

The Shofar

Temple Beth El ~Bakersfield, CA

Where Judaism Lives

June, 2023

Sivan~Tamuz 5783

Celebrate Summer



Timna Valley Park, Israel



President's Perspective

For our May 19th Shabbat service, we gathered in a very meaningful way to honor and thank community leader Howard Silver for his service to Bakersfield, Kern County, and our Jewish community as he departed for a new home in Florida. From my vantage point on the Bimah, I was again rewarded with a Temple Beth El sanctuary teeming with many joyous faces of members from TBE and Congregation B'nai Jacob, guests, and Mayor Goh. There were well-seasoned and young families, regular and occasional Shabbat goers, Zoomers, Howard's family, and first-time visitors. Our Temple Beth El family, once again, stepped up, joined in, and showed our collective community strength. We are enriched by your presence, contributions, and commitment to each other to build a vibrant Temple Beth El.



Through my 37 years of membership at Temple Beth El, I have been fortunate to have crossed paths with some amazing individuals who, through their study and living of our Jewish values, have contributed to the long arc of history that bends towards justice. Our members, such as Stan Simrin, Wendy Wayne, Jess Diamond, Evelyn Kay, and many others who through their acts of kindness and pursuit of Tikkun Olam, found their home and added their voices to the history of our synagogue and community. I am fortunate to have settled here in Bakersfield where I experienced the sparks of life that these leaders, our Rabbis, our members, and our collective congregation have implanted in me, my family, and our community.

Shalom,
Larry Saslaw, President

Happy Anniversary!

June 2

Michael & Marty Weinberg

June 7

Miriam & John Beam

June 8

Jay & Marsha Greenstein

June 13

Bob & Heidi Allison

Rod & Jeanette Delijani

Charles & Sharon Rhodes

June 23

Dawn & Ron Baron

June 30

David & Terri Stanton

Happy Birthday!

June 5

Catherine Mahan

Cheryl Rosenstein

June 6

Paul Escobedo

Philip Rudnick

June 7

Lyle Gartenlaub

June 10

Richard Schenkman

June 11

Rogers Brandon

Steven Magnus

June 13

Jeffrey Schwartz

June 15

Judy Feldman
Etel Lewis

June 17

Mary Helen Barro
Gail Magnus

June 28

Larry Fish
Terri Stanton

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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.

As of July 1st, the price will increase to \$3695.

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

We would like to thank the following nadvanim:

Kol Nidre Donation

Leonard & Carla Epstein

Mary Gerena

Larry Saslaw & Jill Eglund

Memorials/Yahrzeit

Brent Eastep: mem Hyman Davis (NPO)

Timothy Fromm: mem Joan Fromm

Ruth Klein: mem Abraham D. Klein

Marsha Parr: memory Guy D Parr

Etta Robin: mem William Taylor

Robert & Marcy Smith: mem Leonard H. Smith

Elaine & Douglas White: mem Kathryn White

Tree of Life

Andy & Ella Abrams: to honor our friend Etta Robin

Bob & Heidi Allison: to honor our friend Etta Robin

Helen & Tom Armistead: to honor our friend Etta Robin

Kathleen Arnold-Chambers: to honor our friend Etta Robin

Michael; & Judy Feldman: to honor our friend Etta Robin

Vivian Gonzales: to honor our friend Etta Robin

Ruth Klein: Bnai Mitz Hunter Rittenberg and Tzipporrah Escobedo

Nancy & Arthur McCombs: Bar Mitzvah Hunter Rittenberg

Nancy & Arthur McCombs: Pamela Elisheva counting of the Omer

Marsha Parr: to honor our friend Etta Robin

Irvin Pike : Pamela Elisheva's counting of the Omer

Larry Saslaw & Jill Eglund: Bar Mitzvah Hunter Rittenberg

Ilene Schechter: Pamela Elisheva counting of the Omer

Rabbi Discretionary

Andy & Ella Abrams

Leonard & Carla Epstein: mem William Davis

Allison Luker

Melanie Rudnick

Caring Committee

Esther & Rogers Brandon: birth of Isabella Brandon, daughter of Sam & Tania Brandon

To contribute online:

<https://templebethelbakersfield.org/donation>

The Simcha Set Luncheons:

Simcha Set is taking a summer vacation and will resume Thursday, August 10th.

Sisterhood Chai Lights

Book Club

Current Book Club selections are *Lift and Separate* and *Husbands and Other Sharp Objects*. All are written by Marilyn Simon Rothstein. Book Club will meet via Zoom on Sunday, August 27th.

Thursday, June 15, 4:30pm: **Leadership meeting**

Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th, will preclude the General Sisterhood Meeting

For The Future: Rosh Hashanah Oneg September 15th and Latke Brunch December 3rd. Please contact Helen should you wish to help.

armisteadlmft@gmail.com

Sisterhood membership drive begins in July. \$18 for the year. You may pay on the TBE website or send a check to TBE with Linda Hakimi's name on it and the purpose i.e. Sisterhood membership

June 2023 Calendar

PLEASE NOTE: All Temple activities will be conducted using an on-site/**ZOOM** hybrid model unless otherwise stated

Friday, June 2, 6pm: Family Service

Friday, June 9, 6pm: Chardonnay Shabbat; Service 6:30pm.

Saturday Scrolls Class suspended for June.

Tuesday, June 13, 7pm: Temple Beth El Board Meeting via Zoom.

Tuesday, June 13, 9-9:30am: Prayers of Our Prayer Book: Rabbi Klein is planning to conduct this class from Israel June 13 and June 20.

Thursday, June 15- Sunday, June 25: Israel Trip led by Rabbi Klein

Thursday, June 15, 4:30: Sisterhood Leadership Meeting.

Friday, June 16, 7pm: Shabbat Services.

Sunday, June 18: Father's Day (No general Sisterhood meeting)

Sunday, June 18: Rosh Hodesh Tamuz at sundown.

Tuesday, June 20: End of Rosh Hodesh Tamuz at nightfall.

Friday, June 23, 7pm: Shabbat Services.

Friday, June 30, 7pm: Shabbat Services.

June 2023 Yahrzeits

6/2 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
+Faige Stein, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/3
Julius Bard, grandfather of Marc Schulman	6/3
Tova Dershowitz, grandmother of Eytan Wallace	6/3
+Edna Solomon, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/3
Florence Pearl Solomon, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/4
+Ben S. Cohn, Remembered by Temple Beth El	6/4
+Guy Parr, husband of Marsha Parr	6/6
+Muriel Vekas, sister of Arline Pike z'l, aunt of Irvin Pike	6/6
Katrina Anne Ruiz, niece of Libbie Mahan	6/8
Debra Vice, sister of Marc Schulman	6/8
+Samuel Brown, Remembered by Temple Beth El	6/8

6/9 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
+Joan Fromm, mother of Tim Fromm	6/10
Leah Schenkman, mother of Richard Schenkman	6/10
+Harry Davis, brother-in-law of Pearl Davis z'l	6/11
Jacob Schneider, father of Norma Schwartz z'l; grandfather of Helen Armistead and Jeff Schwartz	6/11, 22 Sivan
Anthony Tyler Mince, nephew of Laura Lauria; cousin of Amanda Garza	6/11
+Pauline Kamin, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/11
+Goldie Bernstein, sister-in-law of Pearl Davis	6/12
Etta Goldman, mother of Freyda Hensley; aunt of Marsha Parr	6/12
Al Abrams, husband of Charlotte Abrams z'l, father of Andy Abrams	6/13

Helene Davis, mother of Carla Epstein	6/13
+Rabbi Jack A. Levy, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/14
+Robert Luis Atencio, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/14
Lillian Epstein, mother of Etta Robin	6/15
Arie Reich, cousin of Sylvia Neal	6/15
6/16 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
Miriam Buck, grandmother of Beth Spiegel	6/16
Tsolik Lekht, brother of Etel Lewis	6/17
+Wendy Wayne, wife of Gene tackett	6/17
Kathryn White, mother of Doug White	6/17
Bobby Klein, brother of Rabbi Jonathan Klein	6/18, 29 Sivan
Dr. Milton Bronstein, cousin of Sylvia Neal z'l	6/19
Kendall R. Peterson, father of Ann Peterson-Saslaw z'l	6/19
+Lewis Vengarick, father of Anthony Vengarick; remembered by Irvin Pike	6/19
Rabbi Stanley Robin, husband of Etta Robin	6/21
Shirley Steinberg, mother of Irene Christenson z'l, grandmother of Jana Reichert	6/21
Alton Swinney, father of Nancy McCombs	6/22

6/23 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
Irene Broida, grandmother of Greg Broida	6/23
Jonas Hakimi, father if Ahron Hakimi	6/23
+Oscar Davis, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/23
Irene Christenson, mother of Jana reichert	6/24
+Annabelle Levy Greenberg, remembered by Temple Beth El	6/25
Georges Dahan, uncle of Dorise bitton	6/26
Joshua Raymond Escobedo, nephew of Raul Escobedo	6/26
Juana Genel, mother-in-law of Ana Genel z'l; grandmother of Janet Blumberg	6/26
Manuel Genel, husband of Ana Genel z'l	6/26
+Henry Solomon, uncle of Greg Broida	6/27
Robert H. Soren, grandfather of Sharon Miller	7/27, 8 Tamuz
Sylvia Kohan, friend of the russinsky family	6/29
+Barnett Henry Magnus, remembered by Steve Magnus	6/29
Rose Korman, grandmother of Stan Schwartz z'l; great-grandmother of Helen Armistead and Jeff Schwartz	6/29
William Palmer, father of Deborah Rosenthal	6/30
6/30 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
Bert Everett Davis, father of Mark Davis	7/1
Edna Solomon, grandmother of Greg Broida	7/1
Cleotilde Espinoza, mother of Maria Chavez	7/2
+Zelda R. Liberman, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/2
+Socorro Gonzalez, mother of Rose Broida; grandmother of Michael Broida	7/2
+Beulah Davis, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/2
+Robert Pike, husband of Arline Pike z'l; father of Irvin Pik;, brother-in-law of Muriel Vekas	7/3

+Maurice A. Marcus, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/3
+Phil Rositzky, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/3
Eddie Holt, uncle of William Wolfe	7/4
Connie Wellman, wife of Peggie Soltis-McGraw	7/4
+Jenny Gilfenbain, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/4
+Meier Weimer, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/7

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