

# Adelante!

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

JULY 2020 (TAMMUZ-AV 5780)



Blessing of Rabbi Larry and Rhonda Karol by the community at the Zoom retirement event on Thursday, June 25. Over 100 family and friends of Rabbi Larry and Rhonda from Las Cruces and all over the United States signed on to participate. It was a wonderful and touching tribute. Thank you to all those who made it happen and congratulations to Rabbi on your retirement.

## Shabbat Services and Religious Study (via Zoom)

### Friday, July 3

Lay-Led Shabbat Family Service at 6:30 pm

### Friday, July 10, 17, 24, and 31

Lay-Led Shabbat services at 6:30 pm

### Saturday, July 4, 11, 25, and August 1

Talmud Study at 9:00 am

Contact Bryan McCuller

([mccullerbryan@gmail.com](mailto:mccullerbryan@gmail.com))

Torah Study 11:00 am with Rabbi Karol

### Wednesdays-

Tanakh study 10:00 am with Rabbi Karol

(See Page 2 for details)



A special thank you to Jake Hardin (on left) grandson of Joanne Turnbull and Ezekiel (Ben) Swartz (on right), son of Ari and Carrie Swartz for assisting David Decker in repainting the lines (including additional handicap spaces) in the Temple parking lot. Their work has been invaluable and we are very grateful -photo by Dave Decker

## Worship Schedule

**FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBAT SERVICE - 6:30 PM**  
WEEKLY Via Zoom

You can also watch the Facebook livestream on this page:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Synagogue/Temple-Beth-El-115816285166004/>

(if you do not have a Facebook profile now, and it asks you to join when you go to the page, click "Not Now" and that box will disappear).

Services in June will be lay-led. Follow along in the Mishkan T'filah for Shabbat flipbook provided by the Central Conference of American Rabbis at this link

<https://www.ccarnet.org/publications/mishkan-tfilah-for-shabbat/>

Otherwise, just listen to the livestream with familiar prayers/songs.

Zoom invites for Tanakh Study, Torah Study and Services, as well as any text to follow, will be sent out weekly.

### Friday, July 3

6:30 pm Family Shabbat Services for all ages— Led by Beth Tierney

### Saturday, July 4

9:00 am Talmud Study  
11:00 am Torah Study  
Parashat Chukkat-Balak Numbers 19:1-25:9

### Friday, July 10

6:30 pm Shabbat Service—Led by Stuart Kelter and Leora Zeitlin

### Saturday, July 11

9:00 am Talmud Study  
11:00 am Torah Study  
Parashat Pinchas Numbers 25:10-30:1

### Friday, July 17

6:30 pm Shabbat Service Led by Steve Haydu

### Saturday, July 18

9:00 am Talmud Study  
11:00 am Torah Study  
Parashat Matot-Masei Numbers 30:2-36:13

### Friday, July 24

6:30 pm Shabbat Service - Led by Patrick and Susan Quinn

### Saturday, July 25

9:00 am Talmud Study  
11:00 am Torah Study  
Parashat Devarim Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22

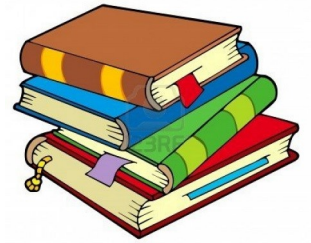
### Friday, July 31

6:30 pm—Led by Jeff Brown and Cherri Hudson-Brown

### Saturday, August 1

9:00 am Talmud Study  
11:00 am Torah Study  
Parashat Vaetchanan Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11

### “Virtual” Short Story Series Continues



During these challenging times, you are invited to join us for our ongoing “virtual” Jewish short

story discussion series. We meet via Zoom in two separate sessions on **Mondays and Tuesdays at 11 a.m.**

We are reading the short stories of many different current and past Jewish authors. Many of these authors’ short stories are available on-line. So, there is no need for you to purchase a book. I send the assigned stories via email directly to you.

If spending a friendly and stimulating time with fellow readers each week sounds like something you would like to do, just let me know at

[jar529@gmail.com](mailto:jar529@gmail.com).

Questions? Call me at 640-3292.

Hope to hear from you.—Jim Rosenthal



**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.**







**Message from**  
**Rabbi Emeritus,**  
**Larry Karol:**

I have been thinking about  
All of these years  
As a rabbi.  
They have not passed  
In the blink of an eye.  
Yet, I still can't believe  
That this journey  
Is coming to a close.  
With the unexpected flurry of activity  
During the pandemic  
Added to this time of transition  
I feel  
Fulfilled and a bit exhausted  
Gratified and stressed  
Satisfied and wanting.  
Every year has been different  
From another  
In its specific challenges.  
Still, every year has featured  
The landmarks of the Jewish calendar  
Shabbat  
Holidays  
The repeating cycle of Religious School  
Life events for members of all ages  
Programs clustered  
in the months of August through May  
that included  
Study groups  
Annual Meetings  
Jewish Food Festivals and other fundraisers  
Community worship services and programs to mark  
Thanksgiving and Martin Luther King, Jr. day  
Clergy gatherings  
And attendance at national conventions  
With rabbis and with colleagues in  
Jewish music and education  
To learn, to absorb to grow.  
There have been years putting forward  
the fruits of my personal expression  
in prose and in song  
Within the congregation and in the community.  
There are family photographs taken every year at Tash-  
lich,  
The rabbi leading an enthusiastic congregation in his  
white robe on Sukkot and Simchat Torah and at Conse-  
cration and Confirmation services,  
And wearing a variety of hats while singing Purim songs  
before the Megillah reading or Purimspiel.

There were rabbinic and personal moments merged into  
one at weddings, birth ceremonies, bar/bat mitzvah ser-  
vices, Confirmation, and funerals.

There were hellos and goodbyes, and hellos.

There were moments for speaking my mind and times  
when keeping silent was, sadly, necessary.

There were people to meet, good people in the congre-  
gation and in communities,

Some becoming lifelong friends.

There were times to encounter governors, members of  
Congress, famous folksingers, well-known authors, fa-  
mous biblical scholars/authors, and even the creator of  
Star Trek himself and a future president.

Moments of memorial, as well as collective protests  
against hatred, were turned into community gatherings  
to sing and share.

There were many episodes of challenge, too many,  
when alternative choices for behavior (whether on the  
part of others, or, admittedly, my own) could have  
changed an unfortunate outcome...or, perhaps not.

Mainly, there were

Milestones celebrated

Smiles shared

Harmonious voices joined in a unified chorus

Children and adults growing into themselves as Jews  
and as human beings

Values taught

and lessons learned (sometimes the hard way)

Helping hands extended

Love expressed, especially within and throughout the  
generations of my own family

Communities built based on shared principles

And a hope

That the foundations of all of these efforts

Will last for all those whose lives were touched

And will persist and serve as seeds for renewal

In the heart and mind

Of at least

This rabbi.

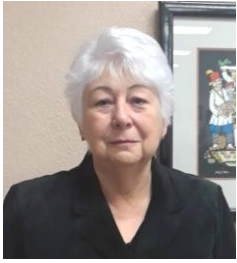
*L'shalom,*  
*Rabbi Larry K.*

*See [rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com](http://rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com) for Rabbi Karol's  
articles, Divrei Torah and sermons.*

***Thank you for your presence at the Zoom  
celebration of my rabbinate and retirement  
and of our time with the congregation and  
the Las Cruces community. We hope you  
learned something about us! We appreciate  
all of the hard work and kind words that  
made the event so meaningful and  
successful! We look forward to our continu-  
ing connections with the congregation and  
community.***

***Rabbi Larry and Rhonda***

## Interview with Rabbi Larry Karol



Have you ever wondered why someone, specifically TBE's someone, Rabbi Larry Karol, Emeritus, decides to sacrifice what I describe as a normal 40 hour a week life in favor of one

dedicated to Jewish teachings, studies, endless hours spent preparing for Shabbat services, officiating at weddings, funerals, B'nai Mitzvah services? You get the idea.

I sat with Rabbi Larry in May and in the interview that ensued, I asked that question and others.

My first question was "What did you envision as your profession had you not become a Rabbi?"

Larry, after graduation from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, could have chosen from several options. He could have taken the Civil Service Exam to work in a government position. He could have pursued a Master's Degree in Sociology. He actually did inquire about the master's degree program in Jewish Communal Service from Brandeis, as Rhonda had actually done. However, growing up with a familial propensity for Jewish service, dedication to others, learning, and being involved in his home temple from an early age, had set the framework for a life of Rabbinic service. While still at U of I, he was an intern with Hillel, where he served as the guitar accompanist and co-director of the Hillel choir. He applied to HUC-JIR in the fall of 1975 and was accepted in the spring of 1976. He studied at the HUC-JIR campus in Jerusalem for his first year of rabbinic school and spent his next 4 years at Cincinnati's HUC.

Rabbi's dedication to learning comes in part from his father's continuous in-depth exploration for Jewish knowledge/wisdom and observing the years his father spent teaching Religious School. His mother was the temple's Judaica shop and Oneg chair. At the young age of 77, she became the Sisterhood president. Her passion for serving and keeping busy and her "never give up" attitude combined with his father's thirst for knowledge were in part what shaped Larry's life decision.

When asked what he is most proud of, he answered by saying: what he and Rhonda have accomplished together. They work separately and together, advising and guiding each other. The decorations that are throughout temple are her gift as are the decorations for our sukkah and the glow sticks at Hanukkah. They both serve our children as teachers and advisors. What parents would not admit to being proud of their children? The Karol's son Adam is actively involved in Jewish Community building, his

music, and dedicated to helping wife Juli stay focused and grounded as a Rabbi. Rabbi Larry's love and pride was obvious as he related that grandson Josh at three is learning to love the Jewish religion and knows prayers, and granddaughter Eva will surely follow in Josh's footsteps. Larry also humbly acknowledged that he is proud of his commitment to his music. Never did he imagine at age 45 that he would begin creating original religious music, and assemble several albums. He smiles when relating the circumstances of writing his column for the Las Cruces Bulletin and other media articles.

One of his greatest joys is when our children and adult choirs have the opportunity to perform at temple events. Late-night music sessions, whether as a performer, or as an observer when he attends conferences, give him joy. But with joy comes sadness. As might be expected, the death of his parents, and the loss of close friends and members of congregations he has served, have left that deep pain we all recognize.

My final question was his wish for Temple Beth-El. His answer was one he reflected upon for a few minutes. His wish is that members will find a way, or many ways, to generate a positive energy with each other; that we could be on the same page for the financial challenges we currently face, that in facing these financial challenges, to know these challenges are not ours alone. This is happening to many other communities. We need to become partners, be respectful of each other, and allow others to apply their own ingenuity and creativity for the betterment of our community. We need to be appreciative of that. He would like us to know that we should do this cooperatively and shape the essence of partnership. We need to create a culture of honor, to be affirmative of others. All this needs to happen to allow our community to thrive.

Our session ended, but I would like to add the following:

Larry and Rhonda will be here in Las Cruces for another year. He has offered his assistance to TBE as we may need. He wishes to be looked upon as one of our sages, a mentor. As I was closing my recording, he mentioned a book, *The Spirituality of Welcoming* by Dr. Ron Wolfson. I have started reading it and have recommended it to our Board. Maybe, if enough of us take to heart his wish for us, and absorbing the wisdom of this book, we may find our path.

L'shalom,

Cheryl



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for in-depth information about Temple and its programming and updates on current Temple events

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

(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!



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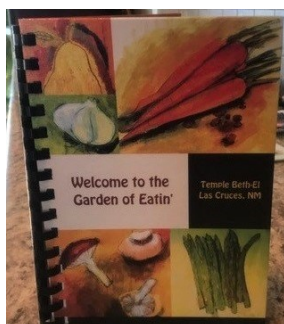
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**Temple Beth-El Cookbook**  
**“Welcome to the Garden of Eatin’”**  
**\$15, Cash or Check**



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**512 680-2783**

**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!





# Celebrating our Simchas

## Congratulations to:

Elaine Baeza, on celebrating her conversion to Judaism on June 20, 2020 at the conclusion of our Torah Study session on zoom.

Patricia Creley, on celebrating her conversion to Judaism on June 27, 2020, during our Shabbat morning service on zoom.

**We welcome Elaine and Patricia as new members of the Jewish community and family!**

The **Temple Beth-El Mitzvah Team** sends best wishes to these members celebrating birthdays this month:

Kaila Brown

James Hyman

Mike Hyman

Rosemary Livigni

Gary Mann

Tom Olsen

Ruth Sugarman

Sharon Tancredi-Katz

The **Temple Beth-El Mitzvah Team** sends best wishes to these members celebrating anniversaries this month:

Elliot Katz and Sharon Tancredi-Katz

Monika and Bob Kimball

Liz and Tom Olsen

Elisha and Jason Rosenberg

If you would like to have us acknowledge your occasion, please send birth month, anniversary month, and the year you joined the temple to Luke Duddridge at [LCDuddridge@hotmail.com](mailto:LCDuddridge@hotmail.com).

If you follow the example below it would be helpful:

Sam Adams Born July, Married March,  
Joined 2015

Please note that we are not collecting dates, just the months.

## Tikkun Olam Opportunities *Giving to and volunteering at Casa de Peregrinos & El Caldito*

Casa de Peregrinos provides staple foods to the needy, and El Caldito provides a 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. There is also a need for wide-mouth glass bottles and containers and gently used clothing.

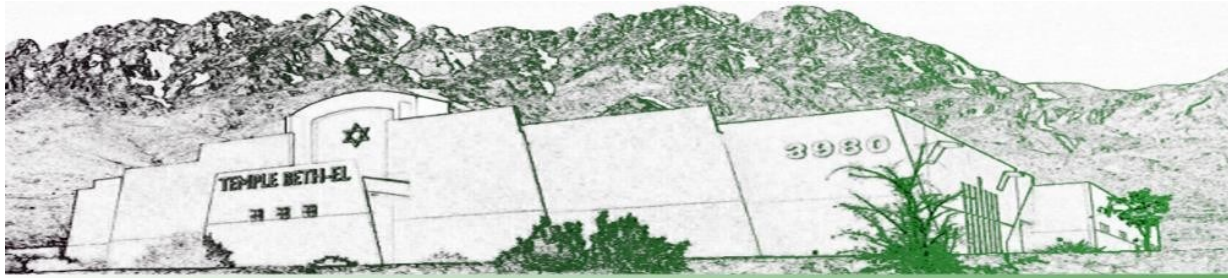
**This is a critical time for the organizations.** Due to the COVID-19 crisis, they have seen an increase in demand. At the same time, they have had a decrease in volunteers, particularly on weekends. In order to maintain social distancing, the El Caldito soup kitchen has switched to handing out meals to go.

For more information on current needs, questions, or to volunteer, contact Casa de Peregrinos (575-523-5542) and El Caldito (575-525-3831) directly.

### Adelante Submissions:

During this time of social distancing due to COVID-19, let us not become distant from each other. Speak with fellow congregants, friends and family. Send me your pictures of family Shabbat, musings, illustrations, etc. I will share as many as space allows in next month's Adelante.

**The deadline for turning in articles, items and photos for the August 2020 Adelante is July 20, 2020. Late items may not be included.** 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](mailto:cambrien73@gmail.com)



# Transition Times

## Student Rabbi

Cherri Hudson-Brown, Stuart Kelter, Leora Zeitlin, and Joanne Turnbull attended a Zoom hosted by Hebrew Union College (HUC) about the effect of the Covid-19 virus on the Student Rabbi Program. As of this writing, there is no official statement from HUC, or the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) as to whether student rabbis will be permitted to travel to congregations or whether services and teaching will be conducted by Zoom.

## Transition Teams

Cheryl Decker, Rabbi Karol and Joanne Turnbull met to discuss potential gaps in the nine Transition Teams that need to be addressed before the rabbi's retirement on June 30th.

- Administration: Cheryl Decker is managing the office processes.
- Adult Education: Team Leader Ned Rubin reports no activities at this time.
- Communication: TBE's Communication venues are now managed by members of our congregation: Adelante Editor (Beth Tierney); Facebook and eblasts (Aggie Saltman); Webmaster (Steve Haydu); Zoom account (Steve Haydu).
- Finance: Finance Team Leader Lynn Zeemont will revise the budget for the 2020-2021 FY to include income from Federation Grant and the projected loss from cancelled fundraisers.
- Mitzvah: The Mitzvah Team is gathering dates of congregants' birthdays and anniversaries.
- Religious Practices: The Prayer Leader Class led by Stuart Kelter and Leora Zeitlin is coming to an end. Stuart and Leora will coordinate the volunteer leaders and have developed a template and recordings for services. The June 12<sup>th</sup> Erev Shabbat led by the Rabbi had the most participation yet by class members. Service leadership for July is in place.
- Religious School: The Religious School Committee will meet to discuss plans for the fall (Remote vs. In-Person) and to finalize teaching and administrative responsibilities for 2020-2021.
- Strategy: The Strategy Team, led by Martha Roditti, will sponsor Focus Groups in the fall that address: 1) membership; 2) URJ affiliation; and 3) whether TBE has the financial resources to hire a full-time rabbi.
- Technology: TBE is discussing a partnership with DACC's Creative Media Technology Program about the possibility of having a web design intern in the fall.

Joanne Turnbull  
TBE Transition Chair

**JULY 2020 (TAMMUZ-AV 5780)****Yahrzeits-July 1, 2020 through August 2, 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, July 3**

Milton Berkson\* (Burt Berkson)  
 Cecile Elfant (Rose Jacobs)  
 Ruth Frank (Lester Frank)  
 Jennie Frank\*  
 Raymond Gettleman (Sally Sicherman)  
 Roslyn Rice\*  
 Dora Stern\*/Shaina Devorah Bat Aaron and Gittel  
 (Ann and Burt Berkson, Arthur Berkson)

**Read on Friday, July 10**

Josephine Glater (Leslie Glater)  
 Joseph Okin (Gerie Muchnikoff)  
 Marcia Rabinovich (David Rabinovich)  
 Sarah Meltzer Smalley\* (Alison Mann)  
 Dorothy Whitledge (Dee Cook)

**Read on Friday, July 17**

Chalmit Iris Cohen (Tanah Hemingway)  
 Kathryn Goldstein (Wendee Lorbeer)  
 Diane Gutman (Allen Palanker)  
 Arnold Heart (Nancy Bergman)  
 Gertrude Kalmanowitz (Sally Sicherman)  
 Jacob Krasner\* (Frima Marquez, Jeffrey P Marquez)  
 Joseph Rosenfeld\*  
 Bernard Singer (Mark Singer)  
 Dr. Michael Singer (Mark Singer)  
 David Williamson (Barbara Mandel)  
 Burton Zuckerman\*

**Read on Friday, July 24**

Lakie bat Aaron and Katya (Ann Berkson)  
 Ludwig Paul Bergman (Nancy Bergman)  
 Manny Blumkin\*  
 Thomas Brankman (Sally Alkon)  
 Carmen Freudenthal\*  
 Natalie E. Libby (Bob Libby)

Sam Maness (Stefani Singer)  
 Logan Pearson (Jeff Brown and Cherri Hudson-Brown)  
 Shana Sicherman (Sally Sicherman)  
 Dan Sirota (Anne Weinberg)

**Read on Friday, August 2**

Anne H Bergman\* (Nancy Bergman)  
 Rea Bienstock (Gerie Muchnikoff)  
 Marion Deutschman\* (Ellen Torres)  
 Magda Farkas\* (Yosef Lapid)  
 Patrick Fitzgerald (Susan Fitzgerald)  
 Scott Klein (Son of Sonny and Rosie Klein)  
 Jacob Klempner (Dee Cook)  
 Charlotte Pollack\*  
 Leonard Pritikin\*  
 Dorothy Rashal\*  
 Ted San Filippo (Philip San Filippo)  
 Esther Seidman\*  
 Meyer Seidman\*  
 Jean Weinberg (Anne Weinberg)

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

Marty Poel and family on the death of Marty's wife, Elissa Poel

May her memory be for blessing.

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

- The Hebrew dates for each week's Yahrzeits are listed in each Newsletter.
- 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.



### Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees Meeting Summary— June 17, 2020

- Cheryl Decker opened the meeting and Rabbi Karol offered an invocation.
- Sofia Zway joined us briefly at the beginning of the Zoom meeting to introduce herself to the board, and she is looking forward to working with us.
- Joanne Turnbull has stepped down from her position as Vice President and the board appointed Lynn Zeemont to finish out the term as Vice President.
- Rabbi provided his written report, and requested guidance as to what level of temple participation the board would like from him after his retirement. The consensus is that Rabbi Karol will continue doing Tanakh Study Wednesdays and Torah Study on Saturdays via Zoom. Time and frequency of Torah study with Rabbi Karol TBD and will be clarified in an e-blast.
- The board approved the annual budget, after some discussion and clarification.
- Martha Roditti, Membership Committee chair, gave a report. Plans are in the works for preparing a New Member packet, and they are planning more ways to welcome new members into our community.
- Bryan McCuller is the Religious Practices Committee board liaison and reported that they have a tentative schedule for Sofia's visits to Las Cruces. The committee would like to find out who in our congregation would like to attend Zoom services or other events but are experiencing difficulty with the technology, so that we can find a way to enable their participation. Bryan also informed the board that the Religious Practices Committee and the Religious Practices Transition Team have now merged.
- Steve Haydu suggested that there be a committee tasked with planning and execution of a phased re-opening plan for the temple. The URJ has webinars and other information to help guide us through this process. The committee will need to include security and medical advisors as well as others good at planning and fleshing out the details.

### 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 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:

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- Luke Duddridge—727-204-6086
- David Decker—575-556-4056  
[deckerdavid28@gmail.com](mailto:deckerdavid28@gmail.com)

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

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2020-2021

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## **Donations through June 22, 2020**

### **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:**

Michael and Stacey Hyman, in honor of Rabbi Karol for all he has done for our temple and community  
Jeff and Cherri Hudson-Brown, in honor of Rabbi on the occurrence of Cherri's Bat Mitzvah  
Brenda Parish, in Memory of Jerry Gardner

### **General Operating Fund:**

Cyrille Kane, in honor of Rabbi and Rhonda Karol  
Marj and Dave Gibson, in honor of Steve Haydu's Bar Mitzvah  
Frima Marquez, in memory of Ramon Marquez, Lillian and Jacob Krasner  
Jeff and Avis Lewis, in memory of Jerome Herman and Mark Herman  
Vivian Steinborn, in memory of David Steinborn, Leo Steinborn, Jack and Evelyn Brown  
Joanne Turnbull, in honor of the Mitzvah Team  
Jeff Brown and Cherri Hudson-Brown, in honor of Leora Zeitlin and Stuart Kelter for leading prayer class

### **Frances William Library Fund:**

Louise Feldman-Baskey, in memory of Siebert Feldman

### **Rabbi Gerald M. Kane Fund:**

Cyrille Kane  
Linda Kruger, in memory of Bea Klein and Dr. Paul Feil, Sr.

### **Biblical Garden Fund:**

Jeff and Avis Lewis, in honor of Rabbi and Rhonda Karol

### **Temple Beth-El Religious School Fund**

Michael and Stacey Hyman, in honor of Aaron Hyman  
Lynn Zeemont, in memory of Charles Roselinsky

### **Irving Batkin Memorial Scholarship Fund**

Michele Blum, in memory of Bernard Cutler

*Given changes to the standard deduction limits, we will not be providing 2020 contribution statements 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 college studies or rabbinical studies.

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

**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.



# JULY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Tammuz 9 1 Tanakh Study 10:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 10 2	Tammuz 11 3 Lay-Led Family Shabbat Services 6:30 PM via Zoom	Tammuz 12 4 Talmud Study 9:00 am via Zoom Torah Study 11:00 am via Zoom
Tammuz 13 5	Tammuz 14 6 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 15 7 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 16 8 Tanakh Study 10:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 17 9	Tammuz 18 10 Lay-Led Shabbat Services 6:30 PM via Zoom	Tammuz 19 11 Talmud Study 9:00 am via Zoom Torah Study 11:00 am via Zoom
Tammuz 20 12	Tammuz 21 13 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 22 14 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 23 15 Tanakh Study 10:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 24 16 Board Meeting 6:00 pm via Zoom	Tammuz 25 17 Lay-Led Shabbat Services 6:30 PM via Zoom	Tammuz 26 18 Talmud Study 9:00 am via Zoom Torah Study 11:00 am via Zoom
Tammuz 27 19	Tammuz 28 20 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Tammuz 29 21 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Av 1 22 Tanakh Study 10:00 am via Zoom	Av 2 23	Av 3 24 Lay-Led Shabbat Services 6:30 PM via Zoom	Av 4 25 Talmud Study 9:00 am via Zoom Torah Study 11:00 am via Zoom
Av 5 26	Av 6 27 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Av 7 28 Short Story group 11:00 am via Zoom	Av 8 29 Tanakh Study 10:00 am via Zoom	Av 9 30	Av 10 31 Lay-Led Shabbat Services 6:30 PM via Zoom	Av 11 Aug. 1 Talmud Study 9:00 am via Zoom Torah Study 11:00 am via Zoom



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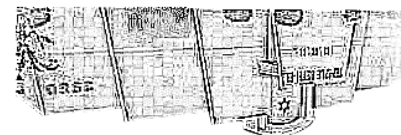
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