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#### **MARCH 2017**



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#### SABBATH CANDLE LIGHTING

3/3	6:09
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#### From Our President 2017



Thank you to our wonderful rebbetzin for all the work that she does to help us. Rosemary prepared a luscious TuB' Shevat Kiddush on February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you Ketzi for doing a great job for the sisterhood. Those who attended our version of Scatagories/Trivia had a good time, laughing and eating and learning a bit as well.

Thank you to Rhoda for everything that she does for us. You might not know that she orders a challah from Trader Joe's every week so we could enjoy it with our Kiddush lunch.

Thank you to all our new members for joining Beth Emeth. We welcome you with open arms. I suggest to all our "old" members to make sure that you introduce yourselves and make them comfortable. We should never let anyone, old or new be by themselves.

Did you know that Sonia received a Master's Degree in washing dishes? She is our go to person and never says no. If you are wondering, NO she is not for hire!!

Anyone with a funny short story that they wish to share, please send it over to Sandy.

Marilyn

#### **Cute Story**

A short story about the Newberg's in Orlando.

My son was only about 9 when we went down to Epcot for a week. One day, after spending hours at Disney, we went into IHOP for something light. Our waitress, a lovely Spanish young lady took our order. The three of us sat and enjoyed a little quiet time before our order was served.

The next day, during our plane ride, we could not look at one another. We laughed, and laughed and to this day 35yrs later, we still laugh. Four years ago, we went to Disney with Brad and his family. We stopped at an IHOP and told the manager our story. It was obvious that he went into the kitchen to tell the staff, because we heard the laughing from the kitchen.

Marilyn, Bob & Brad Newberg



#### From the Desk of Rabbi Leo M. Abrami

I am delighted to let you know that my Tuesday morning classes continue to attract some eighty students at each session. If you have not yet attended one of them, you should try to register for the March mini-courses (see program.)

We also have a better participation at our Saturday morning Study sessions and services and at our Monday and Thursday morning services. We hope to see you all at our Purim Celebration on March 11 at 7:00 pm (see flyer.)

Several other events are in the planning: the Passover Seder, the Yom Ha-Shoah and Tom Ha-Atsma-ut (Independence of the State of Israel).

I remain at your service for pastoral and therapeutic counseling on Monday and Thursday from 9:30 - 11:30 am. Please make an appointment with Sandy.

In my extra-curriculum activities, I am also planning to give a few seminars on logotherapy (psychotherapy centered on the meaning of life and happiness) in Sun City West and in Scottsdale (please call me if you or your friends are interested in the training which is accredited by the Viktor Frankl Institute, Vienna, Austria.

Looking forward to seeing on Purim and before,

Rabbi Abrami

# INTERMARRIED JEWS FORM THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES OUTSIDE SYNAGOGUES

#### Ben Sales, February 10, 2017

NEW YORK (JTA) — Leading up to their wedding in 2012, Julianne and Jason Kanter hadn't really discussed how they would incorporate their respective religions into their home.

Julianne was raised by Catholic and Presbyterian parents, while Jason grew up culturally Jewish. It was simple to mark their different backgrounds. In December, the couple celebrated Christmas with Julianne's relatives and lit a menorah and served latkes at Christmas dinner.

But now that they're thinking of having kids, the Kanters have started to talk religion more seriously. And they realized they needed a space to learn about Judaism without the expectations that came with joining a synagogue. We began to ask, "How are we going to incorporate Judaism into our lives? Julianne Kanter said she didn't know enough about it to feel comfortable teaching her kids about it.

Since last year, the Kanters have found Jewish connection through a range of initiatives targeted at intermarried or unaffiliated couples. Last June, they went on a trip with Honeymoon Israel, a Birthright-esque subsidized tour of Israel for newlywed couples with at least one Jewish partner. And in the months since, they have built community at home in Brooklyn through two discussion groups where intermarried couples get together to meet, eat and talk about shared challenges and experiences.

In one group, called the Couples Salon, five to six couples share a light meal, introduce themselves and drop questions they have prepared in advance into a bowl. A moderator who can also participate picks out a question and the group talks - whether about how to deal with familial expectations, how to celebrate holidays or how to share a ritual with your kids. The salons have happened once a month, with different couples, since August.

"We wanted the perspective of people who were in similar situations, which the synagogue is not," Jason Kanter said. "It was nice to go to a group where everyone was in the same sort of boat. There's real dialogue rather than someone telling you their opinion of what your situation is."

A growing number of initiatives are giving intermarried couples a Jewish framework disconnected from synagogue services and outside the walls of legacy Jewish institutions. Instead of drawing them to Judaism with a preconceived goal, these programs allow intermarried couples to form community among themselves and on their own terms.

"I wanted to find a way to create a space for couples that come from mixed religious backgrounds to ask questions in a safe space," said Danya Shults, who runs the Couples Salons as part of Arq, a Jewish culture group, and organized her fifth salon earlier this month. "We are not a synagogue. We are not expecting them to join. We are not expecting them to convert."

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The salons began last year, as did Circles of Welcome, a similar initiative by JCC Manhattan, where five to seven intermarried or unaffiliated couples meets monthly, usually in someone's home, to learn and talk about Judaism with a rabbi or rabbinical student who serves as "mentor." In Northern California's Bay Area, two somewhat older programs, Jewish Gateways and Building Jewish Bridges, offer group discussions, classes and communal gatherings for intermarried couples.

The programs are at once a reaction to rising intermarriage rates and to the rejection that intermarried couples have long experienced from parts of the Jewish community. Indeed, since 2000, most Jews have wedded non-Jews. While the Conservative and Orthodox do not sanction intermarriage, the Reform movement welcomes intermarried couples and encourages conversion for the non-Jewish spouse.

"Because of the history of interfaith families not being welcomed and not being accepted, interfaith families that want to experience Jewish life, must use other resources," said Jodi Bromberg, CEO of InterfaithFamily, which provides resources for intermarried couples "exploring Jewish life and inclusive Jewish communities."

"When it comes to building community and meeting other people, people want to bring their whole selves into something," Rubel said. "Which often in America means being inclusive of non-Jews and other friends. When they're at a Jewish event, they don't want it to feel exclusionary."

Mainstream Jewish organizations have become more supportive of including intermarried families. Several Conservative rabbis have voiced support for performing intermarriages, and the movement is set to allow its congregations to accept intermarried couples as synagogue members.

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Service & Seder conducted by Rabbi Leo M. Abrami

Once again professionally catered by Gary Shindler of Designs in Food Delicious, traditional <u>strictly kosher</u> Menu featuring "Brisket & Chicken"!

\$50 per person—Congregation Members \$55 per person—Non-members \$25 per child under 12 years of age

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> Please send your checks to: Beth Emeth Congregation

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(Please complete and return the form below with your check)

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Yes! I want to attend the Beth Emeth Kosher Passover Seder

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children (under 12 years of age)

Please seat my party of \_\_\_\_\_ with the following other people (tables of 8 only)

Enclosed is my check in the amount of: \_\_\_\_\_\_

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Signature:

#### WHAT DO WE DO AND WHY DO WE DO IT?

#### Rosemary Abrami

"Rabbi, please will you say a *mi sheberakh* for me?" This is an often-heard request and bears some examination.

First of all, what do the words *mi sheberakh* mean? They are the beginning of the phrase "May He who blessed our forefathers..."

Second of all, what is a *mi sheberakh*? Here is a simple definition: "A *mi sheberakh* is a public prayer or blessing for an individual or group, most often recited in synagogue when the Torah is being read".

During the Torah service there are two types of *mi sheberakh* commonly seen.

The <u>first type</u> of *mi sheberakh* is seen in communities of just about all stripes and is the one that people so often request: for those requiring healing.

Although this custom is commonly observed, there is no specific reason for the prayer to be read by the rabbi. Unlike other religions, the rabbi is not a representative of God and anyone who wishes to pray for the healing of anyone else is not only entitled, but encouraged, to do so. In the Torah there is an example in Numbers 12:13, "And Moses [who was praying for his sister, Miriam] cried unto the Lord, saying: 'Heal her now, O God, I beseech Thee.'" Anyone can pray for a sick person, the rabbi's prayer is not stronger, does not hold some magic and, in fact, may be less heartfelt than the prayer of the person who really knows and loves the sick person. Actually, a prayer for healing can be said at any time and does not require a minyan or to be during a Torah service. The weekday Amidah (page 113 in Siddur Sim Shalom) shows a format that can be used: "May it be your will, Lord our God and God of our ancestors, to send perfect healing, of body and soul, to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, along with all others who are stricken".

In the congregational setting a longer prayer is said.

The opening words are "May He who blessed our fathers..." and it then goes on with something like "bless (name) the son of (mother's name) together with all others who are ill. And although Shabbat is a time to refrain from petitions, we yet hope and pray that healing will come soon; and let us say, Amen".

Variations of wording depend on whether it is Shabbat or a weekday, and the gender of the person who is sick. The prayed-for person is always referred to as being the son or daughter of the *mother*, not the *father*, as is usually the case in Jewish naming practice.

How each congregation handles the naming of the sick people varies. In some cases a list is prepared before Shabbat and the names on the list are read by the rabbi; other shuls have congregants come to the front of the shul and say the names, which may or may not be repeated by the rabbi; sometimes the requesting congregants stay in place and call out the names and in others, particularly when the sufferers are not known to everyone, no names are actually called out loud as each person just privately says the name at the relevant junction in the prayer have the name removed. This has led, in some congregations, to the requirement for names to be submitted and the list revised on a weekly basis.

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not known to everyone, no names are actually called out loud as each person just privately says the name at the relevant junction in the prayer.

Another question is how long names should be left on the list. Sometimes the person's illness is over and s/he is actually present, in good health, in the shul but no-one called to have the name removed. This has led, in some congregations, to the requirement for names to be submitted and the list revised on a weekly basis.

In many shuls, no matter the affiliation, the song composed by Debbie Friedman which is tenuously based on this prayer, is sung at this stage of the service.

The <u>second type</u> of *mi sheberakh* almost always happens in Orthodox shuls but not necessarily in other groups, after a person has been called up for an aliyah. When he (and yes, in Orthodox it is always "he") finishes the blessing after the reading, the rabbi will then launch into a special prayer, in honor of that particular person.

Because it is not an officially mandated prayer, there is a lot of room for creativity regarding whom to bless or how they can be blessed. But on Shabbat it usually starts like this:

May He who blessed our fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob bless (name) son of (father's name), because he has come up for the honor of God, for the honor of the Torah and for the honor of the Shabbat. In this merit may the Holy One, blessed be He, protect and deliver him from all trouble and distress, and from all affliction and illness, and may He send blessing and success to all his endeavors, together with all Israel his brethren; and let us say, Amen.

But before that final "amen", the *mi sheberakh* is often modified to include the blessing of specific family members (e.g.wife, children) and/or to comment on something special that has happened to the person during the week, and/or to announce that he has pledged a donation. Non-Orthodox communities do not automatically perform this ritual but in many Orthodox shuls it can turn into a demonstration of excitement and happiness which is quite fun to see.

Apart from these there are assorted other special *mi sheberakh* prayers e.g. for a Bat or Bar Mitzvah, parents of newborns, those about to be married and so on which are not under discussion here.

# MARCH LECTURE SERIES AT BETH EMETH CONGREGATION

Beth Emeth Congregation, 13702 W. Meeker Blvd., Sun City West, AZ continues their Jewish Studies Lecture Series.

Over ninety people, both Jews and Christians, attended each of the six lectures of Rabbi Leo M. Abrami, MAHL, in January.

We are pleased to inform you that his mini-courses will continue on March 14, 21 and 28.

9:30-10:30 a.m., a Study of the Most Controversial Book of the Hebrew Bible, Ecclesiastes (Kohelet)

10:30-11:30 a.m., The Spiritual Convictions of Albert Einstein,
Elie Wiesel and Shimon Peres, Three Nobel Prize Laureates

The lectures are free (a donation of \$15. for all the lectures s suggested) but you are requested to register by calling the office at 623-584-7210 so that we may know how many handouts to prepare.)

All are welcome!



DON'T FORGET THE FOOD PANTRY: when you go to the supermarket, look at the specials, like 10/1.00 and buy a couple of items to support the food bank. Take out the coupons from the newspapers and use them as well. I use both the coupons and the 10% senior discount on the first Wednesday of the month.

DON'T FORGET THE FANTASTIC FINDS OUTDOOR SALE: if you start looking in your closets and garages, you will probably find items that you haven't used in years. Check them out and bring them to us. The yard sale is a great way to make money. I started today and found a couple of really nice serving pieces that I no longer need. If the items are too heavy to carry, call Sandy and we will come pick them up.

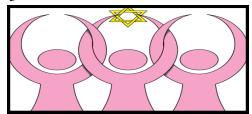
DON'T FORGET THE PURIM BASKETS: look for the order sheet in the Observer. The faster sisterhood gets the orders, the earlier we could start baking. Also, please ask your neighbors if they are interested in supporting us. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE JEWISH TO NOSH!!!

Marilyn Newberg, President



# SISTERHOOD







13702 W. Meeker Blvd., Sun City West, AZ 85375

Purim is a time of joy and the celebration of the defeat of the wicked Haman, and a time of general good feeling for one another. It is traditional to send presents of fruit, cookies and candies (Mishloach Manot) to at least one friend. It is customary, however, to give extensively.

Once again Sisterhood will provide the opportunity for you to observe the custom of sending Mishloach Manot to your friends and family in the Congregation. The cost of each basket you order will be \$4.00 if you list 10 or more names the cost will be \$3.50 per basket or name. There will be a card attached to each family's basket indicating the names of all those families sending the gift. In other words, your family may receive a single basket which could have been provided by several of your friends.

To facilitate delivery, baskets will be distributed at the Purim services on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>March 12</u>, <u>2017</u> when the Megillah is read. <u>Please make arrangements to pick up your basket following this service</u>. *No* home deliveries can be made. For those who can not attend the service their basket will be left at the Synagogue to be picked up no later than Friday, March 31.

Please complete the order form on the opposite page and return it with your check made payable to: Beth Emeth Sisterhood.

All forms must be returned to the Synagogue office attention Marilyn Newberg

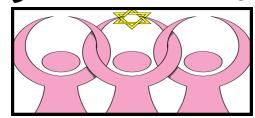






# SISTERHOOD







PRINT your name clearly as you would like it to appear on the gift card attached to the bag. Don't forget your telephone number.

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PURIM BAG \$4.00 or 10 or more names the cost will be \$3.50 per basket or name

\$10.00/BAKER'S DOZEN of HAMANTASCHEN

Bags ordered <u>AFTER February 27 th</u> will be \$5.00 PER BAG Or \$12.00/Baker's Dozen

Bags must be picked up from the synagogue between
March 12 - 31, 2017

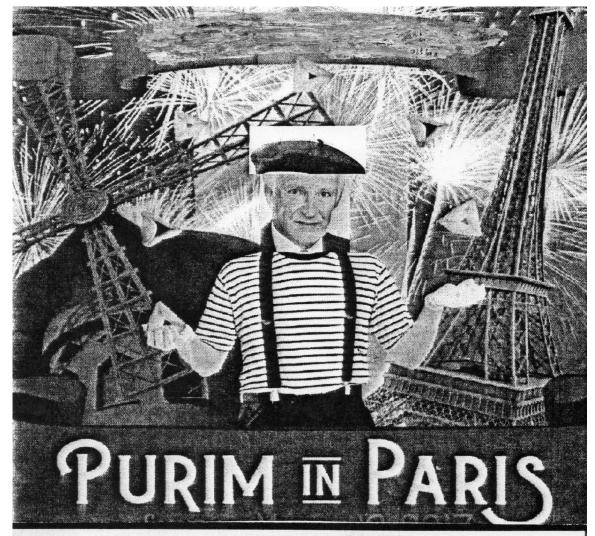
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BETH EMETH SISTERHOOD

ATTENTION: Marilyn Newberg DEADLINE ON Monday, February 27, 2017



Beth Emeth Congregation Invites You to Participate in a Unique Purim Celebration Oy La La!

> SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2017 7:00 p.m.

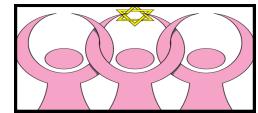
DRAMATIC READING OF THE MEGILLAH BY RABBI LEO AND ROSEMARY ABRAMI

You may come dressed in costumes
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## 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. 2017. Sisterhood Board Meetings are open to all.

March 19	Help with Congregation "Rummage Sale"
	10:00-2:00 a.m.
March 23	Sisterhood Paid-Up Luncheon
	Program: "Guess Who" 11:30 a.m.
May 11	Sisterhood Board Meeting 9:30 a.m.
May 11	Sisterhood Meeting "Ice Cream Social +"
	1:00 p.m.

# Calling All Bookworms - There is a Correction on the day.

Calling All Bookworms to join the Book Club on the **Third Friday** of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Hindin Hall. Bring your booklist of suggestions.

Call Geri Cooper to reserve a chair (623) 214-7721. Books maybe read on electronic devices or on old fashion paper books.







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AT BETH EMETH SYNAGOGUE

CACTUS KOSHER HOT DOG DAY SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2017 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

1/4 Pound Hebrew National Hot Dog Can of Soda, Chips & Condiments for \$5.00

ALL ARE WELCOME, BRING YOUR SPOUSE, YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

















Do you remember when Segal's use to deliver fresh kosher food items for pick up at Beth Emeth...Do you miss those days? Are you tired of driving many miles to various stores only to be disappointed by the Kosher selection?

Well have I got news for you! Another kosher grocer has offered to deliver to Beth Emeth. If interested, please see Rivka Abraham for more info or contact her at 951.897.6571.

If you have kids, grandkids or friends in the surrounding areas that would like to be a part of this kosher group please spread the word!

Please sign up and put your name on the list on the Beth Emeth Office door.

#### Misheberach for Healing

As is customary, during services we pray for those who are sick. Names are listed in the weekly bulletin and are read aloud. If anyone wants a name listed for a *mishebeirach*, please call the office by Wednesday of the week and the name will go into the bulletin for that particular week.

A prayer for healing can be said at any time and does not require a minyan.

The Amidah (page 113 in Siddur Sim Shalom) shows a format that can be used:

"May it be your will, Lord our God and God of our ancestors, to send perfect healing, of body and soul, to \_\_\_\_\_\_, along with all others who are stricken".

Please bring packaged or canned food items to help fill the pantry box in the lobby.

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Everything goes to a food pantry to help those in trouble during these difficult times.

Feeding the hungry is a wonderful mitzvah!



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# REMEMBER THE FOOD PANTRY

#### Sheriff's Posse of Sun City West

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A Courtesy Funeral Watch for Residents of Sun City West

It is unfortunate that the "Bad Folks" will on occasion take advantage of published funeral service times to burglarize the residence at the time no one is home, further compounding the situation at the time of bereavement.

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This courtesy service may be obtained by calling Sun City West Posse at 623-584-5808

#### Birthdays & Anniversaries MARCH 2017

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 5 David Caplan
- 6 Madelaine Friedman
- 6 Teri Maureen Goldman
- 7 Barnett Plisko
- 13 Joyce Stern
- 15 Stanley Debber
- 19 Dr. Abraham Cohen
- 20 Gilbert Weller
- 20 Audra Robins
- **26** Rose Doyschen
- 27 Irwin Bernstein
- 31 Mary Flint
- 31 Sheldon Koven

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 1 Efrem & Elaine Schwartz
- 4 Myron & Shoshana Permutter
- 6 Moses & Irene Weitzman
- 13 Sy & Sarah Klein



#### **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.

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Thank you Irene Lehrer for the wonderful job you did with the Film Festival.

Gloria Greenberg

A great big thank you to all who helped make our 2017 Film Festival such a huge success.

We couldn't do it alone and without your support. Irene Lehrer



#### **SELLING OF CHAMETZ**

On Monday, April 10th is the evening of the First Seder. That means that on April 9th, Sunday is the time that we prepare our house for the final cleansing of the leaven from our midst.

I hereby give permission and do make Rabbi Leo M. Abrami of Beth Emeth Congregation to be my Shalliach (Representative) to sell my leaven (Chametz) wherever it may be found, in my home, place of business or elsewhere in accordance with the requirements & provisions of Jewish law.

At the end of the Passover, Rabbi Abrami will continue as my representative for the sole purpose of buying back my leaven (Chametz).

Name

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_





Dear Member,

Bet h Emet h Congregation is certainly off to a quick start for the New Year. We have a new Rabbi, new Officers and a new Board of Direct ors. Programs and fundraisers are already scheduled. Bet h Emet h 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

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On Sunday, May 7, Beth Emeth Congregation will host sports journalist Mark Brown speaking on "Jews in Baseball History" at 9:30 AM in the congregation auditorium. Question and answer period to follow. Public is invited. Free-light refreshments served.



#### 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.

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#### CALENDAROF

#### REGULAR EVENTS

(EXCEPTIONS DO HAPPEN, SO PLEASE CHECK)

- Executive Meeting
  1st Friday of each
  month
  At 9:30 am
- Board Meeting -3rd Thursday of each month at 9:30 am
- Sisterhood Board
  Meeting 1st Thursday
  of each month at 9:30
  am
- Minyan

Mondays & Thursdays - 8:00 am

#### **CC's Adult Care Two**

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#### 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, com-
- munication 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.



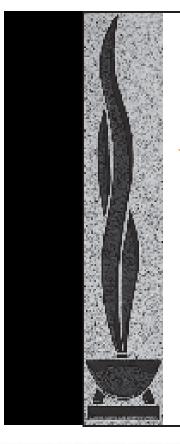
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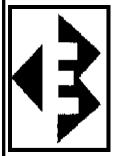
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
·	·	·	1		3 Services 7:30 pm Executive Board Mtg. 9:30 am	Services 9:00 am
			3 Adar	4 Adar	5 Adar	6 Adar
5 KOSHER CACTUS HOT DOG 11-2:00 pm	6 Minyan 8:00 am	7	8	FAST OF ESTHER Minyan 8:00 am Beareavement 1:00 pm	Hadassah Services 7:30 pm	11 Services 9:00 am Reading of the Megillah by Rabbi & Rosemary, come dressed in costumes 7:00 pm
7 Adar	8 Adar	9 Adar	10 Adar	11 Adar	12 Adar	13 Adar
12 PURIM	SHUSHAN PURIM Minyan 8:00 am	Rabbi's Class 9:30-10:30 am 10:30-11:30 am	15	Minyan 8:00 am Beareavement 1:00 pm Board Mtg. 9:30 am	17 Services 7:30 pm Book Club 10:00 am	18 Services 9:00 am
14 Adar	15 Adar	16 Adar	17 Adar	18 Adar	19 Adar	20 Adar
19 Huge Garage Sale 10-2:00 pm	20 Minyan 8:00 am	21 Rabbi's Class 9:30-10:30 am 10:30-11:30 am	22	Minyan 8:00 am Beareavement 1:00 pm Sisterhood Paid-Up Luncheon 11:30 am	24 Services 7:30 pm	25 Services 9:00 am
21 Adar	22 Adar	23 Adar	24 Adar	25 Adar	26 Adar	27 Adar
26	Minyan 8:00 am	ROSH HODESH Rabbi's Class 9:30-10:30 am 10:30-11:30 am	29	30 Minyan 8:00 am Beareavement 1:00 pm	Services 7:30 pm	
28 Adar	29 Adar	1 Nisan	2 Nisan	3 Nisan	4 Nisan	

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