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Chai Times

Temple Beth Emet of Burbank

"The Temple With A Heart"

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"Seek... and you shall find ... when you search" (Jeremiah 29:13)

After Rosh Hashanah services, I heard two men talking in the parking lot. As I was the last one left, I felt it was strange. So I went out and these weren't terrorists, these were city of Burbank Employees who do the tree trimming for the city. At that point I remembered our board meeting where it was reported that the city of Burbank could not provide us with "Schoch", Palm fronds, for our Sukkah. Robyn brought us some from her house and Melissa sent the word out as we did on Friday Night at Services.

Feeling brave and spotting a large tree branch to go into the grinder, I asked, "Could I have this branch for our hut that we build?" Feeling braver still. I swallowed hard and asked, "You guys aren't cutting down any Palm trees, are you?" One of the men replied, "Oh yeah, we are cutting a lot!" He boldly asked, "Do you think we could get some for our Sukkah?" At that point, the trimmer closer to me, Gugliamo said, "Sure, we have plenty! We just have to clear it with our boss. How many do you need? I responded, "As many as you can give us".

We were told by the Tree Trimming High Ups, that there were not enough men or trees to supply our needs, so I was apprehensive over what we would get. I told Gugliamo where to put

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EVERY WEDNESDAY AT NOON

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

SHABBAT SERVICE

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMGJ-6nbjGVT157iUgKFBgQ>

(Also on Zoom, see page 3)

TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 1, 2022 - 7:00 PM
(Zoom link on our website)



ADULT EDUCATION SERIES BEGINS

Judaism Prophecy and Practice:

From the Bones of Ezekiel to the Flesh of the Leper
November 8, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Session 1: Kabbalists verses Rationalists
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BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, November 30, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Mr. Perfect on Paper

by Jean Meltzer

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SAVE THE DATE! SISTERHOOD HANUKKAH BOUTIQUE SALE

**DECEMBER 11, 2022
12:00 NOON - 2:30 PM**

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*His memory will always be a blessing
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on how we can better serve our
members, please call the office or
email us at:

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whatever they could give us in the parking lot.

The day before Yom Kippur, my Ring tone went off. It was Gugliamo ringing the doorbell. I unmuted and spoke to him. He told me where they put the Schoch and I said, "Thank you". When I came to Temple, I saw the pile of Schoch and could not believe my eyes. These were not simple fronds, they very were long and especially beautiful.

At school, I asked the older students to help me put them up. We formed a line, I lifted, they pushed, and when the fronds got caught; one of the Confirmation students ran for the broom to push the fronds into place.

On Sunday, October 9, we had our Sukkoth Breakfast. Donna asked the other parents to help and it was truly the best Sukkoth breakfast we have had in many years. When asked, the parents brought in great quantities of food and drink.

These three incidents remind me of something so simple but so profound," If you don't ask, you cannot possibly get!"

Please don't be afraid! People want to help, but they are not mind readers. They are request hearers! Request, don't demand, but do ask kindly.

B'ahava and thank you for all your help,

Rabbi Mark



Watch a short video clip from our Religious School Sukkot Breakfast!

<https://youtube.com/shorts/x17xSLkf178>

Zoom Information for Shabbat Services

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88306033879?
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - November 2022

A few months ago I wrote a rather frantic column about the approach of the High Holidays and all the rigmarole leading up to them. "Summertime, and the living is easy" my FOOT" I wrote. "We have a checklist for all this, right? Does anyone remember where it is?" I always get a little crazy before the High Holidays, but you know what? Everything went fine.



I knew it would. I even wrote "of course, come Rosh Hashanah Eve the choir will sing, Robyn will chant, Rabbi will lead and teach, and we will all enjoy the beauty and serenity that is the High Holidays at Temple Beth Emet. Everything that needs to get done generally does get done." Sure enough, it all got done.

It didn't get done by itself, of course, and I have to give thanks to our Treasurer Eileen Martin and our office assistant Ralph Garland for making sure the ticket information went out to everyone, pledge cards were prepared, memorial book cards collected, and the front door staffed for services. I hope those of you who attended had a chance to meet Ralph. This was his first High Holiday season with us and he is already thinking about how we can get an early start on preparing for next year.

Our *La Sha Na Na Tovah Choir*, under the direction of our Music Director and Cantorial Soloist Robyn Kreisberg, was wonderful. Many thanks to our choir members Laura Goldstein, Barbara Harmon, Kathy Kreyns, Howard Liebgot, Tanya Oldsen, Rabbi Mark Sobel, Ruth Tanner, and Warren Potter and congratulations on a job well done. Thank you also to Frank Watnick for his vocal and instrumental *Kol Nidre* renditions. Kudos also to our eminently talented David Goldstein for his accompaniment.

Rabbi Sobel was in his usual good form in conducting a lively and engaging service as well as his thought-provoking teachings.

Most importantly, a heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended services, either in person or online. The warmth, spirituality, and friendliness that our congregation engenders -- that *Temple With a Heart* feeling - is truly remarkable.

The High Holidays are also a time when our congregation, like most, asks for financial support to carry them through the rest of the year and we are very grateful for your generosity. Thank you!

Now we are settling into the rest of our year, and as the pandemic continues to ease, there are a lot of activities at Temple.

Religious school is humming along, and the Parents' Association, fresh off their very successful Sukkot breakfast, is active and making plans for Hanukkah and beyond.

This month the new series of Adult Education classes begins. This year the subject is *Judaism Prophecy and Practice: From the Bones of Ezekiel to the Flesh of the Leper*. The first session is Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 PM.

Our Book Club is reading *Mr. Perfect on Paper: A Novel* by Jean Meltzer. We will meet November 30 at 7:00 PM to discuss the book.

The Sisterhood is resuming activities, and they will have a Hanukkah Boutique Sale on December 11 from 12:00 to 2:30 PM.

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Looking forward, we are planning on bringing back Pizza Night for Family Shabbat services and potluck dinners for Purim and Simchat Torah.

So much is happening at Temple in the months ahead, we hope everyone in our Temple community will find ways to participate and share that very special *Temple With a Heart* feeling. We are glad you are here!

Wishing you all a very Happy Thanksgiving!

-- IRA L. GOLDSTEIN, President



November Birthdays

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Gavin Epstein | November 3 |
| Bert Goldberg | November 3 |
| Yoni Fogelman | November 6 |
| Emily Jayne Mintz-Kreyns | November 6 |
| Shirley Abramson | November 11 |
| Maxwell Wolloff | November 21 |
| John Brody | November 24 |
| Samantha Brody | November 25 |
| Jennifer Franklin | November 27 |
| Greg Dorfman | November 30 |

November Anniversaries

| | |
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| Dan & Mary Gura | November 10 |
| Joel & Sarah Lava | November 11 |



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 is back "in business". We are planning our Chanukah Boutique Sale which will be held December 11th, from 12 noon until 2:30 p.m. We will have lots of Judaica from our gift store, a jewelry table and homemade (mostly) goodies for sale. We will be meeting on November 6th at 10:00 a.m. to make our final plans. The location of the meeting will be sent to all members.

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. 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 OF BURBANK
SISTERHOOD



**HANUKKAH
BOUTIQUE SALE**

DECEMBER 11, 2022

12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

TEMPLE BETH EMET OF BURBANK
600 N. BUENA VISTA STREET, BURBANK, CA

Judaica! Jewelry!



Goodies! Treats!

PLEASE JOIN US!



Temple Beth Emet Book Club



Conducted by Barbara Harmon.

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

*Her memory will always be a blessing to us.

Where:

Blum Hall at Temple Beth Emet of Burbank

When:

November 30, 2022 - 7:00PM to 8:30 PM at Temple and on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88422348913?pwd=V1QrY1ZYV05VYzdNejJoK0VCcHUxZz09>

Meeting ID: 884 2234 8913 Passcode: 388498

Dial in Phone Numbers:

(669) 900-6833 US (San Jose) (346) 248-7799 US (Houston)

What book will we be reading?

***Mr. Perfect on Paper: A Novel* By Jean Meltzer**

Synopsis



From the author of *The Matzah Ball* comes a pitch-perfect romcom following a third-generation Jewish matchmaker who unwittingly finds her own search for love thrust into the spotlight...

The perfect Jewish husband should be:

A doctor or lawyer (preferably a doctor)\

Baggage-free (no previous marriages, no children)

And of course—he *must* be Jewish

As the creator and CEO of the popular Jewish dating app J-Mate, matchmaker Dara Rabinowitz knows the formula for lasting love—at least, for everyone else. When it comes to her own love life, she's been idling indefinitely. Until her beloved bubbe shares Dara's checklist for "The Perfect Jewish Husband" on national television and charming news anchor Chris Steadfast proposes they turn Dara's search into must-see TV.

As a non-Jewish single dad, Chris doesn't check any of Dara's boxes. But her hunt for Mr. Perfect is the ratings boost his show desperately needs. If only Chris could ignore his own pesky attraction to Dara—a task much easier said than done when Dara starts questioning if "perfect on paper" can compete with how hard she's falling for Chris...

Book 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.

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ADULT EDUCATION SERIES 2022-2023

Presented by RABBI MARK H. SOBEL



JUDAISM PROPHECY AND PRACTICE:

FROM THE BONES OF EZEKIEL TO THE FLESH OF THE LEPER

NOVEMBER 8, 2022 - KABBALISTS VERSES RATIONALISTS

DECEMBER 13, 2022 - TZADAKAH TAZIL MEMAVET (TZEDAKAH SAVES FROM DEATH,)
THE JUDAH THE PRINCE CASE

**JANUARY 10, 2023 - PEKUACH NEFESH - HOW TO SAVE A SOUL (LIFE)
AND PREVENT DEATH**

FEBRUARY 14, 2023 - ELIJAH'S FIERY CHARIOT: DO WE REALLY DIE?

**MARCH 14, 2023 - THE FRANKENSTEIN MONSTER, THE GOLEM'S
PROGENY**

*All sessions begin at 7:00 PM—Open to the public.
There is no charge for this series, donations accepted.
Also available via ZOOM, meeting information on our website.*



YAHREZITS - HONORING THE MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

NOVEMBER YAHREZITS

| NAME | REMEMBERED BY: | DATE: | NAME | REMEMBERED BY: | DATE: |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| At Temple November 4, 2022 | | | At Temple November 18, 2022 | | |
| Vivian Liberson | The Liberson Family | November 1 | Anton Fulop | Barri Bucknam | November 13 |
| William Feinsilber | Bari Bucknam | November 1 | Celia Rothman | Sara Faden | November 13 |
| Jewelle Bowen | Barbara Klivens | November 1 | Frances Rose | Eileen Martin | November 14 |
| Sarah Schiffman | Ilysha & Eric Buss | November 2 | Frances Rose | Marlene Dreyfuss | November 14 |
| Bess Jacob | Pyllis Shear | November 2 | Meir Zollman | David & Leona Zollman | November 14 |
| Penny Buss | Neal & Donna Friedman | November 4 | Gloria Glatzer | Flo Mazzei | November 14 |
| Fanny Schuster | Linda Mazur | November 5 | Stephen Abrams | Iris Abrams | November 14 |
| | | | Lester Vourn | Barbara Bolter | November 16 |
| | | | Ruth Fishman | Scott Fishman | November 16 |
| At Temple November 11, 2022 | | | Marta Berger | James P. Small | November 17 |
| Helen Margolin | Neil Margolin | November 6 | | | |
| Luis Guzman | Lila Tepper | November 7 | | | |
| Mary Cohen | Charley Cohen | November 7 | At Temple November 25, 2022 | | |
| Norman Goodman | Congregation | November 7 | Robert Margolin | Neil Margolin | November 20 |
| Hannah Davis | Marcia Jackman | November 8 | Albert James Hanlin | Neil Margolin | November 21 |
| Edward Bernstein | Fran Bernstein | November 8 | Janita Haver | Congregation | November 22 |
| Lillian Swedlove | Herbert Murez | November 9 | Judy Hess | Linda Kranz | November 22 |
| Sam Miller | Marlene Dreyfuss | November 9 | Joan Feinsilber | Barri Bucknam | November 22 |
| Helen Meyerfeld | The Congregation | November 9 | Robert Margolin | Neil Margolin | November 25 |
| Moussa Hakakha | Rabbi Mark & Mina Sobel | November 9 | David Antelman | Judith Antelman | November 26 |
| Lillian Swedlove | Herbert Murez | November 9 | | | |
| Linda Faden | Sara Faden | November 10 | At Temple December 2, 2022 | | |
| Leroy Stacel | Congregation | November 10 | Dr. Edwin Butler | M/M Neil Margolin | November 27 |
| Leah Factor | Congregation | November 11 | Grace Fulop | Barri Bucknam | November 29 |
| Celia Rothman | Sara Faden | November 12 | Jack Bolter | Shirley Abramson | November 29 |
| | | | Elizabeth Sopasnik | Marlene Flowers & Judith Antelman | November 29 |
| | | | Shirley Trott | Dianne Bender | November 29 |
| | | | Mildred Marcus | Ellie Somerfield | November 30 |
| | | | Harry Robins | Judy Robins | November 30 |
| | | | Sara Guttentog | Rabbi Mark Sobel | December 3 |

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



NOVEMBER 2022 HESHVAN/ KISLEV 5783

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|-----------|---|---|---|---|--|
| | | 1 7:00 PM Temple Board Meeting | 2 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom | 3 | 4 7:00PM Shabbat Services | 5 11:00AM Eli Speck Bar Mitzvah |
| 6 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon 10:00 AM 0 Sisterhood Pre-Sale Meeting  Daylight Savings Time Ends | 7 | 8 7:00 PM Adult Education  Election Day | 9 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom | 10 | 11 7:00PM Shabbat Services  VETERAN'S DAY | 12 |
| 13 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon | 14 | 15 <div>Chai Times Submissions Due</div> | 16 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom | 17 | 18 7:00PM Shabbat Services | 19 |
| 20 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon | 21 | 22 | 23 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom | 24  Thanksgiving | 25 7:00PM Shabbat Services | 26 |
| 27 No Religious School - Thanksgiving Break | 28 | 29 | 30 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom 7:00 PM - Book Club  | | | |

COMING IN DECEMBER: *Lunch With the Rabbi* - Every Wednesday at Noon via Zoom. *Shabbat Services* - Every Friday at 7:00 PM.
 - Tuesday, December 6 - 7:00 PM - Board Meeting - Tuesday, December 13 - 7:00 PM - Adult Education - Sunday, December 11 - 12:00
 - Sisterhood Hanukkah Boutique - Sunday, December 18 - Hanukkah Begins at Sundown, Temple Hanukkah Celebration TBA -
 Wednesday, December 29 - 7:00 PM - Book Club



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