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**“For the miracles that you have done for us ...at this time of the year.”  
(Siddur prayer for the Hanukkah miracles)**



Some of us don't see the forest because of the trees, while others don't see the trees because of the forest. The latter is me. I had a principal once who was really very meticulous in her planning, while I was an “end of project” man. I saw the finished goal and didn't see the efforts that went into that goal. She taught me a lot about planning and preparing and it has helped me here with our school and its development, as well as my rabbinate and many different aspects of my life.



Every year when I prepare for Adult Education, I learn easily as much as my students. It may be some new facts, new ideas, or new attitudes. This year we are learning Kabbalah, not as I have taught it in the past, historically, but experientially. In other words, how to use the teachings of Kabbalah to enhance your everyday life. One of the Kabbalistic ideas that I was not very familiar with or comfortable with, was the idea of the “Four Worlds”. Its system teaches that in order to get to a higher spiritual level we need to think and then create instead of reacting “passionately” at first. Let me give you an example. At our home, after I had set the table, I used to sit down and my wife would serve dinner. I would begin to eat her delicious food with gusto, but with no comment. I now see how wrong that is. After learning with my students the “Four Worlds” of the Kabbalah way of thinking, I look at the food, I smell its aroma, I visualize what went into preparing it and how beautiful it looks and I say a prayer of praise to my wife and G-d. Yes, I praise my wife. If we are created in the image of G-d, then why aren't our wives, husbands, significant others, children and parents praiseworthy? Of course they are. To tell you the truth, I receive so many positive feelings from using the four worlds level of praise that I try to do it in whatever situation I find myself. When I walk the dog, I think of what is involved in the walk, the sounds of the animals in the early morning, the light of the sun rising, the smell of the air after a late night rain, the work that went into building my neighborhood. I feel all these “sensualizations” and more. Then I praise my dog for taking me on this spiritual journey. Yes, I do this alone with my canine companion,

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The first Friday of the month  
**Family Fun Pizza Night**  
Pizza will be served Dec. 3 at 6:30 PM  
before family services  
*See Page 5 for more information*

Sunday, December 5, Noon—3:00 PM

**Community Hanukkah Party & Open House**



*See flyer for details*

Tuesday, December 7th, 7:30 PM  
Third session in Adult Education Series

**“Kabbalah In Our Lives”**

December topic:

**“Kabbalah During Holidays and Days of Joy”**

**Please bring a menorah to class**

*See Page 3 for more information*

**The second Friday of the month  
Musically-Historical Shabbat**



**Dec. 10 will feature  
Traditional Hanukkah Melodies**

Monday, Dec. 13 from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM  
**Sisterhood Fundraiser at  
Marie Callender's Restaurant,  
10050 Riverside Dr., Toluca Lake**

## MITZVAH: Is it from the heart or is it from the head?

Which do you please first, your heart or your head? Before you can truly please either aspect, your head has to be clear and your heart has to be pure. When you do a mitzvah, do you need to do it? I would equate that with the head. Do you want to do a mitzvah? I believe when you want to, it comes from the heart. Do you think of a mitzvah and what you will gain from it? Is that really a mitzvah?



To understand if mitzvah comes from the heart or head, we first need to understand the meaning of mitzvah. It was first referred to in the commandments of the Torah. Mitzvah is an act of human kindness. When people do acts of kindness, it comes back to the root; why they believe in their religion. They believe in goodness. This goodness helps people help others.

Do you volunteer at the Temple because you want to give back? This is an example of the heart. Do you feel obligated to go to Temple? That is your head. Of course there is a cause and there is an effect. The cause is from your heart. The effect is what is generated in your head. You must think of good deeds to do. That is your head. Of course, all Mitzvot must come from the heart, but you must put thought into it. Both the heart and the head play an equal part in doing a mitzvah.

As Hanukkah approaches, look at the gifts that you give as Mitzvot, expect nothing in return. The greatest gift is giving. Know in your heart and mind that you did something good. -President Steve Abrams



## TBE ORGANIZATION

### Ritual Staff

Rabbi Mark H. Sobel  
Cantorial Soloist Chase De Luca  
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Music and Choir Director Robyn Kreisberg  
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\*May his memory be a blessing.

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**Mitzvahs**, John Eisenger  
**Office Liaison**, TBD  
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*Here to serve you.*

### Temple Beth Emet Office Hours

Monday-Thursday—9:00 AM-noon  
Friday & Sunday—9:00 AM—1 PM  
Saturday closed

### The office is closed in observance of the following holidays:

*New Years Day, President's Day,  
First day of Pesach, Memorial Day,  
Independence Day, Rosh Hashanah,  
Yom Kippur, Thanksgiving*

Call Temple office at 818-843-4787  
to contact Temple Staff/volunteers.  
Your message will be forwarded to  
the appropriate person.

### CHAI TIMES

**Chai Times** is a free, monthly  
newsletter delivered by mail and  
available at  
[www.TempleBethEmet.com](http://www.TempleBethEmet.com).  
Article submissions, photos and  
feedback are encouraged and **due by  
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emailed to  
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delivery to the Temple office.  
Submissions will be published based  
on space available, relevant content,  
and at the discretion of Editor Shirley  
Abramson, Temple Officers and  
Directors.

*For the new year, the Chai Times is  
trying a new look for the same great  
content—let us know what you think.*

but what about my human companions at school or at Temple? I have learned to listen better, to “sensualize” more, using all my senses to perceive what each person is going through when they are conversing with me, and then I formulate a prayer for them. It may be spoken softly or not even verbalized. It often is original given the unique circumstances of our conversation. Remember, a prayer need not have the Siddur formula, “Blessed are you, O Lord our G-d”, it can be in any form one desires, as long as it is authentic to one's heart. How wonderful it is when we can offer Prayers of Praise to each other based upon what good deeds we all have done!!!!!!

At this time when we recall the rededication of the great Temple, may we remember that all of us are temples (sacred spaces) and it is the essence of G-dliness that we treat each other with the same reverence as we would any sacred space. Personally, as for me in these days at this time of the year, I dedicate myself to uplifting myself through the “Four Worlds” to a form of Godliness, which allows people to come closer to me. If we all learn to do this, then these holy days will be for us all a time of true everlasting light.

Shalom v' Hag Sameah,  
Rabbi Mark

## ***TBE MOURNS THE PASSING OF VERY SPECIAL MEMBERS***

**Leon Blacher** was born in 1919 in Minsk, Belarus. His father owned a haberdashery store across the street from the police station. Despite several break-ins, the police never did anything to help. He and his brother, who is still living in Ottawa, were as children unable to play outside their home due to the rampant anti-semitism of their neighbors.

At 11 years of age, Leon's family moved to Canada until 1945, when, except for his brother who remained behind, the family came to California.

Leon worked as a bookkeeper for a pharmacy for forty-seven years. In his free time, he was an avid skier and ice skater. He was the proud and loving father of four children and the grandfather of six.

On November 11th of this year, he would have been married to Bernice for 60 years. She, as well as one of their twin daughters, Myra, taught at our Temple's religious school.

All who had the very good fortune of knowing this kind and gentle man will greatly miss him.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Leon's wife, Bernice, their four children and families.

**Eddie Bernstein** was born in the Bronx, New York in 1926. He was a World War II veteran having served in the US Army in Germany. He and Fran were together for 20 years.

Eddie loved sports. His favorite was football. In fact, he had a jersey for every team.

He and Fran loved Las Vegas, cruises, dancing and bowling. They bowled with an international B'nai Brith traveling league and would go out of town every year to bowl. Eddie volunteered at Kaiser Hospital for 15 years and always helped Fran with whatever fundraising activities she was doing for the Temple.

Eddie was very devoted to his family.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Eddie's wife, Fran, and family. Eddie will be deeply missed.





## The Men's Club WANTS YOU

to join us for our monthly meeting and brunch. Meeting will be on the 3rd Sunday, December 19.



Men \$5, Ladies are our guests.



**LILITH BBG #324** is the east-valley girls' chapter of the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization's (BBYO) Pacific Coast Region

(PCR). We are so excited to establish ourselves at our new home base, Temple Beth Emet. We meet every week on Wednesday evenings, 7:00 PM– 8:30 PM. If you are a girl between 13 and 18, looking to make life-long friends, hone your leadership skills, and get involved with the community, you will LOVE BBG, part of the largest Jewish youth movement in the world!!! Please find us on Facebook or e-mail [Lilith-Ladies@yahoo.com](mailto:Lilith-Ladies@yahoo.com) for more information.

Also, a BBYO-Aleph Zadik Aleph (AZA) boys chapter meets at TBE every other Tuesday (9/21, 10/5, 10/19, 11/2, etc.) from 7:30-8:30 PM. Contact Martin Greenfield through the Temple Office for more information.

# Havurahs!

**Enrich your life. There are now two amazing Havurahs here at Temple Beth Emet: Havurah Shachar**, which consists mainly of religious school parents, and **Simcha/L'Chaim Havurah**.

Havurah Shachar held a planning meeting on Nov. 21 and is planning tree planting as their next activity. Their next meeting is Jan. 16 at 9:30 AM at TBE.

You can join an existing group or form a new one. You'll be happy you did. For information, call Ruth Glick at (818)780-9134.

## Chai Society Happenings



Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year from Chai Society! Wishing you a good spin on things, much light, love, and happiness to all!



We would like to thank those who generously and enthusiastically helped with the recent Holiday Boutique event at TBE in November! From specialty hula hoops to designer purses, the Temple's Holiday Boutique had a lot to offer shoppers, and we hope everyone enjoyed the event! For those still looking and needing special holiday gifts, please visit and shop at our Temple gift shop where many great gifts are still waiting to be purchased! Gift wrap and gift bags available too!

Lastly, lots of latkes and a festival of fun have been planned for our **Hanukkah Community Party to be held on Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, Noon-3:00 PM. EVERYONE is invited!!** Lots of latkes, scrumptious salad, delicious donuts, and a bevy of beverages will be served! Exciting entertainment will be provided in the form of dreidel games and TWO bounce houses! Our jelly donut fundraiser will charge \$1 per donut or \$10 per dozen, and bouncer entertainment will be just \$1 per bounce or \$5 for unlimited bouncing! Also, the Temple gift shop will be open for holiday browsing and buying! Many, many thanks to our Temple volunteers and crew who will be helping all morning and afternoon to create a Happy Hanukkah Community Party to remember! Special thanks to TBE Board, Men's Club, Sisterhood and Chai Society, working together for the good of All! For those planning to join us for our December Chai Society meeting on December 5<sup>th</sup>, please join us in the kitchen & social hall to help prepare for the Hanukkah Community Party! Hope to see you there!

- Shalom & Ahava to All, Stacie Barlow for Chai Society

# Sisterhood

Your Sisterhood has regrouped, reorganized and did not waste any time getting started. Their first order of business is a fundraiser at Marie Callender's Restaurant on December 13. Treat your friends and family to a night out and help Sisterhood help our Temple. Restaurant is located at 10050 Riverside Dr. in Toluca Lake.

Next Sisterhood meeting will be on Monday, December 6th at 7:30PM. Starting in January, meetings will be on the first Wednesday of the month. All Temple women are invited to join.



**Sylvia Sutton's 90th birthday**



The 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month, known as Family Shabbat, can now also be called **"Friday Fun For All"**.

We will be serving pizza at 6:30 PM before service. You won't have to worry about cooking dinner for the family, just grab the kids and join us. \$5.00 for adults and **kids eat free!**

Please call by Wednesday of that week for reservations: Jeannie Mintz at (818) 314-8403 or Barbara Bolter at (818) 761-3116.

If you are interested in learning Yiddish, preferably at the Temple, please leave your name and phone number with the office staff for Gloria Kurey.



Thank you to **Mrs. Shirley Kirschenbaum's K-1 class** for sponsoring Shabbat on November 19,

**HAPPY DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- Harriett & Louis Schwab*
- Adrienne & Jerry Everakes*
- Leona & David Zollman*
- Rosa & Cesar Zevallos*
- Mary & Bert Langer*
- Elaine & Gerald Wolff*
- Stephani & Anthony Glass*

**Sandy Koufax Replica Dodger Jerseys**



If you are interested, Steve Abrams can order one for you. He needs to know size and gender.

Jerseys are \$36.

Call Steve at 661-714-3618

**Come to the Cabaret**

(at Temple Beth Emet)

On January 22nd, our very own **Diane Weisman** will be performing her one-woman show here at the Temple.

Those of us who have seen a past performance of this show will tell you it is terrific!

Call Barbara for more information (818)761-3116.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>28</p> <p><b>No Religious School</b></p>	<p>29</p> <p>6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p> <p>7:30 PM-8:30 PM <b>BBYO-AZA Meeting</b></p>	<p>1 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:00 PM -8:30 PM <b>BBYO-BBG Meeting</b></p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Sisterhood Meeting</b> <b>Erev Hanukkah First Candle</b></p>
<p>5 9:00 AM -12 noon <b>Religious School &amp; Hanukkah Brunch</b></p> <p>10:00 AM <b>Chai Society</b></p> <p>12:00-3:00 PM <b>Hanukkah Party and Open House</b> <b>Hanukkah Fifth Candle</b></p>	<p>6 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Sisterhood Meeting</b> <b>Hanukkah Sixth Candle</b></p>	<p>7 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Adult Education</b> <b>Hanukkah Seventh Candle</b></p>	<p>8 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:00 PM -8:30 PM <b>BBYO-BBG Meeting</b> <b>Hanukkah Eighth Candle</b></p>
<p>12 9:00 AM -12 noon <b>Religious School</b></p> <p>12:00-12:45 PM <b>Junior Choir</b></p>	<p>13 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p> <p>4:00 PM-10:00 PM <b>Sisterhood Fundraiser at Marie Calendars</b></p>	<p>14 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Temple Board Meeting</b> (members in good standing welcome) 7:30 PM-8:30 PM <b>BBYO-AZA Meeting</b></p>	<p>15 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:00 PM -8:30 PM <b>BBYO-BBG Meeting</b></p> <p>7:30—8:30 PM <b>Finance Committee Meeting</b></p>
<p>19 9:00 AM -12 noon <b>Religious School</b></p> <p>12:00-12:45 PM <b>Junior Choir</b></p> <p>9:30 AM <b>Men's Club Meeting and breakfast</b></p>	<p>20 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p>	<p>21 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Strategic Planning Meeting</b></p>	<p>22 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p> <p>7:00 PM-8:30 PM <b>BBYO-BBG Meeting</b></p>
<p>26 <b>No Religious School</b></p> <p><b>Hosting Family Promise at St. Jude's</b></p>	<p>27 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p> <p><b>Hosting Family Promise at St. Jude's</b></p>	<p>28 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Executive Board Meeting</b> <b>BBYO-AZA Meeting</b> <b>Hosting Family Promise at St. Jude's</b></p>	<p>29 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p> <p>7:00 PM-8:30 PM <b>BBYO-BBG Meeting</b> <b>Hosting Family Promise at St. Jude's</b></p>
<p>2 <b>No Religious School</b></p>	<p>3 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class</p>	<p>4 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Adult Education</b></p>	<p>5 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors</p> <p>7:00 PM-8:30 PM <b>BBYO BBG Meeting</b></p> <p>7:30 PM <b>Sisterhood Meeting</b></p>

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>2</b> 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class 6:15 PM Cribbage Club <b>Hanukkah Second Candle</b></p>	<p><b>3</b> 6:30 PM <b>Family Pizza Dinner</b> 7:00 PM <b>Family Shabbat Service</b> (note time) <b>with the Junior Choir</b> <b>Hanukkah Third Candle</b></p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>Hanukkah Fourth Candle</b></p>
<p><b>9</b> 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class 6:15 PM Cribbage Club</p>	<p><b>10</b> 7:30 PM <b>Shabbat Service</b> Welcomer: Margaret Goldfarb Candle Blessing: Jessica Wertlieb Scriptures: Ira Goldstein Kiddush: Cheyenne Goldfarb <b>Musically-Historical Shabbat</b> featuring <b>Traditional Hanukkah Melodies</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>16</b> 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class 6:15 PM Cribbage Club</p>	<p><b>17</b> 7:30 PM <b>Shabbat Service</b> Welcomer: Kathleen Kreyns Candle Blessing: Arda Paley Scriptures: Jeannie Mintz Kiddush: Emily Mintz-Kreyns</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>23</b> 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class 6:15 PM Cribbage Club</p>	<p><b>24</b> 7:30 PM <b>Shabbat Service</b> Welcomer: Candle Blessing: Scriptures: Kiddush:</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>
<p><b>30</b> 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class 6:15 PM Cribbage Club <b>Hosting Family Promise at St. Jude's</b></p>	<p><b>31</b> 7:30 PM <b>Shabbat Service</b> Welcomer: Candle Blessing: Scriptures: Kiddush: <b>Hosting Family Promise at St. Jude's</b></p>	<p><b>1</b> <b>Hosting Family Promise at St. Jude's</b></p>
<p><b>6</b> 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Active Actors Acting class 6:15 PM Cribbage Club</p>	<p><b>7</b> 6:30 PM <b>Family Pizza Dinner</b> 7:00 PM <b>Family Shabbat Service</b> (note time) <b>with the Junior Choir</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p>



NAME	REMEMBERED BY	DATE	NAME	REMEMBERED BY	DATE
<b><u>Dec. 3 at Temple</u></b>			<b><u>Dec. 17 at Temple</u></b>		
Harriet Modler	Peter Modler	Dec. 1	Lenny Marcus	Jodi Nathan-Chugg	Dec. 12
Barbara Glatzer	Flo Mazzei	Dec. 1	Lenny Marcus	Tamara Thomas	Dec. 12
Alan Matays	Gail Arce	Dec. 1	Szerena Weber	Bea Satmary	Dec. 14
Marc Kagen	Carole Eisinger	Dec. 1	Goldie Cone	Myra Sloves	Dec. 14
Donald Maydeck	Marshall Maydeck	Dec. 2	David Nudell	Mayer Nudell	Dec. 14
Sandy Reitman	Sandy Einbinder	Dec. 2	Ben Nudell	Mayer Nudell	Dec. 14
Milton Sobel	Rabbi Mark Sobel	Dec. 2	Louis Kanefsky	Marsha Cohen	Dec. 15
Leslie Fields	Soni Fields	Dec. 3	Fred Eisinger	John Eisinger	Dec. 15
Joseph B. Laing	Judy Laing	Dec. 3	Louis Resnick	Sidney Resnick	Dec. 15
Esther Gottfried	Shirley Weitzman	Dec. 3	Gertrude Rosen	Sally Bachelis	Dec. 16
Sylvia Fishel	Jack Fishel	Dec. 3	Sadie Weitzman	Rabbi Mark Sobel	Dec. 16
Joseph Steinmetz	Susan Levin	Dec. 4	Ann Maydeck	Marshall Maydeck	Dec. 17
Nathan M. Miller	Sara M. McCune	Dec. 4	Raymond Reinhart	Dottie Pierce	Dec. 17
Jacob Levin	Eugene Lewin	Dec. 4	Lois Lubell	Bradford Lubell	Dec. 17
Sharon Shuman	Joyce Feinsilber	Dec. 4	Ray Beck	Scott & Camille Beck	Dec. 18
<b><u>Dec. 10 at Temple</u></b>			Ray Beck	Russell & Barbara	Dec. 18
Albert Sheppard	Brian Sheppard	Dec. 5	Solomon Murez	Herbert Murez	Dec. 18
Peter Monaco	Rabbi Mark Sobel	Dec. 5	John Brandon	Kitty Cooper	Dec. 18
Harvey Sedlezky	Anne Newman	Dec. 5	Irving Matthews	Doris Jones	Dec. 18
Harry Sternfeld	Audrey Bermack	Dec. 6	<b><u>Dec. 24 at Temple</u></b>		
Fanny Sillman	Lois Jones	Dec. 6	Iris Gore	Dee Segall	Dec. 19
Leo Peckman	Congregation	Dec. 6	Edith Russell	M/M Gerald Becker	Dec. 20
Irving Spielvogel	Don Spielvogel	Dec. 6	Samuel J. Teller	Elaine Rubidoux	Dec. 21
Hacksun Lue	Merry Dacher	Dec. 6	William Flohr	Nikki Laren	Dec. 22
Roberta Braun	Valerie Bernath	Dec. 7	Rivka Jerzy	Reuven Jerzy	Dec. 22
Fred Friedman	Stuart Friedman	Dec. 8	Tibor Rodai	Judy Robins	Dec. 23
Annie Swedlove	Freda Murez	Dec. 8	Marion Goodman	Norman Goodman	Dec. 24
Ida Polakoff	Bertha Yaras	Dec. 8	Anne Abramson	Shirley Abramson	Dec. 24
Solomon Friedman	Jean Pollack	Dec. 8	Irving Strauss	Howard Strauss	Dec. 24
Golda Meir	Congregation	Dec. 8	Mayme Saiger	Sally Bachelis	Dec. 25
Elizabeth Lewin	Eugene Lewin	Dec. 9	Sybil Factor	The Factor Family	Dec. 25
Goldie Gelbart	Diane Linger	Dec. 9	Isadore Shvalb	Louis Schwab	Dec. 25
Mike Abrams	Phyllis Mehlman	Dec. 9	Joseph Kleiman	Abraham Kleiman	Dec. 25
Dora Polay Halpern	Frances Luben	Dec. 10	<b><u>Dec. 31 at Temple</u></b>		
Sylvia Rabin	Congregation	Dec. 10	Pauline P. Anderle	Bonnie Bunyik	Dec. 26
Sylvia Rabin	Monica Pink	Dec. 10	Belle Millman	Sylvia Sutton	Dec. 26
Marty Feldman	Pamela Franklin	Dec. 10	Yael Rafaeli	Lucy & Uri Rafaeli	Dec. 26
Josie Rowe	Allan Rowe	Dec. 10	Albert Lasoff	Marva Felchlin	Dec. 26
Sam Marcus	Ellie Somerfield	Dec. 11	Leah Nudell	Mayer Nudell	Dec. 27
			Bessie Dash	Jerry Dash	Dec. 27
			Raja Tepper	Henry Tepper	Dec. 27
			Donald a. Zahler	Adrienne Zahler	Dec. 27
			Raquel Salame	Rosa Salame-	Dec. 27
			Max Fishkin	Harriett Schwab	Dec. 28
			Avraham Marco	Mr. & Mrs. Jerry	Dec. 31
			Martin Glass	Anthony Glass	Dec. 31





Our Temple is organizing a blood drive/marrow donor registry event, and needs (40) members, friends, and family to express interest to schedule the event. Blood drive giveaways will be provided.

If you are interested, please call Kathy at 818-314-8404 and leave your name and phone number.



We gratefully acknowledge:

- ◆ **Fran Bernstein, Eddie Ackerman** and members that participated in the Heshvan Harvest Potluck and food drive
- ◆ **Lisa De Luca** and members for attending the Holiday Boutique
- ◆ Donations from **PTA and Religious School parents for Mitzvah Day** that benefitted Family Promise
- ◆ Donations from the following in honor of **Sylvia Sutton's 90th birthday:**

**Abigail Cohen, Milton Goodman, Eleanor Hauff, Helen Holtz, David Chorlian, Tim Kneeland, Greg Kniseley, Sidonia Lax, Ron & Sigrid Reid, Miriam Schneider, Sylvia Schuster, Linda Schuster Mazur and Simcha/L'Chaim Havurah.**



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We would like to know if you are ill or if you know of a Temple member who is ill; in the hospital or at home, or, if you are simply in need of a helping hand or words of encouragement. Please call the office and let us know.

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