



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

OCTOBER 2015 (TISHREI-CHESHVAN 5776)



Shabbat Services (Full Schedule on Page 2) Friday, October 2

**SHABBAT SUKKOT UNDER THE STARS
AT VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK—** Service at
6:00 pm, followed by a potluck picnic dinner—hot
dogs provided—please bring a non-dairy dish to
share! **THERE WILL BE NO**

7:30 PM SERVICE ON OCTOBER 2!!!!

- Friday, October 9-Shabbat Service at 7:30 pm
- Friday, October 16-Shabbat Service at 7:30 pm
- Friday, October 23-Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit-7:30 pm
- Friday, October 30-Shabbat Service at 7:30 pm

Saturdays

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

SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday, October 4

5:30 pm Potluck Dinner

6:30 pm Simchat Torah Service

Monday, October 5

10:00 am Simchat Torah/Yizkor Service, followed by “Bagels with fixings” Kiddush



See Page 5 for more information on:

- **The Creativity for Peace speakers program at Temple on Wednesday, October 14.**
- **Rabbi Karol’s Judaism: Roots and Rituals class which begins on October 20.**
- **Jim Rosenthal’s Fall Book Group which begins in late October.**

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The Legacy of Ernest Thompson Seton – Internationally Acclaimed Artist, Naturalist, and Co-founder of the Boy Scouts of America Sunday, October 11, 2015 at 2:00 pm at Temple Beth El

On October 11, 2015 at 2:00 pm, Julie Seton will present a lecture on the life and legacy of Ernest Thompson Seton, her grandfather. Seton was a celebrated Naturalist in the early 20th century and received the John Burroughs



Medal for Natural History and the Daniel Giraud Elliot Award for Zoology. He was a best-selling author, writing stories about animals and establishing the genre of the Realistic Animal Story that was popular in the early 1900’s. Seton was also a co-founder of the Boy Scouts of America and the founder of the Woodcraft League, an organization that is still vibrant in England and the Czech Republic. Learn how these accomplishments were achieved by a man who possessed a deep passion for the protection and appreciation of the natural world. Copies of E.T. Seton’s Trail of an Artist: Naturalist and Gospel of the Red-man will be on sale at a special event price.

This event is sponsored by the Temple Beth-El Adult Education Committee. Refreshments will be served and donations are gratefully accepted.

**See page 7 for information on
the 2015 Matzo Ball Open,
TBE’s 3rd annual
golf tournament on
Sunday, October 25!**



Worship Schedule

Please note: All 7:30 pm services will include either a Torah reading and a sermon/d'var torah, a brief discussion based on the Torah portion, a compilation of prayers and/or songs on the theme of the Torah portion, or a brief d'var Torah that offers an insight based on the parashah for the week.

Friday, October 2 SHABBAT SUKKOT UNDER THE STARS AND PICNIC to be held at VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK IN LAS CRUCES on 2651 Roadrunner Parkway—members of all ages are welcome!!!!

6:00 pm SHABBAT SUKKOT SERVICE FOR ALL AGES
6:45 pm Potluck Picnic Dinner—HOT DOGS PROVIDED—
please bring a non-dairy dish to share.

Mark Saltman will represent the Board of Trustees.

No 7:30 pm service on October 2.

Saturday, October 3

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat Sukkot morning service & Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Shabbat Sukkot Exodus 33:12-34:26
Haftarah Ezekiel 38:18-39:16

Sunday, October 4 -SIMCHAT TORAH

5:30 pm Potluck Dinner/6:30 pm Simchat Torah Service

Monday, October 5

10:00 am Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah and Yizkor Service,
“Bagels with Fixings” Kiddush following
Torah Deuteronomy 34 and Genesis 1:1-2:3
Haftarah First Kings 8:54-66

Friday, October 9

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service. Rabbi Karol will speak on
“Where are You?” *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Ruth Rubin
and Dia Taylor. Ann Berkson will represent the Board of
Trustees.*

Saturday, October 10

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat Morning Service and Potluck Kiddush
Parashat B'reisheet Genesis 1:1-6:8
Haftarah Isaiah 42:5-43:10

Friday, October 16

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Rabbi Karol will speak
on “The Blessing of Diversity.” *Oneg Shabbat sponsored by
Sally Alkon and Avis Lewis. Monika Kimball will represent
the Board of Trustees.*

Saturday, October 17

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat Morning Service and Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Noach Genesis 6:9 - 11:32
Haftarah Isaiah 54:1-55:5

Friday, October 23

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 Paula Kramer & Brenda Parish. Paul
Feil will represent the Board of Trustees.*

Saturday, October 24

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat Morning Service and Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Lech L'cha Genesis 12:1-17:27
Haftarah Isaiah 40:27-41:16

Friday, October 30

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening service—Rabbi Karol will
speak on “Predictions and Promises.” *Oneg Shabbat
sponsored by Win Jacobs and Linda Kruger. Diane
Fleishman will represent the Board of Trustees.*

Saturday, October 31

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat Morning Service and Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Vayeira Genesis 18:1-22:24
Haftarah II Kings 4:1-37

Friday, November 6

6:00 pm Family Shabbat Service led by Marieka Brown
6:40 pm Dairy/Vegetarian Potluck Shabbat Dinner
7:30 pm Lay-led Shabbat service
Mark Saltman will represent the Board of Trustees.

Saturday, November 7

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Lay-led Shabbat Morning Service
Parashat Chayei Sarah Genesis 23:1-25:18
Haftarah First Kings 1:1-31

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**The next Board of Trustees Meeting will be held
on Thursday, October 22 at 7pm.**



Message from Rabbi Karol

Earlier this year, I read *ON HEAVEN AND EARTH*, a book chronicling the ongoing dialogue between Pope Francis (while he was still in Argentina) and Rabbi Abraham Skorka. Pope Francis began his introduction to the book with a poignant statement about interreligious dialogue: "Rabbi Abraham Skorka, in one of his earlier writings, made reference to the facade of the Metropolitan Cathedral (see photo) that depicts the encounter between Joseph and his brothers. Decades of misunderstandings converge in that embrace. There is weeping among them and also an endearing question: Is my father still alive? During the times of national organization, this was the image they proposed, and not without reason. It represented the longing for a reuniting of Argentinians. This scene aims to work to establish a 'culture of encounter;' instead it seems that we are seduced into dispersion and the abysses that history has created. At times, we are better able to identify ourselves as builders of walls than as builders of bridges. We lack the embrace, the weeping and the question about the father, for our patrimony, for the roots of our Fatherland. There is an absence of dialogue."



"Is it true that we Argentinians do not want dialogue? I would not say it that way. Rather, I think that we succumb to attitudes that do not permit us to dialogue: domination, not knowing how to listen, annoyance in our speech, preconceived judgments and so many others. Dialogue is born from a respectful attitude toward the other person, from a conviction that the other person has something good to say. It supposes that we can make room in our heart for their point of view, their opinion and their proposals. Dialogue entails a warm reception and not a preemptive condemnation. To dialogue, one must know how to lower defenses, to open the doors of one's home and offer warmth. There are many barriers in everyday life that impede dialogue: misinformation, gossip, prejudices, defamation and slander. All of these realities make up a certain cultural sensationalism that drowns out any possibility of openness to others. Thus, dialogue and encounter falter. But the facade of the Cathedral (with its depiction of the reconciliation between Joseph and his brothers) is still there, like an invitation."

It was fortuitous that Pope Francis' visit to the United States ended on September 27 with a surprise blessing of a sculpture commissioned by the Institute for Catholic-Jewish relations at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia. The keynote speaker at the dedication on September 25 was



Rabbi Abraham Skorka, who had likely coordinated the timing of the ceremony to coincide with the Pope's presence in Philadelphia. The sculpture, "Synagoga and Ecclesia in Our Time," depicted two women sitting next to each other. As reported at *Forward.com*, "One holds a book, and the other a scroll, and

they are looking at each other's sacred texts in mutual respect. The work was designed to counter a medieval motif depicting the triumph of Christianity over Judaism. In the ancient sculptures, found in churches all over Europe, the Christian "Ecclesia" stands proudly, wearing a crown, while the defeated "Synagoga," is blindfolded by a serpent, her staff broken, her tablets slipping from her hand. The pedestal of the new sculpture (created by sculptor Joshua Koffman) bears a quote from Pope Francis, 'There exists a rich complementarity between the Church and the Jewish people that allows us to help one another mine the riches of God's word.'"

The connection with Sukkot that came to mind for me is in the rabbinic explanation of the significances of the willow branch, one of the natural symbols of this festival which the Torah calls *HECHAG, THE HOLIDAY*. In his prayerbook *Gates of Joy*, Rabbi Chaim Stern



expressed the meaning of the willow in this way: "The willow's shape is like a lip. It says: Sing and smile; say words that are tender and kind. Let all who hear you be blessed!"



On Pope Francis' first full day in the United States on September 24, he took part in an interfaith service at the 9/11 memorial. Later that day, Rhonda and I visited Rose Hill Cemetery in Kansas City, Missouri, to pay our respects to my parents, Joseph and Ruth Karol. Standing right next to the grave of my dad is a "weeping willow" tree. Even that particular willow tree is connected with the importance of words, because my father was a wordsmith in his work for the United States Army Corps of Engineers. He taught my brother and me how to effectively use words in essays, papers for school and, yes, even sermons. My father also served as an advisor to the "We Speak for Judaism" Panel of our Temple Youth Group, in which both my brother and I participated, which visited local churches to teach about Judaism. During those programs, the words we used and the way we answered questions posed to us served as a way of building bridges. Each panel presentation reflected the spirit of Pope Francis' reflection on respectful conversation and represented a moment of at least some degree of warm reconciliation.

Words and the way we use them are fundamental to creating and sustaining positive relationships with our fellow community members. So may we always remember to speak words that are tender and kind, words that open doors and offer warmth, words that offer an invitation to deeper understanding and friendship.

L'shalom,
Rabbi Larry K.

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



President's Message October 2015

"How good and how pleasant it is when we get together." These words from the Psalmist, slightly altered, came to life during the High Holy Days at Temple Beth-El. It was indeed pleasant to see so many of our temple family smiling, hugging, and

wishing each other a good new year.

Many congregants who attended the Yom Kippur Kol Nidre service reacted positively to my speech which preceded the religious service, and I would like the message to be heard by those who were not there that night. While a script is not the same as a speech, I hope that the sentiment of my intention is conveyed through the text.

Erev Yom Kippur

September 22, 2015, 9 Tishrei 5776

President's Message

On this special night, - a time of repentance, a time for renewal of spirit and a fresh start, I want to make an appeal of a different kind. I want to talk to you about the importance of community and how the concept applies to this house of prayer, no matter how religious or secular your orientation.

We read in reputable studies that fewer Jews are affiliating with synagogues, and Las Cruces is no exception. We are a city where numerous members of the Jewish Mishpacha are unaffiliated. That became apparent to me at our well attended Jewish Food and Folk Festival where many of our guests commented enthusiastically on food items they have missed since leaving the East Coast. They were manifestly pleased that we were offering them a "taste of home." Why is it, I wondered, that these unaffiliated Jews in search of "a taste of home" failed to recognize our temple as their potential Jewish "home" in a larger sense?

As you know, this is a town without a JCC, but our temple can offer a place to enjoy the company of fellow Jews, eating Jewish foods, and sharing Jewish stories and traditions. I wholeheartedly believe that community is what ensures the continuation of the Jewish people -- and in this town, it is Temple Beth-El that offers the fellowship and support needed for Jewish survival in good, as well as difficult, times. Our temple is here for spiritual nourishment, for Jewish education for the young, and in a modest way, it serves as a mini JCC through our programming. The Wednesday Breakfast comes to mind; so do the Adult Education programs which are chosen for enjoyment and the continuing education of our congregants, not only for members, but also for others in the larger Las Cruces community. That is the reason we advertise these events in the local media. Add to that the Knitting Group, Women's

Spirituality Group, Sisterhood, Mensch Club, and Jim Rosenthal's popular Book Group. The vibrant joy, goodwill, and fellowship at these gatherings attest to the fact that in community, we are stronger, happier, and more in tune with our mission. Obviously, the services we offer could be more numerous and varied if we were able to attract and welcome more unaffiliated Jews. The reasons for their current lack of interest in the temple probably vary greatly, but that really doesn't matter. What does matter, I think, is that we have brothers and sisters in the larger community who would benefit from being affiliated with us, culturally and religiously. And - needless to say - we would benefit from having them as an integral part of our family of congregants. Their presence among us can revitalize our local community and ultimately benefit the Jewish People as a whole.

Why am I telling you this, when we are here to celebrate Yom Kippur and the conclusion of the Jewish High Holidays? I'm telling you this, because I would like for you to consider this new year, 5776, a year in which we all help bring more of our people back into the Jewish fold. With rising anti-semitism globally, Jews all over the world including the US, must stand united, and as in ancient times, the synagogue is the uniting force.

Presently we have volunteers who, while not members of the temple, are volunteering their time and services. Others are contributing financially even though they are not necessarily religious. Our gratitude goes out to them. I would venture to say that there are many more such members of our "family" in the area whom we would like to welcome, and I need your help to make that happen. We all know someone who might fit the description. So become involved in your Shul -- there's much happiness and personal gratification to be gained! I know of which I speak!

So, why not extend an invitation to them-- no strings attached, no membership required -- just come, get to know us and enjoy our community. And let me know if I can be of help. Obviously, if your Foundlings ultimately wanted to become members, and more importantly if the spiritual sparks in their souls were ignited, it would be a magnificent success for our Membership Chair. Please don't misunderstand me, this is not just a social club, and as for me, G-D is the most important aspect of the temple, but there are folks who do not necessarily feel this way, and all I am saying is: They are welcome at Temple Beth-El. Please help to spread the word.

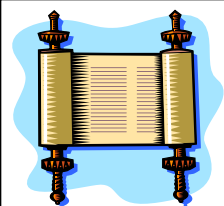
That is my New Year's plea to you.

Shana Tova U-G'mar Chatimah Tova! A Good New Year, and may you be inscribed in the book of life.

Monika Kimball

ADULT EDUCATION

Culture תורה Holidays עברית Customs

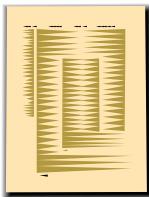


TORAH STUDY (EXODUS):

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.



**The Creativity for Peace
Young Leaders Speaking Tour
will visit Temple Beth-El on
Wednesday, October 14, 2015
at 7:00 pm.**

Speakers will include:

NURAN

who is 18 years old and is from Jaffa.

JOHANNA, who is 19 years old. She was born in Nazareth and grew up in a Kibbutz in northern Israel.

SARAH, who is 20 years old and is from Nablus.

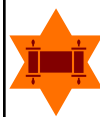
Please join us as these young women discuss the impact of the Creativity for Peace Summer Camp program on their views about overcoming prejudice and working for peace.

**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.



Judaism: Roots and Rituals An Introduction to Judaism presented by Rabbi Larry Karol

A 12-week course on selected Tuesday nights
at 7:30-9:00 pm—Meeting on October 20 and 27
November 10, 17 and 24; December 1, 8, and 15
January 5, 12, 19 and 26

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 rabbikarol@tblc.org.

Dear fellow Temple Beth-El fiction lovers:

A brand new short story group, featuring the elegant and insightful writing of Edith Pearlman, will begin on Monday, October 19 at 10 a.m. and continue for six weeks.

We will read and discuss Pearlman's stories from her latest anthology entitled "Honeydew." It's available in paperback in all the usual places, including Amazon, which describes her as an author who "writes with warmth about the predicaments of being human." Pearlman, whose "Binocular Vision" collection of short stories kept us riveted a while ago, was born in Rhode Island, graduated from Radcliffe, and has been writing fiction and non-fiction for long time. The 79-year-old writer has won oodles of big literary awards and "Honeydew" is longlisted for the 2015 National Book Award. She lives in Brookline, Mass., has two children and a grandson.

Here's a sample of the reaction to "Honeydew" –

"...Cheever, Paley, Spark: these, I realize, are some big names. But Pearlman deserves the comparisons, and this is the point toward which I've been meandering: Pearlman is our greatest living American short story writer, and 'Honeydew' is her best collection yet." - Boston Globe

"We write in a culture that favors the heft of the novel. Better still if the novel in question is large enough to be wielded interchangeably as a doorstop and a weapon. To commit oneself wholly to the short story, as Edith Pearlman has done, suggests not only a gift for exploding the boundaries of the form, but something of a contrarian spirit. And where on earth would literature be without its great contrarians? Nowhere good. If 'Binocular Vision' launched Pearlman, rightly, into the spotlight, 'Honeydew' should cement her reputation as one of the most essential short story visionaries of our time." - New York Times

You get the picture. You can read more about her on line. If you love fiction, you won't want to miss this opportunity to engage with one of our major Jewish-American writers. As always, it would be helpful if you would confirm your interest in attending with an email or call so that I can create a mailing list which I will use for updates, assignments, comments etc. I will assign our first story soon.

This series is sponsored by the temple's Adult Education Program and a small \$18 fee goes to support future programs.

Questions? Call me at 522-6478 or email me at jar529@gmail.com Hope to see you in the social hall at 10 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 19. As always, I will make the coffee!

Jim Rosenthal

What is Meaningful to You about Being a Member of Temple Beth-El?

Several months ago, Rabbi Karol sent out an email questionnaire asking what is meaningful to each of you about being a member of Temple Beth-El. He got an excellent number of replies, and has already shared from the pulpit some of the specific responses that were given. The board looked at the responses a bit further and found four general categories of meaning that congregants found for being members here. These are, in order of importance:

- A Sense of Community
- Faith/Spirituality
- Learning/Study/Education
- Appreciation of Social Action/Justice

Most congregants said they are members of the temple because it gives them a sense of community, camaraderie, fellowship and a connection with other Jews. (50)

The next highest number of responses was in the category of faith, worship and spirituality (25), although the number of responses were half of the number of responses about a sense of community. The number of responses to learning and education (16) and social action (10) were each also mentioned, but in fewer numbers.

The newest members, and the longest members provided the most responses almost equally (43 and 50 responses). It should also be noted that, as part of the individual responses, there were some outstanding compliments paid to our rabbi.

The Board of Trustees would like to explore this a bit more with the entire congregation. We will soon send out another email again including this information and the explanation asking for more information about what these four categories mean specifically to each of you for whom they are meaningful.



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):

Rabbi Larry Karol, Stuart Kelter, Leora Zeitlin, Dee Cook, Joe Bell, Tanah Hemingway, Monika Kimball, Jerry Nachison, Brenda Parish, Terri Sugarman, Ruth Rubin, Erich Zameret, Rebecca Martinez, Jane Grider, Marcus Cohen, Dia Taylor, Linda Fisher, Marianne Panzini-Rosenthal, Jim Rosenthal, Diane Fleishman, Barbara Mandel, Steve Halper, Sue Brown, Marieka Brown, Pearie Bruder, Frima Marquez, Jeff Marquez, Ben Carvlin, Jacob Saltman, Andrea Orzoff, Inigo Garcia-Bryce, Sam Garcia-Bryce, Neal Rosendorf, Arthur Berkson, Rhonda Karol, Ann Berkson, Phil Alkon, Lynn Zeemont, Liz Lewis-Olson, Mateo Garcia-Bryce, Sally Alkon, Joan Glickler, Norm Mazer, Sue Mazer, Willie Pass, Ilana Lapid, Alison Mann, Allen Blum, Ellen Torres, Dan Tapper, Leslie Glater, Renee Frank, Susi Kolikant, Mark Saltman, Lisa McCuller, Rebecca Berkson, Michele Blum, Kaitlyn Mead, Stuart Fleishman, Harry Bass, Diane Bass, Claire Silberman, Elizabeth Silberman, Bryan McCuller, Frances Williams, Susan Michelson, Cherri Hudson-Brown, Jeff Brown, Julie Seton, Nancy Rushforth, Ned Rubin, Yossi Lapid, Susan Lapid, Bill Stein, Sarah Mindlin, Nancy Bergman, Norm Osborne, Susan Fitzgerald, Margot Leverett, Aaron Rosendorf, Dinny Bomberg, and all the children who joined in the Torah procession/Hakafah during the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur morning services.

(If we inadvertently left off your name, please let us know).

For providing flowers for the bimah during our High Holy Day Worship, a warm thank you to Harry and Diane Bass (for Rosh Hashanah) and to Bob and Monika Kimball (for Yom Kippur).

And thank you to our High Holy Day ushers:

Jeff Brown, Marianne Panzini-Rosenthal, Jim Rosenthal, Arthur Berkson, Erich Zameret, Mark Saltman, Jacob Saltman, Jason Rosenberg, Jerry Nachison, Bryan McCuller, Michael Mandel, Dave Zeemont.



Fore!!!!!! Come one, come all! Knock the rust off your clubs and the dirt off your cleats, gather your friends and neighbors, and join us for the 2015 Matzo Ball Open, TBE's 3rd annual golf tournament!

Here are the basics:

Picacho Hills Country Club

12 p.m. Sunday, October 25, 2015

Paid entry includes an **EXTRA COMPLIMENTARY ROUND OF GOLF** to use at a future date.

Cost is \$100 per person for golf (free second round of golf included)

Don't golf? Advertise your name, message or business name at a hole for \$100 per hole sponsorship. Donate a raffle prize. Volunteer!

Part of this year's proceeds will benefit Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity where the money will stay locally in our community to create better housing for our residents.

Our tournament should be fun for players of all skill levels from the once-every-two-year duffer to the seasoned scratch golfer.

Please contact Arthur Berkson, Allen Blum, or Lynn Zeemont with any questions and check your mail for full details.

Greetings! The TBE Board of Trustees is looking for people who would like to serve on an ad hoc committee needed to create an emergency preparedness plan for the Temple, and educate members about the plan once it is finalized. We all want to feel safe and secure at the Temple, which we hopefully do! In the event of an emergency, however, it is going to be necessary to have a plan in place that addresses issues like orderly evacuation, off-site assembly, etc. If you would like to serve on this temporary committee, that would be great! If so, please contact Mark Saltman at 575-649-1671 or e-mail him at marksaltman@gmail.com.

Adelante Deadline

The deadline for turning in articles, items and photos for the November Adelante is **October 20**. The 20th of the month will be the monthly deadline for the months to come as well. Please do your best to keep to that schedule to facilitate a timely completion of the Adelante!

Office Hours

On weekdays, Rabbi Karol is in the office every day except for Thursday. Times vary, but you can mostly count on finding Rabbi Karol in the office on Mondays and Tuesdays at 10:00-11:30 am (and Fridays while he is preparing for Shabbat worship) and on Wednesdays at 11:30am-12:30 pm. Please call before you come, or email Rabbi Karol at rabbi@tblc.org or rablpkarol@gmail.com. You can also make an appointment with Rabbi Karol by calling or sending an email. Thank you!

The Religious Practices Committee is working with Rabbi Karol to provide a variety of opportunities for congregants to participate in our Shabbat worship, both on Friday night and on Saturday morning. Roles in worship which congregants could fulfill include:

- English readings
- Hebrew readings
- Opening the Ark
- Aliyah/reciting a Torah blessing
- Hagbah/Lifting the Torah (If you would like a lesson, contact Stuart Kelter at sskelter@yahoo.com).
- Gelilah/Dressing the Torah.
- Reading/chanting from the Torah.
- Reading/chanting the Haftarah
- Composing and delivering a D'var Torah.

Please contact Rabbi Karol at Temple (rabbi@tblc.org) if you would like an opportunity to fulfill one of these roles during Shabbat worship. We will be contacting congregants in the coming months to make the opportunities widely available.



Rosh Hashanah Oneg Thank You!

Thank you to everyone whose contributions enhanced the Rosh Hashanah Oneg on September 13, through providing food and other support and helping with set-up and clean-up:

Aggie Saltman, Alison Mann, Ann Berkson, Barbara Berger, Brenda Parish, Carla Libby, Debbie Levy, Dee Cook, Dia Taylor, Elisha Rosenberg, Frances Williams, Frima Marquez, Joan Glickler, Lisa Rosendorf, Marlene Benz, Marieka Brown, Monika Kimball, Paula Kramer, Pearie Bruder, Rebecca Martinez, Rhonda Karol, Ruth Rubin, Sue Brown, Sue Mazer, Susan Fitzgerald, Terri Sugarman, Rebecca Berkson, Diane Fleishman, Bryan McCuller, June Jenkins, Mara Rosendorf, Aaron Rosendorf, Marcus Cohen, Michael Mandel, Barbara Mandel, Marianne Panzini-Rosenthal.

Break-the-fast thank you!

Lynn Zeemont and Michele Blum thank everyone who volunteered to bring in supplies, food and/or monetary contributions for our 2015 Break the Fast dinner. Without your generous contributions we could not have had the successful meal that we all shared together. A special thanks to the worker bees in the kitchen, Leslie Glater and Dinny Bomberg, who helped us to stage and prep this meal. **In no particular order, we'd like to thank:**

Terri Sugarman, Brenda Parish, Ruth Rubin, Dia Taylor, Barbara Berger, Nancy Rushforth, Julie Seton, Linda Kruger, Ruth Ann Sugarman, Rebecca Berkson, Liz Lewis-Olson, Paula Kramer, Alison Mann, Pearie Bruder, Julie Seton, Susan Lapid, Susan Michelson, Leora Zeitlin, Susan Brown, Erich Zameret, Robin Labe, Tanah Hemingway, Marieka Brown, Dee Cook, Rhonda Karol, Nancy Bergman, Rebecca Martinez, Ellen Torres, Debbie Levy, Monika Kimball, Carla Libby, Elisha Rosenberg, Sue Mazer, Maxine Webber, Bea Klein, Diane Fleishman, Aggie Saltman, Marlene Benz, Dinny Bomberg, Renee Frank, Andrea Orzoff, Sally Alkon, Leslie Glater, Marianne Panzini-Rosenthal, Harriet Wolf, Frima Marquez, Frances Williams, Ann Berkson, Simy Allan, Irv Ross, Joan Glickler, Paul Feil, Cyrille Kane, Cherri Hudson-Brown, Diane Bass, Elissa Poel, Klim Maling, Joan Silar, Amy Fiszbein, Lila Ziegler.

We apologize if anyone's name was inadvertently left off this list.

The Break-the-Fast Committee

Tashlich at Young Park on Rosh Hashanah, September 14, 2015



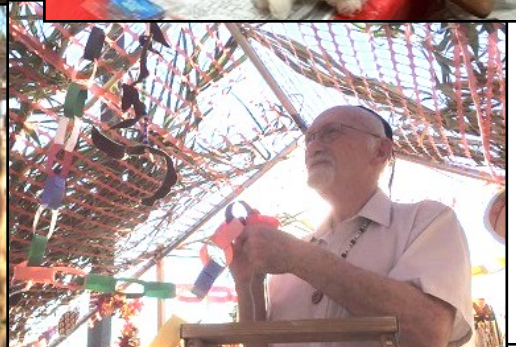
Sukkah Building Thank You's!!!!



From Dave Zeemont:
First, a special thanks to Lynn Zeemont and Cyrille Kane for their part in providing transportation and materials for the Sukkah roof and sides. And, of course, many thanks to our Sukkah building team: Bob Kimball (for putting up the tent frame by himself), Lance Camarena, Stu Fleishman, Erich Zameret, Jerry Nachison, Julie Seton, and Ruth Rubin.



Sukkah Decorating and Erev Sukkot Service on September 27, 2015!



Middle-East Lectures

Phil Alkon is presenting a series of three weekly lectures at Good Samaritan Village entitled "Myths and Ironies of the Middle East." They will be held on Tuesday afternoons at 4:00 PM in the GSV Conference Room, on the following dates: Sept. 29th, Oct. 6th and Oct. 13th. The events are free and open to the public. All Temple Beth-El members are welcome. The principle issues to be covered by the talks are: 1) hidden challenges of the Arab Middle East, 2) the Israel-Palestinian conundrum, and 3) where can we go from here?

Temple Beth-El Forms Google Group

Over the last two weeks, Monika and I have been working to make the Temple Directory as accurate as possible. During the process, it became clear that our method of distributing E-blasts, the Adelante, and important messages via email was technologically antiquated. Susan Fitzgerald has done a wonderful job sending out E-blasts, but maintains the entire temple email list in her personal email account. The Rabbi sends out his Adelante from an equally good personal list, and the Temple keeps yet a third email list on its database in the Rakefet software. As good as these lists were, we found discrepancies and omissions on each list.

The solution to this is the formation of the Temple Beth-El group on Google's secure server. Once the temple emails are uploaded to the Google group, Susan, Rabbi Larry, and President Monika will all be able to use this one email list to distribute their important messages. Within the next two weeks, you will receive an email welcoming you to the TempleBeth-El_Serv google group. After the initial welcome, you will start receiving email messages through this Google service.

Webmaster - Bob Kimball

Temple Beth-El Mensch Club

The Temple Beth-El Mensch Club is finally getting around to collecting dues for the forthcoming year. The amount is still a minimum of \$20.00, annually. Please send your dues to the Temple office or to:

Temple Beth-El Mensch Club
PO Box 1317, Fairacres, NM 88033.

Checks can be made out to:

Temple Beth-El Mensch Club.

Once we have responses to this dues request, we will schedule an organizational meeting for the new year. If you have any questions, I can be reached at 575-523-0913 or 914-393-0282 (cell).

Thank you,
Dave Zeemont, Mensch Club President

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 8:45 am, speaker presentations begin at 9:00 am. The cost is \$2.00 weekly or \$6.00 monthly. Please contact Phil Alkon for information. philipalkon@gmail.com or 575-524-6945)



KNITTING GROUP IS BACK!!

For more information, please contact Deana Kessin at 521-4077 or Kessin@comcast.net



A Note from the Francis F. Williams Library

Due to recent sizable book donations, the library's ability to further accept and process new books is extremely limited at present. If you are thinking of donating books of Jewish interest, please contact Librarian Linda Kruger at krugerl@aol.com before doing so. Please do not leave books that are not part of the library's current collection in the drop box outside the library door. As always, donated books should be in very good condition, preferably hard-cover or quality paperback.

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 the Temple office.

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

Here are longer lists for items needed!

For Casa de Peregrinos:

**Peanut Butter and the following Canned foods:
Corn, Green Beans, Mixed Vegetables, Fruits,
Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Tuna, Beans, and Meats**

For El Caldito:

**Spices, Regular Mayonnaise, Beans,
Beef and Chicken Soup Stock**

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.

Donations from August 31 to September 25, 2015

General Fund

- Bob and Carla Libby, in memory of Marvin Siegel
- Cheryl Marians, get well to Simy Allan & in memory of Ann Hansen
- Richard Hempstead, Happy 5776!
- The New Mexico Jewish Historical Society

General Fund: High Holy Day Donations

- Norman & Suzanne Mazer
- Dee Cook
- Leslie Glater
- Harry & Diane Bass (Rosh Hashanah flowers)
- Julius Siegel
- Rosemarie Livigni & Thomas Saiers
- Melvin "Sonny" Klein
- Jane Grider
- Cindy & Larry Brooks
- Julie Seton

Fund 2004

- Nina & Irv Rothman, in memory of Gary David Liston

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- Judy & Ed Wendell, in appreciation for Wednesday Breakfast
- Jacob and Susi Kolikant, in memory of Donald Gantert
- Barnett & Ruth Ann Sugarman, in memory of Blanche Geisinger
- Thelma Weinglass, in memory of Shari Kandell
- Ramon & Frima Marquez, in memory of niece, Sara Elizabeth Morley
- Ramon & Frima Marquez, in memory of Frima's brother, Robert I. Krasner
- Dan Tapper & Judy Long

Rabbi Gerald M. Kane Adult Education Fund

- Rachel Stevens, in memory of Rabbi Jerry Kane

Beth El Temple Youth

- Alison & Gary Mann, in memory of Sam Smalley

Religious School

- Rachel Stevens, in honor of Lily Labe

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.

Campership Fund Scholarship—Providing scholarships for Temple students to attend Jewish summer camp programs.

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.

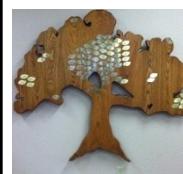
Rabbi's Discretionary Fund—Rabbi Karol uses the Discretionary Fund to meet a variety of philanthropic requests as well as to supplement TBE programs.

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

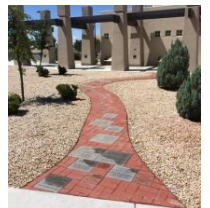
Temple Beth-El Religious School Fund—Supports the regular and special programming planned by faculty, students the Religious School Committee.

Beth El Temple Youth Fund—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 by adding bricks to our Brick Walkway.



Yahrzeits-September 27 through November 7, 2015

Read on Friday, October 2 and Saturday, October 3

Reba Kirschner*, Aunt of Gabriel Lampert
 Rabbi Joseph Klein*
 Robert Krasner, Brother of Frima Marquez, Uncle of
 Jeffrey Marquez
 Helene F Rosenbaum, Mother of Joan Silar
 Jack Troy, Father of Marsha San Filippo

Read on Friday, October 9 and Saturday, October 10

Lillian Evelyn Bernstein, Mother of Marvin Bernstein
 Debra Eckert, Niece of Marlene Benz
 Mary Lois Gardner, Mother of Brenda Parish
 Benjamin Geller, Father of Ruth Rubin
 Barnett Katz*
 Charles Pass, Father of William Pass
 Elanor Ulrich*

Read on Friday, October 16 and Saturday, October 17

Meyer Davison*
 Perry Kohn, Friend of Michael Mandel
 Helen Michelman, Mother of Michael Levine
 James Quinn, Father of Patrick Quinn
 Manas Rosenberg, Grandfather of Jason Rosenberg
 David Sugarman, Father of Barnett Sugarman
 Mel Taylor, Husband of Dia Taylor
 Melvin Taylor, Sr., Father of Mel Taylor
 Ruth Terman, Mother of Cyrille Kane
 Doris Waite, Grandmother of Jeanne Abkes

Read on Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24

Susan Bronstein*, Mother of Jamie Bronstein
 Harold Brown, Father of Jeff Brown
 Nathan Edelstein*, Grandfather of Dee Cook
 Tillie Frank*
 Benjamin Galatzan*
 Le Roy Jenkins, Father of Brad Jenkins
 Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin*
 Marlene Deanne Saltman, Mother of Mark Saltman
 Olga Szucs*
 Darlene Taylor*
 Ruth White, Mother of Mike White

Read on Friday, October 30 and Saturday, October 31

Evelyn Benowitz*. Mother of Simy Allan
 George Bissonette Brother of Lynn Berkeley
 David Edelstein*, Father of Dee Cook
 Anna Jacobs, Mother-in-Law of Win Jacobs
 Arlene Metzger Jerome, Mother of Bryan McCuller
 Sylvia Hackman Lazar, Cousin of Tana Hemingway
 Fanny Levy*, Mother of Bea Klein
 Beverly Lewis, Mother of Jeffrey Lewis
 Edith Madenberg, Mother of Janet Stevens
 Isadore Rosenfeld*
 Freda Schoenbrun*
 Kenneth Williamson, Brother of Barbara Mandel
 Erwin Willman*
 Agnes Youngs, Mother of Win Jacobs

Read on Friday, November 6 and Saturday, November 7

Elsa Galatzan*
 Esther Kloss*
 Erwin Michelson*, Father of Susan Michelson
 Herschel Schreier*
 Sanford M Siegel*
 Israel Isaac Taslitt*, Father of Nina Rothman
 Ausvel L. Williams*, Husband of Frances Williams
 Dov Zameret, Father of Erich Zameret

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
				Tishrei 18 1	Tishrei 19 2 FAMILY SHABBAT SUKKOT SERVICE AT 6PM followed by Congregational Picnic at Veterans Memorial Park on Roadrunner No 7:30 pm service	Tishrei 20 3 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Sukkot Morning Service 10:15 am
Tishrei 21 4 Religious School 9:00 am SIMCHAT TORAH Dinner at 5:30 pm Service at 6:30 pm	Tishrei 22 5 Simchat Torah and Yizkor Service 10:00 am	Tishrei 23 6 Knitting Group 10:15 am	Tishrei 24 7 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm	Tishrei 25 8	Tishrei 26 9 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	Tishrei 27 10 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Tishrei 28 11 NO Religious School Adult Education Program on Ernest Thompson Seton (Talk by Julie Seton) 2:00 pm	Tishrei 29 12	Tishrei 30 13 Knitting Group 10:15 am	Cheshvan 1 14 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm Creativity for Peace Program—7:00 pm	Cheshvan 2 15	Cheshvan 3 16 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 4 17 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Cheshvan 5 18 Religious School 9:00 am	Cheshvan 6 19 Book Group 10:00 am	Cheshvan 7 20 Knitting Group 10:15 am Judaism Class 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 8 21 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm	Cheshvan 9 22 Board Meeting 7:00 pm	Cheshvan 10 23 Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 11 24 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Cheshvan 12 25 Religious School 9:00 am GOLF TOURNAMENT 12:00 Noon Picacho Hills Golf Course	Cheshvan 13 26 Book Group 10:00 am	Cheshvan 14 27 Knitting Group 10:15 am Judaism Class 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 15 28 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Torah Study 10:15 am Hebrew School 4:45 pm	Cheshvan 16 29	Cheshvan 17 30 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	Cheshvan 18 31 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am

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