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“Ayeka?...Hineini!”

Daily Exercise for Elul

By Rabbi Evette Lutman

The Hebrew month of Elul (2022/5782) begins August 28. During Elul we prepare ourselves for the High Holy Days.

We begin a process of *Cheshbon haNefesh* - soul

arithmetic. We take stock and we create our balance sheet. I offer this meditation as a gentle self-assessment tool. I invite you to observe this practice throughout Elul. Find a quiet place in your home, garden or park. Turn off your phone-*all the way*. Let yourself sit and be silent for some time. When you are ready, begin to hear the question that was posed to Adam in the Garden of Eden – “Ayeka?” – “Where are you?”. Answer with– “Hineini!” – “I am here!”. Again – “Ayeka?” “Who are you?”. “Hineini” – “I am ready!”. Concentrate on your breath in this question-and-answer cycle. [Try to go for just 60 seconds the first week.](#) Increase to 2 minutes the second week, and so on.

Now, imagine yourself five years from now, as you would most like to be. You have done all the things you wanted to do. You have contributed all the things you wanted to contribute. And you did it in the most sincere and heartfelt way. Give yourself a few minutes for visioning at first, then increase as above.

When you are ready, pose these questions inwardly to yourself. Pause after each question. Stay out of your head; give your heart time to answer.

- “Ayeka” - What is my greatest source of happiness?
- “Ayeka” - What is the thing I’ve done, of which I am most proud?
- “Ayeka” - What is the contribution I’ve made to the world, that brings my heart the most satisfaction?

No judgement; allow all responses from the deepest levels of your own compassion, your own wisdom.

To make this contribution to the world, what strengths and capacities do you possess now, that you would have to recognize in yourself? In Others?

To make this contribution to the world, what stumbling blocks would you have to remove from your path? What would you have to do in your life today, at this moment, to begin this service and make this contribution? When shall you begin? “Hineini!”

Adapted by Rabbi Evette Lutman from a passage by Joseph Goldstein and Jack Kornfield, in [Moments of Transcendence](#). With gratitude to my Jewish meditation teacher, Rabbi Brian Field.

Worship Schedule

Most services will also in person but will also be available by Zoom and Facebook live.

You can watch the Facebook livestream for holiday and Shabbat services on this page:

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

Zoom invites for all services, and any text to follow, will be sent out weekly.

If you do not have a siddur at home, you can follow along in the Mishkan T'filah flipbooks provided by the Central Conference of American Rabbis at this link

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

These flipbooks are provided free of charge, but donations are gratefully accepted to allow the CCAR to continue to do so. This webpage includes a link to donate as well as links to purchase an e-book which can be viewed on any device using the free Kindle App.

Wednesdays

Tanakh study with Rabbi Larry Karol via Zoom (from Kansas!) at 10:15 am

Contact Rabbi Karol

(rablpkarol@gmail.com) to join

Saturdays

Talmud Study 9:00 AM

In person and by zoom. Link sent weekly.

Friday, September 2

6:30 pm Shabbat Evening service

Saturday, September 3

9:00 am via Zoom, Talmud Study

Parshat Shoftim

Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9

Friday, September 9

6:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, Sept 10

9:00 am via Zoom, Talmud Study

10:15 Saturday Morning Service

Parshat Ki Tetze

Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19

Friday, September 16

6:30 pm Shabbat Evening service

Saturday, September 17

9:00 am via Zoom, Talmud Study

Parshat Ki Tavo

Deuteronomy 26:10-29:8

7:30 pm Selichot Services

Friday, September 23

6:30 pm, Shabbat Evening service

Saturday, September 24

9:00 am via Zoom, Talmud Study

Parshat Nitzavim

Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20

Sunday September 25

8:00 pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Services (Kiddish to be decided, watch e-blasts)

Monday, September 26

First Day Rosh Hashanah Services

9:00 am Family Service

10:00 am Morning Service

Tashlich in afternoon. Details to be announced.

Worship Schedule (continued from Page 2)

Tuesday, September 27

Rosh Hashanah second day
10:00 am Torah Study and Shofar Service

Friday, September 29

6:30 pm, Shabbat Evening service

Saturday, September 30

9:00 am via Zoom, Talmud Study
Parshat Re'eh
Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17

Friday, September 30

6:30 pm, Shabbat Evening service

Saturday, October 1

Shabbat Shuvah
10:15 Saturday Morning short service &
group short story reading:
Malinke's Atonement by Mary Antin.

Tuesday, October 4

8:00 pm Kol Nidre/Erev Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 5

9:00 am Family Service
10:00 am Morning Service
1:30 pm Congregational Sharing
3:30 p.m Jonah text study
4:30 pm Healing Service
5:30-7:15 pm Yizkor and Neilah
7:15 pm Havdallah & Break-the-fast.
(Congregational break-fast after Yom
Kippur is under discussion due to Covid.
Watch e-blasts)

***Sukkot and Simchat Torah services and
times will be announced closer to their
dates.***



**A word from our
Board President...**

Labor Day is fast approaching, marking the end of summer and the beginning of what we think of as back to work or school in the fall.

For us, our touch point is the High Holidays- Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Although they move around every year, they are nearly always in September. This year, Rosh Hashanah falls at the end of the month, and Yom Kippur is the first week of October, followed immediately by Sukkot. As the president of The Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees, I feel like I can finally take a short breather from Temple business. We're certainly not the only ones, but the last two years have been very hard on our congregation. The combination of having no rabbi here in Las Cruces, a student rabbi available only periodically on Zoom, and COVID lockdown during most of the last two years has taken its toll.

We are very grateful for all our committees, along with many individuals who worked very hard to maintain temple activities, lead services, and raise money. But all of it has been under duress, and after two years it's not surprising that many of us are approaching burnout. Even though I'm technically retired, I'd like to think a vacation is in order. But air travel has become insanely stressful, cruise ships are not really ready, and as long as gas prices remain fairly high, a trip out of town does not sound very restful.

Here, things do look very promising for the fall. Most importantly, Temple Beth-El now has an excellent new religious leader. Rabbi Evette Lutman has been here just a very short time, yet she has already shown herself to be a warm and inspiring spiritual leader. Already, Rabbi Evette has begun working with our Bar and Bat Mitzvah students to prepare them for their joyous events. And sadly, she has also had to provide counseling to Lynn and the whole Temple community on the sudden passing of Dave Zeemont.

We're extremely fortunate to have her join us now, and we're excited by her presence for the many upcoming holidays and beyond. We have begun planning a special installation gathering for her, and she's also starting to meet members of the Las Cruces and El Paso communities. With her engagement and responsibilities at the Temple firmly underway, I can meet the New Year with anticipation and new energy.

L'Shalom
Nan Rubin, President
Temple Beth-El, Las Cruces
president.tbclc@gmail.com

Yahrzeits– September 2, 2022-October 7, 2022

(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, September 2, 2022

Morris Bernstein (Marvin & Carol Bernstein)
 Morton Brandt (Lila Ziegler)
 Sol Brandt (Lila Ziegler)
 Lulu Dimig (Tom & Deborah Levy)
 Bella Goldberg (Cyrille Kane)
 Millie Greenberg (Cyrille Kane)
 Philip Greenberg (Cyrille Kane)
 Jacqueline Hegman (Elizabeth Lewis-Olson)
 Jane Abrams Hurwitz (Susan Fitzgerald)
 Mary Jacobs*
 Rose Kruger (Linda Kruger)
 Rose Lieberman Hodess (Michael & Karen Lieberman)
 Eula Mae Williams Meyers (Frances Williams)
 Albert Orel (Sheri Spiegel & John Ragosta)
 Ruth Plas (Nancy Bergman & Greg Artman)
 Geneva Pritkin*
 Jessie Schindler (Lynn & David Zeemont, Robert Zeemont)
 Jennie Wagman Freeman (Bernice Langner)

Read on Friday, September 9, 2022

Irving Batkin* (Mike Batkin)
 Paul Deutschman (Ellen & Fred Torres)
 Irving Dworsky*
 Joseph Epstein (Marlene Benz & Kaylee Zeledon)
 Eve Holzman*
 Wolfie Jacobs (Rose Jacobs)
 Ethel Krepps*
 Samuel Rice*
 Libbie Ryave (Rosalyn Richman & Selma Ryave)
 Vivian Rycus (Debra & Henri Brown)
 Martin Steinman*
 Sidney Waldman*
 Zarah Williamson (Michael & Barbara Mandel)

Read on Friday, September 16, 2022

Marcia Hudgins (Robert & Carla Libby)
 Barnie Sugarman (Terri Sugarman)
 Ida Siegel (Robert & Carla Libby)
 Morris Goldberg (Cyrille Kane)
 Donald Gantert (Jacob & Susi Kolikant)

Read on Friday, September 23, 2022

Walter Sisson (Lester & Renee Frank)
 Samuel Smalley* (Alison Mann)
 Joseph Karol (Rabbi Lawrence & Rhonda Karol)
 Helen Rothman (Nina Rothman)
 Ramon Marquez (Frima & Jeffrey Marquez)
 Ted Levy (Tom & Deborah Levy)

Read on Friday, September 30, 2022

Emily Cohen* (Susan Brown & Marieka & Jeanne Brown)
 Beth Lawrence (Lynn Zeemont)
 Shepley Backman (Bob Kirschner)
 Anna Lambert* (Gabriel Lampert)
 Richard Meltzer (Colette Meltzer)
 Viki Slack (Mark & Stefani Singer)

Read on Friday, October 07, 2022

Robert Leafer (Stan & Gerie Muchnikoff)
 Sidney Muffs* (Marvin & Carol Bernstein)
 Irving Leonard Podolsky (Rosalyn Richman & Selma Ryave)
 Lillian (Sis) Druxman* (Melvin (Sonny) & Rosie Klein)
 Martin Muffs* (Marvin & Carol Bernstein)
 Norman Ellen (Beverly Ellen)
 Rose Sommers* (Frances Williams)
 Samuel Freeman (Bernice Langner)
 Sam Sommers* (Frances Williams)
 Marvin A. Gubin (Scott & Betsy Gubin)
 Thomas Olson (Elizabeth Lewis-Olson)
 Emily Schorr (Susan Michelson & Bill Stein)
 Esther Y. Podolsky (Rosalyn Richman & Selma Ryave)
 Bessie Gordon (Robert Zeemont and Lynn Zeemont)
 Harriett Gorlick* (Abraham Fiszbein)
 Gary David Liston (Nina Rothman)
 Bernice Deutcher (Mark & Stefani Singer)
 Bill Quinn (Patrick & Susan Quinn)
 Harry Schulsinger (Honey Devins)
 Ruth Terman (Cyrille Kane)

Condolences to:

The family of Dave Zeemont, husband of Lynn Zeemont and brother of Robert Zeemont. Dave died at home on August 17. A funeral was held in New Jersey.

May his memory be for a 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 Adelante.
- 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 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. Current TBE members may purchase a plaque for \$300. Non TBE members may purchase a plaque for \$600.

Jeff Steinborn brings movie making to Las Cruces

On August 18, 2022 a very important event took place at the Rio Grande Theatre in Las Cruces. An audience of about 400 people assembled to hear the news that 828 Studios was moving and establishing their movie making studio here. This announcement was made by Governor Lujan-Grisham. There were news reporters and photographers from news outlets clicking away with cameras and attempting to do their stories for the evening news. The owner of 828 Studios announced that they had bought 35 acres of land and an old cotton gin, which they were rehabilitating into a studio spending about 3.5 million dollars. They will have about one hundred jobs to fill, and with the CMI school at New Mexico State University, which provides education in all media, film making, producing, screen and script writing and animation to name a few parts of their curriculum, this would be a match made in heaven. The owner, and his staff have already bought homes here, and are very happy with the move and the support they have received from the city and the state. The individual who made this happen is Senator Jeff Steinborn, a product of our Sunday school and a continuing participant in our Temple. Jeff started this film making project about ten years ago and has been persistent in reaching out, following up, getting legislation passed. His persistence, vision and leadership made this happen, and we are very proud of his many accomplishments in the Senate. He was also one of the significant members of the group that got the legislation passed on establishing the Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks National Monument which set aside over 500,000 acres to be available to the public for hiking, camping, sight seeing and just enjoying the wilderness. We are very proud that he is a member of the Jewish community, and we applaud him for the many things he does for the citizens of New Mexico as our Senator. Having grown up in Las Cruces, he is indeed a model for the younger generation to see what can be accomplished, and his work as a Senator is a wonderful way to pay back this community. Jeff, we thank you for your devotion and your accomplishments which add more enchantment to the Land of Enchantment and improve our quality of life.

-Frances F. Williams

As the congregation grows, the Membership Committee is looking for members to mentor and welcome new members.

Contact:

Martha Roditti mrroditti@nmsu.edu
Or
Alison Mann alisonmd4@gmail.com

Save the Date!
Matzo Ball Open!

October 16, 2022 at
Picacho Hills
Country Club with
tee off at 9:00 AM.


More information
to follow.



Another Way to Remit Pledges - Debit your checking account

Temple Beth-El can receive your regular periodic pledge payment by direct draft from your checking account into ours. This will require signature and submittal of the form shown at Citizens Bank, Lohman and Roadrunner. If

you are interested, we will provide you with our checking account number and you must know your bank's routing number and your account number. Our Treasurer Joel Siegel will meet you at Citizens Bank and execute the periodic draft agreement.



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Compliance Committee Approval 6/4/03

Donations through August 26, 2022

General Operating Fund:

Rita Polsky, in honor of Luke Duddridge
 Frima and Jeff Marquez, in memor of Lillian and Jacob Krasner
 Mike White and Joyce Davidoff, in memory of Tom Levy's mother
 Joyce Davidoff, for the speedy recovery of Harry, Diane and Rachel Bass
 Deborah Levy
 Anonymous
 Sonny Klein, in memory of Scott Klein
 Robert and Carla Libby, in memory of Natalie E Libby
 Selma Ryave and Rosalyn Richmond
 Ann and Burt Berkson, in memory of Milton Berkson
 Ann and Burt Berkson, in memory of Dora Stern
 Barbara Sheen Busby, in memory of Lester Sheen
 Arthur Berkson, in memory of Milton Berkson and Dora Stern

Temple Beth-El Religious School Fund:

Robert Goldsteen and Anne Weinberg, in honor of Alexandra's Bat Mitzvah
 Cheri Hudson Brown and Jeff Brown, in memory of Gloria Hudson

Temple Beth-El Youth Fund:

Jeff Brown and Cherri Hudson-Brown, in memory of Logan Pearson

Biblical Garden Fund:

Leslie Glater, in memory of Josephine Glater
 Alison Mann, in memory of Sarah Meltzer Smalley

The Mitzvah Team Fund:

Barbara Berger
 Michael and Barbara Mandel, thank you to Luke Duddridge

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.

The Mitzvah Team Fund—to assist this voluntary team of Temple Beth-El members that, upon request and dependent upon availability, will provide non emergency support service to members of the temple.

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 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.

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

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 the 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.

Temple Beth El Mensch Club Breakfast on July 21...invited included Rabbi Evette and Shari...and Nan Rubin and invited speaker Mary Kay Shannon.
Great food and good turnout..a fun event.



TBE Religious School



On August 20, the Temple Beth El Religious School held an open house for the first day of Religious School. The turnout was wonderful. We have several new students from three new families. At this time, we have 13 students.

Thank you to our co-principals Rebecca Berkson and Sheri Spiegel who researched a new curriculum for us that will provide continuity through the grades. They selected a comprehensive curriculum from Goldring/Wolodenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life (ISJL). It is also used by Temple Mt. Sinai in El Paso.

Our schedule includes shared experiences with families, our community and Temple Mt Sinai. Sundays will include time with the Rabbi and Ruthie to start the day and end with a service led by the Rabbi. There will also be a Wednesday afternoon session to help prepare our pre-teens for their B'nei Mitzvot. Our teachers are Beth Tierney, Diane Fleishman, Erich Zamaret and Rabbi Evette. We are currently seeking an additional teacher for our 5th-7th grade students on Sunday mornings.

We are all excited to begin this new adventure in Jewish learning.



Editor's Corner



We lost a good one this month. Our friend and congregant Dave Zeemont was truly the best of us. One of the people that we could always call on for help or for information. He was the person who pulled the list of Yahrzeits for the Adelante each month and it seems surreal that his name is on that page this month. There is much that I was aware that he did for Temple Beth-El and the greater community but until I re-read the bio printed in the June 2018 edition of the Adelante (forwarded to me by Cherri Hudson-Brown), I had somewhat forgotten the extent of his involvement. I am reposting it below:



Dave Zeemont to be recognized at the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso Annual Meeting on June 6, 2018 as Temple Beth-El Volunteer of the Year.

The Temple Board of Trustees has selected Dave Zeemont to be recognized as the Temple Beth-El Volunteer of the Year at the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso annual meeting

on June 6.

Dave Zeemont grew up in New Jersey and graduated from Fair Lawn High School and Rutgers University. He and his wife, Lynn, moved to Las Cruces, New Mexico, from Rockland County, New York, settling in the Coronado Ridge area of Picacho Hills. He spent most of his working career as an independent general insurance agent and broker.

He is a past President of the Picacho Hills Property Owners Association, having served on their board for six years. He is currently President of the Coronado Ridge Neighborhood Association.

He was also a board member of Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary, the only no-kill shelter in southern New Mexico and was their immediate Past President.

Dave spends much of his time as a volunteer

driver for the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Transportation Network, taking area veterans to their VA medical appointments in Las Cruces and El Paso. On their behalf, he has logged over 100,000 miles. He has received the President's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2015, and a Las Cruces Mayor's Citation for Community Service in 2017.

Dave was instrumental in arranging the significant bequest by David Brandhorst to Temple.

Dave's ongoing activities at Temple Beth-El include:

- Member of the Library Committee and Assistant Librarian.
- Past President of the TBE Mensch Club, currently Treasurer.
- Former member of the Board of Trustees for five years.
- Member of the Food Committee for both the Jewish Food and Folk Festival (JFFF) for the five years of its existence, and the Renaissance Faire
- Founding member and Trustee of the Rabbi Gerald M. Kane Scholarship Fund.
- Facilitates the set-up of our large video screen and video equipment for Temple events.

This list was compiled in 2018 and Dave had done so much more since then. But this is not the only reason he will be missed. There was not a time that I saw him that he didn't greet me with a smile, a hug or a joke. He was a mensch in every sense of the word.

I have only been in Las Cruces for 6 years so I did not get a chance to know him for as long as many of you did but it was my extraordinary privilege to have him in my life for the short time I have been here. I will miss him.

L'hitraot,
Beth Tierney

Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees Meeting Summary for August 18, 2022

An invocation was given by Rabbi Evette Lutman
The minutes from the July Board Meeting were approved.
The Board welcomed Rabbi Lutman to the community.

Rabbi Lutman's Report- Fridays will be spent making hospital visits, along with those healing at home. She also discussed the need for bar and bat-mitzvah students to have had experience with religious school education, whether it be at TBE or in another synagogue. The Rabbi also expressed interest in reconstructing temple rituals and would like to have input from members.

Financial Report-Joel Siegel presented graphs to explain our budget, expenses and profit/loss to make it easier for future planning. We purchased a new computer for the office this month, which was our only major expense.

Membership Report-The Board agreed that we should proceed with a new membership application. The committee will meet to discuss ways in which we can welcome new members, focusing on religious and TBE community activities. President Nan Rubin also suggested that the committee discuss a plan to recognize members for their contributions to the temple.

Security Report and Infectious Control Committee--TBE's mask mandate will be in effect through the High Holiday services. The only exception will be speakers on the bimah. Zoom will be available for each service. The Mensch Club will continue to provide greeters for Shabbat services. They will be wearing an alarm that will immediately contact LCPD if problems arise. There will be additional security for the High Holidays.

Sisterhood will remain in charge of the Onegs. There will be sign ups at services and on Sign-Up Genius for volunteers to help on Friday evening.

The next Board Meeting will take place on Thursday, September 15th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Leyndyke
Secretary

Celebrating our Simchas

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

Patrick Quinn
Sally Sucherman

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

Barbara and Michael Mandel
Gerie and Stan Muchnikoff

We would love to have more names in these lists. If you would like to have us acknowledge your occasion in the future please send birth month and anniversary month to Luke Duddridge at LCDuddridge@hotmail.com

Medical Equipment to Borrow

Mensch Club has two wheelchairs, two walkers and a pair of crutches available to borrow. Please let them know if you are in need or have any other equipment to donate.

Contact Luke Duddridge, 727-204-6086,
LCDuddridge@hotmail.com

Or

David Decker—575-556-4056,
deckerdavid28@gmail.com

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Trying to Bring 24/7 Emergency Pet Care to Southern New Mexico

One of our Jewish values is the protection and care of animals. As some of you know, our beagle mix, Sparky was attacked on a weekend in December. Our regular vet wasn't available, and it was by luck we were able to talk with another vet's technician. The next morning we got Sparky in to get stitches, fortunately her injuries weren't life threatening but we could have potentially been looking at an hour drive to El Paso to the westside emergency pet care facility and that night a minimum of a five hour wait.

After that experience, I joined a group in Las Cruces called Animal Companions of Las Cruces which is trying to get more veterinarians in the area and improve conditions so that some vets can work with others in a collaborated way.

One of our achievements has been bringing in VetTriage, a telemedicine service. Our web site also has information on the different clinics and their hours.

Animal Companions is hosting a fund-raiser Sunday, Sept. 18 at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. It will include the documentary KEDI, about the cat community in Istanbul, and cute pet film shorts. There will be snacks provided and a cash bar.

Tickets are \$20 each and available through the Mesilla Valley Film Society web site. There is a limit of 100 seats. There will also be a silent auction. Proceeds will go towards trying to recruit more veterinarians to the area. If you have any questions or have something you can donate for the silent auction, let me know. My phone number is 575-915-7087 or you can email me at cjHUDSON@comcast.net.

—Cherri Hudson-Brown



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 is part of Amazon Smile, which offers members of Temple Beth-El an opportunity to participate in Smile Amazon and donates 0.05% of all purchases back to the Temple. The process is very simple – go to www.smile.amazon.com. You will be required to enter the charity to which you wish to donate – just type in Temple Beth-El, Las Cruces in the charity box and this will set the Temple as your charity of choice. Then just shop – pretty easy and since many people today shop online via Amazon, it becomes a win-win situation for all.

Visit the Temple Beth-El Website

www.tbetc.org

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

Temple Beth-El is on Facebook!

<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!



SEPTEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Elul 5 1	Elul 6 2 Shabbat Evening Services 6:30 pm	Elul 7 3 Talmud Study 9:00 am
Elul 8 4 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	Elul 9 5	Elul 10 6	Elul 11 7 Tanakh Study 10:15am via Zoom (Tentative)	Elul 12 8	Elul 13 9 Shabbat Evening Services 6:30 pm	Elul 14 10 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat service 10:15 am
Elul 15 11 Religious School 9:00 am	Elul 16 12	Elul 17 13	Elul 18 14 Tanakh Study 10:15am via Zoom	Elul 19 15 TBE Board Meeting 6:00 PM	Elul 20 16 Shabbat Evening Services 6:30 pm	Elul 21 17 Talmud Study 9:00 am 7:30 pm Selichot Services
Elul 22 18 Religious School 9:00 am	Elul 23 19	Elul 24 20	Elul 25 21 Tanakh Study 10:15am via Zoom	Elul 26 22	Elul 27 23 Shabbat Evening Services 6:30 pm	Elul 28 24 Talmud Study 9:00 am Shabbat service 10:15 am
Elul 29 25 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL Erev Rosh Hashanah Services 8:00 pm	Tishrei 1 26 Family Service 9:00 am Morning Service 10:00 am Tashlich in afternoon	Tishrei 2 27 10:00 am Torah Study and Shofar Service	Tishrei 3 28 Tanakh Study 10:15am via Zoom	Tishrei 4 29	Tishrei 5 30 Shabbat Evening Services 6:30 pm	

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