



The Shofar

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Sukkot

October 10-16

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October 17

Simchat Torah

October 18



The President's Perspective

On Rosh Hashanah, just as we individually think about how we live our lives, how we can improve, and how we can act to make the world a better place, I ask you to consider how you might become more involved in Temple Beth El: to help build a more vibrant and meaningful Jewish community. We all can be more involved by just sharing ourselves with each other as a synagogue family, so that we together, can have a life-loving community that that makes our lives and our activities at Temple Beth El, more meaningful. This is my elevator ask of you for this new year. It's sort of my job, not only to help conduct the business on behalf of our congregation, but I think it's my role to remind each of us how we can be more value-added to our community, and by doing so, help this synagogue be more value-added to and each of us, to our families, and to our Kern County community.

It is all of us being here that makes Temple Beth El. The building is our home of prayer, study and celebration. But it's our members, our families, it's our history together. It's the remembrance of the names of past members, it's the weddings, the b'nai mitzvot- of ours, and those of our children, the holiday celebrations, the Shabbat, High Holy Days, the festival services, religious school, 8K races, Chanukah candle-lighting, latke brunches, and Purim plays: those are Temple Beth El, and those are what make us who we are. When I came here to Bakersfield in 1985, Roz Strauss, Bea Shilkroul, Ann and Jules Greenberg, Dan and Mary Speer, Phillip and Jackie Rudnick, Hulda and Mel Magnus, all welcomed Ann and me into this congregation and community... Those were the people that brought me in, who made me feel welcome to be a part of this community. They were the ones that planted the seeds for my family to make Temple Beth El part of our family story and our family traditions. That welcoming of a stranger, becoming mishpachah, family, is part of our Jewish traditions from Torah, and our legacy in this place, and today's task right here, right now, going forward. Not an easy thing, but look at the past successes joined sitting here now.

As president, what would I like to change starting on this Rosh Hashanah? To see more of you visiting, participating, pitching in, giving of your talents, your thoughts, your inspirations to create full and meaningful lives of Jewish living and Jewish community, and through those occasional contributions of yourselves, to collectively add to the vitality and sustainability of our synagogue. Like many organizations, it seems that we have a relatively small handful of people doing a big portion of the work. While I applaud, and I'm thankful for the generosity of time and resources of those that are here and help keep Temple Beth El running on a regular basis, I think it's also my responsibility as president of the Temple, to ask more members to do a bit more by just pitching in, showing up, giving a little time and effort to help us be more successful, more sustainable through your involvement, and adding your vigor and vitality that will help sustain our synagogue into the future.

I'm asking all of us, collectively, to think about how our lives are enriched by our membership, by our belonging, by our experiences and activities of Jewish living: how those things have been a part of our lives, and which I hope improves the quality of our lives here in the hinterlands of Bakersfield. So, here's my ask: each of us stop at this time of year, to think how our lives are better, and more importantly, how we can enrich the lives of our fellow temple members and of our own families: it's the personal relationships, it's the handshakes, it's the hugs. That's what I'm asking you to commit to in this coming year; that's my ask, please come be a part, come make a contribution to help us make our lives richer, help us make the world a better place through our shared Jewish values. I ask that you think about lending a hand by joining a committee, participate, be here, to give us your talents to give us your ideas, that's how will remain rich in our culture. That's how we remain sustainable as a community and as a congregation.

With that, I wish for you a happy new year. I hope you find that Temple Beth El is a home to you, even if it's on an occasional visit. Thanks for being here. I look forward to seeing more of you.

L'shanah Tovah.

Larry Saslaw, President

The Rabbi's Reflections



Judging by social media, it sure seems we don't like one another that much and we have lost confidence in our institutions. It has become an American pastime to perpetually deflect all personal responsibility; instead, we blame others. Perhaps this began with a sense of powerlessness to stop evils.

My earliest political memory is my father's disgust with Richard M. Nixon, who in 1973 infamously claimed "I'm not a crook." Surely the Watergate Hotel break-in shot our political system in the foot, as did Bill Clinton's Monica Lewinsky affair-turn-impeachment. Today, endless hateful tropes surrounding our more recent former president's two additional impeachments, amplified by his defenders and haters alike, which sink our minds into deeper depths, take us from bad to worse.

Nefarious foreign propaganda machines, utilizing Twitter bots and other technologically-fueled hate systems, leverage our baseline disregard for our opponents' humanity into something even more egregious. It is astounding just how divisive and mean-spirited we can be toward one another. Ongoing decline in social capital has resulted in painfully low voter turnout; Americans have lost confidence that their vote even matters, and today what many characterize as a Big Lie (große Lüge, a term coined by Hitler) about stolen elections further erodes our entire system, whether true or not.

Negative campaigning frames elections as a choice between Tweedledee and Tweedledum, two perpetually discredited (by their opponent), dishonorable, lowlife politicians. Never mind the fact that we depend upon paved roads, libraries, firefighters, police officers, post offices, air quality monitors, water systems, unabated electricity, and stop signs to make our way through our days, all powered by taxpayer dollars. Negative campaigning has supplanted vision; candidates often do better at the polls by denigrating their opponents and vilifying our institutions than by presenting cogent arguments built upon aspirational thinking, let alone compassion for the most vulnerable. It is so easy to deflect all personal and communal responsibility.

Must we endlessly deflect, focusing on the failures of others rather than our role in such failures? As the Rabbi of Temple Beth El in Bakersfield, another approach percolates within my work at this time of year.

We are in the midst of what Jews call "The Days of Awe." Between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, our obligation is to reflect on our actions in the course of the past year, identify the things that we might have done differently, and fix ourselves. On Rosh Hashanah we are metaphorically written into a Book of Life or a Book of Death, our fate for the upcoming year to be sealed on Yom Kippur 10 days later. "Who shall live? And Who shall die?" We say, collectively, "Our Parent, Our Ruler, we have sinned before you" and have a threefold alphabetical list of transgressions that we admit we need to address, the vast majority of them focused on how we speak to one another, prohibitions against gossip, slander, discrediting others which our tradition associates with bloodshed.

The focus of our prayers is not triumphalism or condemnation of our opponents whatsoever; we reflect on our individual responsibility to perfect ourselves,

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Happy Anniversary!

October 9
Randy & Judith Joyce

October 11
Amanda & Mario Garza

October 13
Avital & Alpha Anders

October 15
**David & Lillian Brust
Irvin Pike & Pamela Elisheva**

October 30
Jenny & Raymond Seibert



Prayer Book Bookplates In Honor or In Memory of...

We have new prayer books. Consider ordering a commemorative bookplate, which are available for only \$18 each. To order, make check payable to Temple Beth El, "attention: Bookplates." You can also place an order on the TBE website.

Please include any special wording and the manner in which you wish your name to appear.

Questions? Call the office at (661) 322-7607 or email tbebakersfield@gmail.com.

Support Temple Beth El

Help us sustain our robust vision for Jewish life by contributing to any of the following funds:

General Contributions:

- Tree of Life
- Prayer Book Plates
- Memorials
- Memorial Book
- Kol Nidre
- High Holy Day Seats
- Caring Committee

Specific Funds:

- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- Camperships

To contribute online:

<https://templebethelbakersfield.org/donation/>

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Temple Beth El maintains its own dedicated section at Greenlawn Memorial Park on River Blvd. The price of a plot is \$2,875 which can be paid in three installments over a period of two years.

For more info, contact Barry Goldner at (661) 301-9000

Changes?

Please notify Freyda at the Temple office (661-322-7607) with your membership information — addresses (including email), phone number(s), births, marriage, yahrzeits.

Please help up keep our data base and membership directory updated.

Don't Forget!

Simcha Set Luncheon
at Marie Callender's on California Ave.
Monday, October 10, 11:30am

Happy Birthday!

October 1
Laura Lauria

October 4
Avital Anders

October 5
Greg Broida
William Skinner

October 6
Marsha Parr

October 8
Leonard Epstein
Jeanne Moore

October 9, 2022
Ron Baron
Daniel Wolfe

October 10
Zachary Freedman
Steve Newbrough

October 11
Barry Klein
Marcus Magnus
Joe Simonowitz

October 16
Charlotte Abrams

October 17
Karen Zanoff

October 18
Mark Katz
Lindsay Pearson
Sharon Rhodes

October 19
Rocky Klein

October 22
Raymond Seibert

October 24
Richard Shiel

October 26
Eva Mayer

October 27
Pandora Jacobson

October 30
Lynne Green

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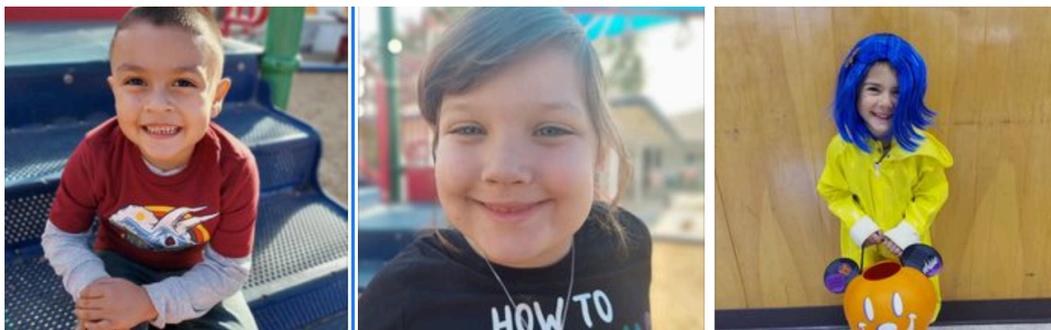
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SISTERHOOD CHAI•LIGHTS

October 2022

Sisterhood members continue to participate in many exciting and interesting activities! We continue to have activities Via Zoom but please note we are now having some in-person events! All activities can be started at any time and no prior attendance is needed. The following is a list of activities coming up in October and in the future!

- **Thursday, October 13th at 4:30pm** Sisterhood Leadership Meeting
- **Sunday, October 16th at 3pm** General Meeting In the Sukkah at TBE and Via Zoom
- Book Club meeting- **Sunday, October 23rd at 1pm** via Zoom. The current read is *Mr. Perfect on Paper* by Jean Meltzer
- Cooking Class – **Sunday, October 16th at 1pm** at TBE and via Zoom !! We will be making recipes to eat at our meeting in the Sukkah!!
- Rosh Chodesh- **October 16th** during our meeting in the Sukkah!
- Latke Brunch- **December 18th!** Please see flyer and order form in this Shofar!!

Sisterhood Membership Drive- Please consider joining Sisterhood Membership dues are \$18 per year and can be paid via the TBE website!! There are sponsorships available for sisterhood membership! Everything is confidential! Please contact a sisterhood leadership member if you need this assistance or know of someone who does!

Upcoming Events:

Sisterhood Ta/kitchen shower- Gail and Susie will be coordinating.

Please consider joining some great women!!

All Sisterhood activities are via TBE Zoom
and in person as noted!!

We hope to see you all at future activities and meetings!
If you have any questions please feel free to email me!!

Helen Armistead- Secretary
armisteadlmft@gmail.com



WOMEN OF TEMPLE BETH EL/ SISTERHOOD

**In-Person Get Together
from 1pm to 4pm
Sunday October 16th**

Please join us on at Temple Beth El beginning at 1pm for our Cooking Class and then we will have our meeting in the Sukkah and eat the great recipes we will be making! We will also have our first Rosh Chodesh observance!! We will be streaming via TBE Zoom for those who cannot make the in-person event!

The Cooking Class will be making Israeli Salad; some type of fruit salad and another recipe still to come!! Regular and Herbal Ice Tea will be provided.

Babysitting can be provided, please let a leadership member know if you need this.

We look forward to seeing you all there!!

Any questions please contact Helen Armistead at armisteadlmft@gmail.com or 661-472-1758.

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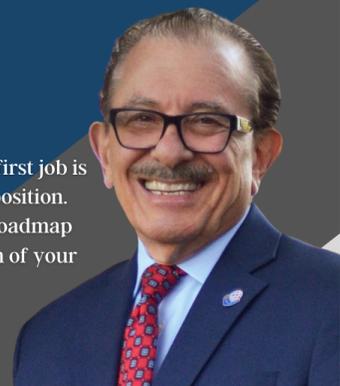
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Memorials and Yahrzeits

Timothy Fromm: in memory of Jack Fromm
Ronald & Laura Lauria: in memory of Joseph Polland,
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Tree of Life

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birthday

Rabbi Discretionary

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Alan Freisleben
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Caring Committee

Kathleen Arnold-Chambers: in memory of Jay & Barbara
Arnold and Tim Arnold

A special thank you to **Tom and Helen Armistead** for
donating a laptop computer and all new LED lights for
the memorial plaques in the foyer.



Zedakah box, Poland, circa 1842

October 2022 Yahrzeits

September 30 Shabbat Services	
+ David Pacht, father of Terri Stanton	10/1, Tishrei 10
Vicki Hugo, wife of Mark Hugo	10/2
Leonard Simrin, father of Stan Simrin z"l; grandfather of Susie Simrin and Amy Knight	10/2, Tishrei 7
Norma Dorris, mother of Gail Magnus; grandmother of Elliott Magnus	10/6
Bonnie Jauch, friend of Karen Briefer	10/6
+ Etta Fleishman, remembered by TBE	10/6
October 7 Shabbat Services	
+ Rose Gilfenbain, remembered by TBE	10/8
+ Hyman Davis, husband of Pearl Davis; grandfather of Brent Eastep	10/10
Katrina Pickens-Roman, aunt of Pamela Elisheva	10/10
+ Rose Rositzky, remembered by TBE	10/11
+ Shirley Polland, grandmother of Laura Lauria; great-grandmother of Amanda Garza	10/11, Tishrei 16
+ Samuel Zeiser, remembered by TBE	10/11
John Arthur Benner, father of Patricia Young	10/12
+ Marvin Lipco, father of Lisa Levine and Sharon Lipco z"l	10/13, Tishrei 18
+ Rose Herskovitz, remembered by TBE	10/13
October 14 Shabbat Services	
Jais Bitton, uncle of Dorise Bitton	10/14, Tishrei 19
Hatti Hand, mother of Marcia Rudnick z"l; grandmother of Libbie Mahan	10/14
Jesse J. Reyes, brother of Michael Broida; son of Rose Broida	10/15
Larry Abrams, brother of Andy Abrams; son of Al z"l and Charlotte Abrams	10/16
Fred Brautigam, brother of Indiana Schenkman	10/16
Shirley Ann Newman, mother of Heidi Allison	10/16
Jack Fromm, uncle of Tim Fromm	10/17
Clarisse Schneider, aunt of Helen Armistead and Jeff Schwartz; sister-in-law of Norma Schwartz z"l	10/17, Tishrei 22
William Schneider, uncle of Helen Armistead and Jeff Schwartz; brother of Norma Schwartz z"l	10/17, Tishrei 22
+ Nat Slepyan, remembered by TBE	10/17, Tishrei 22
Dorothy Jacobson, friend of Kathleen Arnold-Chambers	10/19

Yahrzeit Memorial Plaques

Temple Beth El provides a sanctuary for your sacred prayers, a social hall for special celebrations, a library to study our heritage, a school to teach our eternal values and ways to remember ones who are no longer with us. One way we honor those who helped shape our lives is by adding a made-to-order bronze Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque to the walls of the Temple foyer. Contact Andy Abrams: aabrams@bak.rr.com

+ Ruth Baron, remembered by TBE	10/19
Sol Diamond, father of Jess Diamond z"l	10/20
Nathan Sheffel, remembered by TBE	10/20
October 21 Shabbat Services	
Sam Fenig, grandfather of Barry Goldner	10/21
+ Ida Koval, mother of Pearl Davis z"l; great-grandmother of Brent Eastrep	10/21
+ Bernard Spitz, remembered by TBE	10/21
Shirley Evelyn Wallace, grandmother of Eytan Wallace	10/21
Louis J. Younger, father of Milton Younger z"l; grandfather of Susan Cohn z"l	10/21, Tishrei 26
Florene Blyer, great-aunt of Karen Briefer	10/22
Lila Klein, mother of Jonathan and Sylvia Klein	10/22, Tishrei 27
Howard Levine, brother of Andrew Levine	10/22
Marcus Mahan, husband of Marcia Rudnick z"l; father of Libbie Mahan; uncle of Joshua Rudnick, brother-in-law of Milton Rudnick z"l, Phil Rudnick and Miriam Stull	10/23
+ Sheldon Krasnow, remembered by TBE	10/23
Robert J. Styrt, brother of Diane Rudnick z"l, brother-in-law of Milton Rudnick z"l	10/23
+ Jacob Krasnow, remembered by TBE	10/23
+ Sam Gintzler, remembered by TBE	10/24
Joseph Abrams, brother of Al Abrams z"l; uncle of Andy Abrams	10/25
Kent John Humphrey, nephew of Karlyn Farber and Laura Reyes	10/25
+ Armaund K. Strauss, father of Judy Strauss	10/26
Gertrude Wolgin Hass, grandmother of Glenn Singer	10/27

Judaism requires those comforting mourners to provide meals following their loved one's funeral. Temple Beth El's Caring Committee provides these Meals of Condolence, Se'udot Havra'ah.

Please donate to the Caring Committee so that we may continue to support our mourners in their time of need.

<https://templebethelbakersfield.org/donation/>



KITCHEN NEWS

REMINDER from Sisterhood Leadership

When using the Kitchen please make sure it is left the way it was found!! This is a shared space!! Please be courteous of others!! Please clean up after use as we do not have janitors for this service. Please take home any leftover items and DO NOT leave them in the refrigerator!! We thank you for your cooperation!!

The art of [Murray Eisner](#), born in 1957, is very much influenced by his Orthodox Jewish schooling as well as the “hippie revolution” period in which he grew up. Using a combination of oils, acrylics, and giclee printing, he infuses his artwork with these profound influences in a captivating, enlightening, and funky way. He explains that his paintings are an attempt to achieve the free, expressive, natural way a child paints.



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not to condemn others. Rosh Hashanah, understood as the Birthday of the World, is also Yom Hadin, The Day of Judgment, suggesting that the blessing of humanity’s birth is predicated upon us ensuring we are worthy of God’s choice to bring us into the world, created in the Divine Image, B’tzelem E-lohim.

In short, we REFLECT, we do not DEFLECT on these Ten Days of Repentance, so that our God-granted existence is worthy of new year of life.

For transgressions against God, Yom Kippur atones; But for transgressions of one human being against another, Yom Kippur does not atone until they have made peace with one another.

— Maimonides, Laws of Repentance

If my words or actions have brought you any injury or anguish, let me know, ideally before our communal Yom Kippur services at Temple Beth El so that I can reflect on your concerns and we can build a more kind, compassionate Bakersfield community. May you, the reader, be written and sealed into the Book of Life for another year!

Rabbi Klein

Sisterhood Book Club

Our next **Sisterhood Book Club** read will be *Mr. Perfect on Paper* by Jean Meltzer. The Book Club meeting will be **Sunday, October 23, 1pm via Zoom**.

From the author of *The Matzah Ball* comes a pitch-perfect romance/comedy (romcom) following a third-generation Jewish matchmaker who unwittingly finds her own search for love thrust into the spotlight...

The perfect Jewish husband should be:

- A doctor or lawyer (preferably a doctor)
- Baggage-free (no previous marriages, no children)
- And of course—he must be Jewish

As the creator and CEO of the popular Jewish dating app J-Mate, matchmaker Dara Rabinowitz knows the

+ Pearl Rudnick, aunt of Libbie Mahan and Joshua Rudnick; sister-in-law of Milton Rudnick z”l and Marcus Rudnick z”l	10/27
October 28 Shabbat Services	
+ Ann Greenberg, aunt of Steve Magnus; great-aunt of Elliott Magnus	10/28
Monty Hy Pike, nephew of Arline Pike z”l; cousin of Irvin Pike	10/28
Edith Carnihan, mother of Donna Schwartz	10/30
+ Fanny Davis, aunt of Hyman Davis z”l	10/30
+ Fanny Shrier, remembered by TBE	10/30
Morris Katz, husband of Sylvia Katz z”l; step-father of Larry Saslaw	10/30
Guy Parr, Sr., father-in-law of Marsha Parr	10/30
+ Paul Bregor, father of Jackie Rudnick z”l; father-in-law of Phil Rudnick	10/31
Claude Pierce, grandfather of Irvin Pike	10/31
David Zent, father of Chelsea Zent, grandfather of Pixie Zent	10/31
Sylvia Plotkin-Russinsky, mother of Jeff Russinsky	11/1
F.A. Rippee, father of Nancy McCombs	11/1
Benjamin Wayne, father of Wendy Wayne z”l	11/1
Ken Ragsdale, friend of Arline Pike z”l	11/2
Diane Rudnick, Husband of Milton Rudnick z”l, mother of Melanie Rudnick	11/2
Joyce Abbas, Sister of Vivian Gonzalez	11/4
Erna Englander, friend of Kathleen Arnold-Chambers	11/4



formula for lasting love—at least, for everyone else. When it comes to her own love life, she’s been idling indefinitely. Until her beloved bubbe shares Dara’s checklist for “The Perfect Jewish Husband” on national television and charming news anchor Chris Steadfast proposes they turn Dara’s search into must-see TV. As a non-Jewish single dad, Chris doesn’t check any of Dara’s boxes. But her hunt for Mr. Perfect is the ratings boost his show desperately needs. If only Chris could ignore his own pesky attraction to Dara—a task much easier said than done when Dara starts questioning if “perfect on paper” can compete with how hard she’s falling for Chris...



For more information, go to: <https://www.jewishbookcouncil.org/book/mr-perfect-on-paper>

High Holy Days Schedule of Events

Tuesday, October 4

6:00pm - Kol Nidre Services

Wednesday, October 5

9:00am - Children's Services at
the Torah Learning Center

10:00am - Adult Services (child
care available)

1pm - Group Study

3pm - Afternoon Services, Yizkor,
Ne'ilah, and Havdalah

Sunday, October 9

5:30pm - Potluck and Services
under the Sukkah at Temple Beth
El

Monday, October 17

7:00pm - Erev Simchat Torah
Services



POTLUCK

IN THE SUKKAH

Sunday, October 9th

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October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	PLEASE NOTE: All temple activities will be conducted using an on-site/ZOOM hybrid model, unless otherwise stated.					1
2 No Religious School	3	4 9:00am Prayer Book Study 6:00pm Kol Nidre Services EREV YOM KIPPUR	5 YOM KIPPUR 9:00am Children's Service 10:00am Yom Kippur Services begin (see pg 12 for complete schedule of events)	6	7 6:00pm Family Services	8
9 9:30am Religious School 1:00pm Sisterhood events (see pg 6 for complete listing) 5:30pm Erev Sukkot Potluck and Services under the Sukkah at TBE	10 11:30am Simcha Set at Marie Callender's	11 SUKKOT 7:00pm Board Meeting	12	13 4:30pm Sisterhood leadership meeting	14 6:00pm Chardonnay Shabbat under the Sukkah (Services begin at 6:30pm)	15
16 9:30am Religious School HOSHANA RABBA 7:00pm Erev Simchat Torah Services	17 SHEMINI ATZERET	18 SIMCHAT TORAH	19	20	21 7:00pm Shabbat Services	22
23 9:30am Religious School	24	25 9:00am Prayer Book Study	26	27	28 7:00pm Shabbat Services	29
30 9:30am Religious School	31					

Religious School Update





Our **Hanukkah 8 Krazy Kilometers** and **2K Latke Loop** event will be back in person on December 11th at the Panorama Vista Preserve. It is a 938-acre natural habitat preserve situated along the Kern River in Bakersfield, California.

We're expecting over 200 participants at this year's run. A portion of each participant's registration fee will be donated to the **Kern River Parkway Foundation**. This is a local non-profit organization that works to protect, preserve, and restore the natural riparian and wildlife habitat of the Kern River.

The run will include a raffle for all participants. The cost for the 2K is \$30 and the 8K is \$34.00. If you create a team of more than two people, the price will be reduced by \$2.00 per registration.

You can register at: <https://runsignp.com/Race/CA/>



Reclaiming Our Vote in 2022

Campaign Goals

- To strengthen the power of our base through relationship building both within our communities and across lines of difference in partnership.
- To protect democracy by combatting voter suppression to ensure that everyone has access to the ballot box by turning out the vote and centering racial equity. Our goal is to reach 400,000 voters.



The Tent

“Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them and, bowing to the group, he said “My lords, if it please you, do not go past your servant.” Genesis 18:2-3

Rabbi David Saperstein, Director Emeritus of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (RAC), was honored as a “Uniter” at the United We Stand Summit, hosted by President Biden at the White House on September 15th. Rabbi Saperstein, who previously served as the US Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom, was recognized for his work with the Multi-Faith Neighbors Network as one of the preeminent heroes from across America doing extraordinary work to stand together against hate, build bridges and heal divides in their communities.



For more information about URJ programs, including the Religious Action Center (RAC), contact Larry Saslaw or Jill Egland, co-chairs, Social Justice Committee.

Please bring **nonperishable food items** with you when you come to High Holy Days services. We distribute this food to students in need through the **Bakersfield College Renegade Food Pantry**.

E-mail Shofar submissions to tbebakersfield@gmail.com
Deadline for the September Shofar is August 15, 2021

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