



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

FEBRUARY 2020 (SHEVAT-ADAR 5780)

Dear Temple Community,

Our Temple Beth El Religious School has benefited from Rhonda and Rabbi Karol's expertise and care over the past 9 years, and a void will be left by the Rabbi's retirement and their departure this summer. We know that in the past our school has been led by lay members, and now we need your help! As we look to the Fall 2020 – Spring 2021 school year, the Religious School Transition Team is looking for an administrator (or co-administrators) for our school.

Responsibilities include the following:

- Coordinating the school and faculty schedules
- Working with faculty to create and implement RS curriculum
- Ordering teaching materials
- Communicating with the accountant and TBE Board
- Overseeing special events throughout the year (in conjunction with the faculty)

Please contact the Religious School Transition Committee at tbelcreligiousschool@gmail.com to get more detailed information if you are interested. Applications due by **March 1st, 2020**



Menorahs shining brightly at our Chanukah Celebration on December 27th. More pictures on Pages 6 and 7

Shabbat Services

Friday, February 7

Shabbat Family Service at 6:00 pm
Dairy/Vegetarian Potluck Dinner following the service

Friday, February 14, 21, and 28

Shabbat services will begin at 6:30 pm,
with an Oneg Shabbat following

Saturday, February 1, 8, 15, 29

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

Saturday, February 22

10:15 am Bat Mitzvah of Morgan Tierney

(See Page 2 for details)



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The next regular Board Meeting will be held on
Thursday, February 20 at 6:00 pm

Worship Schedule

Please note: OUR SHABBAT EVENING SERVICES ON FEBRUARY 14, 21 and 28 WILL BEGIN AT 6:30 PM. THIS WILL BE THE SERVICE TIME FOR THE WINTER MONTHS.

Saturday, February 1

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat morning service and Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Bo Exodus 10:1-13:16
Haftarah Jeremiah 46:13-28

Friday, February 7

6:00 pm. Family Shabbat Service for all ages. 5th-7th Grade students studying Jewish history in the book *The Mystery of the Coins* with Leora Zeitlin will offer a presentation based on their learning. **Joanne Turnbull will represent the Board of Trustees.**

6:50 pm. Dairy/Vegetarian Potluck Shabbat Dinner. **Dee Cook and Ann Berkson will provide a special dessert.**

Saturday, February 8

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat morning service and Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Beshalach Exodus 13:17-17:16
Haftarah Judges 4:4-5:31

Sunday, February 9

11:30 am TU BISH'VAT SEDER Open to all congregants—please respond to Rabbi Karol by email or call the Temple office. This will be sponsored by the Religious School

Friday, February 14

6:30 pm Shabbat Service lay-led by Monika Kimball, Cherri Hudson-Brown and Jeff Brown.
Luke Duddridge will represent the Board of Trustees. Jane Grider will sponsor the Oneg Shabbat.

Saturday, February 15

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat morning service lay-led by Stuart Kelter and Leora Zeitlin, followed by a potluck Kiddush.
Parashat Yitro Exodus 18:1-20:23
Haftarah Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:5, 6

Friday, February 21

6:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service - Rabbi Karol will speak on "What binds us together." **Ruth Rubin will represent the Board of Trustees. The Tierney family will sponsor the Oneg Shabbat.**

Saturday, February 22 **NO TALMUD STUDY**

10:15 am Morgan Tierney, daughter of Jamie and Beth Tierney, will become a Bat Mitzvah during this Shabbat morning service. A Shabbat Kiddush luncheon will follow the service.

Parashat Mishpatim Exodus 21:1-24:18
Haftarah Jeremiah 34:8-22; 33: 25-26

Friday, February 28

6:30 pm Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit, including prayers and music for healing and renewal, **Cheryl Decker will sponsor the Oneg Shabbat. Cheryl Decker will represent the Board of Trustees.**

Saturday, February 29

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat Morning Service & Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Terumah Exodus 25:1-27:19
Haftarah First Kings 5:26-6:13

Friday, March 6

6:00 pm. Family Shabbat Service for all ages.
Lynn Zeemont will represent the Board of Trustees.
6:50 pm. Dairy/Vegetarian Potluck Shabbat Dinner.

Saturday, March 7

9:00 am Talmud Study
10:15 am Shabbat morning Service and Potluck Kiddush
Parashat Tetzaveh/Shabbat Zachor Exodus 27:20-30:10, Deuteronomy 25:17-19
Haftarah I Samuel 15:2-34

Jamie and Beth Tierney joyfully invite you to celebrate with us as our daughter, Morgan Tierney becomes Bat Mitzvah.



**February, 22, 2020 at 10:15 AM
A bagel brunch will follow.**



Message from Rabbi Karol

Invocation - Board Meeting - January 16, 2020

Eternal God,
 You who teach us paths of wisdom and righteousness,
 Help us to truly distinguish between right and wrong.
 As the prophet Amos declared to the people of Israel
 That God would scrutinize their integrity
 By placing a plumb line in their midst to evaluate their
 deeds.
 Enable us to honestly assess
 How much we are able to follow the standards
 Of our tradition
 For engendering respect,
 For offering support,
 For approaching one another with compassion,
 For welcoming strangers,
 For providing encouragement to those who selflessly
 and willingly serve our community,
 For seeing Your face in the face of every human being,
 For preserving our world for the future,
 For pursuing justice,
 For advocating for freedom in our midst and for all
 people.
 Open our eyes to see You by our side and in our midst
 As we do the sacred work
 Of sustaining, with warmth and with joy,
 this Beit-El, this House of God, our holy community.

Invocation - Dona Ana County Branch NAACP Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast - January 20, 2020

Eternal One, Creator and Sustainer of us all,
 As we join together, open our eyes to the vision that
 sustained Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which led him to
 declare, as he accepted the Nobel Prize in 1965:
 "I have the audacity to believe that peoples everywhere
 can have three meals a day for their bodies, education
 and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality and
 freedom for their spirits. I believe that what self-
 centered men and woman have torn down, men and
 women other-centered can build up. I still believe that
 one day humanity will bow before the altars of God and
 be crowned triumphant over war and bloodshed, and
 nonviolent redemptive goodwill will proclaim the rule
 of the land. I still believe we shall overcome."

We will overcome...when we see ourselves as not isolated from one another but dependent on each other for well-being and for hope.

We will overcome....when we, in Dr. King's words, continue to be, no matter what the obstacles we may encounter, true participants in society, taking our share of the responsibility to infuse democracy with liberty and substance.

We will overcome...when we realize that our unity is always enlarged by the alliances that we create and maintain with one another, and that our coordinated action can enhance the love and light that we can share from deep within our hearts.

May this gathering, at which we share food for our bodies and sustenance for our minds and souls, inspire us to make Dr. King's dream our dream and to do all that we can to ensure that his dream and our dream will become a reality.

Eternal One, give us the will and the strength to make all of this come to be.

*L'shalom,
Rabbi Larry K.*

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

Rabbi Karol's Hours January thru June

Wednesday - 10:00 am -5:00 pm

*Friday- 10:30-11:30 am, 2:00-4:00 pm, Shabbat
Evening Service and Oneg (6:00-8:00 pm)*

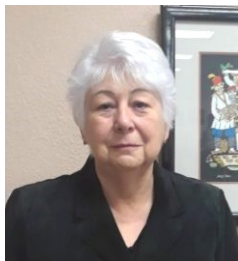
*Saturday - Shabbat Morning Service (10:00 am -1:00
pm)*

Sunday - 9:00 am - 1:00 pm (Religious School)

*Rabbi Karol will be present at other Temple programs
outside his half-time schedule as necessary and appropriate*

Correction: On page 5 in our January edition of the Adelante, in an article about security improvements made at the temple, we mistakenly stated that these improvements were made possible by a grant from the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso.

The funds actually came from the **Jewish Community Foundation of El Paso**. We greatly appreciate this grant which helped us to ensure the security of our congregation and regret the error.



Message from
Temple President
Cheryl Decker

The 2nd Annual “A Night at the Auction”, was celebrated on Saturday evening, January 25th. The theme this year was A Chinese New Year. With dragons welcoming the many TBE members, their guests and a dragon guarding the food and drink tables, an evening of goodwill and fun permeated the event. Many of the party attendees wore Chinese inspired garb, which enhanced the festive mood. Our Auctioneer, Jack Hokkanen, dressed in a red, patterned smoking jacket, (donated by our Dave Zeemont) offered such items as an exotic, hand-made, turquoise and fern green parrot, rum and/or pina colada bundt cakes, a one of a kind, glaze painting on porcelain canvas, a beautiful, tzedakah box, an R.G. Gorman signed print, a hand crafted gourd, a citrus basket filled to the brim with citrus inspired goodies, hand crafted wooden toys for your home, a ceramic Koshari in a box, and a home handyman with a toolbelt full of chocolate and munchies. The items auctioned are too numerous to list, but each item was donated by our own temple members and by Friends of Temple Beth-El.

The Raffle offered such items as gift cards to Hacienda de Mesilla, Lescombes Milagro Coffee, pedicures, massages, jewelry and many other goodies, all won with a \$2.00 ticket.

The Silent Auction Events: Let Me Help You, Food and Fun, Gather Together, Outdoor Adventure, Let Me Feed You, Let Me Help You, Try Something New, and Just For You,. Winners are being tabulated and the winners will be notified shortly.

A huge “Thank You” to all who attended, those gracious enough to donate items for the event, the wine lovers who shared their various, favorite wines, those that gifted items of food, ice tea, theme based decorations and to all of you who worked so hard, donated your time, talents, smiles and good will, and of course Rabbi Karol’s candid snapshots, A simple thank you can not express how much you are appreciated. The Ways and Means Committee thanks you and appreciates the members of TBE and their invited guests who always support TBE endeavors. Thank you to Ann Berkson, Rita Polsky, Diane Fleishman, and Wendee Lorbeer, the women in the kitchen on Friday and Saturday, our servers, Elliot Katz, Ron Pierce, Jeff Lewis and Art Lorbeer and finally our bartenders, Michael Mandel and Allen Blum.

L’Shalom,

Dee, Joanne, Wendee and Cheryl

Come Learn about Reform Judaism
and “You”

Dear Temple Beth-El congregants:

We invite you to join us Sunday, March 15 at 2 p.m. in the social hall for a one-hour, interactive workshop entitled “What is Reform Judaism to You?” which is designed to help us explore our knowledge of and personal relationship to Reform Judaism.

The workshop, which will be led by Rabbi Larry and Ellen Torres, is the first of three workshops that the nominating committee is holding this year to help support and inform our temple community. Light refreshments will be served.

A second workshop on Sunday, April 5, will explore the notion of how we, as individuals, may serve as Jewish ambassadors to our communities, small and large. A third workshop, to be held in August, will be a delightful, anecdote-filled, interactive tour and history of our Temple Beth-El building.

These workshops, which we’ve conducted the past two years, serve several purposes related to our primary responsibility, which is to recommend to the annual congregational meeting a slate of candidates for election to the board. (As you may know, although we recommend a slate of candidates, individuals can also be nominated directly from the floor during the annual meeting.)

These workshops help inform those who are already trustees and offer opportunities for all congregants who are curious and eager to learn more about their faith, the temple and themselves.

In collaboration with trustees, we select workshop topics that we believe are relevant to their responsibilities but are also of general interest.

Most importantly, we feel these workshops, by bringing congregants together for learning, introspection and friendship, contribute to a greater sense of community at Temple Beth-El. Our workshops are designed to be educational and provocative and allow everyone to engage more deeply in matters of faith and in the life of the temple. We believe that we can better fulfill our responsibility for nominating trustee candidates if we are also helping to foster and support a greater sense of community and of learning for everyone.

As we enter our third year of combining nominating with leadership, we continue to embrace the belief that these workshops are just a small but critical part of our congregation’s ongoing and overall efforts to provide congregants with support and encouragement to become and remain involved – as leaders, if they so choose, and as more engaged congregants.

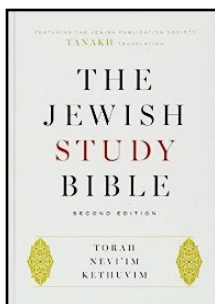
In our planning, we have paid close attention to the principles of sacred partnership as they relate to everything that the Temple community does. The Union for Reform Judaism, whose expertise has been indispensable, defines spiritual partnership as “a commitment to building and nurturing relationships that elevate the work of leadership to a level of holiness.” Sacred partnerships recognize each of us as individuals.

Please join us.

(Members of the Nominating Committee are: Ann Berkson, Michele Blum, Rabbi Larry Karol (ex officio), Cheryl Decker, temple President; Michael Mandel, Brian McCuller, Ellen Torres and Jim Rosenthal, chairman.)

ADULT EDUCATION

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TANAKH STUDY

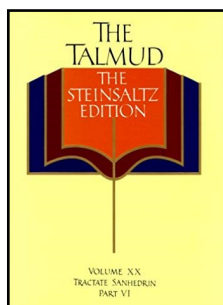
Sessions meet on Wednesday at 10:15 until 11:15 am, studying the book of Hosea

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.



New short story series starts Feb. 3

You are invited to join the Temple Beth-El short story group as we resume our weekly discussions on **Monday, Feb. 3 at 10:30 a.m.** in the social hall. We will once again be reading stories from "The Oxford Book of Jewish Stories." The book is widely available for purchase through Amazon and other on-line sites.

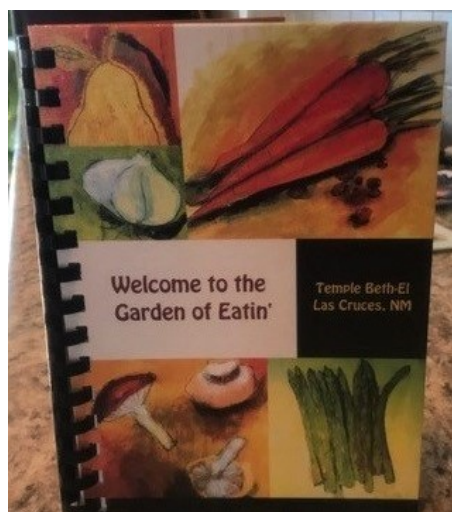


If you love fiction and would like to share your thoughts and observations at our informal and stimulating 1 ½ hour discussions and if you like spending a morning with fellow readers, this is the place for you! And I make the coffee!!

There is a \$18 ("chai") fee which goes to support the temple's Adult Education Committee programs.

If you have any questions, email Jim Rosenthal at jar529@gmail.com or call at 575-640-3292.

Temple Beth-El Cookbook
"Welcome to the Garden of Eatin'"
\$15, Cash or Check

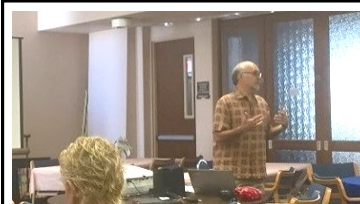


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WEEKLY TEMPLE BREAKFAST



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 philipalkon@gmail.com or 575-524-6945)

Bricks for the Biblical Garden and Brick Walkway

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!



Our annual Chanukah celebration drew over 70 people and approximately 30 menorahs were lit. Many latkes were donated as well as several different kinds of sufganiot. Thank you also to all who donated other food items and helped set up, decorate and clean up.



Our Second annual “A Night at the Auction”, was held on January 25th. Many people came out to enjoy this evening of food and bidding on the great items donated by congregants and friends.



FEBRUARY 2020 (SHEVAT-ADAR 5780)**Yahrzeits-February 1, 2020 through March 7, 2020**

(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, February 7 and Saturday, February 8

Clinton Cook* (Dee Cook)
 Richard Garner (Carrie Swartz)
 Zeena Audrae Geller (Ruth Rubin)
 Isaac Kruger (Linda M. Kruger)
 Hesh Langner (Bernice Langner)
 Jesse J Muchnikoff (Stan Muchnikoff)
 Alvin Phinick (Karen Currier)
 Edward Schoenbrun*
 Stanley Skigen*
 William Stein (Bill Stein)
 Arthur Stern/Heshel Wolf Ben Mair and Yentl*
 (Ann Berkson & Arthur Berkson)
 Leah Williamson (Barbara Mandel)

Read on Friday, February 14 and Saturday, February 15

Lola Davis*
 Jennie Davison*
 Hortense Heart (Nancy Bergman)
 Janet Kane (Cyrille S. Kane)
 Samuel Klein* (Bea Klein, Sonny Klein)
 David Kloss*
 Benjamin Lampert* (Gabriel Lampert)
 Charlotte Ray Mann (Gary Mann)
 Ethel Paul*
 Neysa Pritikin*
 Harold Rabinovitch (David Rabinovich)
 Edward F Resnick* (Frances F. Williams)
 Dena Solomon (Tanah Hemingway)
 Dr Edward Weiss* (Diane Bass)

Read on Friday, February 21 and Saturday, February 22

Shirley Backman (Judy Kirschner)
 Marion Brown (Marieka Brown)
 Henrietta Bruder* (Murray Bruder, Ron Bruder) Marilyn Chaifetz
 Cecelia Chotiner Lipsitz (Rosalyn Richman, Selma Ryave)
 George Cohen* (Sue Brown, Marieka Brown)
 Louis Druxman*
 Alexander Edwards*
 Wade W Gardner (Brenda Parish)
 Irving Glater (Leslie Glater)
 Raphael Gordon (David Zeemont)
 Norman Green (Rosalyn Richman, Selma Ryave)
 Minne Levicoff (Sue Mazer)
 Samuel Rabkin*
 Christine Radcliff*
 Yetta Resnick* (Frances F. Williams)
 Dee Seton Barber* (Julie Seton)
 Milton Zeemont (David Zeemont)

Read on Friday, February 28 and Saturday, February 29

Shimshon Alkon (Phil Alkon)
 Jeanne Brancato (Joseph Bell)
 Ruth N. Brooks* (Sharon Dorfman)
 Patricia Collier Ehlers (Lisa McCuller)
 Lawrence Friedman (Teddy Weinglass)
 Margaret Gantert (Susi Kolikant)
 Dori Gorsky*
 Rita Herman (Avis Herman Lewis)
 Carl Isaacson (Louise Feldman-Baskey)
 Itzhak Kolikant (Jacob Kolikant)
 Bella Krushen*
 Jean Lemelin (Stacey Hyman)
 Samuel Ryave (Rosalyn Richman, Selma Ryave)
 Charlotte Schwartz*
 Sonia Seigel*
 Ruth Sicherman (Sally Sicherman)
 Max Steinberg* (Evelyn Bruder, Ron Bruder)
 Reba Tapper (Dan Tapper)
 Dolly Zabin (Jeff Brown)

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Read on Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7

Joshua Mordechai Batkin/ Y'hoshua Kochavah ben

Moshe Hakohen* (Mike Batkin)

Avraham Ben Isaac Ha Cohen

(Tanah Hemingway)

Earl Dorfman* (Peter Dorfman)

Leonard Edwards*

Alma Ruth Feil (Paul Feil)

Beatrice Gibbs (Ruth Ann Sugarman)

Ann Marie Hedgecock*

Ida Katz*

Frances Klein* (Sonny Klein, Bea Klein)

Stephanie S. Morgan*

Anna Podolsky (Rosalyn Richman, Selma Ryave)

Isabelle Sazer (Tanah Hemingway)

David Sicherman (Sally Sicherman)

Storm Sauter Tarvin (Tanah Hemingway)

Joseph Wolfe* (Elissa Poel)

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

- Jeanne Brown and family, on the death of her uncle, Robert Abkes, on December 1, 2019 in Jonesborough, Tennessee.
- Rachel Glickler Duggins and Sean Duggins and their family, on the death of Rachel's mother, Joan Glickler, in Las Cruces, New Mexico on January 11, 2020.

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 **following** 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.

Rabbi Karol and Frances Williams, along with David Decker and Cheryl Loudon-Decker, visited Helen Gluck on January 28, 2020, the day after the 75th anniversary of her liberation from Auschwitz. Helen was a Temple member for many years, and still has many extended family members in the area. A brick on our Temple brick walkway memorializes Helen's family members who did not survive the Holocaust. Spending time with her was a blessing.



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.



Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees Meeting Summary— January 16, 2020

- Rabbi Larry is working on keeping to his ½ time hours, and as needed he will adjust his schedule when he needs to provide Rabbinic services on planned ‘off days.’
- The Temple currently has a little over 20K in the bank. This includes 10K borrowed last year to cover expenses.
- The Paypal link on the Donations page is re-connected, we are still working on improving the link, but it is possible now to donate with a credit card through the link on our website: <https://tblc.org/paypal-donations/>.
- We received a grant of \$20,000 to help fund a student Rabbi for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. We will apply for a student rabbi from Union Hebrew College in LA to cover 18 weekends, approximately 2 weekends a month from August-May, plus High Holy Days. Current total cost estimate is about \$26,000. Services for the remaining weekends will be covered by the Religious Practices Transition Team either by lay leaders or visiting clergy.
- Congregational meetings will be held in early 2020 to discuss the needs of our congregation.
- The board is looking for a new Membership committee chair.
- Beth Tierney is now the editor/producer of the Temple’s monthly Adelante (with some editorial support).
- The Religious Practices Transition Team is calling congregants with a survey regarding participation in lay-led services. Please, let your voices be heard, and complete the survey when they call on you.
- February 14 is the next lay-led service.
- Jack Greenspan is our newest Temple member.
- The next board meeting is scheduled for February 20th, 2020 at 6PM
- The Annual Congregation Meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 7th, 2020

JFFF VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need congregants to volunteer to help set up and tear down for the Jewish Food and Folk Festival. Volunteers are needed from **4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22nd and Monday, April 27th**. JFFF will be held on **Sunday, April 26th**.

Join fellow temple members for a few hours as we move furniture to prepare the temple for this important fund-raising event. This mostly involves light lifting, moving chairs and tables around and, depending on the number of volunteers, should take no longer than 1 ½ to 2 hours.

By volunteering for these important tasks, you will share an enjoyable experience with friends and contribute greatly to the success of this annual event.

There will be also be specially selected treats for all!

Please contact either Jim Rosenthal at 575-522-6478 or jar529@gmail.com or Art Lorbeer at 716-908-7885 or Artlorbeer@roadrunner.com

Temple Beth-El Mitzvah Team

The Mitzvah Team has identified the following tasks that it would like to perform and support with the help of Temple volunteers (please let us know if you can assist us):

- Develop a phone tree and other ways to reach out to members.
- Support the rabbi and the Religious Practices Committee in providing special arrangements for shiv’ah minyans.
- Visit homebound and hospitalized members and members living in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and hospice.
- Provide transportation to worship services and Temple events, medical appointments, and errands.
- Celebrate simchahs (life’s joyous moments).

Please contact:

- Alison Mann—575-680-0207 Alisonmd4@gmail.com
- Luke Duddridge—727-204-6086
- David Decker—575-556-4056—deckerdavid28@gmail.com

If you are aware of any members in need of the services listed above, please let us know!

Upcoming Events

April 26, 2020



**Food,
Music,
Dancing, Bazaar and
more!**



**Second Night
Passover Seder
April 9, 2020
Picacho Hills Country
Club**

Watch this space and your mailbox for more information. Please be sure to RSVP by the date indicated on the mailing so that we can make sure that we have enough seating and food. Picacho Hills Country Club is unable to accommodate last minute reservations.

**Sisterhood invites you Thurs-
day, March 5, 2020 at 7:00 pm.**

for a delightful evening of dessert and an entertaining presentation by Mary Kay Shannon, a wonderful historian, who will share her knowledge of the early women of Las Cruces.

Contact Diane Fleishman at 575-373-9589

**A Mobster in the Family:
Jewish Outlaws, Gangsters and Bandits.
Naomi Sandweiss**

2:00 pm, Sunday March 1, at Temple Beth-El

Temple Beth-El's History Committee invites you to a presentation by Naomi Sandweiss at 2:00 pm on Sunday, March 1 at the Temple. Ms. Sandweiss will discuss "A Mobster in the Family: Jewish Outlaws, Gangsters and Bandits."

Ms. Sandweiss's trip is sponsored by the New Mexico Jewish Historical Society and the Historical Society of New Mexico. We suggest donations to TBE of \$10. There will be refreshments after this presentation.

Naomi Sandweiss is the author of *Jewish Albuquerque 1860-1960* and numerous articles. She is Executive Director of Parents Reaching Out, a statewide non-profit organization, and is a past president of the New Mexico Jewish Historical Society. She will explore in this talk who were the generation of Jewish-American gangsters, what forces led them to enter the world of crime, and how these same gangsters fought anti-Semitism and supported Israel.

This will be a very good session. Please attend!



**Sunday, February 9,
2020**

11:30 am

**TU BISH'VAT
SEDER**

Join us as we celebrate the New Year of Trees with a modern adaptation of this ritual that celebrates our ties to nature and to the land of Israel. Open to all congregants—please respond to Rabbi Karol by email or call the Temple office. This will be sponsored by the Religious School (which will meet at its regular time that morning).



Plastic Bottle Caps for Cancer Care

Thanks to Ann Berkson for bringing this Tzedakah opportunity to the attention of Temple Beth-El Religious School. Please save and send in any color or kind of plastic

bottle caps. Ann will make sure they are given to a person who will take them to Mexico, where the funds from the caps are used for cancer care, such as for dialysis and prostheses. There will be a container to collect the caps on the small countertop outside the pantry in the kitchen. We look forward to the continued participation of Temple members of all ages in this mitzvah.

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.

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Jewish Federation
OF GREATER EL PASO

One Hour
25,000 Meals

This Winter,
let's help fight international and local hunger

EL PASOANS FIGHTING HUNGER FOOD BANK

Don Haskins Rec Center
7400 High Ridge Dr.
El Paso, TX 79912

02/16/20 @ 2PM

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*Given changes to the standard deduction limits,
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ments for tax purposes. If you would like a
statement, please contact the temple treasurer
Michael Mandel to request one.*

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.

Rabbi Larry and Rhonda Karol 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.

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Office Hours

Rabbi Karol is in the office:

Wednesday - 10:00 am -5:00 pm

Friday- 10:30-11:30 am, 2:00-4:00 pm, and while he is preparing for Shabbat worship.

Our Temple President, **Cheryl Decker** will be in the office:

Wednesdays from noon to 2:00 PM and Thursday from 10AM - 2PM.

Please call before you come (575-524-3380).

You can also call Cheryl (575-640-9559) or email (doubledeckerohio@msn.com) to make an appointment. Thank you!

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@tbcl.org) with the names of congregants who you know would like to be visited. We appreciate your cooperation in this area, so that we can be, as much as possible, a truly caring community.



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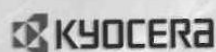
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Please do your best to keep to that schedule to facilitate a timely completion of the Adelante!

All content can be e-mailed to Beth Tierney at cambrien73@gmail.com



FEBRUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						Shevat 6 ¹ Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Shevat 7 ² Machon/Hebrew 9:00 am Religious School	Shevat 8 ³ Short Story group 10:30 AM	Shevat 9 ⁴	Shevat 10 ⁵ Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Tanakh Study 10:15 am	Shevat 11 ⁶	Shevat 12 ⁷ Family Shabbat service 6:00 pm Dairy/Vegetarian Potluck dinner follow- ing	Shevat 13 ⁸ Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Shevat 14 ⁹ Machon/Hebrew 9:00 am Religious School Tu Bish'vat Seder 11:30 AM	Shevat 15 ¹⁰ Short Story group 10:30 AM	Shevat 16 ¹¹	Shevat 17 ¹² Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Tanakh Study 10:15 am	Shevat 18 ¹³ Board Meeting 6:00 pm	Shevat 19 ¹⁴ Shabbat Service 6:30 pm	Shevat 20 ¹⁵ Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Shevat 21 ¹⁶ NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL President's Day Break	Shevat 22 ¹⁷ Short Story group 10:30 AM	Shevat 23 ¹⁸	Shevat 24 ¹⁹ Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Tanakh Study 10:15 am	Shevat 25 ²⁰	Shevat 26 ²¹ Shabbat Service 6:30 pm	Shevat 27 ²² Bat Mitzvah of Mor- gan Tierney NO TALMUD STUDY Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am
Shevat 28 ²³ Machon/Hebrew 9:00 am Religious School	Shevat 29 ²⁴ Short Story group 10:30 AM	Shevat 30 ²⁵	Adar 1 ²⁶ Wednesday Breakfast 8:45 am Tanakh Study 10:15 am	Adar 2 ²⁷	Adar 3 ²⁸ Shabbat Service for Renewal of Spirit 6:30 pm	Adar 4 ²⁹ Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Service 10:15 am

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