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Chai Times

Temple Beth Emet of Burbank

"The Temple With A Heart"

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"Make new our Days as Long Ago" (The Last line of the prayer Etz Hayyim, Tree of Life)



Most of us are sitting home wondering what we are going to do to keep our sanity. The statistics are vaulting. A Family Abuse is up 30%, alcohol sales are up about the same amount and the only crime on the rise is Grand Theft Auto. What are we to do? We read, we sleep, we tell jokes and we dream. A few weeks ago, I was able to fulfill one of my Temple Beth Emet dreams. We started our first 'Lunch with the Rabbi'. It is available as a Zoom activity.

It has been great fun and something we wanted to do for several years.

But I was thinking about what other dreams I have been thinking about doing at home. We have repaired our fence. The fence has been the victim of termites and was falling apart. We took it down and replaced the diseased wood. Now I don't have to look at an eyesore every day. Truly that may seem like too much work for all of you to do. But, it made me very happy to get things done. Really, make use of the situation with family members who are at home with you. Work together! Work as a team, see what hidden strengths you don't know you or your significant others have. The fence would not have been repaired had it not been for Joshua. His suggestions, his support and his effort made ALL THE DIFFERENCE!

You might be surprised to find that the person you know so well may have talents you

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Watch Shabbat Services on YouTube

Watch services on our YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMGJ-6nbjGVT157iUgKFBgQ?pbjreload=10>

New services posted every week, watch previous services.

Shabbat Services Are Now On Zoom!

Every Friday Night at 7:00 PM

(Currently Scheduled Through June 5)

After the service, stay for a "virtual Oneg!"

Lunch with the Rabbi

Every Wednesday at Noon

Meeting information will be posted on our website shortly before each event

Dial by to either event:

+1 408 638 0968 US (San Jose)

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

You will be prompted for the Meeting ID and Password. These are not local numbers!

SAFER AT HOME



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Robyn Kreisberg

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*His memory will always be a blessing to us.

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Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday - closed

The office is closed in observance of the following holidays:

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

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Your message will be forwarded to the
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on how we can better serve our
members, please call the office or
email us at:

office@Templebethemet.com



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didn't know about. I have a watch that needed a new battery. I couldn't go to the jeweler so it sat in a drawer. Talking to Josh, I forgot he worked for a jewelry store that also fixed watches. He is getting ready to fix my watch and others because I have a brand new watch repair kit. I bought it because of another fantasy of mine, Saving Money!

Parents and grandparents living with children. I am sure you have found out what games the children like to play! Why settle for the games the kids already know? Teach them the games we know. I remember spending hours playing a card game called Casino when I was a child. Played with a regular deck of cards, one of its activities is building cards together to make sums. Not only were we playing cards, we were learning Math. I'm sure you can look up this card game on line. Involve the kids in your activities. Cooking, Cleaning, rearranging furniture, can all be group activities. We are all creative. Be creative in our asking for help and to help. All of us need to keep our sense of self-worth.

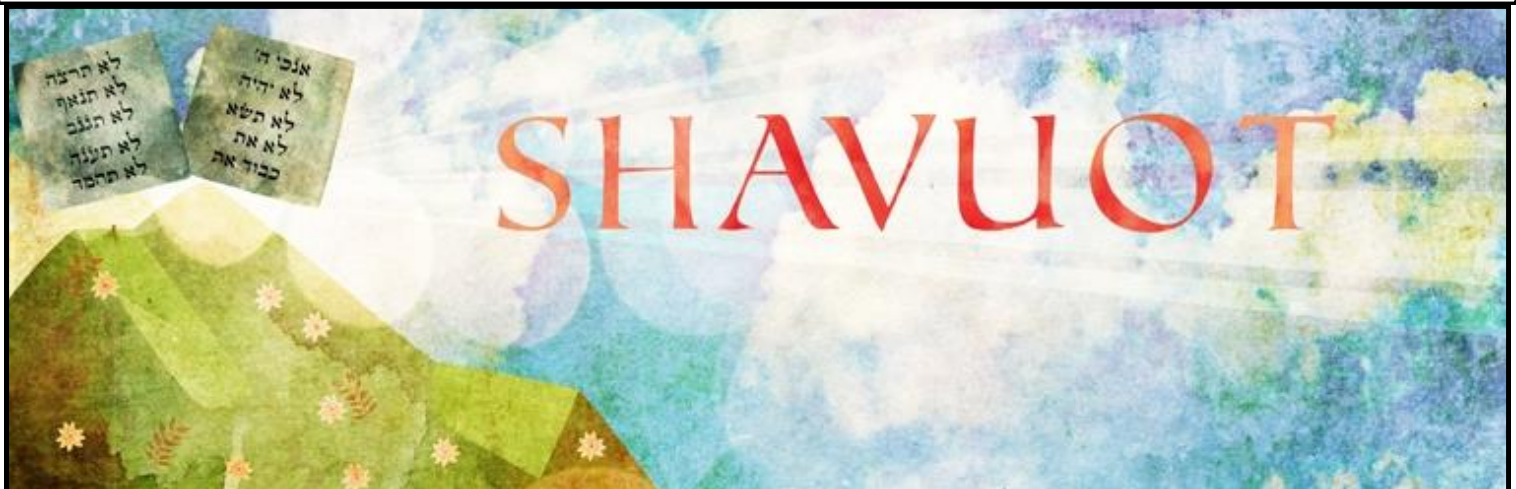
Our significant others then will be creative in asking for help. Most young people are receiving packets of material from school, our school included. Help, but let them do the thinking and answering questions. Also, let the kids know about you and your school career. Good and bad! Communication is the key whether or not, you get to know them and they get to know you.

Even more so, excitement beats boredom every day. Keep the excitement alive in your house! May we all consider the phrase "Make new our (current) days as of long ago", as our mantra!

If you and your family can see the joy and excitement of life through each other's eyes then this "nightmare" will instead become a dream fantasy.

B'ahava,

Rabbi Mark





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - May 2020

This month I wanted to let you know how Temple Beth Emet is adapting to the current situation. Our campus may be closed, but our Temple community still is alive and well. You should have received a letter from our Office Manager Victoria Gaffney. You may have already read it, but in Judaism repetition is often used for emphasis, to stress the importance of the teaching. I feel this letter bears repetition and honestly, I cannot improve of what it says or the feelings it conveys, so I present it here:



Dear Temple Beth Emet members,

Listening to Ray Charles, song, title, "What'd I Say", 'You Make Me Feel So Good', made me think of you, our cherished members of Temple Beth Emet!

When we had to officially close the Temple on Friday, March 13th I, Rabbi, our President and Board of Directors really thought, "oh no, this is it", we may be closed for good. Fortunately, we are not closed forever and that is mainly due to you, good members! It is not only the donations submitted, which were immensely appreciated, of course & yes, always needed but, also your participation as members, your willingness to click on a link on our website and view our Shabbat Services, even if for only a few minutes! Your participation in the "Lunch with Rabbi" virtual Zoom sessions on Wednesday's, your willingness to continue as Temple members and not give up on the Temple!

Just so you know, our newsletter is still being produced each month, your loved ones yahrzeits are still being recognized by the Rabbi, a prayer said & those of you with a Memorial Plaque of a loved one, their lights are being turned on each Friday afternoon before I leave the Temple. We took all food donations to our local food bank (BTAC), outreach within our congregation & community continue, Shabbat Services as you know are still being provided, Religious School studies continue with online packets, students check in with their

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Teachers online and much more. The Temple lives on! Thank goodness because after all, in my humble opinion, it needs to live on forever for past, present and future Jewish people, a very special place with very special people, indeed!

Thank you and best of health and goodness to you and your family!
Shalom.

Victoria S. Gaffney
Temple Beth Emet - Office

Stay safe, stay well, stay home, and stay engaged, everyone. We can all stay together while we are apart.

-- IRA L. GOLDSTEIN, President

Remember the sick, recovering and bereaved with cards, calls and visits.

Please say prayers of *Refuah Sh'leimah* for:

Fran Bourne Johnson

Bailey Harrison

Orven Schanzer has been ill for some time now, may G-d grant him comfort and complete recovery.

Stuart Friedman has been ill. Let's join together in prayer for his improved and continued good health.

We pray for **Maya Lee** & wish her good health

*Please call the Temple Office
at (818) 843-4787 if a
Temple Member is sick, recovering or
hospitalized.*



Havurah Happenings **Havurah Simcha L'Chaim**

Havurah Simcha L'Chaim members are mainly retired people. If you would like to join, please let me know. If you would like to be in a new Havurah, please let me know and we can try to get a new group started.

Please call me to discuss it.

Ruth Glick [818 780 9134](tel:8187809134)



Hello Temple Family,

Though we are not able to be together physically, it is more important than ever to keep our Temple Family and to continue to support one another.

Rabbi and Ms. Robyn continue to put up Friday night services on YouTube. Please take advantage of this service, and share it with family members who may need some Jewish cheer.



On the Religious School front, Rabbi and other teachers have put together packets for families and students of holiday materials, and are reaching out to students and holding classes over Zoom. Sometimes using new technology is challenging for families and instructors. but we're figuring it out.

I hope to have one more parent meeting over Zoom and will send out an email query soon to figure out what times work for folks. Please look for that email in your inbox soon.

I want to share with you some helpful information that my boss sent out to our company recently. She was concerned about folks feeling isolated while working reduced hours from home, and/or having family members and friends who are unable to work. Here is a collection of resources available to LA County residents. I'm including the summary written by Erika Abrams, my boss:

Headspace is an app that provides guided meditations, as well as, sleep and movement exercises that are designed for overall wellbeing; including guided walks and meditations for children. They have partnered with the LA County Department of Mental Health to offer access to their service for FREE to LA County residents for the rest of 2020. (They also have a featured collection called "Weathering the Storm" that you can send to your loved ones that live outside our county lines.)

Please use the link for more information and to sign up.

<https://www.headspace.com/lacounty>

I wanted to share this information with our Temple Family in case these resources are helpful to you. Also, remember our Rabbi, our Religious School instructors and other Temple volunteers are also here as a resource for you and your family, and we are just a phone call or an email away.

-- Cherie Rye, RSPA President



Temple Beth Emet of Burbank
sisterhood

The Temple Beth Emet Sisterhood focus on serving the Temple and the community. Membership in Sisterhood means making a commitment to living Jewish. By being a member, you become an active link in the history of our people. You serve as a role model for Jewish values. Each member blossoms in their own individual way as they experience the camaraderie of Sisterhood and share in service to the Jewish community.



FROM THE SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT - Marlene Dreyfuss

Your Sisterhood President is busy making masks! Wishing everyone good health. Stay home and follow the rules so we can all be together again soon.

This Is Your Personal Invitation to Join Temple Beth Emet's Sisterhood

Sisterhood is a group of friends who work together for our Temple, our children, and our community, in a very tangible way. Our President,

We meet the first Sunday of every month at 10:00 AM in Blum Hall. Please join us. Dues are only \$15 per year (commencing September of every year). Please fill out this form, cut it out and send it with your payment to: TBE Sisterhood, c/o TEMPLE BETH EMET, 600 N. Buena Vista Blvd., Burbank, CA 91505; or just leave it with the Temple Office.

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Temple Beth Emet Book Club

Conducted by Fran Bourne-Johnson

Book Club is on hiatus until September 22, 2020

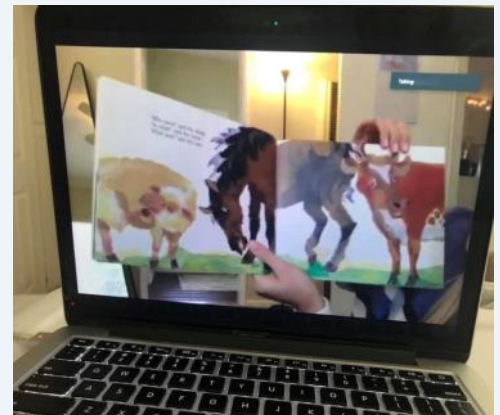
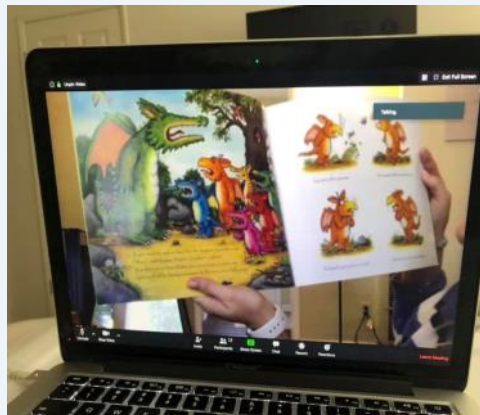
KEEP
READING!



TEMPLE BETH EMET PRESCHOOL - HAYLEY WOOD, DIRECTOR

The "safer at home" order has only sparked more creativity with our teachers at TBE Preschool! We are staying connected to our children and families through virtual story times, music and other fun activities.

Hayley Wood
Preschool Director
www.templebethemetpreschool.com
(818) 861-7660





MAY YAHRZEITS

NAME	REMEMBERED BY:	DATE	NAME	REMEMBERED BY:	DATE
Shabbat Services May 1, 2020			Shabbat Services May 15, 2020 (continued)		
Jerry Trott	Dianne Bender	May 1	Dr. Arthur Kleinberg	Congregation	May 16
Ruth Friedman	Linda Mazur	May 1	Isak Korenstein	Janet Petroff	May 18
Milton Eliasoff	Susan Fields	May 1	George David McCune	Sara McCune	May 19
Shabbat Services May 8, 2020			Helen Pappert	Marilyn Pappert	May 20
Ernest Abdo	Vicki Margolin	May 2	Abe Kranitz	Ian Kranitz	May 21
Sidney Zober	Congregation	May 3	Shabbat Services May 22, 2020		
Alex Krone	Harriet Winnick	May 3	Craig Banner	Mitzi Rattner	May 22
Beatrice Manners	Susie Manners	May 5	Fanny Kurland Cohen	LaVerne Cohen	May 24
Morris Silber	Jack & Linda Kranz	May 5	Belle Burns	Frank Burns	May 25
John Eisinger	Congregation	May 6	Adele Abdo	Vicki Margolin	May 26
Minnie Rutkovsky	Martin Bibicoff	May 7	Marc Goldwater	Terry & Helen Goldwater	May 27
Morris Tenney	Amy Belilove	May 8	Irene J. Kleinberg	Congregation	May 28
Alfred Ascherman	Hannah Cline	May 8	Eleanor Nemzer Marlin	Dorothy Matzkin	May 28
Louis Altman	Rabbi Mark Sobel	May 8	Shabbat Services May 29, 2020		
Esther Shagan Klien	Cheryl Mundon	May 8	Saul Weisman	Weisman Family	May 29
Shabbat Services May 15, 2020			Betty Kapson	Pat Bigley	May 30
Anna Nudell	Mayer Nudell	May 10	Lyall W. Bowen	Barbara Klivans	May 31
Evelyn Jackman	Marcia Jackman	May 16			


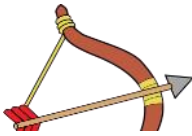



CREATE A LASTING LEGACY

Planned Giving is a wonderful and loving way to ensure the legacy of Temple Beth Emet of Burbank and future generations. Planned Giving can be as simple as a bequest or a more complex financial arrangement which can provide many options and possible tax deductions for the donor.

Speak with your legal and financial advisors as to the best way to structure your wills and estate planning to include the Temple in your current and future plans.

Information on Planned Giving can also be found on our website at:

<http://www.templebethemet.com/social-action/donations/>

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10  Mother's Day	11	12 7:00PM - Temple Board Meeting by Zoom  Lag B'Omer	13	14	15 <div>Chai Times Submissions Due</div>	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25  31 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29  Shavuot I	30  Shavuot II Yizkor

Due to the current Covid-19 emergency, all events in June are "on-hold".



May Birthdays

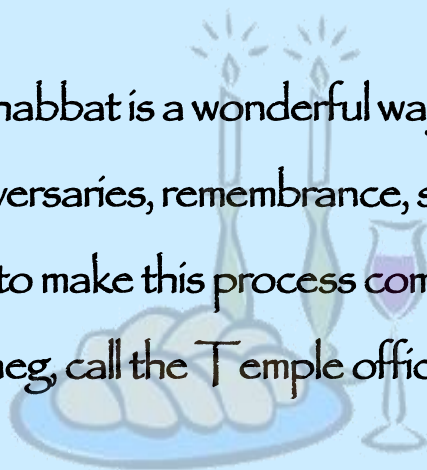
Wesley Brody	May 2
Marla Goldberg	May 4
Jodessa Bayer	May 7
Dave Wertlieb	May 9
Sarah Watnick	May 13
Sadie Gallagher	May 15
Kevin Colton	May 19
Erica Bolotsky	May 23

May Anniversaries

Susie & Phil Berman	May 6
Jack & Debra Fishel	May 25
Philip Wolfson & Agnes Bertiz	May 26
Brian & Andrea McKinnon	May 30

Sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat is a wonderful way to honor or celebrate an event—

Bar Mitzvahs, anniversaries, remembrance, simcha, or simply because it's Shabbat! We try not to make this process complicated, so if you would like to sponsor an oneg, call the Temple office at (818) 843-4787!



Yahrzeit Donations

Margot Palmer remembered by Marlene Dreyfuss

Sonja Murez remembered by Herbert Murez

My beloved Mother, Anna Osbaum remembered by Marjorie Jacobs

John S. Manocchia, Husband, Father & Grandfather &
would have been "Great Grandfather" remembered by Mary Manocchia

Paz Mantalvo remembered by Jodessa Bayer

Viola Krone remembered by Harriet & Jerry Winnick

Visit the Helen Pappert Gift Shoppe

The Sisterhood Gift Shop is filled with products for all your Judaic needs. All items are reasonably priced and wonderfully thoughtful gifts for birthdays, bar and bat mitzvot, anniversaries, or just to say, "I love you."



Do You Have a Son and/or Daughter In College?



Temple Beth Emet has started a program to connect with our students attending a College. We would like to help them to continue their Jewish way of life and offer them additional support. This way, they will always have an open line of communication with our Rabbi, should they have questions or need direction; and we will remind them of their link to Israel and to keep connected to the Jewish Community. After college, we hope to have them join our Temple, as an adult.

Please send an e-mail to office@templebethemet.com and give the following information:

**The name of the Student;
Class Level;
Address;
Name of the University, and;
If the Student is a member of any organization or club on campus.**

The Temple will send a care-package for each holiday, as a gift to the Student with a calendar of events at the Temple for each month. The Student will be invited to all events sponsored by the Temple. We would like to encourage the Student to return to the Temple as often as they wish; as the Temple would like to offer itself as a second home and place of Jewish learning. We look forward hearing from you!



You can support Temple Beth Emet with a contribution to our ongoing gofundme™ campaign. Your generosity will help us maintain and improve our facilities and help with our outreach and membership development programs.

[Simply click here online!](#)

Tribute Cards

Tribute cards are always in order for happy or sad occasions. These cards are a wonderful way to remember or honor someone.

Did you know that you can get on an automatic mailing to those in need of well wishes by contacting the office?

A card will automatically be sent from you in your name to those in need of healing and an amount of \$10 will be added to your bill each time a card is sent in your name.

**Contact the Temple Office at:
818 843-4787**



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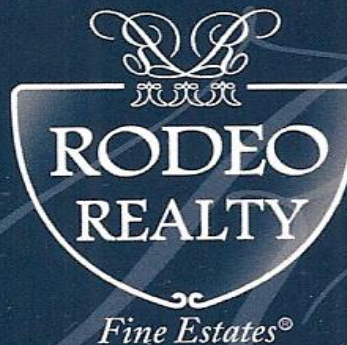
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