at the Jewish section of Las Cruces Masonic Cemetery (760 South Compress Rd., between El Molino Blvd. and Brown Rd.)

### Friday, October 3

8:00 pm Kol Nidrei/Erev Yom Kippur Service

Rabbi Karol will speak on: "WHY (are we here)?"

### Saturday, October 4

9:00 am Yom Kippur Family Service

10:00 am Yom Kippur Morning Service

Rabbi Karol will speak on: "HOW (can we repair the world)?"

1:00 pm Yom Kippur: A Time for Sharing

2:00 pm Yom Kippur Meditation led by David Fishman

3:00-4:10 pm Study with Rabbi Karol and Rabbi Kane

4:30 pm Yom Kippur Afternoon Service

5:45 pm Yom Kippur Yizkor and Neilah (6:30pm)

7:20 pm Break-the-Fast sponsored by Sisterhood

*Child care will be provided during Morning Services from 9:45 am on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur*

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2014-2015

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### RABBIS

Rabbi Lawrence P. Karol

Rabbi Gerald M. Kane, Rabbi Emeritus

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### TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Temple Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, September 30.



## Message from Rabbi Karol

“Impress these instructions upon your children. Recite them when you stay at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you get up.” This passage from Chapter six of the Book of Deuteronomy, one of the most familiar texts from the Torah, directs us

to impart our values to future generations.

A passage from the Talmud (Tractate Ta’anit 7a) asserts that this learning process can go both ways: “Rabbi Hanina says: ‘I have learned much from my teachers, more from my colleagues, but from my students most of all.’”

As we began a new Religious School year, our faculty and members of our Religious School committee created rules for school and classroom conduct based on sayings of the rabbis from the classic text Pirkei Avot. On the first day of Religious School on August 24, students developed their own rules, some also based on that ancient collection of rabbinic wisdom. See the original quotes from the rabbis that were used as a basis for some of these discussions on page 7.

**Here are standards from our students and teachers that can apply to us all and provide wisdom as we approach the beginning of 5775:**

### Kaitlyn Mead’s Pre-K/K Class

- Share
- Don’t bully.
- Let your friends come over and play nicely.
- Be kind to other people; give to one another.

### Sarah Mindlin’s 1st-2nd Grade Class

#### How we show KAVOD (honor/respect)

- Listen to the person who is talking, whether teacher or classmate.
- Respect your classmates; be kind to others.
- Help others.

### Rhonda Karol’s 3rd-4th Grade Class

#### Rules for COMMUNITY

- Think positive thoughts
- Respect everyone
- Work as a team so we can be stronger
- Be responsible for yourself and your belongings
- Listen while others are speaking.
- Be kind to your peers, your teachers and your environment.
- Use quiet voices and kind words.
- Apologize if you hurt someone’s feelings. Use your manners.

### Fifth-Sixth Grade Class (Christi Rubin led this discussion)

- Jewish study is important.
- Have respect for others and take study seriously.
- Be yourself. Be a good example for others. Follow others who are acting appropriately.
- Listen to people with knowledge.
- Have self-control; be understanding of others.
- Be a part of your community; think before you speak.
- Have respect for other people’s property.
- Be fair, tell the truth, be kind, be peaceful.
- Stand up for others.

### Rabbi Karol’s Machon Class (7th-10th Grade)

- Stay away from peers who are disrupting class and from bad situations (if you can).
- Find a friend to help guide you through life.
- Treat everyone with respect.
- Don’t be selfish, and take part in the community.
- Speak clearly so everyone understands you.
- Don’t procrastinate.
- Be proactive as a community member.

### From Religious School Faculty and Committee members

- Learn from everyone. People have different views and life experiences. Respect the wisdom of congregants of all ages.
- Do not join with a disruptive classmate. Move away if necessary. Work with students who help you learn and won’t distract you.
- Encourage classmates to study and bring Torah into their own lives. Be a friend. Let everyone play. Look for lonely students. Be inclusive.
- Take care of yourself. Remember that you are part of a team or group. Every day is a new start.
- Come and learn; act and speak kindly; bring your best self.
- Think about the other person before you get mad.
- Act kindly, speak kindly, treat everyone with compassion and respect for their individuality.
- Verify the story: there are two (or more) sides to everything.
- Kindness and peace within ourselves leads to peace in our community.
- Always include everyone (that means YOU as well) as part of the group.
- You know what it feels like to be hurt – don’t hurt others.
- Think before you speak; use your time wisely.
- Keep your hands to yourself
- Respect other peoples’ belongings.
- Listen when others are talking.
- Be kind with your body and your words.
- Treat others the way you want to be treated.

### And now, it’s YOUR turn.

- 1) Look at the quotes on page 7.
- 2) Choose a few or all of them and suggest rules for community life based on those sayings.
- 3) Send them to me by mail or at [rabbi@tblc.org](mailto:rabbi@tblc.org) by September 10.
- 4) Your comments will find their way (anonymously) into my Rosh Hashanah morning sermon, and I will list those who responded in the October Adelante newsletter.

Best wishes to everyone for a happy, healthy and productive 5775!!!!

L’shalom,

*Rabbi Larry K.*

See Rabbi Karol’s blog at [rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com](http://rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com).





### ***President's Report***

This is an exciting time of year for our temple community.

Religious School has just started with over 30 students attending. The Religious School Committee has done a professional and dedicated

job in planning for the new year.

We've had 2 B'nai Mitzvah celebrations, Veronica Bruder and Samuel Garcia-Bryce. They both should be very proud of themselves. If you did not attend these ceremonies, you missed special events. Aaron Hyman will follow in January.

Plans are being made for our High Holidays. We need everyone to participate in one way or another.

Sisterhood is still taking requests for challah and New Year's greetings. They will be contacting you for food for the Break the Fast and for the Rosh Hashanah oneg. If you cannot provide food, monetary donations help for the dishwashers, paper products etc.

The Religious Practices Committee is asking for our participation in the holiday services and for sending in your yizkor names including a donation to cover the cost of printing and supports Temple.

I know it's a lot to ask for at one time, but this is our big push for the year. So, I'm asking for a donation for the holidays in general. As you know by now, dues do not cover all of our expenses.

Please join us for the holidays. There is so much hostility toward the Jewish people in the world, come to a place where you are welcome because of who you are and who you represent. We need to make our ancestors proud and show solidarity, while all around us is negativity.

***Thank you,  
Dee Cook***



### **Brick Walkway Dedication**

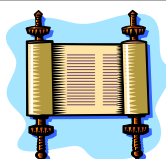
**Please note that the  
Brick Walkway Dedication  
will take place on  
Saturday evening,  
September 13, 2014 at 7:30 pm  
at Temple Beth-El.  
We will have a Havdalah service,  
our dedication and refreshments.**

**We apologize for any inconvenience that this  
change of date entailed for anyone.  
(You will want to cross off September 2nd on  
your calendar, the original date planned for  
this event)**

***The Biblical Garden and  
Brick Walkway Committee***

# ADULT EDUCATION

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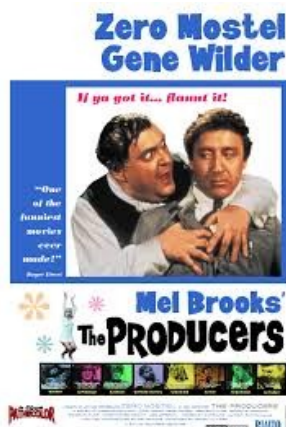


## TORAH STUDY (EXODUS):

Led by Rabbi Karol on Wednesdays  
at 10:15-11:20 am (on 9/3 & 9/10)

## 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.



The Mensch Club will  
present  
a screening of  
the 1967  
Mel Brooks Film  
"The Producers"  
on  
Sunday, September 14  
at 2:00 pm

## Saturday, September 20 Selichot



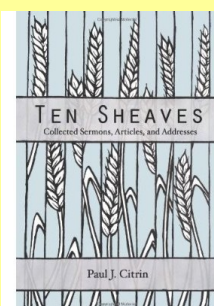
- 7:30 pm—Study/Discussion:  
"The Essence of Judaism" -  
What are the central values of  
our heritage? We will explore a classic rab-  
binic text and offer our own insights into this  
ongoing conversation!
- 8:45 pm—Havdalah/Refreshments (Please  
bring a dessert to share)
- 9:30 pm—Selichot Service (we will change  
the Torah covers to white before the service)

## Rabbi Paul Citrin to Speak at Temple Beth El



On Sunday, September 7 at  
2:00 P.M., Temple Beth-El  
will be proud to present  
Rabbi Paul Citrin, who will

speaking about his recently published book, *Ten Sheaves*. It is a collection of sermons, articles and public addresses written and delivered by Rabbi Paul Citrin over four decades of his rabbinic. He speaks about theological issues which Jews continue to struggle to answer: the nature of God, good and evil, our mortality. He also discusses the social and moral issues of our era as well as Zionism, Israel, mixed marriage and other issues of concern to the Jewish community. These pieces in *Ten Sheaves* still lend themselves to exploration of one's own thoughts and to lively communal discussion.



Rabbi Citrin served Temple Beth-El in 2008-2011.

A book signing will follow the talk and copies will be available for purchase. Refreshments will be served and donations are gratefully accepted.

## 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](mailto:sblapid@gmail.com) or  
Leora Zeitlin 639-4475, [lzeitlin@cs.nmsu.edu](mailto:lzeitlin@cs.nmsu.edu).



## Round Challah for the High Holidays!



Once again, the bakery at Fiesta Foods on Main Street will provide round challah to enhance the taste of your holiday meals. Choose a plain round challah, or one with raisins...or both!

Plain Round Challah

**\$6.00 each**

Round Challah with Raisins

**\$6.50 each**

**Order deadline is Tuesday, September 16**

Challah pick-up will be Tuesday, September 23, between 12 noon and 3:00 pm in the Temple kitchen

Please fill out the bottom of this form, and return, with your payment, to Temple marked for Sisterhood, by September 16. Thank you, and Shanah Tovah!

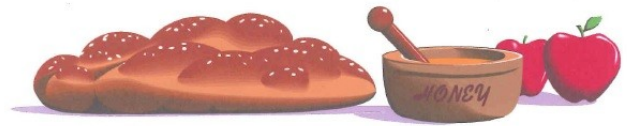
### Round Challah Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

# Plain \_\_\_\_\_ # Raisin \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_



## Send New Year's Greetings to your Temple Beth-El Family!

a project of Temple Beth-El Sisterhood

**Cost: \$18.00 per message**

**Due Date: Friday, September 12**

Please fill out the bottom of this form, and return, with your payment, to Temple, marked for Sisterhood, by September 12. Greetings booklet will be available at Rosh HaShanah Services.

Thank you, and Shanah Tovah!

Message (please print!)

From (please print!) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_ Cash

**Forms for Round Challah and New Year's Greetings (see above), sponsored by Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, are available at the Temple office or by email from Rabbi Karol. For more information, contact Sue Mazer (smazer2@q.com, 925-922-4481) or Rhonda Karol (sunflour55@aol.com). New Year's Greeting deadline is Friday, September 12. Challah order deadline is Tuesday, September 16.**

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

## COME SEE THE JUDAICA SHOP!

Notice that things look a little different in the Temple Beth-El Social Hall? That's because the Judaica Shop was moved from the Social Hall to the hallway near the front lobby of the Temple, to a place that was built specifically for the shop. You can now find the shop inside the hallway to the right, next to the Temple office, and across from the quiet room.

We want to give a special THANK YOU to TOM and DEBBIE LEVY for graciously giving their time and effort and for bringing a crew to help move the shop, and providing Gabe, the electrician, who installed the track lights that now shine on it.

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](mailto:sunflour55@aol.com) or Marieka Brown, [mariebro@nmsu.edu](mailto:mariebro@nmsu.edu).



### Jewish Rules to Live By

**Send your comments, paraphrases and personal interpretations of these statements to [rabbi@tblc.org](mailto:rabbi@tblc.org) by September 10.**

- Joshua ben Perachyah says: Find yourself a teacher. Get yourself a friend/study partner. And give everyone the benefit of the doubt. (Pirkei Avot 1:6)
- Nitai the Arbelite says: Keep yourself from a bad neighbor. Do not associate with a villain. (Pirkei Avot 1:7)
- Hillel says: Be a disciple of Aaron, loving peace and pursuing peace, loving people and drawing them to the Torah. (Pirkei Avot 1:12)
- Hillel would say: If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? If not now, when? (Pirkei Avot 1:14)
- Shammai says: Make your Torah a fixed routine. Say little, and do much. Greet everyone with a cheerful countenance. (Pirkei Avot 1:15)
- Rabbi Eliezer says: Let your friend's honor be as dear to you as your own. Do not be easily angered. (Pirkei Avot 2:10)
- Rabban Simeon ben Gamaliel says, The world is sustained by three things: by justice, by truth, and by peace. (Pirkei Avot 1:18)
- Hillel says: Do not separate yourself from the community. Do not judge your friends until you are in their place. Say nothing that cannot be understood [at once], supposing that in the end it will be understood. And do not say, "When I have time I will study"—you may never have any time. (Pirkei Avot 2:4)
- Rabbi Yose says: Let your friend's property be as dear to you as your own. Discipline yourself to learn Torah, for it is not something you automatically inherit. And let your every deed be for the sake of heaven. (Pirkei Avot 2:12)
- Ben Zoma says: Who is wise? One who learns from every person. Who is strong? One who shows self-control. Who is rich? One who is content with what he/she has. Who is respected/honored? One who respects/honors others. (Pirkei Avot 4:1)

### First Day of Religious School August 24, 2014





## Israel Roundtable on August 17, 2014



### Temple Beth-El's Second Annual

## *Temple Tee Time Tournament at Red Hawk Golf Course* **Sunday, November, 2, 2014**



**11:00 a.m. Registration**

**12:00 p.m. Shotgun Start Tee-Off**

Temple Beth-El is hosting its second annual golf tournament, the Temple Tee Time Tournament at Red Hawk Golf Course on Sunday, November 2, 2014 in Las Cruces.

Registration will start at 11:00 a.m. at the clubhouse. The format will be a four-person best ball team scramble, which means each player gets to take a shot from their team's previous best shot.

We will have a \$10,000 hole-in-one contest, longest drive and closest-to-the-pin contests, and raffles with ample prizes following the tournament. Mulligans and raffle tickets can be purchased at registration and throughout the tournament. A fajita dinner is included with registration.

The entry fee per team (4 persons) includes a golf cart and dinner. There will be slots for up to 36 teams. Special recognition will be given to businesses or individuals who want to be sponsors or provide donations. Your business or individual name will be advertised at a tee box and in the Temple Beth-El newsletter.



## JEWISH FEDERATION OF NEW MEXICO TO CONDUCT FIRST STATE-WIDE SURVEY OF JEWISH COMMUNITY

### *Study to Help Reveal Jewish Demographic in New Mexico*

**Albuquerque, N.M. – September 2, 2014** – The Jewish Federation of New Mexico, an Albuquerque-based, multifaceted social service organization that serves the needs of New Mexico's Jewish community through leadership, philanthropy, education and social action, announces today the launch of the first comprehensive state-wide survey to determine the demographic composition of New Mexico's Jewish community at [jewishsurveynm.org](http://jewishsurveynm.org).

"We are thrilled to launch our first survey to better understand the Jewish community in New Mexico and assess their current and future needs," said Sam Sokolove, executive director of the Jewish Federation of New Mexico. "The results of the survey will help the state's Jewish agencies, congregations and communal organizations to more effectively serve the Jewish population for years to come."

The study, which commences today, is being conducted by Marina Arbetman-Rabinowitz, Ph.D. and Kupersmit Research, a Denver-based research firm that specializes in customized research, and provides cutting-edge tools and technologies to better assess diverse populations. It will include a two-phased process to determine attitudes and behaviors, and to identify groups requiring specific communal services.

The survey will be launched on Tuesday, September 2nd with telephone calls from the research company. The survey will go live online on Wednesday, September 10th. Members will be able to access the website and take the important survey at that time. Mailed questionnaires and telephone calls to a sample of New Mexico residents with Jewish surnames and other sources will be conducted to maximize reach. "It is important for everyone to complete the first phase of the survey to help us assess the needs of New Mexico's Jewish residents," said Marina Arbetman-Rabinowitz, Ph.D., New Mexico project consultant for the survey.

Once the results of the survey are received, the second phase of the study will be introduced. Phase two will consist of focus group research and interviews. It will allow for a more detailed depiction of the Jewish communities' patterns and behaviors, and how they differ among age, gender, affiliated and unaffiliated individuals. "We expect the results of the landmark survey to be truly transformational and provide a picture of the affiliated and unaffiliated Jewish households in New Mexico. The data will help us better recognize the challenges and barriers New Mexico Jews have faced, as well as their motivations and aspirations," said Arbetman-Rabinowitz.

The history of Judaism in New Mexico stretches from the colonial period to the present day. Many of the first settlers were crypto-Jews who escaped the Spanish Inquisition in the

16th and 17th centuries; but the community, which openly practiced Judaism, started with 19th century German merchants who eventually settled in Las Vegas, Santa Fe and Albuquerque. Although the Jewish community of New Mexico is concentrated in the larger cities, smaller communities such as Roswell and Las Cruces have seen the birth of synagogues and Jewish organizations. "The Jews of New Mexico have had an extraordinary impact on the history of the state and the cultural, political, business and social lives of people living in the Land of Enchantment," said Sokolove. "The results of the survey will help us plan for the future of our community as it expands throughout the state."

### ISRAEL UPDATE

#### MIDDLE EAST REPORTING: THE GOOD, BAD AND THE UGLY by Phil Alkon

Media attention of the Israel Hamas war has exposed us to an onslaught of news coverage that I would characterize as moderately to blatantly anti-Israel, with a very few sources of objective to marginally sympathetic reporting. The most ugly of the lot to my mind are the *BBC*, *Guardian* and most British newspapers, joined by the gray old lady, herself, the *New York Times*. British media has long adopted the "Israel can never be right, Palestinians never be wrong" mantra, so that source of Israel demonization was not surprising. The NYT's voluntary enlistment in the "Israelis are the oppressors and Palestinians are the victims" camp has been noticeable for some time. It reached a crescendo (or nadir) in the Gaza conflict thanks to their newest Israel-based correspondent, Judy Ruderon, who does not even pretend a veneer of objectivity in her slanted anti-Israel coverage. With the Times leading the way, the "Israel must be to blame" assumption has, in fact, enveloped much of the national and international press. For those interested in objective news coverage, I recommend starting with two web sources: *Times of Israel* ([www.timesofisrael.com](http://www.timesofisrael.com)) for solid reporting on all the latest news from Israel, warts and all; and *Al-Monitor: the Pulse of the Middle East* ([www.al-monitor.com](http://www.al-monitor.com)), for solid coverage on the entire region, including Israel. As for TV coverage, I started watching CNN for what I hoped would be a balanced take on Gaza, but its overall coverage has vacillated from moderately bad to ugly. The only two Middle East commentators I can now take seriously, both on PBS, are Fareed Zakaria of *GPS* and Margaret Warner of the *PBS NewsHour*. Finally, for all of you interested in a rigorous evaluation of Israel coverage in print and broadcast media, I urge you to subscribe to and support *Honest Reporting* ([www.honestreporting.com](http://www.honestreporting.com)). They not only cast a sharp, focused light on the bad and the ugly, they also actually get them to publically apologize and correct their stories. We really need them



Camp Oranim, sponsored by Congregation Albert of Albuquerque, was held at Camp Stoney in Santa Fe on July 31-August 3. Ben Carvlin, Sadie Carvlin, Mateo Garcia-Bryce, Sam Garcia-Bryce, and Jacob Saltman from Temple Beth-El attended. Rabbi Larry and Rhonda Karol visited the camp for Havdalah on August 2. Rabbi Karol joined Rabbi Harry Rosenfeld and Cantor Barbara Finn (see above) for an annual “clergy pose.” Below, Rabbis Karol and Rosenfeld lead campers and staff in the Havdalah service.



*From our homes  
to yours,  
we wish you  
a happy  
and healthy 5775!  
L'shalom,*

*Rabbi Larry, Rhonda  
and Adam Karol  
Rabbi Jerry and Cyrille Kane*

## ***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](mailto:philipalkon@gmail.com) or 575-524-6945) for further information.

#### **Upcoming Talks**

- September 3-Vince Gutschick-“The Future Energy Mix”
- September 10-Marcy Hundley -“Discovering my Sephardic Roots”
- September 17-Judy Lazarus Yellon-“Bombing Southern New Mexico in WWII”
- No breakfast on September 24

### **MENSCH CLUB**



For more information about meetings and events (see September 14 film), contact Dave Zeemont at 523-0913 or email at [mudjob@earthlink.net](mailto:mudjob@earthlink.net)



**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

## **High Holy Day Food Drive**

The Beth-El Temple Youth (BETY) will again be collecting non-perishable food items for our annual food drive for Casa de Peregrinos. There will be grocery bags available during the High Holy Days at Temple to take home and fill with non-perishable food items (canned foods, boxed foods, etc.).

Please return the bag to Temple Beth-El by Yom Kippur on October 4th.



### 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 David Fishman, whose painting, "Great Bird" took first place in the Standard Works division of the 31st Annual International Juried Art show at the Roswell Museum. The painting will be featured on the cover of the September issue of Ink! Magazine.

Additional images can be seen on David's web site: [www.davidfishmanart.com](http://www.davidfishmanart.com)

## Tzedakah Opportunities at TBE Giving to Casa de Peregrinos & El Caldito

*The food for September*

*for Casa de Peregrinos is canned fruit of all kinds*

*Foods for September for El Caldito are*

*Tuna fish, rice, pasta and peas. El Caldito also needs jars with lids and plastic bags.*

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.



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

## Donations through August 25, 2014

### General Fund

- Gerie and Stan Muchnikoff, in memory of Rea Bienstock
- Sally Sicherman, in honor of Shana Sicherman and Raymond and Gertrude Gellerman
- Lila Ziegler, in memory of Sarah Meltzer Smalley, mother of Alison Mann
- Ann Hansen, in memory of Joseph J. Rosenfeld
- Adele and Morris Silverman, in memory of Sarah Smalley, mother of Alison Mann
- Hector Magallanes
- Gilbert and Becca Krebs
- Grace Hammesfahr, in honor of Nina and Irv Rothman
- Bill & Anne Spier, in memory of Sarah Meltzer Smalley, mother of Alison Mann
- Marty & Bonnie Colton, in memory of Sarah Meltzer Smalley, mother of Alison Mann
- Harriett & Irv Wolf, in memory of Sarah Meltzer Smalley, mother of Alison Mann
- Michael & Barbara Mandel, in memory of Nathan & Harriet Mandel and David Williamson
- Lila Ziegler, in honor of Veronica Bruder's Bat Mitzvah and in memory of Tillie, Sol & Morton Brandt

### Building Fund

- Betty Rosse, in memory of the Kaplan Family

### Batkin Scholarship

- Ellen Torres, in memory of Marion Deutschman, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of her passing

### Library Fund

- Frances Williams, in memory of Sarah Smalley, mother of Alison Mann. May her memory be a blessing.

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- Abraham and Amy Fiszbein, in memory of Celilia Guller
- Bernice Langner, in memory of Jennie Wagman Freeman and Samuel Freeman
- Burton and Vera Schwartz, in memory of Harry M. Schwartz
- Leonard Pritikin, in memory of Geneva Pritikin
- Cherri Hudson-Brown and Jeff Brown, in memory of Gloria Hudson
- The Hyman Family, in honor of Veronica Bruder's Bar Mitzvah

### Rabbi Gerald M. Kane Adult Education Fund

- Rabbi Jerry and Cyrille Kane, in memory of Sarah Smalley and Paul Lerner; in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Veronica Bruder and the Bar Mitzvah of Sam Garcia-Bryce

### 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, Bill Stein.



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.



**Yahrzeits-August 31 through October 4, 2014****Read on Friday, September 5****and Saturday, September 6**

Irving Batkin\*

Lulu Dimig, Grandmother of Debbie Levy

Alex Gluck, Uncle of Ann Hansen

Bella Goldberg, Grandmother of Rabbi Gerald Kane

Millie Greenberg, Aunt of Cyrille Kane

Eve Holzman\*

Jane Abrams Hurwitz, Mother of Susan Fitzgerald

Abraham Dov Kaplan, Uncle of Betty Rosse

Chia Shayna Kaplan, Aunt of Betty Rosse

Dina Kaplan, Grandmother of Betty Rosse

Isser Kaplan, Grandfather of Betty Rosse

Maria Kaplan, Aunt of Betty Rosse

Yossel Kaplan, Uncle of Betty Rosse

Rose Lieberman Hodess, Mother of Michael Lieberman

Albert Petrowski\*

Samuel Pomerantz\*, Father of Abe Pomerantz

Geneva Pritikin\*, Wife of Leonard Pritikin

Samuel Rice\*

Martin Steinman\*

Sidney Waldman\*

Zarah Williamson, Father of Barbara Mandel

Isadore Frank\*

Beth Lawrence, Cousin of David Zeemont

Ted Levy, Father of Tom Levy

Nathan Siegel\*

Arthur Winard, Cousin of Bea Klein

**Read on Friday, October 3****and Saturday, October 4**

Iylene Caplan, Mother of Betty Rosse

Yetta Feldman\*

Samuel Freeman, Father of Bernice Langner

Thomas Gatkin\*

Blanche Geisinger, Mother of Ruth Ann Sugarman

Martin Greenfield\*

Ralph Holzman\*

Bernard Kottler, Uncle of Marsha San Filippo

Anna Lampert\*, Mother of Gabriel Lampert

Richard Meltzer, Husband of Colette Meltzer

Martin Muffs\*, Brother of Carol Bernstein

Sidney Muffs\*, Father of Carol Bernstein

Viki Slack, Cousin of Stefani Singer

Rose Sommers\*, Great-Aunt of Frances Williams

Sam Sommers\*, Great-Uncle of Frances Williams

**Read on Friday, September 12 and****Saturday, September 13**

Thomas E Bell, son of Joseph Bell

Irv Dworsky\*

Morris Feldman\*

Morris Goldberg, Grandfather of Rabbi Gerald Kane

Ethel Kreps\*

Bessie Pass, Mother of William Pass

Donald David Stern\*

**Read on Friday, September 19 and****Saturday, September 20**

Fabian Bissonette, Father of Lynn Berkeley

Sylvia Blumkin\*

Zellie Capin, Brother-in-law of Bea Klein

Shirley Fisher, Mother of Barry Fisher

Donald Gantert, Father of Susi Kolikant

Shari Kandel, Niece of Teddy Weinglass

Joseph Karol, Father of Rabbi Larry Karol

Helen Rothman, Mother of Irv Rothman

Samuel Smalley, Father of Alison Mann

**Read on Friday, September 26****and Saturday, September 27**

Shepley Backman, Father of Judy Kirschner

Louis Berkeley, Father of Arthur Berkeley

Emily Cohen, Mother of Susan Brown, Grandmother of

Marieka Brown

***The Temple Beth-El Family******extends condolences to:******Dia and Mel Taylor, on the death of Dia's grandson, Jacy Walpole, on August 4, 2014.******May his memory 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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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Elul 5	Elul 6 1	Elul 7 2 Knitting Group 10:15 am	Elul 8 3 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm Choir 7:00 pm	Elul 9 4	Elul 10 5 FAMILY SHABBAT Service and Picnic Potluck Dinner at Veteran's Memorial Park at 5:30 pm Service at Temple at 7:30 pm	Elul 11 6 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Elul 12 7 Religious School 9:00 am Talk by Rabbi Paul Citrin—2:00 pm	Elul 13 8	Elul 14 9 Knitting Group 10:15 am	Elul 15 10 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm Choir 7:00 pm	Elul 16 11 Sisterhood Council 6:30 pm	Elul 17 12 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm INSTALLATION SHABBAT	Elul 18 13 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am Brick Walkway Dedication 7:30pm
Elul 19 14 Religious School 9:00 am Mensch Club Film "The Producers" 2:00 pm	Elul 20 15	Elul 21 16 Knitting Group 10:15 am	Elul 22 17 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm Choir 7:00 pm	Elul 23 18	Elul 24 19 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	Elul 25 20 Talmud Study 9am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am SELICHOT Study at 7:30 pm Havdalah at 8:45pm Selichot at 9:30 pm
Elul 26 21 Religious School 9:00 am	Elul 27 22	Elul 28 23 Knitting Group 10:15 am	Elul 29 24 No Wednesday Breakfast  ROSH HASHANAH Evening Service 8:00 pm Oneg Following	Tishrei 1 25 ROSH HASHANAH 1ST DAY 9:00am Family Service 10:00 am Morning Service Tashlich at Young Park one hour after morning service ends	Tishrei 2 26 ROSH HASHANAH 2ND DAY—10:00 am Rosh Hashanah Morn- ing Service followed by Bagel Brunch  SHABBAT SHUVAH SERVICE 5:45 PM (Early time)	Tishrei 3 27 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Shuvah Morning Service 10:15 am
Tishrei 4 28 Religious School 9:00 am Cemetery Service Masonic Cemetery 1:00 pm	Tishrei 5 29	Tishrei 6 30 Knitting Group 10:15 am  Board Meeting 7:00 pm	Tishrei 7 Oct. 1 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm	Tishrei 8 2	Tishrei 9 3 Kol Nidre Erev Yom Kippur Service 8:00 pm	Tishrei 10 4 YOM KIPPUR 9am Family service 10am Morning Srvc 1pm Sharing 2pm Meditation 3pm Rabbis' Study 4:30 pm Afternoon 5:45 pm Yizkor Neilah 7:20 Break-the-fast

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