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Chai Times

Temple Beth Emet of Burbank

"The Temple With A Heart"

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"Barukim Ha Ba'Im, Temple Beth Emet"

The goal of the High Holidays is *T'Shuva*, return to Godliness. This year as we have begun to return home to Temple, we must think about what Temple we will return to. Don't misunderstand! We were good before the Pandemic with Members, teachers and leaders who did great things for our Temple. Without the myriad of volunteers to provide our students and our members with a warm, friendly, hamishe place to feel comfortable in, we would never have been able to weather the pandemic storm.

But is that where we want to end up? In the exact or only slightly different spiritual place we were in in February-March 2020?

We could and will do better! The attendance at Temple on Friday nights has been better than before and it is not only my Friday Night Regulars only. Different people have come to be with us. I believe that they miss us and our unique blend of modernity and Hamisheness. Also, maybe the loss of so many fellow Americans has reminded people that life is not timeless. You lose the people you love as often as others lose loved ones, also.

So it is our job to replace our lost friends, relatives, congregants with new significant others. I am not talking about divorce, but joining together in friendship. Add not replace!

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**Every Wednesday
at Noon**

<http://www.templebethemet.com/home/upcoming-events/zoom-weekly-events/>

TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

August 3, 2021 - 7:00 PM
at the Temple



**SPREAD THE WORD, HELP
GROW OUR TEMPLE FAMILY!**

AUGUST 8 AND 22, 2021

10:00AM to 1:00 PM

WE'RE BACK! SISTERHOOD MEETING

Sunday, August 8, 2021 - 10:00 AM
at the Temple

HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES:

SELICHOT

Saturday, August 28 - 7:00 PM

ROSH HASHANAH

Monday, September 6 - 8PM
Tuesday September 7 - 10AM

YOM KIPPUR

Wednesday September 15 - 8PM
Thursday September 16 - 10AM

Parking information will be posted on our
website as soon as finalized



TEMPLE BETH EMET (HOUSE OF TRUTH) ORGANIZATION

Religious Leadership

Rabbi Mark H. Sobel
Music and Choir Director,
Robyn Kreisberg

Rabbi Emeritus William M. Kramer Z"L*
*His memory will always be a blessing to us.

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Temple Beth Emet Office Hours

Monday - Friday - 10:00 AM to 2:00 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*

Call the Temple office at (818) 843-4787 to
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Your message will be forwarded to the
appropriate person.

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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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We tend to forget that God's first acts was to create, not criticize. Our arms, and our tongues need to be open, one to embrace physically and one to embrace spiritually.

Pirke Avot says it best, "Greet each person with a cheerful Countenance". I know it is hard, but what if the last time you saw someone, you criticized or insulted or argued with them. And then you lost them. How would you feel then?

While Rosh Hashanah, the first of Tishrei begins, the Evening of September 6, we are commanded to recite special prayers every morning of the month of Elul, which this year begins August 8. We are to ask God for forgiveness from those we have hurt. Especially, if we can no longer contact them. After the pandemic this is a fact of our lives!

More importantly, we need to ask direct forgiveness from someone we have hurt we can be in contact with. This is the classic comment, "If I have hurt you knowingly or unknowingly, intentionally or otherwise, please accept my apology". As we pride ourselves at Temple Beth Emet on being unique, a similar loving phrase of apology would be in order!

Also, we must be as forgiving of others as we want them to be of us. Please remember, it has been a year of great pain and sorrow for all caring people. Some have reacted to the pressure okay to well, other well, not okay. If we do these then our T'Shuvah, will mean we have not returned our congregation to the same level we were before the pandemic, but to an even higher level of T'Shuvah and will bring about a GOOD YEAR AND a year of AT ONE MENT with God on Yom Kipper.

B'ahava v't'Shuva,

Rabbi Mark



Have a great summer break,

See you in the Fall!





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - August 2021

Every bar or bat mitzvah we celebrate at Temple Beth Emet is a monumental occasion. We are commanded to teach our Jewish laws and precepts diligently to our children and we follow that directive with both seriousness and joy. We say that whomever brings a child to us for a Jewish education has made a major donation to our Temple. When one of our students reaches their bat or bar mitzvah, it is a success for the student, their family, and our Temple. Each one is a triumph.



Last month we observed a bar mitzvah that held special significance, it was the first in our sanctuary since the COVID-19 pandemic forced us to close our campus and move to Zoom worship and religious school instruction. It was a major step in our Temple revival as the pandemic eases. We are already looking forward to our second bar mitzvah this month.

Even though the Delta variant of the virus has complicated this revival, we look forward to holding High Holiday services in-person and to welcoming our students back to our classrooms. Our Sisterhood will be holding its first meeting in over a year on August 8.

There is a television commercial for the Uber ride service that shows a large outdoor celebration with guests all dressed to the nines. The honoree exits her Uber ride. She is a young lady celebrating her quinceañera, a year late. The message is, "There's always your quince plus one" (and always Uber to get your there).

This month Diane and I celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary "plus one." We are going to celebrate our nephew's wedding, "plus one," as the couple had a civil ceremony and this will be their delayed religious ceremony and reception. For each of us, there are going to be doing a lot of "plus one" occasions.

We are carefully trying to restart our lives and make up for the year that, in many ways, we lost. We lost a lot of 2020, so let's make this year 2020 "plus one!"

"Plus one" does not just mean a year later. Renewal this year is going to take a little more effort, a little more involvement, and, a little more commitment. Even though we still have to take precautions, we need to appreciate the things we are getting back and we need to take note of the things that are going to need some additional attention -- like our Temple!

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Yahrzeit Donations

Ruth Feinstein remembered by Joel Feinstein

Betty Marco remembered by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dash

Barbara Golper remembered by Peter Golper

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)



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

Time to move forward! We are re-starting the Sisterhood and will have our first meeting in over a year on Sunday, August 8th at 10:00AM at the Temple. Hope to see you there.

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.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PREFERRED PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____



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We need everyone to participate even more in our Temple life and we also need “plus one,” because we need more people! It would be wonderful if every Temple family could bring “plus one” to visit our Temple! We’re holding Open House on Sunday, August 8 and Sunday, August 22 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. We would love to have you bring your “plus one” (or more!) to visit us.

-- IRA L. GOLDSTEIN, President

ADULT EDUCATION 2021-2022

WE LIVED THERE, TOO!

“Funny you don’t look Jewish!” “Oh Yeah. I had my _____ fixed!”

THE CARIBBEAN AND SOUTH AMERICA - November 9, 2021

From Tarshish to Salmon Kay

NORTH AFRICA AND EGYPT - December 8, 2021

Ptolemy to Elephantine

ETHIOPIA AND SUB SAHARAN AFRICA - January 11, 2022

Haile Salasse was one of ours?

CHINA AND JAPAN - February 8, 2022

A Tallis by any other name would still wrap nicely!

INDIA AND COCHIN - March 8, 2022

A madras imprint on my soul

All session 7:00PM at the Temple - No charge, donations appreciated.

Join Temple Beth Emet Pen Pal Program and make a new intergenerational friendship!



Temple Beth Emet has older members who are going through this tough time alone, and who may not have access to a community online. We also know there are many families with Religious school kids who would love to brighten someone’s day and foster some new friendships.

If you and/or your child would like to join this program, or if you are a Senior interested in a pen pal, please contact Laura Goldstein at lauragoldstein25@gmail.com or call 818-468-1572.

Your contact information will remain confidential.

YOU'VE GOT MAIL



Yahrzeits - Honoring the Memory of Loved Ones

At Temple August 6, 2021

August 1	Anne Guttentag	Rabbi Mark Sobel
August 2	Moshe Jerzy	Reuven Jerzy
August 4	Annette Abrams	Iris Abrams.
August 5	Gail Arnold	Linda & Jack Kranz
August 6	Helen Blum	Congregation
August 6	Joseph R. Bayer	Fred Bayer
August 7	Charlotte Kleinberg	Congregation

At Temple August 13, 2021

August 10	Brenda Latimore	Theida Salazar
August 10	Harry Abrams	Iris Abrams
August 10	Anne Kaufman	Barry Kaufman
August 11	Theresa Testa	Ann Testa

At Temple August 20, 2021

August 15	Richard Rothman	Congregation
August 15	Moss Feldman	Pamela Franklin

At Temple August 20, 2021 (Continued)

August 15	Hannah Bolter	Shirley Abramson
August 16	Sadie Cohen	Robert Cohen
August 18	Margot Zimmerman	Jack & Linda Kranz
August 21	John Laird	Robert Bigley
August 21	Sandra Ditter	Ilene & Jeff Oseas

At Temple August 27, 2021

August 22	Charles Manners	Susie Manners
August 26	Roz Marglin	Neil Margolin
August 26	Louis Paskin	Diane Linger
August 26	Penny Pollard	Cindy Adkins
August 28	Jack Greenhill	Congregation

At Temple September 3, 2021

August 29	Nathan Kaden	Ron Kaden
August 30	Irma Shuman	Congregation
August 31	Rachel Razankova	Roni Razankova

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/>



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August Birthdays

Michael R. Speck	August 1
Matte Wolfson	August 7
Joshua Speck	August 13
Phil Berman	August 20
Beth Linden	August 27
Elias Speck	August 30

August Anniversaries

Ira Goldstein & Diane Lewis-Goldstein	August 2
Jerry & Tzipy Dash	August 8
William & Isabel Frischman	August 12
Marva & Peter Felchlin	August 15
Neil & Vicki Margolin	August 17



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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 7:00PM Temple Board Meeting	4 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	5	6 7:00PM Shabbat Services	7
8 Open House 10:00AM - 1:00PM 10:00AM - Sisterhood Meeting	9	10	11 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	12	13 7:00PM Shabbat Services	14
15	16	17	18 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom 9:00AM to 12:00 Ithaca College (private event)	19	20 7:00PM Shabbat Services	21 Logan Bigley Bar Mitzvah
Chai Times Submissions Due						
22 Open House 11:00AM - 1:00PM	23	24	25 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	26	27 7:00PM Shabbat Services	28 7:00PM Selichot Service
29	30	31	<div> Follow Us!   </div>			

Rosh Hashana - Mon. Sept. 6, 8:00PM, Tues. Sept. 7, 10:00AM. **Temple Board Meeting** - Tuesday, Sept. 14, 7:00 PM - .
Yom Kippur - Wed. Sept. 15, 8:00PM, Thurs. Sept. 16, 10:00AM. **Simcha Torah** - Tues. Sept 28, 7:00
Lunch With the Rabbi - Every Wednesday at Noon via Zoom. **Shabbat Services** - Every Friday at 7:00 PM.



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Thursday, August 19th • 2:00pm

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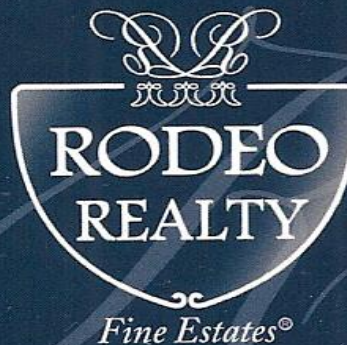
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