



# Beth Emeth

**"More Than Just The Conservative Congregation of the West Valley, We Are A Community".**

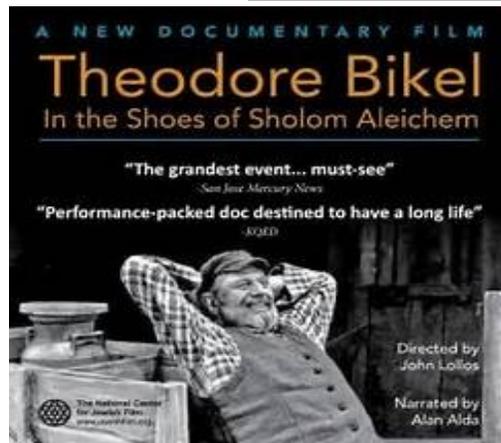
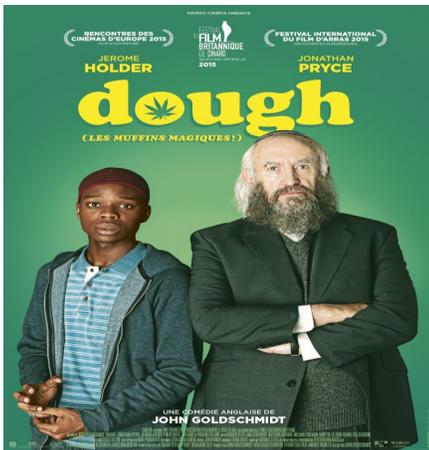
BETH EMETH CONGREGATION  
13702 W. Meeker Blvd., Sun City West, AZ 85375

**Rabbi Leo M. Abrami**

**TEVET 5777 - SHEVAT 5777**

**JANUARY 2017**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**2017 JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL**  
**JANUARY 28, JANUARY 29,**  
**JANUARY 30**



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**SABBATH CANDLE  
LIGHTING**

1/6	5:18
1/13	5:24
1/20	5:30
1/27	5:37

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## **From Our New President 2017**

### **SHALOM**

As your newest president of Beth Emeth, I wish to thank everyone for their vote.

This may be the most difficult year for B.E., however, I have every confidence in our new board and Rabbi Abrami to do their best and pull all our members together. We have lost many of our members, we have also gained some new members and I am happy to announce that many of our old members have returned. **WELCOME HOME!**

Many thanks to Joe Weintraub for his years of service as our president. We are all aware of the many stresses he has had to deal with, however, he has always dedicated himself to Beth Emeth. We wish Sue & Joe health, strength and our sincere wishes for a good year.

I have a suggestion for all of us. If there is something that you feel is not right don't leave, don't get angry, let the board know about it so we can work together and come up with a solution. Please don't turn your back on us.

I wish to thank Jordan Colbert, Irv Glorit and the nominating committee for a most difficult task. And to all our newest board members.....**THERE IS NO TURNING BACK !**

A special thank you to Sandy Nonas, who has done a terrific job as our office manager. Her endless energy and passion has helped us stay our course. I hope she is aware of our appreciation.

As I write my first of many columns, I am so pleased to say that we have 50+ people who will be attending our New Year's Eve celebration.

Ticket sales for the West Valley Film Festival are going strong. Irene Lehrer has taken on a humungous job, probably more than she realized. Lucky for her, she is working with the Newman's who have experience and have done this before. I know it will be a huge success.

I want to thank my husband Bob. I know that he wishes me the best and is standing behind me knowing that Beth Emeth means so much to me.

**Marilyn Newberg**

**President**

## From the Rabbi's Desk

### Rabbi Leo M. Abrami

As I have done in the last few months, I wish to continue including in the Observer, some of the most meaningful articles that have appeared on the electronic media, which some of us may not have had a chance to read.

The first article attempts to answer a question that is frequently asked: Who are the Palestinians? As you will find out after reading this little blurb about the "**Palestinian leaders**", there is no clear answer to that question.

The second article, which is written by a leading Conservative rabbi, raises many questions about the future of the Conservative movement. Indeed the time has come to re-examine the tenets of the religious movement to which quite a few of us adhere.

Indeed, more and more members of the Rabbinical Assembly and members of synagogues affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, refuse to abide by the rabbinic 'halakhic' rules of the past. Radical and urgent changes are necessary in all matters pertaining to marriage, conversion and other aspects of Jewish practice.

I also hope you will all make an effort to attend our Friday night and Saturday morning services (new format) and the classes I intend to teach on Tuesdays beginning January 17. (**see the details on page 7.**)

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAX!

It is with great joy that we wish a Yom Huledet Same-ah' to Max Gimpel who will celebrate his ninety-ninth birthday on January 2, 2017.

Beth Emeth Congregation is particularly grateful to him for having designed the building of our synagogue, its stained glass windows and all that gives beauty and charm to our Schul. Bis Hundert Und Twantsig!

Rabbi Leo M. Abrami



# Who are the Palestinians ?

## **Israeli leaders:**

***BENJAMIN NETANYAHU**, Born 21 October 1949 in Tel Aviv, British Mandate of Palestine (Israel, today)*

***EHUD BARAK**, Born 12 February 1942 in Mishmar HaSharon , British Mandate of Palestine*

***ARIEL SHARON**, Born 26 February 1928 in Kfar Malal , British Mandate of Palestine*

***EHUD OLMERT**, Born 30 September 1945 in Binyamina-Giv ' at Ada , British Mandate of Palestine*

***ITZHAK RABIN**, Born 1 March 1922 in Jerusalem , British Mandate of Palestine*

***ITZHAK NAVON**, Israeli President in 1977-1982. Born 9 April 1921 in Jerusalem, British Mandate of Palestine.*

***EZER WEIZMAN**, Israeli President in 1993-2000. Born 15 June 1924 in Tel Aviv, British Mandate of Palestine*

## **Arab 'Palestinian' leaders:**

***YASSER ARAFAT**, Born 24 August 1929 in Cairo, Egypt*

***SAEB EREKAT**, Born April 28, 1955, in Jordan. Has Jordanian citizenship.*

***FAISAL ABDEL QADER AL-HUSSEINI**, Born in 1948 in Bagdad, Iraq.*

***SARI NUSSEIBEH**, Born in 1949 in Damascus, Syria .*

***MAHMOUD AL-ZAHAR**, Born in 1945, in Cairo, Egypt.*

But Israeli leaders - who were born in Palestine - are called "Settlers" or "Occupiers" by the Palestinian Arab leaders who were born in Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Iraq and who now call themselves "Native Palestinians."

***No, most Palestinian leaders are not Native Palestinians!***

# **It's time to allow Conservative rabbis to officiate at interfaith weddings**

By Seymour Rosenbloom (2016)

ELKINS PARK, Pa. (JTA) — The Conservative movement's leadership must drop its ban on Conservative rabbis officiating at interfaith weddings - before it's too late.

The Rabbinical Assembly's unequivocal rule is that a Conservative rabbi may not officiate at an intermarriage. But after 42 years as an active rabbi, during which I abided by that prohibition, I now believe it is no longer in the best interests of Conservative Judaism or the Jewish community.

Reality has overtaken us. Sixty percent of Jews who wed marry someone from another faith. The Conservative movement's prohibition is ineffective as policy, if our goal is to reduce intermarriage. It is counterproductive if we are trying to influence Jewish souls and bring them closer to the Jewish community. It needs to be modified if we are to serve our congregants faithfully.

We all want a strong future for our Jewish community. Intermarriage, the argument goes, weakens that future. But that's not necessarily so. In most cases of intermarriage, Jewish partners are not abandoning Judaism or rejecting their heritage, family, congregation or people. They just want to marry the people they love.

Often they want a "Jewish wedding," which is why they want the officiant to be a rabbi, preferably one with whom they have a relationship. That is why they are so hurt when we refuse.

As they plan their interfaith ceremony, they learn more about the elements of a Jewish wedding. They typically choose to have a huppah, blessings over wine, seven marriage blessings, a ketubah and the breaking of the glass. They include these elements not to please their parents but for themselves. They often express surprise at how important these rituals turn out to be for them.

We do not know which interfaith couples will raise their children as Jews. We do not know which of their children - whether their parents raise them as Jews or not - will want to claim their own Jewish identity. The landmark 2013 Pew Research Center study of U.S. Jewry found that among millennials, 61 % of those born to intermarried couples consider themselves Jewish. We need to recognize that even when two Jews marry, there is no guarantee that their children will be dedicated Jews.

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Some argue that if Conservative rabbis officiate at intermarriages, it will further lower Jewish standards and encourage intermarriage. This is nonsense. It is delusional to think that a rabbi's refusal to officiate will change any couple's mind about whether to wed. Who would forgo a life with their beloved just because their beloved rabbi can't be at their wedding ceremony?

The Conservative movement has approached intermarriage with ambivalence. Rabbis must refuse to be part of intermarriage ceremonies (we're not even supposed to attend such ceremonies, though many of us do), but after the wedding we open our arms to the newly married couple and invite them to become part of our community.

But those we push away on Saturday night are not so ready to come back on Sunday morning. It is not easy to get over the initial sting of rejection and the stigma of the ambivalent way we view their marriage.

For a decade or so before my retirement from the pulpit in 2014, I increasingly felt uncomfortable sending young people for whom I had been their lifelong rabbi and our congregation their lifelong place of worship to a rabbi they did not know to perform the most sacred ceremony of their life just because their beloved was not Jewish. I felt I was abandoning them.

## **Conservative Judaism should accept patrilineal Jews**

The issue became personal after I retired. My stepdaughter became engaged to someone who is not Jewish. Initially I thought I would approach one of my Reform colleagues to do the ceremony. But the couple wanted me to marry them, not a stranger. We talked about it. They wanted the ceremony to be as Jewish as possible. The religious symbolism would be exclusively Jewish, and I would be the only clergy officiating.

So I agreed. Looking back, I can't believe I even gave it a second thought. Since then, I have agreed to do similar ceremonies for people dear to me, out of a sense of friendship, loyalty and love. In each case, I have been impressed by the sincerity of the couples and their desire to make their wedding both a personal and Jewish statement. I have been touched by their gratitude for my presence as a rabbi, blessing their most emotionally intimate moment in life and affirming the promise of their place in the Jewish community.

We can no longer stand on the sidelines, piously refusing to involve ourselves in intermarriage ceremonies. If we extend ourselves with acceptance, if we affirm the legitimacy of the loving choices people make by agreeing to be part of their ceremonies, more couples would be inclined to seek the spiritual fulfillment that comes from Jewish commitment. At the very least, a superfluous impediment to couples' involvement in our Conservative Jewish houses of worship would be removed.

*Rabbi Seymour Rosenbloom retired recently after 36 years as spiritual leader of Congregation Adath Jeshurun in Elkins Park, Pennsylvania. He is now the president of the Jewish Social Policy Action N*



# **JEWISH STUDIES**

You are all invited to attend the following classes and bring along your friends and neighbors with you, whether they are of the Jewish faith or not. These mini-courses will comprise of three sessions each, which will be held on Tuesday mornings.

## **JANUARY 17, 24, 31, 2017**

**9:30 - 10:30 a.m.      The Concept of a Messiah in Judaism**

**10:30 - 11:30 a.m.      The New Testament through Jewish Eyes (A study of the Sermon on the Mount, the Lord's Prayer and the Epistle of James)**

## **FEBRUARY 14, 21, 28, 2017**

**9:30 - 10:30 a.m.      The story of Joseph in the Quran and the Torah**

**10:30 - 11:30 a.m.      The Dead Sea Scrolls**

**There will be no fee, but we ask you to sign up for each class by calling the office 623-584-7210, so that we may know how many handouts to prepare.**

**The classes will be taught by Rabbi Leo Abrami, MAHL. (contributed to the Dead Sea Scrolls Uncovered, Robert Eisenman and Michael Wise)**

# THE TWELFTH ANNUAL WEST VALLEY JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL JANUARY 28, 29, & JANUARY 30th, 2017

The Twelfth Annual West Valley Jewish Film Festival will be held on January 28, 29, 30, 2017, at Beth Emeth Congregation. Tickets for each film are \$12.00 if purchased at the door. Tickets bought in advance are \$10.00 per film or three films for \$25.00. The three films to be shown are "Dough", "Deli Man", and "Theodore Bikel: In the Shoes of Sholom Aleichem." The festival has a musical theme this year. There will be moments of recollection, gratitude, joy and warmth. Heroes will emerge and icons will be recognized.



## "DOUGH"

**Saturday, January 28, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.**

This heartwarming, funny story is about Nat the old London baker and his young Muslim apprentice Ayyash. When Ayyash (who deals drugs on the side) accidentally drops his marijuana into the mixing dough, the Challah starts selling off the shelves. Watch as prejudice is overcome and a devoted friendship develops between the old baker and his young assistant.



## "DELI MAN"

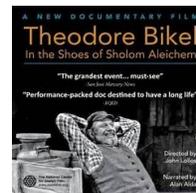
**Sunday, January 29, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.**

Come meet Ziggy Gruber the "Deli Man" from Houston, Texas. In this documentary he will delight you with stories past and present of the Jewish Deli experience. He will take you from NY's 2nd Ave Deli, The Stage Deli, Katz's and Carnegie Deli to Jewish Deli's cross the USA. Nostalgia, fun and tradition will be reflected in these scrumptious foods.

## "THEODORE BIKEL: IN THE SHOES OF SHOLOM ALEICHEM"

**Monday, JANUARY 30, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.**

Theodore Bikel whose diverse career spanning years as actor, musician, folk singer and activist reflects on the life and stories of Sholom Aleichem. In this thoroughly entertaining and memorable film Theodore Bikel will have his audience laughing and clapping.



A brief commentary of each film will precede its screening, and complimentary refreshments will be served after each screening. For additional information please call 623-584-7210.

**There are many ways to show your support of the Twelfth Annual West Valley Jewish Film Festival. Please consider becoming a DONOR...and thank you!**

**UNDERWRITER: \$750.00**

Festival **UNDERWRITERS** will receive five sets of tickets to each film. Their names will be prominently placed in all advertising and printed materials and will be announced at the beginning of each evening's screening. Their names will be highlighted in the Festival Program. Their printed materials will be available to all attendees. In addition, **UNDERWRITERS** will receive a framed certificate of thanks from Congregation Beth Emeth.

**EXECUTIVE PRODUCER: \$500.00**

Festival **EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS** will receive four sets of tickets to each film. Their names will be prominently placed in all advertising and printed materials and will be announced at the beginning of each evening's screening. Their names will be highlighted in the Festival Program. Their printed materials will be available to all attendees.

**PRODUCER: \$400.00**

Festival **PRODUCERS** will receive three sets of tickets to each film. Their names will be prominently placed in all advertising, and their printed materials will be available to all attendees. Their names will be listed in the Festival Program and announced at each evening's screening.

**ANGEL: \$300.00**

Festival **ANGELS** will receive two sets of tickets to each film. Their names will be listed in all advertising and in the Festival Program. Their printed materials will be available to all attendees.

**DIRECTOR: \$100.00**

Festival **DIRECTORS** will receive two sets of tickets to each film. Their names will be listed in the Festival Program.

**SPONSOR: \$50.00**

Festival **SPONSORS** will receive one ticket to each film. Their names will be listed under "Sponsor" in the Festival Program.

**YES, I WANT TO BE A BENEFACTOR TO THE TWELFTH ANNUAL WEST VALLEY JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL:**

- \_\_\_ **UNDERWRITER (750.00)**
- \_\_\_ **EXECUTIVE PRODUCER (\$500.00)**
- \_\_\_ **PRODUCER (\$400.00)**
- \_\_\_ **ANGEL (\$300.00)**
- \_\_\_ **DIRECTOR (\$100.00)**
- \_\_\_ **SPONSOR (\$50.00)**

In order to be acknowledged in the program, donations have to be received by January 15, 2017)

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY/STATE/ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-MAIL** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make your check payable to Beth Emeth Congregation and mail to:**

**Jewish Film Festival Committee  
Beth Emeth Congregation  
13702 West Meeker Boulevard  
Sun City West, AZ 85375**

For additional information, please call Irene Lehrer (623-505-3103). Beth Emeth Congregation of the West Valley is a recognized 501C3 non-profit organization.

## ***In Memory of Bernard Greenberg z'l***

*Bernard Berel was a man of conviction and commitment. He was not a nostalgic man, guided by his whims, who felt part of the Jewish community only on special occasions. He was a devout Jew, who would fulfill his religious obligations with love and reverence.*

*On Saturday mornings, he would walk to synagogue, whether the weather was nice or it was raining. He felt the spiritual need to pray with the congregation and to hear the Torah read from the scroll in the synagogue.*

*On one occasion, while he still lived in New York, he went up twenty-seven flights of stairs on a Saturday in order to attend a Shabbat service.*

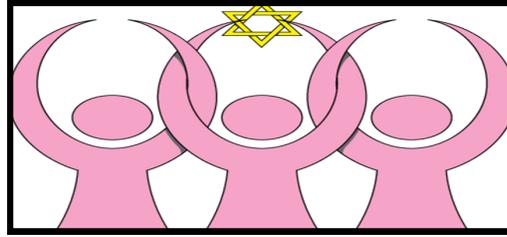
*Last Friday, when I visited him at the clinic, we were not able to engage in a conversation but I offered to sing with him all the main parts of the Kabbalat Shabbat service. He was moving his lips and trying to pronounce the words and on several occasions he opened his eyes as if he was asking himself: "Am I in the synagogue?"*

*He surely made an impact on Beth Emeth Congregation and the Schul will not be same without him. May he rest in peace! May his memory be a source of blessing for all those who have known him and admired his devotion to Gloria, to his children, his grandchildren, his friends and the synagogue which played such an important role in his life.*

*May his soul be bound up in the bond of Life Eternal!*

***Rabbi Leo M. Abrami***

# SISTERHOOD



## SISTERHOOD TENTATIVE CALENDAR 2017

Usually all Board Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m.

All Sisterhood Membership Meetings are usually held the second Thursday of the month **Please mark the dates** of the Sisterhood Meetings. Any woman who has joined Beth Emeth Congregation since March 2016 is a member of Sisterhood until Dec. 2016. Sisterhood Board Meetings are open to all.

Jan.	19	Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Board Meeting
Feb.	2	Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Board Meeting
Feb.	5	Sunday	1-3:00 p.m.	Memorial for our Beloved Congregant Berel Greenberg
Mar.	9	Thursday	11:30 a.m.	Paid-up Luncheon "Woman of Valor" Award
May	10	Wednesday	1:00 p.m.	Ice Cream Social and a Movie

*Thank you Sisterhood for your thoughtful and generous Hanukkah gift.  
Love working with all the ladies of the Sisterhood. Sandy Nonas*

**To Marilyn Newberg**

**It is my pleasure as your former president to wish our new president, Marilyn Newberg, the very best of luck as she begins her term. The synagogue is in very good hands. Marilyn has been a tireless worker for years and has contributed so much already to our synagogue.**

**Susan and I wish her the very best as she assumes her new responsibility. With your support and cooperation I know she will do a fantastic job both as the leader of the Board of Directors and as a person who goes out of her way to know everyone who enters the doors of the synagogue.**

**I only ask that each of you give her your full support and cooperation. Although being the president of any synagogue is not an easy task we should all thank her for taking on this responsibility.**

**And thank you for all your help and assistance during the past four years.**

**Best wishes to everyone,**

**Joseph M. Weintraub**

**To Marilyn Newberg**

**Let me take this opportunity to wish my wife a mazel tov on her position as the new President of Beth Emeth, and to the republic for which it stands, etc , etc**

**I am sure that she will do the best job as all her decisions will be from the heart to benefit the synagogue. I know that she has always worked so hard because Beth Emeth means so much to her.**

**My love to her, Bob**





# ***Birthdays & Anniversaries***

## ***JANUARY 2017***

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

3 Audrey Albert  
11 Sunny Saperstein  
15 Rita Volk  
16 Sybil Newman  
18 Jan Heidecker  
22 Susan Weintraub  
28 Marvin Smelkinson

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

10 Irwin & Alice Bernstein  
25 Elliot & Brenda Kleinman



### **Beth Emeth Congregation Tribute Cards & Donations**

**Beth Emeth Congregation wishes to thank all those listed below for their generous donations to our Congregation. Their thoughtfulness & consideration is greatly appreciated.**

#### **Yizkor**

Nelson & Kathryn Magedman  
Gloria Greenberg  
Eugene & Geri Cooper  
Sy & Sarah Klein  
Max & Sherry Lazar  
Benjamin Rose  
Rhoda Lessner

#### **Donations**

Lorraine Silverman - Great Grandson  
Susan L. Hahn - Geri & Gene Anniversary  
James & Esther Toney - Max Gimpel's  
Birthday

#### **Donations**

Rosie Chiavarria

CC's Adult Care Two-Rosie Chiavarria

CC's Adult Care One - Sylvia Choy

Evelyn Dolins



**For a Special Man on his Special Birthday**

**Ninety-Nine**

***We want to wish Max Gimpel a very Happy  
Birthday.***

***Max will be***

***Ninety-Nine (99) on***

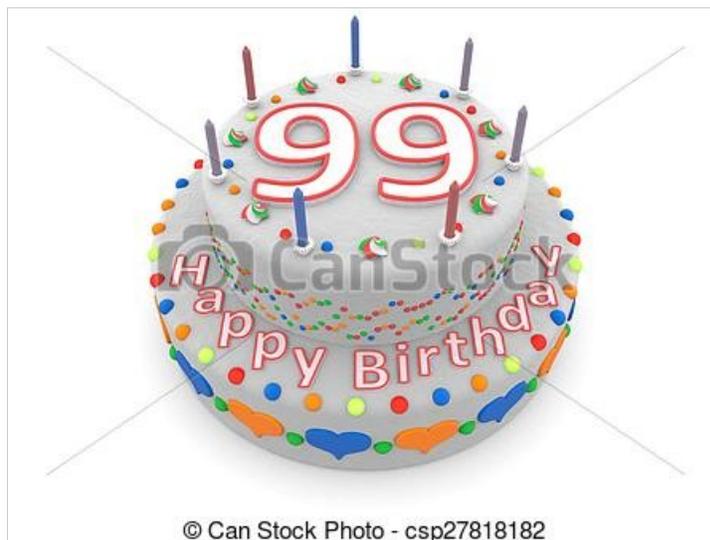
***January 2, 2017***

***If you would like to send a Birthday card here is the  
address.***

***908 W. Argle Street***

***Apt. 530***

***Chicago, Il 60640***



**To All my extended family.**

**My family and I wish to thank each and everyone of you for your prayers and donations in memory of our Berel.**

**Your attending the funeral and the Shiva period helped us to cope with the loss of our dear one. He loved and respected all of you and we appreciate you. Thank you again for being the wonderful friends you are. Gloria Greenberg**

**David Caplan**

**Sheila Cohan**

**Abraham Cohen**

**Roy & Ramona Cohen**

**Irma Epstein**

**Joy B. Epstein**

**Heather Figelman**

**Irv Glorit**

**Gene & Caryl Goldman**

**Elinor Goldstein**

**Gail Grossman**

**Shirley Gubin**

**Judy & Martin Hamer**

**Andrew & Jan Heidecker**

**Solomon & Shula Kantor**

**Sy & Sarah Klein**

**Elliot & renda Kleinman**

**Sheldon & Judith Koven**

**Norman Kurtz**

**Robert & Ruth Kuzma**

**Don & Irene Lehrer**

**Nelson & Kathryn Magedman**

**David & Linda Margolin**

**Howard & Sonia Marshall**

**Beverly Merchant**

**Natalie Morrison & Phil Gillenson**

**Peggy Markowitz**

**Selma Moskowitz**

**Robert & Marilyn Newberg**

**Rosalyn Podbielak**

**Allen & Ellen Relkin**

**Ralph & Sylvia Rosenfeld**

**Joan Rothfeld**

**Saul & Sharon Rothzeit**

**Donald & Bonnie Schlossberg**

**Efrem & Elaine Schwartz**

**Stanley & Jackie Silver**

**Lorraine Silverman**

**A. Davi & Iris Silverman**

**Charles & Leah Tarnor**

**Katie Todora**

**James & Esther Toney**

**Evelyn Walter**

**Richard & Betty Wasserman**

**Joseph & Sue Weintraub**

**Norma Weintraub**

*In Loving Memory*



Dear Member,

Beth Emeth Congregation is certainly off to a quick start for the New Year. We have a new Rabbi, new Officers and a new Board of Directors. Programs and fundraisers are already scheduled. Beth Emeth Men's Club is also looking forward to the New Year. Except for the two Kosher Hot Dog Days, the club in 2016 was basically a non-entity. This cannot continue. We need your help in order to present cultural & fundraising programs to the congregation and the general public. We need your support financially and especially physically in order to move forward.

If you are a present member, please send in your \$25.00 yearly dues check ASAP. If you are not a Men's Club member at this time we urge you to join now. We need your support to continue as an active operating arm of Beth Emeth Congregation. Please fill out the enclosed membership application and submit it at your earliest convenience. New members of BE are given their first year in the Men's Club free of charge. Gene Cooper & Norman Kurtz, Co-Presidents

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Full Time \_\_\_\_\_ Part Time \_\_\_\_\_

Men's Club Membership Type \_\_\_\_\_ Life Member (One Payment - \$200 if before  
\_\_\_\_\_ Regular (currently \$25 annually)

\_\_\_\_\_ Complementary (First year Synagogue free Membership)

Please indicate your interests and any programs you would like to see Men's Club adopt:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Checks, where applicable, should be made payable to: Beth Emeth Men's Club

## Jewish Family and Children's Service (JFCS)

Ellie Schwartzberg of Jewish Family and Children's Service (JFCS) offers individual counseling, referral to appropriate resources and advocacy to Jewish people living in the Sun Cities and surrounding communities.

This is a free program underwritten by the Jewish Federation. Ellie has a Master's degree in counseling from ASU and has been at JFCS for the past 32 years working with an older population. She is currently the Vice President of Geriatric Services at JFCS. Ellie offers this program at the Sun Cities Community Services Building on Tuesdays (9451 N. 99<sup>th</sup> Ave. Sun City) and at Beth Emeth Synagogue (13702 W. Meeker, Sun City West) on Thursdays. Counseling addresses such issues as coping with bereavement and loss, care-giving stress, long term planning and decision making, adjustment to chronic health problems, loss of independence, depression, couples' issues, communication and problem solving with adult children, etc.

Ellie facilitates a Bereavement Support Group at Beth Emeth Congregation every Thursday from 1:00-2:00 PM. This group is open to anyone who has lost a spouse or significant other within the past two years.

Please call Ellie Schwartzberg at 602-452-4660 for more information or to make an appointment.

COMPASS PLAYERS UNLEASHES

# SYLVIA

By A.R. Gurney

*Sometimes it's hard to understand the relationship between a man and his dog.*

January 12 through the 29th, 2017

Buy Tickets at:  
[www.Theaterworks.org](http://www.Theaterworks.org)  
(623) 815-7930

Location: Theater Works, Peoria, Az



# You can help Beth Emeth , at no cost to yourself

*Find comfort in our garden. It is tranquil in design and in harmony with its natural surroundings. The Biblical Garden is a quiet haven in which to find solace and to rejoice in life.*

*We welcome your participation in enhancing our garden through your generous contributions to honor, remember, or celebrate a simcha.*

*An appropriate plaque acknowledging your gift will be placed on the DONOR WALL in the lobby of the synagogue.*

*Suggested dedicated items*

- Trees ..... \$500*
- Shrubs..... \$300*
- Bulbs, Perennials, and seasonal flower displays ..... \$250*

### Help Support Beth Emeth!

Did you know you can support Beth Emeth just by shopping at Fry's? It's easy when you enroll in Fry's Community Rewards! To get started, sign up with your V.I.P Card , and select Beth Emeth Congregation as the local organization you wish to support. Once you're enrolled, you'll earn rewards for Beth Emeth every time you shop and use your V.I.P Card!



## Everybody Needs a Rabbi

Are you or a loved one ill?  
Are you experiencing a life event that requires the Rabbi's assistance?

### Contact Rabbi Leo Abrami

**Rabbi Leo M. Abrami is available**  
24 hours a day / 7 days a week,

Contact the office Monday - Friday  
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for an appointment.  
Or after hours on his cell phone.

Appointments: (623) 584 - 7210  
Cell phone: (623) 480-286-6335



### OBSERVER ADS

TEN ISSUES PER YEAR—Sizes & Prices

Business Card .....	\$150.00
1/4 Page .....	\$225.00
1/2 Page .....	\$250.00
Full Page 10x7.5 .....	\$300.00
One-Time Full Page Insert.....	\$70.00

**Contact the office to place your ad**  
**(623) 584-7210**

**TREE OF LIFE**  
**Celebrate your Simcha**

<Birthdays                      <Anniversaries  
<Bar/Bat Mitzvah              <Graduation  
<Children                        <Grandchildren  
<Family <Friends              <Weddings

Leaf ..... \$200  
Apple..... \$400  
Small Rock ..... \$600  
Large Rock ..... \$1200

**Honor your beloved departed  
with a Memorial Plaque  
in the Sanctuary**

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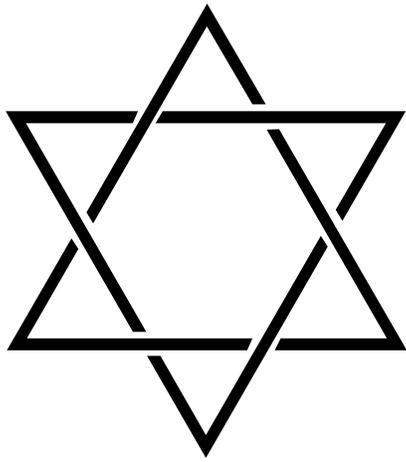
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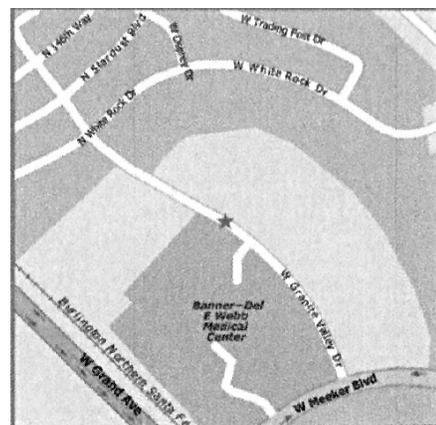
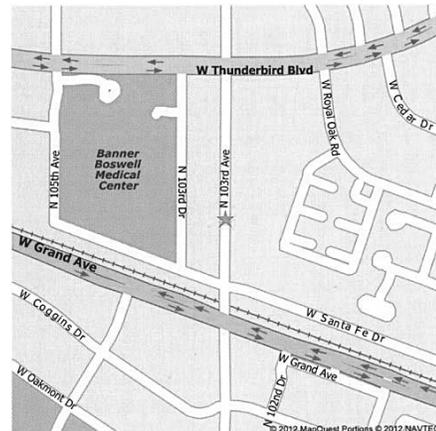
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<b>8</b> FAST OF TEVET 10 Book Club 10:00 a.m.  10 Tevet	<b>9</b> Minyan 8:00 a.m.  11 Tevet	<b>10</b>  12 Tevet	<b>11</b>  13 Tevet	<b>12</b> Minyan 8:00 a.m. Beareavement 1:00 p.m.  14 Tevet	<b>13</b> Services 7:30 p.m.  15 Tevet	<b>14</b> Services 9:00 a.m.  16 Tevet
<b>15</b>  17 Tevet	<b>16</b> Minyan 8:00 a.m.  18 Tevet	<b>17</b> Rabbi's Classes 9:30-10:30 a.m. & 10:30 -11:30 a.m.  19 Tevet	<b>18</b>  20 Tevet	<b>19</b> Minyan 8:00 a.m. Beareavement 1:00 p.m.  21 Tevet	<b>20</b> Services 7:30 p.m.  22 Tevet	<b>21</b> Services 9:00 a.m.  23 Tevet
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<b>29</b> Film Festival 6:30 p.m.  2 Shevat	<b>30</b> Minyan 8:00 a.m. Film Festival 7:00 p.m.  3 Shevat	<b>31</b> Rabbi's Classes 9:30-10:30 a.m. & 10:30 -11:30 a.m.  4 Shevat				

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