

**Shabbat Services** (See Page 2)

• Friday, June 7— Family Shabbat service at 6:00 pm, including January through June birthday blessings, followed by a dairy/vegetarian potluck dinner.

- <u>Friday, June 14—</u>Shabbat service at 7:00 pm.
- Friday, June 21 Shabbat service at 7:00 pm.
  - <u>Friday, June 28</u>—Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit at 7:00 pm.

**Saturdays** 

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

Summer Shiurim (Study)
with Rabbi Karol
The Song Never Ends:
Exploring the Psalms
Mondays at 7:00 pm
June, 17 and 24; July 1, 15 and 22
All materials will be provided.
We will begin with Psalm 46



using Rabbi Richard Levy's Songs Ascending commentary on the Psalms as our guide. Please let Rabbi Karol know if you plan to attend.

# Message from Rabbi Karol at the Temple Beth-El Annual Meeting May 9, 2019 Humility and the Art of "We"

Humility. Sometimes it seems that there isn't enough to go around.

A culture based on winning, on "who has the most toys," on claiming that some people deserve to be built up and some deserve to be put down, doesn't encourage humility....but, Judaism constantly reminds us to be humble.

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EREV SHAVUOT Saturday, June 8, 2019—7:30 PM "David's Debacle"

Rabbi Karol will lead a study session on a well-known and perplexing episode in the story of King David, as well as his heartfelt prayerful response. We will explore II Samuel, Chapters 11 and 12, from Robert Alter's new translation and commentary, and Psalm 51, from Rabbi Richard Levy's translation and commentary, Songs Ascending. We will begin with dessert (please bring a dessert to share) and continue with brief worship and discussion. PLEASE LET RABBI KAROL KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND (and what you will bring for dessert). ` \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Shavuot Morning Service
Including Yizkor/Memorial Prayers on
Sunday, June 9, 2019 at 10:00 am
followed by a Bagel Brunch Kiddush
(Yizkor is recited by those who observe a yahrzeit
for a relative or are currently within the year of
mourning the death of a loved one).



Words of the President: Divrei HaNasi
An Excerpt from the President's
Report at the Annual Meeting
on May 9, 2019
Looking Back and Ahead

As President of the Temple, I want to thank everyone for all their work on behalf of Temple Beth-El. First of all, I want to invite all members of the Board of Trustees so that we can acknowledge them for their work as this Temple's governing body.

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#### **Worship Schedule**

Please note: All 7:00 pm services will include either a Torah reading and a 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 commentary that offers insight based on the parashah for the week.

#### Friday, May 31

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service led by Erich Zameret and Ruth Rubin. Cheryl Decker will sponsor the Oneg Shabbat following the service. Cheryl Decker will represent the Board of Trustees.

#### Saturday, June 1

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Shabbat morning Service led by Stuart Kelter and Leora Zeitlin, followed by a Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Bechukotai Leviticus 26:3-27:34

Haftarah Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

#### Friday, June 7 - FAMILY SHABBAT

6:00 pm Family Shabbat Service FOR ALL AGES. *The* service will include birthday blessings for January through June, as well as a naming ceremony for Rose Elise Duggins, daughter of Sean Duggins and Rachel Glickler Duggins (and granddaughter of Joan Glickler), who was born on May 25, 2019.

6:50 pm Dairy/Vegetarian Potluck Shabbat Dinner.

#### Saturday, June 8

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Shabbat morning service & Potluck Kiddush

Parashat Bamidbar Numbers 1:1-4:20

Haftarah Hosea 2:1-22

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#### Sunday, June 9- SHAVUOT MORNING

10:00 am Shavuot Morning and Yizkor Service (Yizkor is recited by those who observe a yahrzeit for a relative or are currently within the year of mourning the death of a loved one).. Followed by a Bagel Brunch Kiddush.

Shavuot Torah reading: Exodus 19:1 - 20:23

Haftarah: Ezekiel 1:1-28; 3:12

#### Friday, June 14

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Rabbi Karol will speak on "Blessings we give and receive." Rebecca, Mia and Lilah Berkson will sponsor the Oneg Shabbat.

#### Saturday, June 15

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Shabbat morning Service and Potluck Kiddush Parashat Naso Numbers 4:21-7:89

Haftarah Judges 13:2-25

#### Friday, June 21

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Rabbi Karol will speak on "What spirit rests upon us?" An Oneg Shabbat will follow the service.

#### Saturday, June 22

#### NO TALMUD STUDY

10:00 am Max Rosenberg, son of Julie Rosenberg and Aaron Flores, will become a Bar Mitzvah during this Shabbat morning service. A Shabbat Kiddush will follow the service.

Parashat B'ha-alotecha Numbers 8:1-12:16 Haftarah Zechariah 2:14-4:7

#### Friday, June 28

7:00 pm Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit, including prayers and music for healing and renewal. An Oneg Shabbat will follow the service.

#### Saturday, June 29

9:00 am Talmud Study

10:15 am Shabbat morning service & Potluck Kiddush Parashat Sh'lach L'cha Numbers 13:1-15:41 Haftarah Joshua 2:1-24

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The next regular Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 7:00 pm

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We recite prayers of confession on Yom Kippur while fasting in order to focus on improving ourselves. The readings are worded in the plural, "we," not "I." We are called upon, as members of a congregation worshiping together, to apologize for the wrongs we have committed and to seek forgiveness. Human beings can grant forgiveness, but it's God who pardons us and cleanses us, after we have done the right thing.

When we sing of peace in every service, we ask God to make peace for all of us together, encompassing all people who live on the earth. We can do much of the work to bring about peace, but praying to God for assistance demonstrates that we know we can't to it alone.

And when we speak about the ties that we have in common, we talk about "the Jewish people." We sing "Am Yisrael Chai/the People of Israel lives" to declare our place in a large, extended family with a long and unique history.

Seeing ourselves as part of something greater, and admitting our limitations, are very Jewish approaches that guide us on a path of humility.

During the first week of April, I was with my rabbinic collective, the Central Conference of American Rabbis, at its 130th annual convention held in Cincinnati. In the sessions I attended, I learned about how we can be better community members, how we can increase our respect for each other, and how we can advocate for people seeking justice because the biblical prophets called on people of their time, over and over, to do selfless acts that could raise up people who are often or constantly put down. They encouraged their listeners to work together to strengthen their relationships and their community. Their words have meaning for us, as well, in the here and now.

I was sorry to miss the volunteer meeting before the Jewish Food and Folk Festival this year, which was held while I was in Cincinnati. Of course, I would not have missed the sixth annual JFFF for anything. It is one of the best examples of the concept of WE in a congregation that I have ever seen. The JFFF came together five years ago by adding to the best practices of past congregational fundraisers fresh ideas from committee members and volunteers. This event now has a style and character all its own.

The Jewish Food and Folk Festival, and its partner fundraisers, the Matzo Ball Open, A Night at the Auction, and the Renaissance Faire booth, created a welcoming spirit among us and in our community. This is a WE accomplishment, because everyone, including planners and participants, developers and donors, bakers and cooks, marketers and volunteers, made this possible. We ARE amazing, and we all deserve to feel proud.

We also deserve to feel proud of our efforts to bring community members into our space to grow in knowledge and wisdom. There were candidate forums, a film about Jewish Americans who served in the Armed Forces during World War II, a discussion about antisemitism as it relates to attitudes towards Israel, a series on immigration, an interfaith discussion on freedom and justice, a service and film to put the Holocaust in perspective, and a gathering of 180 people to strengthen one another in the immediate aftermath of the shootings at Pittsburgh's Tree of Life Synagogue.

We served breakfast at Camp Hope on December 25, and donated food to Casa de Peregrinos that was collected during the High Holydays.

We celebrated Shabbat and holidays with our voices united in song and prayer, enjoyed each other's company at Oneg Shabbat receptions, built and decorated and prayed in the Sukkah, and danced with the Torah scrolls and unrolled them on Simchat Torah. We contributed a smorgasbord of latkes and brought our Chanukiot to light on the Shabbat during Chanukah, creating our own special communal glow. We planted a tree on Tu Bish'vat and cheered - or, I should say, booed - as Haman met his demise, once again, in the Purim Spiel. We heard our Religious School students recite the four questions and engage in a harder than usual Afikoman search as 72 people shared the Temple Seder, sponsored by Sisterhood. Some of us made our way to El Paso this past Sunday to add music, dance, information and spirit as our two communities celebrated Israel's 71 years as a state.

We pondered the essence of leadership in several specially designed programs and shared our individual and collective insights in discussions on short stories and sacred texts. We intently and proudly watched and listened as the history of Temple Beth-El came to life onstage on October 7. We tested our gaming skills as BETY/BEMY offered us an opportunity to simply sit and be together to play our games of choice, which happened, as it turned out, just hours after the shootings at the Tree of Life Synagogue.

Rhonda has always told me that, while working at the Dayton Jewish Center, she learned that it was her job as a member of the Center professional staff to support the lay leaders and volunteers in their work, whether as an outfront partner or as a strong, nurturing presence behind the scenes. Sometimes the nature of the WE manifests itself with certain individuals being more visible than others, but we know that a strong WE takes the enthusiasm, ingenuity, talents, and involvement of every single person that comprises a group or a committee or a whole community.

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#### An Excerpt from the President's Report at the Annual Meeting on May 9, 2019 CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

We thank Jeff Brown (Recording Secretary), Pearie Bruder, Dee Cook (Sisterhood Rep to the Board), Cheryl Decker, Luke Duddridge, Diane Fleishman, Jeff Lewis (Vice President), Art Lorbeer (Mensch Club Rep, who has returned to Buffalo for the summer), Michael Mandel (Treasurer), Ned Rubin (who is out of town), Ruth Rubin, and Joanne Turnbull. Thanks to all of these great leaders for their work and dedication to Temple Beth-El! I also want to thank our ex-officio Board member and leader of our Temple, Rabbi Larry Karol. Thanks to you and Rhonda for all your endless hours of work and dedication to the Temple, Religious School, and the congregation.

An additional thanks goes out to those who are stepping down from the Board—Jeff Brown, Diane Fleishman, Jeff Lewis, and Ned Rubin. I am stepping down as well. It was an honor to work with you all on the Board for the past four years. Thank you for your years of service, dedication, and hours spent as leaders of the congregation.

We became an affiliate of the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso over three years ago, and continue to take advantage of some of their activities and opportunities. Currently Bill Stein and Monika Kimball are the TBE representatives to the Federation Board. Our affiliation allows us to participate in their well-attended and exciting programs.

As you know, the Board sent out a letter to the congregation on March 1 regarding the need for additional funds for security and about the looming deficit. By the middle of March, our Treasurer, Michael Mandel, told us that the situation was more dire than we thought. We had an emergency meeting of the Executive Committee and then the Board to discuss our options, which looked grim. While we own our building outright, we have mounting costs each year to run it, and we have a reduced membership due to people who move away and pass away each year. With diminishing dues income, we had to face the reality of how to pay the Rabbi. The most viable option was to talk to the Rabbi directly and ask if he would be willing to move to part-time for the last leg of his time with us, to which he agreed. So, to help the Temple save money and to allow us to still have a worship leader, he will move to part-time from January 2020 until the end of his term on June 30, 2020. This will allow him to still be responsible for worship services, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, and the Religious School, at the very least. We appreciate being able to work together with the Rabbi as our partner in order to get us through this dilemma. However, this also means that we will most likely need to delay a search for another rabbi, and run a lay-led synagogue for part or all of the following year, starting on July 1, 2020. To structure that period effectively, we have established a Transition Team that includes Rabbi Karol. This team is working to develop a plan that we will share with you as we develop it more thoroughly. Tonight, you will hear more about our financial situation from our Treasurer and the plan that we are working on from Patrick Quinn, who has agreed to help guide us through this Transition.

We appreciate your patience with what is happening, and I appreciate your attendance at this Annual Meeting to share important highlights, messages, and the election of our new Board. We plan to hold periodic, smaller conversations throughout the coming year to keep everyone posted about what we can all do to work together to get through this situation and to keep our congregation viable. Overall, I want to let you know that we will get through this together. This congregation has faced situations like this in the past and has experienced periods of lay-led leadership. While it is not ideal, it is doable, if we all do our part and work together. I appreciate all of you and know we can get through this.

I have worked on building a sacred partnership with you, the congregation, during my term as President, and I will continue to build sacred partnerships with you as your friend and fellow congregant. A sacred partnership requires a commitment to Torah, both ancient texts and our personal Torah, which are the values that guide us in our daily lives, our innermost teachings, that guide and influence the sacred partnerships we build with others. Let's continue to build sacred partnerships based on Jewish values of mutual respect, trust, honesty, listening, and communication.

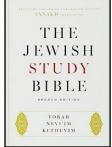
I continue to thank you all for your dedication and work on behalf of Temple Beth-El, to remind you to embrace inclusiveness and tolerance, and to continue working together to strengthen our Wisdom, Community Spirit, Tzedakah, Sacred Purpose—and our **Sacred Partnerships**.

I want to end with a verse from the poem "Giving Thanks" by Alden Solovy:

"Blessed are you, my friends, In our moments of celebration together And our moments of service to each other. Blessed are You, G-d of All Being, Source of my life, Creator of joy and gratitude."

In Sacred Partnership, Ellen Torres

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#### TANAKH STUDY

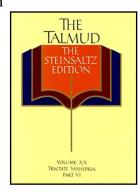
Sessions meet on Wednesday at 10:15 until 11:15 am. We are now studying the book of Nehemiah.

#### LAY-LED TALMUD STUDY

Talmud study (in English) has been

meeting every Saturday at 9:00 am for the past 25 years. New students are always welcome. No previous background or Hebrew knowledge is necessary. Contact Tanah Hemingway (524-4329) or Erich Zameret

(ezmrt35@yahoo.com) with any questions. The Saturday morning service immediately follows.

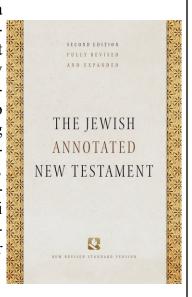




#### Interfaith Institute

On Tuesday, May 21, 2019. Rabbi Larry Karol and Father Gabriel Rochelle (of St. Anthony of the Desert

Orthodox Mission) led a study session on the development of the biblical text and an examination of how specific Hebrew bible passages found their way into the New Testament (using as our text, *The Jewish Annotated New Testament, Second Edition,* by Amy-Jill Levine and Marc Zvi Brettler). An "encore" session will be scheduled later in the summer. Stay tuned!



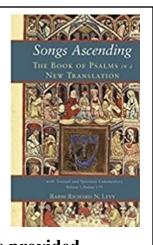
Over 65 congregants and community members attended the Holocaust Remembrance Service and screening of "No Asylum: The Untold Chapter of Anne Frank's Story" on Wednesday, May 1, 2019.



Summer Shiurim
(Study)
with Rabbi Karol

The Song Never Ends: Exploring the Psalms Mondays

June, 17 and 24; July 1, 15 and 22 at 7:00 pm



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#### Rabbi's Message to Annual Meeting on May 9, 2019 CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

My service to this congregation as rabbi has always been about being a part of the WE of TBE. An Adelante Newsletter looks good because of all that we do that infuses our Temple life with content. A class or study group, a community program, and even a worship service is as good as the willingness of the leader/facilitator and the participants, together, to enhance and strengthen each other's contributions in word, in thought, in spirit, and, sometimes, in song. Being part of the WE of TBE means that every single one of us has something to add to who we are and who we can be; but it also means that each of us is part of a team, an extended family right here within these walls, that can do great things when we put our minds and hearts together. Our strength emerges not only from our creative prowess but also from our humble, sincere, and selfless service to this holy community.

There are, in this space, of course, a variety of opinions regarding how Temple Beth-El will approach challenges in the coming months and years. My own involvement in a mutual and respectful decision-making process with the Board of Trustees to begin to chart that course yielded my signature on a letter sent to Temple members. Just about anything that has happened in my rabbinate has been like a door that has opened to a new experience. The Temple leadership has assured that the connection between the Karols and this congregation will remain real and strong for years to come, even after my retirement. That offers us an opportunity to continue to humbly get to know one another in a new way.

I believe that the best way to move into the future is to take positive and optimistic steps forward, but I am not only speaking about Rhonda and me. It is about all of us. We have been working, studying, praying, planning, hosting, meeting, laughing, singing and leading together on the Board, in classes and community events, in committee work, and in one-to-one conversations over these last eight years. There is more for us to consider and to accomplish. There is much good left to do.

Many thanks to Ellen Torres, our Temple president, as she concludes her dedicated service in this capacity of leadership. To all of my partners on the Board of Trustees, in the Temple choir, on committees, in our Religious School among both parents and students, in the Mensch Club, Sisterhood and BETY/BEMY, and to all of you with whom I have worked and shared here at Temple, thank you for your partnership. To Adam, Rabbi Juli and Josh, thank you for your support from afar which enables me to keep my sense of humor and a proper perspective on what I do.

And to Rhonda, thank you for your love, wisdom and support over these 38 years that have always kept me focused on the significance of what I do, and what we do,

together, to try to make a positive difference in the world. And so I offer these words based on verses from Psalm 67 to send us forward with confidence and hope:

"May the Eternal One be gracious to us and bless us, and may the divine face shine and smile upon all of us, so that God's presence will envelop us all in love and peace."

#### L'shalom, Rabbi Larry K.

See rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com for Rabbi Karol's articles, Divrei Torah and sermons.

Rabbi Karol will be away on May 30-June 3.

#### **Batkin Scholarship Funds for 2019**

The Irving Batkin Memorial Scholarship Fund at Temple Beth-El will again be available in 2019. Our members can apply for funds for Jewish educational opportunities. Please talk with the Rabbi to find out more about it and to get an application. Last year we were able to give scholarships to three of our religious school students for Jewish educational programs that they wanted to attend. In order to fulfill the mission of this scholarship fund, the foundation must continue to grow its asset base. Please consider making contributions to the Batkin Scholarship Fund so that this goal may be accomplished. Our continued support helps direct the earnings of the fund to sustain Jewish life through education and meaningful programming.

Temple Beth-El was well represented at the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso Annual Meeting on Monday, May 20. Bill Stein offered the D'var Torah at the meeting. Included in the top photo are Terri Sugarman, Rose Jacobs, Bill Stein, Susan Michelson, and Monika and Bob Kimball. In the bottom photo are Rabbi Larry Karol, Fred and Ellen Torres, Joanne Turnbull, and Cheryl and David Decker.



Jewish singer/songwriter Julie Silver presented an enjoyable and inspirational concert at Temple Beth-El on Wednesday, May 15, 2019. Over 100 members of the Las Cruces and El Paso communities attended the performance, which was supported by a grant from the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso. Thank you to everyone who attended this special evening!



Temple Beth-El congregants of all ages participated in the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso Yom Ha'atzmaut/Israel Independence Day celebration on Sunday, May 5, 2019 by singing, dancing, providing information about Israel, and hosting a gaga game. Monika Kimball chaired the event for the Federation, and Rose Jacobs chaired the entertainment. Thank you to all congregants who attended and volunteered to help at this community-wide celebration!



#### What Being Jewish Means to Me From our Temple Beth-El 2018-2019 Religious School Students

- Liana Brown: Being a Jew means thankfulness to me. It also means you will sacrifice something that is important to you to help someone else in need of it. Being a Jew also means that we all need to work together to make the world a better place.
- Lilah Berkson: Being a Jew means making small sacrifices and to think of what a holiday really means to you. It also means to me that you eat special foods to remind you of what a holiday means.
- Kaylee Zeledon: For me, this is what being Jewish means: we get to eat special foods, learn Hebrew, and celebrate holidays. But most of all, we are one big community and that will never change.
- Mia Berkson: To me, being Jewish means that we are all one big community and that we are trying to heal the world and make it a better, kinder, more peaceful world. I think being Jewish also means that we are giving to others and trying to help make someone else's world a better place.
- Morgan Tierney: For me, being Jewish means more than holidays, or special foods, or even learning Hebrew. For me, it is about doing a good deed, or mitzvah, to help someone in need. I like that Jews will always try to help those in need when we can, no matter if we know them or not, or how far away they are. We are all one big family.
- Alexandra Goldsteen: Being a Jew means many things, and there are many values to go along with that. I feel like some of the most important ones are things like being kind to others, no matter how far or close they are, even if we don't know them. I also think it is kind of about bringing something good to the world like doing mitzvot. I also consider remembering the past an important value. Examples of this re the holidays. Most of them, like Pesach, and Hanukkah, are all there to commemorate important events of the past.
- Gavin Rosenberg: Being Jewish means I have more responsibility. I have to attend Religious School in order to be ready for life and my Bar Mitzvah. Being Jewish means that I may experience more difficulties in my life than others. For instance, all the hatred and anti-semitism in the world today.

# Photos from our concluding session of Religious School on May 5, 2019

- Max Bruder: To me, being Jewish means learning Hebrew, learning about and observing commandments, doing community projects and helping at Temple events.
- Evan Hyman: To me, being Jewish means to plant a tree to help the Earth and to help people because trees give us air. Also, being Jewish is to help people and give tzedakah and to be kind to other people if they need help. We have symbols like matzah. That is what being Jewish is to me.
- Elizabeth Goldsteen: Being Jewish means not just being tolerant of others' religions, cultures and differences, but accepting them, because there is a difference. It means being open to new ideas and experiences. Jews should participate in global discussions and community service.
- Hannah Saltman: Being Jewish means to go to class and study the Torah, and to listen to the rabbi sing and talk about Jewish history.
- Kaila Lirit Brown: Being Jewish means being a minority or different. You go to the Temple to listen to the rabbi, You also study and celebrate the Torah, and do community service.
- Casey Rosenberg: Being Jewish means that I study the Torah and do good things for the community.
- Joshua Rosenberg: Being Jewish means being accepting of the other religions, and to stand up for what's right. Also, it means to help all creatures, from humans to squirrels, with whatever is needed.
- Max Rosenberg: Being Jewish means that I practice Judaism and follow the Torah. I have learned that being Jewish isn't easy.





# ISRAEL UPDATE PRESENT – PAST – FUTURE By Phil Alkon

We've recently celebrated Israel's 71st birthday. Perhaps the most remarkable achievement in Jewish history. "Next year in Jerusalem" - a sighful prayer for over a hundred generations now amounts to a common request to a travel agent. Even miracles can seem banal, if we let them. Perhaps those who had the greatest faith in this coming were not the Jews of Europe as exemplified by Theodore Herzl in France, but the Sephardic exiles who chose to endure untold sacrifices as virtual outcasts and worse in a hostile Muslim world in order to remain within reach of – or even within - Eretz Yisrael. In reality, the realized promise of next year in Jerusalem that we recite every Passover reminds us that the Jewish biblical story is still very much a work in progress, and that each of us is an active player in that history – whether we realize or not, or whether we wish it or not. Some might even consider it a blessing.

Of course, a glance at any news report from the State of Israel today, in 2019/5779, presents a remarkable comparison to, and a remarkable transformation from its modern recreation in 1947 in almost every respect. The Jewish population has mushroomed from about 600,000 to over 9 million, and encompasses nearly half of the globe's Jews, as compared to about 7 percent at its founding. And although the overwhelming majority of Arabs chose to leave for neighboring Muslim states poised to destroy the embryonic "Zionist entity," Israel's Muslim and Christian communities comprise 20 percent of the population, and the absolute number of Arabs in the land is more than lived in the area at Israel's birth. Of course, historians know that the largest growth of the Arab population in early Palestine followed the waves of early Jewish immigration in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries.

The transformations in the land itself, and in virtually every field of human endeavor, impress even more than the numbers. We're all familiar with the incredible advances in agriculture, health and medicine, education, science and technology, literature, the arts that Israel continues to make. More impressive to my mind is the emergence of a vibrant democracy and a society founded on ethical values, humane principles and respect for life and individual human expression.

If all this sounds too good to be true, hold on. Our *Tanakh* teaches us that every human being is flawed and that every human endeavor is imperfect, at best. Also, that a universal, eternal God is perhaps most necessary in order to prevent otherwise misdirected humans from trying to assume that role and title for themselves. So, having just won a convincing victory for his Likud Party in Israel's recent parliamentary elections, and on the verge of form-

ing a new government, Israel's longest-serving Prime Minister, Bibi Netanyahu, has managed to find himself in a financial scandal that may well put him in prison rather than governing Israel again. And not a unique eventuality at that. Both former President Moshe Katzav and former Prime Minister Ehud Olmert enjoyed rent-free, all-meals covered government facilities after being convicted of pandering and bribery charges, respectively, while in office. I've always felt that what the average citizens of neighboring Arab countries most admired about Israel was a justice system that could put even its most powerful leaders out of a job and in prison for seemingly ordinary and even expected lapses by their all-powerful leaders.

Another unique aspect of Israel's history is its diminishing geographical size. A resurrected Jewish homeland, as ordained by the League of Nations following WWI, was to encompass all of geographical Palestine, in conforming with the recognized extent of Jewish nationhood in the historical past. And Great Britain was charged with the responsibility of actually carrying out that Mandate.

But as a prominent victor in the recent war, Britain played loose with its responsibilities and decided that the entire portion of Palestine east of the Jordan would be rewarded to its wartime Bedouin allies, and created the brand new Hashemite Kingdom of Transjordan. Seventy percent of the Jewish Palestinian homeland disappeared just like that. As Mel Brooks might have said, "It's good to be in charge," especially when no one is in a position to challenge you. Incidentally, the Golan Heights (home of the Israelite tribe of Menashe) were generously included by France in their creation of the new Arab Syria rather than in the Jewish nation, as also was prescribed by League of Nations. But the shrinking Zionist homeland story doesn't end there. Jordan had occupied the "West Bank" and the Old City of Jerusalem in Israel's 1947 War of Independence; and all surviving Jews living in the conquered areas (including the Jewish Quarter of the Old City) were evicted by the Jordanians and their Palestinian Arab allies. All of a sudden, the Hussein family's domain morphed into the Hashemite Kingdom of "Jordan," forgoing the "Trans" now that it encompassed territories on both sides of the river. Note, however, that not a sound was uttered about the possibility of a "Palestinian Arab" state on the land occupied by force by the Jordanians.

All that changed following Israel's defensive Six-Day War in 1967, in which Jordan was expelled from the West Bank and Jerusalem. After a 20 year hiatus, Jews were once again in control of their Biblical and Mandatory homeland west of the Jordan, including the ancient capitals of Shiloh, Hebron and Jerusalem. Now emerged a new identity and entity to challenge Jewish sovereignty, i.e, "Palestinian Arabs" - something never seen before in Middle East history.

# Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees Meeting Summary —May 9, 2019

The Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees met on May 9, 2019 after the congregation's Annual Meeting that evening. New Board members Barbara Berger, Steve Haydu, Martha Roditti, Nan Rubin and Lynn Zeemont joined the Board. They replaced out-going Board members Ellen Torres, Jeff Lewis, Diane Fleishman, Jeff Brown and Ned Rubin. Dave Decker represented the Mensch Club during the meeting. The following officers were elected: Cheryl Decker, President; Joanne Turnbull, Vice-President; Michael Mandel, Treasurer; and Steve Haydu, Recording Secretary.

Board members noted that the Budget Committee will present a draft TBE budget for 2019-2020 at the June Board meeting. All TBE members in good standing are invited to attend Board meetings.

During the Temple Beth-El Annual Meeting on May 9, 2019, Temple President Ellen Torres presented flowers to the chairs of our TBE fundraisers for the 2018-2019 year: Rose Jacobs, Jeff Lewis, Dave Zeemont, Lynn Zeemont, Dee Cook, Joanne Turnbull, and Cheryl Decker.



#### **Congratulations to:**

- Elisha Rosenberg, who received, on Friday, May 10, 2019, a Master of Arts in Communication Disorders from the New Mexico State University Department of Communication Disorders (Elisha was a member of the first graduating class under this department, which had, in the past, been a part of the Special Education department).
- Julie Rosenberg, who graduated on Friday, May 10, 2019, with a Bachelor's of Science in Family/Consumer Sciences from the College of Agriculture, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences. Her major was Family and Child Science and her minor was Counseling and Educational Psychology. She received the Dean's Award of Excellence from the College of Agriculture, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences, Crimson Scholar Graduate, with Honors.
- Veronica Bruder, daughter of Pearie and Ron Bruder, on her graduation, with honors, from Centennial High School on May 17, 2019. She will attend the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, studying in the pre-med program, in pursuit of becoming a doctor of anesthesiology.
- Sam Garcia-Bryce, son of Inigo Garcia-Bryce and Andrea Orzoff, on his graduation from Centennial High School on May 17, 2019. He will attend Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.
- Rachel Glickler Duggins and Sean Duggins, on the birth of their daughter, Rose Elise Duggins, on May 25, 2019 in Las Cruces. Joan Glickler is the proud grandmother. A naming ceremony will be held for Rose Elise during the Family Shabbat service on Friday, June 7 at 6:00 pm.

#### Bricks for the Biblical Garden and Brick Walkway

will be ordered again in the coming months. Please consider ordering one to mark that



special occasion of yours or a loved one. Call Dee Cook or Alison Mann, and they will send you the form and even help you design the brick, if you wish. And take a few minutes to sit in the meditation area of the walkway...it's a lovely spot!

#### WEEKLY TEMPLE BREAKFAST



Weekly breakfasts and discussions of topics of Jewish and general interest 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 at <a href="mailto:philipalkon@gmail.com">philipalkon@gmail.com</a> or 575-524-6945)

From Rabbi Karol: I was asked to speak about Jewish Contributions to American Life (and the World) for an event at White Sands Missile Range on May 9, 2019. I was offered six minutes for my remarks. Knowing that there would be other speeches on the topic, as well as a slide show of important American Jews, I decided to focus on specific areas. I knew there were many more people who deserved to be mentioned, but they were in the other presentations. Here is my talk:

During my years growing up in Kansas City, Missouri, my life was very similar to my neighbors and classmates. I did go to Temple instead of church, but, like most everyone else, I watched the Three Stooges, The Twilight Zone, and Star Trek, and the annual network television screening of "The Wizard of Oz." My comic book of choice was Superman, which I did watch on television, along with the original Batman series. I listened to a "Top 40" radio station, where I heard songs like "Sweet Caroline," "Soul and Inspiration," "Pleasant Valley Sunday," "Do Wah Diddy," "Mr. Tambourine Man" and "Bridge Over Troubled Water." And there was an ABC Monday night movie starring Dennis Weaver called "Duel" that was unnerving and even terrifying, as a man was pursued on isolated roads by an anonymous truck driver.

As the years went by, I began to discover more about who was responsible for those comics, movies, songs, and television shows.

Moses Horowitz, Samuel Horowitz, Louis Feinberg, and Jerome Horowitz were better known as Moe, Shemp, Larry and Curly - the Three Stooges, young Jewish men who started their act in 1922 and concluded in 1970.

The Twilight Zone's Jewish creator Rod Serling presented, in 1961, an early treatment of the Holocaust in the episode, "Death's Head Revisited," when a former SS officer visited the Dachau concentration camp, only to be haunted by the ghosts of those whom he had murdered there.

Leonard Nimoy, when asked what might make a suitable greeting for his Vulcan character in Star Trek, Mr. Spock, held up his hand to form the Hebrew letter SHIN, standing for Shaddai, meaning God almighty. It was a hand gesture which he saw as a boy in his Boston synagogue when men offered the ancient priestly blessing at a special point in worship.

Joe Shuster and Jerry Siegel, both Jewish, created Superman, the ultimate immigrant from a far away planet who had unimaginable powers because of his birth, and who sought to make the world a better place with his great strength and wisdom. Some say that Superman's given name on his home planet Krypton, KAL-EL, might be based on a Hebrew phrase that means "Voice of God." Robert Kahn, who became Robert Kane, partnered with Milton/Bill Finger to create Batman. Joe Simon and Jacob Kirtzberg/Jack Kirby created the beloved Captain America. Stanley Leiber, or Stan Lee, was a creative leader at Marvel Comics. Simon, Kirby and Lee were all World War II veterans. It is not surprising that Superman, Batman, Captain America and also Wonder Woman were all dedicated to fighting Nazis in the comics, some of them before the United States had officially entered the war.

I eventually discovered that a generation of Jewish songwriters created some of the memorable music I enjoyed on the radio:

Neil Diamond, Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil, Jeff Barry and Ellie Greenwich, Gerry Goffin and Carole King, Bob Dylan and Paul Simon. And the featured song of "The Wizard of Oz," "Over the Rainbow," was written by Harold Arlen, a cantor's son from Buffalo, and Yip Harburg, the son of Eastern European Jewish immigrants from the Lower East Side of New York City. Both of them were, perhaps, giving their Jewish perspective on the type of place they hoped America and the world could be.

And that TV movie, "Duel," that I watched in my dorm room on a 13 inch screen was directed by Steven Spielberg. In the early 1990s, Spielberg moved directly from his work on the blockbuster "Jurassic Park" to the poignant film about the rescue of Jews during the Holocaust, "Schindler's List." Spielberg later created a foundation to record the testimony of survivors of the Holocaust so that their stories could be told for generations to come.

The Three Stooges and the Marx Brothers created a foundation for the comedic work of Woody Allen, Mel Brooks, Billy Crystal, Larry David, Jerry Seinfeld, Adam Sandler, and Sarah Silverman. Sandler and Silverman both grew up in, of all places, Manchester, New Hampshire, and Silverman's sister Susan is one of my Reform rabbinic colleagues. Ed Asner, "Lou Grant" of the Mary Tyler Moore show, grew up in my hometown of Kansas City. There are many reasons for American Jews to be in comedy. It is probably due to our ability to laugh at ourselves and to discover humorous aspects of the world around us. Believe me, there is limitless material out there. Sometimes, comedy was, and still is, a way of outwitting those who hate us.

One more thing - you have probably heard of Hank Greenberg, who nearly broke Babe Ruth's home run record in 1938 as a member of the Detroit Tigers. Or Sandy Koufax, who had an amazing career as a pitcher with the Dodgers. But have you heard of Alex Bregman of the Houston Astros, who was recently featured in a Sports Illustrated article that included a photo of him with his rabbi and cantor on the day he became Bar Mitzvah at age 13 at his Albuquerque, New Mexico congregation?

Packing so much information into six minutes is a challenge. I want to give the last word to author Thomas Cahill. In his book, THE GIFTS OF THE JEWS, he credited the Jewish people for providing humanity with a sense of obligation to improve ourselves and our world. Doing justice and loving mercy and compassion offer us a way to be humble, to walk with God, and to cooperate with one another. God's spirit could be in each of us, not just in great leaders and prophets. Cahill suggested that the message of the Bible is that in choosing to do what is right, we are never more alive. Most of our best words, Cahill concluded, are gifts of the Jews, words like new, unique, individual, person, vocation or calling; time, history, future; freedom, progress, spirit; faith, hope, and justice.

This all sounds like a job for Superman or Batman or Captain America, but, truly, WE have the power to reach all of those goals if we work together as partners to make a positive difference to preserve our precious and amazing world.

#### **Donations through May 27, 2019**

#### **General Operating Fund**

- Daniel and Simy Allan, in memory of Irving Benowitz
- Bob and Monika Kimball, in honor of Nan Rubin's 70th bitthday

#### Irving Batkin Memorial Scholarship Fund

 Allen and Michele Blum, in memory of Blanche Blum (Allen's mother), Saul Blum (Allen's father) and Mollie Segal (Michele's grandmother).

#### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- Jeff and Avis Lewis, in memory of Jerome Herman
- Susan Fitzgerald, in memory of Jane and Leonard Hurwitz

#### **Social Action Fund**

• Peter and Sharon Dorfman, in memory of Norma R. Dorfman



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 and Biblical Garden.



#### TEMPLE FUNDS

Donations are gratefully accepted for the following:

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

**Biblical Garden Fund**—To provide the infrastructure for biblical plants and trees, and bricks in the fountain meditation area and on the brick walkway.

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

**Social Action Fund**—For projects that benefit our community and Las Cruces and Southern New Mexico.

Irving Batkin Memorial Scholarship Fund—To broadly support Jewish education, based on merit or need, through participation in the TBE Religious School, camperships, and/or pursuit of Jewish collegiate studies or rabbinical studies.

*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 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 and the Religious School Committee.

**Temple Beth-El 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, Michael Mandel.

#### "Have you considered a bequest to Temple Beth-El?"

An important part of our future is represented by bequests made by members.

Thoughtful bequests enable Temple Beth-El to retain a future of Jewish life for generations to come. From funding our Rabbi to scholarships at our religious school, your generous gift maintains our financial health.

A simple codicil can be added to your existing will, if you wish to make a bequest, such as:

"I give and bequest to Temple Beth-El, located in Las Cruces, New Mexico, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_ [or \_\_\_\_ percentage of my estate as finally determined for federal estate tax purposes].

A will or codicil should be prepared by an attorney. Please call the Temple office at (575) 524-3380 to discuss including Temple Beth-El in your estate.

# Yahrzeits-May 26 through through July 6, 2019

(Listings include the name of the loved one on the yahrzeit list and the name of the congregant or congregants remembering that loved one—asterisks indicate loved ones remembered with memorial plaques)

#### Read on Friday, May 31 and Saturday, June 1

Irving Benowitz\* (Simy Allan)

Gertie Davison\*

Harold Deutschman (Ellen Torres)

Beverly Fein (Mark Singer)

Allan Joseph (Susan Brown, Marieka Brown)

Alice Ross (Irwin Ross)

David Schwartz\*

Mollie Segal (Michele Blum)

Hana Segen\*

Ben Silberman (Cyrille S. Kane)

Leland Trafton\*

Nate Wagner\*

Anna Weinglass (Teddy Weinglass)

Marianne Zeitlin (Leora Zeitlin)

#### Read on Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8

Nat Dorfman\*

Rebekah Klempner Edelstein\* (Dee Cook)

Martin Harris (Nancy Rushforth)

Sidney Kalmanowitz (Sally Sicherman)

Isaac Podolsky (Rosalyn Richman & Selma Ryave)

Pauline Rosenberg (Jason Rosenberg)

Eugene J Stern Jr.\*

#### Read on Friday, June 14 and Saturday June 15

Rita Berger (Lila Ziegler)

Hilda Bortnick (Allen Palanker)

Hyman Capin (Bea Klein)

Siebert Feldman\* (Louise Feldman-Baskey)

Jerry Gardner (Brenda Parish)

Emanual Gluck\*

Jennie Greenfield\*

Simmie Greenfield\*

Rabbi Gerald M. Kane/Harav Yosef Melech ben Hershel Hako-

hen V'Yocheved (Cyrille Kane)

Luba Klaitman (Rita Polsky)

Harriet Mandel (Michael Mandel)

Florence Poel (Martin Poel)

Charlie Roselinsky (Lynn Zeemont)

Shirley Ruttenberg (Ellen Torres)

Irving Schindler (David Zeemont)

Dorothy Schlisman\* (Suzanne Mazer)

Leonard Sicherman (Sally Sicherman)

#### Read on Friday, June 21 and Saturday June 22

Michael Bruder\* (Murray & Evelyn Bruder)

Carl Caplan (Betty Rosse)

Michael Max Cohen (Richard Goldberg)

Vivan Denault (Lynn Berkeley)

Esther Edelstein Berlin\* (Dee Cook)

Sarah Eskin (Linda M. Kruger)

Christina Griffasi (Deborah Lee Thuman)

Aaron Hyman\* (Michael Hyman)

Doris Kirschner\* (Bob Kirschner)

Andrea B Siegel\*

Quinn Sitcler (Cheryl and David Decker)

#### Read on Friday, June 28 and Saturday June 29

Jerome Batkin/Yochanan ben Nisan Hakohen\*
(Mike Batkin)

Richard Batkin/Reuven ben Yochanan Hakohen\* (Mike Batkin)

Ruben Kasten\*

Clara Kleiner (Rachel Stevens)

Miriam Kuznekoff\* (Chuck Kuznekoff)

Nathan Mandel (Michael Mandel)

Steven R Pasternack\*

Leonard Weinglass (Teddy Weinglass)

Pearl Weisman (Cyrille S. Kane)

#### Read on Friday, July 5 and Saturday, July 6

Bernard Cutler (Michele Blum)

Barbara Orner (Ralph Orner)

Asher Segen\*

Benjamin D Siegel\*

Max Taub\*

#### The Temple Beth-El community extends condolences to:

The family of Bernard Dash. Bernard died on May 4, 2019 in Las Cruces, New Mexico. A memorial service and celebration of life for Bernard will be held at Temple on Tuesday, June 18, at 10:00 am.

Avis and Jeff Lewis, on the death of Avis' brother, Mark Herman, on May 25, 2019 in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Frima Marquez and Jeff Marquez, on the death of Frima's sister (Jeff's Aunt), Blanche Levine, on May 25, 2019 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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.
- Names are read on the Shabbat <u>following</u> the Yahrzeit, or on the day, if it falls on that Shabbat.
- Hebrew vs. conventional (Gregorian) 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 (Gregorian) calendar date are asked to please email or call the Temple office 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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for in-depth information about Temple and its programming and updates on current Temple events

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(It is open for all to see!)

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

## 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.

#### Adelante Deadline

The deadline for turning in articles, items and photos for the July 2019 Adelante is June 20, 2019. 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. Ruth Rubin is volunteering in the office on Wednesdays at 10:00-10:30 am. Please call before you come (575-524-3380), or email Rabbi Karol at rabbi@tbelc.org or rablpkarol@gmail.com. You can also contact Rabbi Karol to make an appointment. Thank you!





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#### **Editing:**

Books, scientific papers, theses, dissertations Technical documents of all sorts.

(for accuracy, continuity, organization, style grammar, readability, supportability, etc.)

#### 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 and put your donation in the marked containers in the hallway opposite the Library. There is also a need for wide-mouth glass bottles and containers. For more information or questions, contact the Temple office.

# JUNE 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						lyar 27 1 Talmud Study 9:00 am Lay-led Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
lyar 28 2	lyar 29 3	Sivan 1 4	Sivan 2 5 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Tanakh Study 10:15 am	Sivan 3 6	Sivan 4 7 Family Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Jan-June B-day blessings Potluck Dinner Following	Sivan 5 8  Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am  EREV SHAVUOT STUDY—7:30 pm
Sivan 6 9 Shavuot Morning and Yizkor Service 10:00 am	Sivan 7 10	Sivan 8 11	Sivan 9 12 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Tanakh Study 10:15 am	Sivan 10 13	Sivan 11 14 Shabbat Service 7:00 pm	Sivan 12 15 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
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Sivan 20 23	Sivan 21 24 The Song Never Ends: Exploring the Psalms—7:00 pm	Sivan 22 25	Sivan 23 26 Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Tanakh Study 10:15 am	sivan 24 27	Sivan 25 28  Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit 7:00 pm	Sivan 26 29 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
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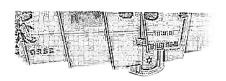
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