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"Adar is a month of Joy!"

I get annoyed when people tell me that we don't believe in angels. I then have to tell them the story of Abraham and the 3 angels who tell Sarah she is going to give birth in the future.

The angel who keeps Abraham from slaying Isaac to the angel that Jacob wrestles with who gives him the name Israel. There are 114 more times that angels appear in the Tanak, but I would like to give some modern examples of angels in our Modern Age.

I bring this up because of two events that happened last month, both described on a local television station. One was even shown in living color.

A policeman was wrestling with a criminal who went for his, the policeman's gun. A bystander jumped in and helped wrestle the criminal to the ground. The bystander was clearly visible as he was wearing a large cowboy hat. What makes this episode so interesting was the comment by that same police officer, "The bystander left and I never got a name to say thank you". How do you not get the name of someone who just saved your life? Only because the bystander just disappeared!

A woman reported that her father returned home after several hours. He suffers from Alzheimer's and she was afraid he would be lost and could be harmed. Her relief turned to joy

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March 6, 2022 at Temple

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A Tallis by any other name would still wrap nicely!

TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

Postponed to March 15, 2022

PURIM CELEBRATIONS

Our multilingual Megillah Reading

Saturday, March 19 - 7:00 PM

Religious School Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 20 - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

BOOK CLUB RETURNS!

Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at 7:00 PM - See Page 6



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Sunday, March 13

Remember to "spring forward"!



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Robyn Kreisberg

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*His memory will always be a blessing to us.

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*New Year's Day, President's Day,
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and then confusion when the Uber driver dropped him off at her home. "How did you know where to bring him?" the woman asked the driver, "I didn't", he replied. "An Asian woman called me and paid the fare to bring him to this address."

"What was her name, I would like to thank her", the man's daughter said.

"I don't know it, she didn't give it", the driver responded.

Fellow members of Temple Beth Emet. I, Rabbi Mark, admit I am a bit more accepting of the idea that angels share this world with us. Our Friday night prayer Shalom Aleichem, says so. That is good enough for me! But if you need more proof that Angels come in all shapes and sizes from Patrick Swayze to Henry Travers (Clarence) and creature forms, one last anecdote.

A Temple member called me one day in tears." A crow just dive bombed my car as I was passing the Temple heading north on Buena Vista!"

"Did it do any damage?" I asked.

"No, I pulled over and checked!"

"Then what did you do?" I asked.

"I continued on my way toward Magnolia and was stopped in traffic. There was an accident at Magnolia and Buena Vista", he explained.

He continued." It seems someone crossed the center line and had a head on crash with a northbound car".

Then I knew, so I asked, "What would have happened if the crow had not dive bombed your car, when it did?"

"I would have been entering the intersection of Magnolia and...." his voice trailed off. "Oh", was his final words on the incident.

Angels, messengers of God, are here to help us, guide us and give us divine vision. Sometimes they even speak to us through the voice of humans. Please be kind, be good and as the song says" Peace to you, Angels of Service!"

B'ahava and Happy Purim,

Rabbi Mark

PS. Be an Angel and come to the Megillah Reading on Saturday Night, March 19 at 7PM



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - March 2022

It is March, and in my household our thoughts turn to corned beef. Diane is at least one-quarter Irish, so naturally we have corned beef and cabbage for St. Patrick's Day. In preparation we buy not one, but two corned beef flats. One to cook for St. Patrick's Day, the other to prepare for later for corned beef on rye. There are advantages to being an interfaith family. We get to celebrate two sets of holidays - Hanukkah and Christmas, Passover and Easter, and St. Patrick's Day and, well, corned beef on rye.



We in the United States assume corned beef and cabbage is an Irish tradition. It is not. In fact, historically the Irish did not eat a lot of beef. In Gaelic Ireland cows were considered a symbol of wealth and somewhat sacred. Irish farm families relied on their cows for milk, often made into butter. Only when the cow became too old to work or produce was it slaughtered. The primary red meats eaten in Ireland were pork, lamb, and mutton. The traditional Feast of Saint Patrick usually featured a type of bacon, similar to Canadian bacon.

When large numbers of Irish immigrated to the United States they were faced with the same type of prejudices that faced other immigrant groups. As a protection, they tended to settle together, primarily in urban areas such as New York's lower east side.

As with many new arrivals, the Irish adapted as best they could, including finding substitutes for traditional foods not found in America. Living side by side with other ethnic communities, traditional cuisines began to include locally available foods. Irish bacon was not found in America, but the Irish often bought their meat from the Kosher butcher shops of their Jewish neighbors. There they found something that was similar to their traditional bacon and was affordable, the cured brisket we know as corned beef.

So St. Patrick's Day is celebrated in America with a quintessentially Jewish protein. But can Jews celebrate any part of St. Patrick's Day, a Catholic holiday? Ruth Abusch-Magder in myjewishlearning.com observes:

In many ways, the American celebration of St. Patrick's Day fits easily with Jewish life. Though its origins are clearly religious, St. Patrick's Day as it is celebrated in the United States is a largely ethnic diasporic holiday, which helps those living at a distance affirm a commitment to homeland, that may exist only in realm of longing not in the realm of experience. The ability to gather and celebrate a common heritage, to recall the place from which one originates, is common to both Jews and Irish living outside their homelands.

So go ahead, enjoy your corned beef and cabbage, but leave some room for hamantashen because St. Patrick's day falls on Purim this year!

-- IRA L. GOLDSTEIN, President



Temple Beth Emet Book Club



Conducted by Barbara Harmon.

Book Club was founded by Fran Bourne Johnson Z"L*

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Where:

Blum Hall at Temple Beth Emet of Burbank

When:

March 22, 2022 - 7:00PM to 8:30 PM (Zoom coverage pending)

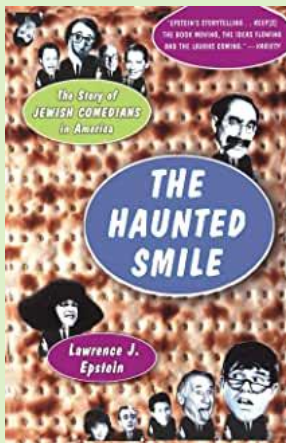
What book will we be reading?

***Haunted Smile* by Lawrence J. Epstein**

We could all use a good laugh now. *The Haunted Smile* by Lawrence J. Epstein is guaranteed to deliver at least three laughs per page. However, it is a serious book you will want to keep on your bookshelf of favorites. It's the story of Jewish comedians in America, how their Jewish backgrounds influenced them and the rest of American comedy.

Haunted Smile is available from Amazon and others in both print and e-book formats. To find a library copy to borrow, check out <https://www.goodreads.com>. Goodreads is a source of finding books and includes free library listings.

N95 masks will be available if needed.





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

The Sisterhood met in person on Sunday, February 6. We talked about a future parking lot sale, most likely to take place on April 3rd. Because of Covid we still are not making any plans for indoor activities. We also decided to purchase two memorial plaques for our memorial boards; one for Barbara Bolter and Fran Bourne-Johnson, both ladies were so involved in the Temple and Fran was a past president of our Sisterhood. We miss them both.

We adjourned early and went to lunch, which may be a new tradition and build bonds for the Sisterhood. Like one member said, "You had me at lunch". So, hopefully, we may have more ladies "at lunch".

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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“Oh Yeah. I had my _____ fixed!”

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MARCH YAHREZITS

NAME:	REMEMBERED BY:	DATE:	NAME:	REMEMBERED BY:	DATE:
At Temple March 4, 2022			At Temple March 18, 2022 (Continued)		
Gene Adelstein	Ilysha Buss	March 1	Jim Moore	Gail Arce	March 14
Rabbi David Hoffman	Robyn Kreisberg	March 1	Anna Klevinson	Congregation	March 14
Maurice Flasher	Barbara Flasher	March 1	Avrum Hirsh Hutter	Robyn Kreisberg	March 15
Florence Frischman	William Frischman	March 2	Gertrude Weinfeld	Brad Weinfeld	March 15
Herman Everakes	Jerry Everakes	March 3	Harold Potter	Warren Potter	March 17
Barney Kaufman	Barry Kaufman	March 3	Samuel Greenberg	Elaine Fishman	March 17
Sam Levin	Estelle Becker	March 4	Jose Villareal	Vicenta Verdi	March 17
Ruth Levin	James Levin	March 5	Esther Block Epstein	Bruce Epstein	March 19
Rose Barton	Jamie Barton	March 5	Joseph H. Klivans	Barbara Klivans	March 19
At Temple March 11, 2022			At Temple March 25, 2022		
Bertha S. Flamholtz	Barbara Snitzer	March 6	Jay Berger	Dave Berger	March 20
Frederick Molenky	Rabbi Mark Sobel	March 6	Donald Jacob	Phyllis Shear	March 20
David J. Maydeck	M/M Marshall Maydeck	March 8	Jim Moore	Barbara Moore	March 23
Alfred Friedman	Neal Friedman	March 8	Morris Swedlove	Herbert Murez	March 24
Albert Aaron Anderle	Bonnie Bunyik	March 8	Frank Genereux	Beverly Genereux	March 25
Irving Schredder	Bonnie Friedman	March 8	Saul Kaufman	Barry Kaufman	March 25
Nancy Colton	M/M Bruce Colton	March 9	Ruth Bibicoff	Martin Bibicoff	March 25
Shirlee Ehrlich	Barbara Snitzer	March 9			
Viola Krone	Gerald & Harriett Winnick	March 9	At Temple April 4, 2022		
Hyman Fishman	Trudi Schoolhouse	March 10	Esther Friedman	Judy Robins	March 26
Sarah Libidinsky	Schaffer Family	March 11	Louis Weicensang	Linda Mazur	March 28
Morris Gold	The Congregation	March 12	Roy Dietz	Terry Goldwater	March 29
			Leonard Goldfarb	Margaret Goldfarb	March 29
			Jeno Friedman	Judy Robins	March 29
			Craig Weisman	Diane Weisman	March 29
			Howard Segal	Naomi Aronoff	March 31
At Temple March 18, 2022					
Anna Klevinson	The Congregation	March 14			
Jim Moore	Betty Canter & Gail Arce	March 14			
Kasey Maxwell Brown	Dennis C. Brown	March 12			
David Cohen	Deb Cohen	March 12	At Temple April 11, 2022		
Melvin Gordon	Stacy Rivera	March 13	Cinda Wallacn	Deb S. Cohen	April 3

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



March Birthdays

Jack McKinnon	March 6
Logan Bigley	March 7
Samantha Solomons	March 7
Nikole White	March 10
Jessica Berger	March 11
Cheyenne Goldfarb	March 16
Lucas Franklin	March 26
Charles Langer	March 28

We are unaware of any March anniversaries

Zoom information for Shabbat Services

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88306033879?pwd=dFMxWlBIY09SNUVqSzAycUp0RjZRdz09>

Meeting ID: 883 0603 3879

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

Please say prayers of *Refuah Sh'leimah* for

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)



MARCH 2022 ADAR I/ADAR II 5782

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	3	4 7:00PM Shabbat Services	5
6 Religious School 9:00AM - Noon 10:00AM Sisterhood Meeting	7	8 7:00PM Adult Education Session 5	9 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	10	11 7:00PM Shabbat Services	12
13 Religious School 9:00AM - Noon 	14	15 7:00PM Temple Board Meeting (Postponed from March 1) 	16 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom Erev Purim	17 Purim	18 7:00PM Shabbat Services	19 7:00PM Temple Multilingual Purim Celebration
20 Religious School 9:00AM - Noon Purim Carnival 	21	22 Book Club - 7:00PM 	23 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	24	25 7:00PM Shabbat Services	26
27 No Religious School - Spring Break	28	29	30	31		

Lunch With the Rabbi - Every Wednesday at Noon via Zoom. **Shabbat Services** - Every Friday at 7:00 PM.
Sunday, April 3 - 10:00 AM - Sisterhood Meeting. **Tuesday, April 5 - 7:00 PM** - Temple Board Meeting.
Friday, April 15 - Passover begins at Sundown. **Tuesday, April 26 - 7:00PM** - Book Club.



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