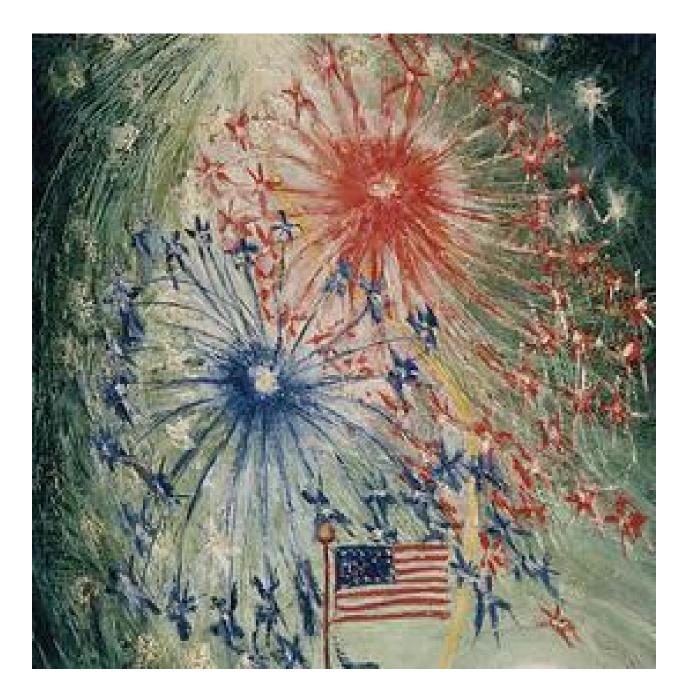
The Shofar

Temple Beth El ~Bakersfield, CA Where Judaism Lives July, 2023 Tamuz~Av 5783





Shalom friends who are my family,

This is my first letter to share as president of our congregation! I am excited for what all the future holds and frankly, I am a bit nervous about the responsibility. Our outgoing president, Larry Saslaw, both literally and figuratively has presented us with a large pair of shoes to fill. I am grateful to him, Rabbi Klein, the leadership team along with everyone else who has been participating in supporting and building our community.

Being Jewish and loving that about myself is core to who I am. I love the purpose-driven wisdom, justice and the joy Judaism imbues. Hebrew for synagogue is Beit Kneset. It literally translates as "house of gathering together". The social component of our community is both

integral to Judaism and simply fun. It is why the slogan יבה למסיבה יש תמיד (Yesh Tamid Siba LeMesiba'' - **There is always a reason for celebration** speaks to me. We are blessed to have a rich history of traditions that inform how we choose to conduct ourselves and celebrate life. We will have lots of opportunities to enjoy each other's company as we share Shabbat, holidays, study together, and participate in other life cycle events.

We are putting together a community calendar that will be easily accessible to everyone. The intention is that we can plan and participate in the events, learning opportunities, clubs and other happenings that interest us.

For the short term, please be sure to join us for installation of the new board on Chardonnay Shabbat, July 14th. We have a special surprise – the unveiling of the TEMPLE BETH EL ICE CREAM BAR!!! La Rosa is making a special, signature, vegan treat just for us!!!

Much more information and ruminations will follow.

Humbled for the opportunity to serve us,

Avital Anders

Happy Anniversary!

July 4 Rudie & Maria Chavez July 10 Robert & Patricia Young July 19 Steve & Janet Newbrough July 20 Michael & Leora Freedman July 29 Ronald & Laura Lauria

Happy Birthday!

July 1 Heidi Allison July 3 Joshua Rittenberg Patricia Young July 6 Lisa Levine July 7 LaZelle Broida July 8 Christopher Jacobson Deborah Rosenthal July 13 Theresa Goldner Ronald Lauria Donna Schwartz July 15 Amanda Garza July 17 Elliott Magnus July 18 William Wolfe July 22 Larry Saslaw Pamela Stahl Rabbi Wynne Waugaman July 24 Michael Broida July 27 Selwyn Kay

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

Sisterhood Chai Lights

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. Here is a list of activities for July and the future: All Sisterhood activities are via TBE Zoom and in person as noted.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF SISTERHOOD LEADERSHIP, PLEASE CONTACT KATHLEEN CHAMBERS!!!

Thursday, July 13th@ 4:30pm: Sisterhood Leadership Meeting Sunday, July 16 @ 10am: Breakfast and General Meeting (location to be advised) Please notify Helen Armistead @: <u>armisteadlmft@gmail.com</u> or (661) 472-1758 to advise that you will attend. Location to be advised

Sunday, July 16th @6:30pm: Rosh Chodesh for a half hour via the TBE Zoom

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 27**th.

For The Future: Rosh Hashanah Oneg September 15th and Latke Brunch December 3rd. Please contact Helen should you wish to help. <u>armisteadlmft@gmail.com</u> Sisterhood membership drive is beginning in July. \$18 for the year. You may pay on the TBE website or send a check to TBE WOTBE with Linda Hakimi's name on the envelope and the purpose i.e. Sisterhood membership.

Please consider joining some great women!! We are now on Facebook! If you would like an invitation to join our group, please let a member of the leadership team know!!

If you have any questions, feel free to send me an email: Helen Armistead-Secretary <u>armisteadlmft@gmail.com</u>

July 2023 Calendar

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

Saturday, July 1st, 4:30pm: Scrolls class Song of Songs **Tuesday, July4th** : Independence Day Friday, July 7th, 6pm: Family Service Saturday, July 8th, 4:30pm: Scrolls Class Song of Songs Tuesday, July 11th, 9-9:30am: Prayers of Our Prayer Book Thursday, July 13th, 4:30pm: Sisterhood Leadership meeting Friday, July 14th, 6pm: Chardonnay Shabbot Saturday, July 15th, 4:30pm: Scrolls Class Song of Songs Sunday, July 16th, 10am: 9-9:30am: Sisterhood Breakfast and General Meeting Sunday, July 16th, 6:30pm: Rosh Chodesh (TBE Zoom) Tuesday, July 18th, 9-9:30am: Prayers of Our Prayer Book Friday, July 21st, 7pm: Shabbat Services. Saturday, July 22nd, 4:30pm: Scrolls class Song of Songs Tuesday, July 25th, 9-9:30am: Prayers of Our Prayer Book Friday, 28th, 7pm: Shabbat Services. Saturday, July 29th, 4:30pm: Scrolls class Song of Song

July, 2023 Yahrzeits

+ Memorialized on the Yahrzeit plaques on the wall in the foyer	
Bert Everett Davis, father of Mark Davis	7/1
Edna Solomon, grandmother of Greg Broida	7/1
+Beulah Davis, remembered by Pearl Davis z'l	7/2
Cleotilde Espinosa, mother of Maria Chavez	7/2
+Zelda Leiberman, remembered by Temple beth El	
+Socorro Gonzalez, mother of Rose Broida; grandmother of Michael Broida	7/2
+Robert Pike , husband of Arline Pike z'l, brother-in-law of Muriel Vekas z'l; father of Irvin Pike	7/3
Eddie Holt, uncle of William Wolfe	7/4
Connie Wellman, wife of Peggy Soltis-McGraw	7/4
Lawrence Brandon, father of Rogers Brandon	7/6
7/7 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
+Meier Weimer, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/7
+ Charlotte Rutman, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/8, Tamuz 1
David Jacobson, grandfather of Christopher Jacobson	7/9
+Dora Stern Hoffman, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/9
+Howard Clendenney, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/10
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+Benjamin Fleishman, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/10

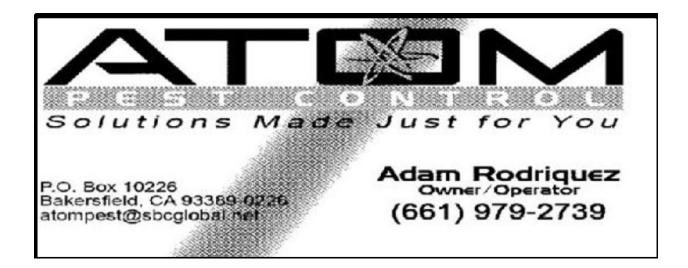
+Goldie Strauss Zieser, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/11
+Phyllis Ann Fram, mother of Joe Fram	7/12
Rita Russ Sager, cousin of Jeff Russinsky	7/12
Phyllis Schechter, mother of llene Schechter	7/12
John Alan Sheeter, husband of Helen Armistead; brother-in-law of Jeff Schwartz: son-in-law of Stan z'l and Norma Schwartz z'l	7/12
Ruth Joy Bell, mother of Marty Weinberg	7/13
7/14 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
Louise Levine, mother of Andrew Levine	7/14
Jacob Hadida, grandfather of Dorise Bitton	7/15, Tamuz 2
Judith Lynn Kanter, sister of Stacey Davis	7/15
Estelle Vengarick, mother of Anthony Vengarick; remembered by Arline Pike z'l, and Irvin Pike	7/15
+Samuel Gordon, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/16
+Joseph H. Davis, remembered by Temple beth El	7/16
+Randall Alan Rudnick, remembered by The Rudnick Family	7/16
Beatrice Brust, , mother of David Brust	7/17
Genia Gross, remembered by Ruth Klein	7/18
Dorothy Keliner, grandmother of Marcy Smith	7/18
Allen Kaplan, brother of Marsha Parr	7/18
Esther Krantz, Cousin of Arline Pike z'l, and Irvin Pike	7/19
+Leo Henry Horn, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/20, Av 2
7/21 Shabbat Services Yahrzeits	
Kayla Schinder, sister of Etel Lewis	7/21
+Abraham Messerman. remembered by Temple Beth El	7/22

+Dorothy Esther Klakoff, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/23
Ann Allison, mother of Bob Allison	7/24
Mollie Lande , mother of Rose Blatt; grandmother of Barbara Kessler, great-grandmother of Barbara Kessler	7/24
Ethel Miller, mother of Michael Miller	7/24
Heather Tanger Black, niece of Arline Pike z'l and cousin of Irvin Pike	7/24
+Sherwood Ross Schwartz, remembered by Temple Beth El	7/24
Birch Shilkrout, uncle of Judy Strauss	7/25
Richard Anderson, father of Elaine White	7/26
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