



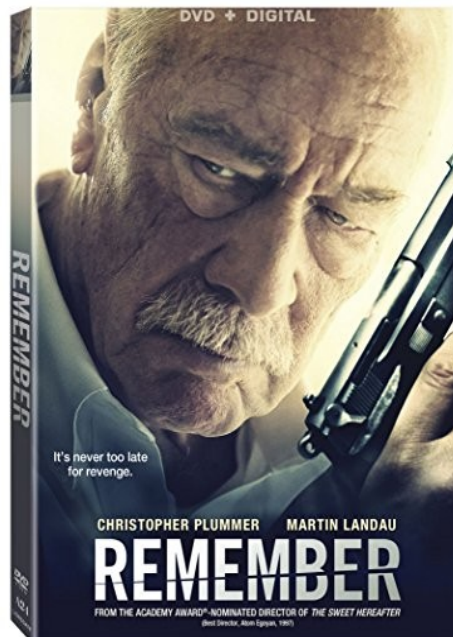
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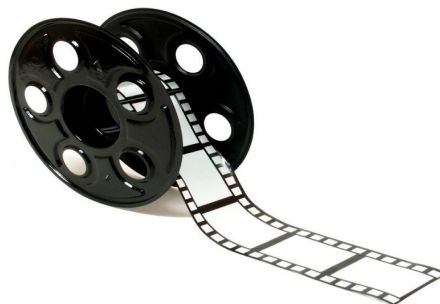
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SABBATH CANDLE LIGHTING

January

5	5:17
12	5:23
19	5:29
26	5:36



SAVE THE DATE
2018 JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL
JANUARY 27, JANUARY 28, JANUARY 29
AT 6:30 P.M.

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Number 29



From Our President 2017

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE;

A new year, finding time to do a mitzvah

When someone hears a Jewish person say, "It's a mitzvah", usually it means a charitable act performed by another person.

Doing a mitzvah is more than doing a good deed. Things like feeding the poor, acting kindly to a stranger, observing Sabbath and Holidays. In our Jewishness, there are many more significant ways of doing mitzvot than just suggesting how to be good. These 613 commandments come from Hashem, and we should not only observe them, but teach them to others.

I find myself doing at least one a day. When I am at the supermarket, and I see someone in a wheelchair, I always ask if they could use some help. You be surprised how they react to kindness. Just saying hello to a stranger, can change their bad day into a positive one.

When you see someone new come into Beth Emeth, and you greet them with warmth, your impact may change that person from someone who is uncomfortable into someone with a positive feeling. They will go home and want to return. Look around, we see it happening more often than I have seen in a long time.

I will conclude by saying to everyone who contributed to our Phoenix Children's Hospital donation of "furries", you have done one of the greatest mitzvahs. I am sure that each and every child who received a stuffed animal, will be forever grateful.

SHALOM, AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Marilyn Newberg

From the Desk of Rabbi Tracee Rosen

Max Gimpel's Vision and Ours

One day, Honi the Circle Drawer was walking along the road when he saw a certain man planting a carob tree. Honi said to him: How many year will it take this tree to bear fruit? The man said to him: It will not produce fruit until seventy years have passed. Honi said to him: Do you really expect to live 70 years to eat of the fruit? The man said to him: I found a world full of carob trees. Just as my ancestors planted for me, I too am planting for my descendants.

- *Babylonian Talmud Taanit 23a*

On a Friday night last month, a woman came to services. She related that she and her husband had just come to town, and just that day had signed papers to purchase a home in a nearby neighborhood. One of the first things she did after that is search online to find a synagogue. "I was hoping to find an egalitarian place," she told me. "I was just delighted when I found your website."

Just the presence of a synagogue in the Northwest Valley lets Jews know that we are welcome out here, there is a place for us, that Jews like us call this area home. That was not always the case. In the early 1970s, Jewish residents of Sun City began to connect and discuss the idea of creating a congregation. By 1975, a Conservative Jewish congregation was chartered, and began to grow, eventually resulting in Beth Emeth Congregation. By the early 1980s, land was acquired in the newly emerging Sun City West, and the members at that time took a risk that the growing Del Webb retirement communities would attract enough Jews to support a synagogue. Thanks to their vision and leadership, Beth Emeth Congregation of the Sun Cities built a permanent home that opened in 1988. Key to this entire effort was the skill of a "retired" architect and artist, and BEC member named Max Gimpel.

Max designed and oversaw the construction of our building, created the beautiful stained glass windows that decorate the major spaces and created all of the ritual artwork. He infused his love into every crevice and corner of the building, and created a sacred space not only for his own community, but for the Jews yet to come.

Thirty years later, we celebrate the construction of the building, as we celebrate Max's 100th birthday. Although he is living now with his children in Chicago, his smile and wit and kindnesses are still remembered fondly in this building, and we thank him for the legacy he has passed down to us, his spiritual descendants.

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Today, WE are the stewards of this building and this community. It is up to us to make sure that we leave a thriving congregation and well tended building to those of the next generation and the next. In the past 43 years we have experienced many wonderful memories as well as our share of challenges. Ultimately, the leaders and members of our community want us to succeed and survive, to carry our message to newcomers and old-timers alike: “We are your Jewish home in the Northwest Valley. Welcome home.”

Thank you to all our members and supporters for helping us to continue and strengthen this message. May you be blessed with a wonderful 2018.

Rabbi Tracee Rosen



QUOTES TO SHARE

New Year is the time when, all your hopes are new, so are your aspiration, new are your resolutions and new are your spirits... so here's wishing everyone a very promising, fulfilling and a very happy New Year.

New Year's the time when we look back on the past, learn from our mistakes, face our fears, and try to move on to happier times... so on this New Year, let us vow to leave the past behind and celebrate the future... Happy New Year 2018...

Please Join Beth Emeth Congregation for an Afternoon of Painting, Fun and a Glass of Wine or 2!

**Painting Event will take place on Sunday,
February 11th, 2018 from 2:00-4:00p.m.**

**At Beth Emeth Congregation
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All reservations must be in by February 1st, 2018

Seating is limited! Reserve your space today!



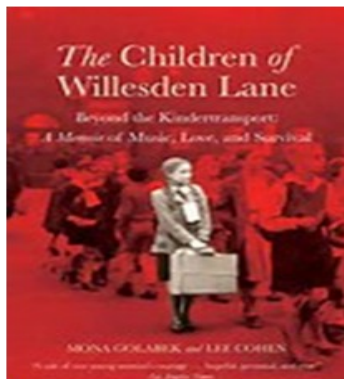
**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE COMMUNITY BOOK READ
on Sunday, March 4th at 2:00 p.m.**

**Beth Emeth Congregation
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RSVP 623-584-7210**

THE CHILDREN OF WILLESDEN LANE

By Mona Golabek and Lee Cohen

***"A beautiful book. An inspiring tribute to the power of a mother's love."* Meryl Streep**



ABOUT THE BOOK

The Children of Willesden Lane is a powerful memoir of music, hope and survival set in Europe during the holocaust. In the book, authors Mona Golabek and Lee Cohen tell the story of Lisa Jura, Golabek's mother. In 1938, 14-year-old Lisa was an amazing young musician who dreamed of becoming a concert pianist. When Hitler's army invaded the family's hometown of Vienna, Austria, Lisa's parents made the difficult decision to send her to London as part of the Kinder transport, a rescue mission that took nearly 10,000 Jewish children to safety in Britain. There, separated from her family, Lisa built a community with other refugees in a children's hostel on Willesden Lane and fought to realize her dreams against a backdrop of war, loss and despair. Her music became a lifeline—not only for herself, but also for those around her—and helped form a web of support and connection that enabled people of all ages to maintain hope, endure tragedy and rebuild their lives.

We would like to encourage everyone to read The Children of Willesden Lane and join facilitator, Ruth Rotkowitz, from Generations After, as she takes us on a slide show journey and discussion of the book. If you don't get a chance to read the book before, I know that you will want to read it after.

On April 4th, Mona Golabek, a Grammy-nominated musician, will be performing at the Scottsdale Center for Performing Arts. A concert pianist, Mona Gorelick combines music and talk-acting to re-tell her mother's story.

For more information, please go to scottsdalecenterforperformingarts.org



COME ON AND JOIN YOUR FRIENDS.
IT COULD BE YOUR LUCKY DAY ON

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26th, 2018

The Men's Club is now planning to host a Casino Bus Trip to a local Casino. Ladies are invited to join us for a fun afternoon. We are hoping to get lots of people. Please call your friends and neighbors to join us for a fun day.

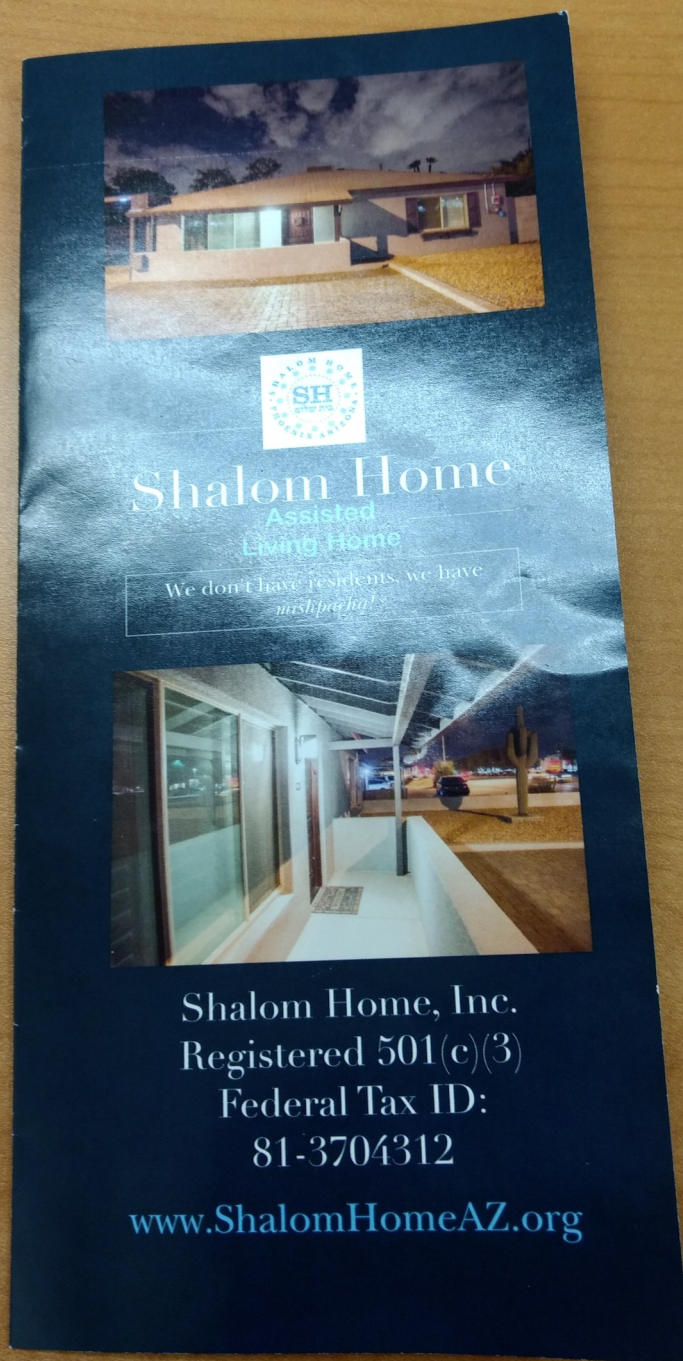
Please call Sandy at Beth Emeth Office if you are interested 623-584-7210. Further details coming.





WE HAVE A GOAL. OUR GOAL IS THE BETH EMETH PARKING LOT. WE NEED YOUR HELP.

We have a goal to resurface the parking lot. Maybe you are a long lost cousin to Mark Zuckerberg, or Jared Kushner, or know someone who can be a part of helping us reach that goal. Hanukah is coming, presents will be exchanged.....PUT US ON YOUR LIST. We don't need an I-phone, crystal glasses, or a new car. Just a nice clean parking lot will do. Solicitation letters are available to give or send to someone whom you think might help.....Marilyn Newberg



We are proud to announce the Shalom Home to serve the Jewish community as a Non-profit Assisted Living. Kosher certified. You can contact Shira Charyn at 480-236-8751 for more information.



MEN'S CLUB

Beth Emeth Men's Club is still in business and supporting our synagogue.

**Another Kosher Hot Dog Day as been set for
"SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018"**

11:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Our programs and fundraising events need your support, both physically and financially. If you are a present member, please send in your \$25.00 yearly Men's Club dues ASAP and please plan to help if needed.

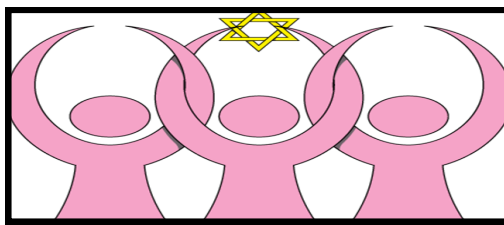
Application for Membership

New Congregation Member is a Free Men's Club member for one year

Name _____

Address _____

SISTERHOOD



SISTERHOOD CALENDAR 2018

Our Board Meetings will now be held on the first Thursday of the month at 11:30 A.M. NOTE THIS IS A NEW TIME

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 2017 is a member of Sisterhood until Dec. 2017.

Sisterhood Board Meetings are open to all.

Jan.1, 2018	Thursday	9:15 a.m.	Board Meeting
Jan.11	Thursday	11:30 a.m.	Luncheon/ Game Day (Cost \$10)
Feb. 8	Thursday	11:30 a.m.	Board Meeting
Feb. 8	Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Meeting "Stretch With Ketzy"
Mar. 8	Thursday	11:30 a.m.	Paid.-Up Membership Luncheon : Program "Theatre West"

All Welcome

Jan. 11, 2018 11:30 a.m.

*Luncheon & Game Day
\$10.00*



Feb. 8 2018 1:00 p.m.

Stretch with Ketzi



Mar. 8 2018 11:30 a.m.

Paid-up Membership Luncheon Program - "Theatre West"

May 10, 2018 1:00 PM

Ice Cream Social Program TBA

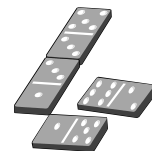
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Is Sponsoring a
LUNCHEON/ GAME DAY



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THURSDAY,
January 11, 2018
11:30 am



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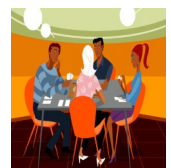
PAID RESERVATIONS ONLY

Deadline Jan. 5, 2018

Checks payable to *Beth Emeth Sisterhood*
Send to: Beth Emeth Sisterhood
13702 W. Meeker Blvd. Sun City West, AZ
ATTN: Game Day

**If paying for more than one, please list names on a
separate sheet.**

For info Call 623 584 - 7210



Birthdays & Anniversaries



JANUARY 2018

HAPPY BIRTHDAY January 2018

3	Audrey Albert
11	Sunnie Saperstein
13	Dr. Melvyn Friedman
15	Rita Volk
18	Jan Heidecker
22	Susan Weintraub

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY & MANY MORE BLESSINGS

10	Irwin & Alice Bernstein
25	Elliot & Brenda Kleinman

CC's Adult Care Two Inc. Rosie Colbert
CC's Adult Care Two Inc. Silvia Choy

**A million thanks for all that you do. Thank you
kindly for your donations and
support for Beth Emeth Congregation
and also toward the Parking Lot Fund.**

**Thank you all so much for the kind and generous Hanukkah gift. To all of our
members I wish you health and happiness for the New Year. Sandy Nonas**

Thank you Gloria & Cheryl for you kind and thought gifts.



Parking Lot Fund

**CC's Adult Care Two Inc, Rosie
Rhoda Lessner
Lorraine Silverman**

**Torah Honor
Harvey & Rita Zarensky**



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Sy & Sarah Klein
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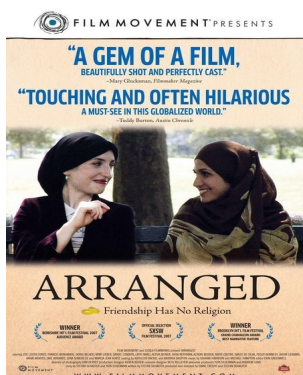
THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL WEST VALLEY JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL JANUARY 27th, 28th & 29th, 2018

The Thirteenth Annual West Valley Jewish Film Festival will be held on January 27th, 28th & 29th, 2018 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 \$27.00. The three films to be shown are "The Pickle Recipe", "Remember" and "Arranged". There will be moments of LAUGHTER, SURPRISE AND WARMTH. We hope that these films will bring you enjoyment.



This heartwarming comedy is about Joey a well known party emcee who is a single father heavily in debt. In dire need of money for his daughter's upcoming bat mitzvah, Joey turns to Uncle Morty. Morty agrees to loan the money on one condition. Joey steals his grandmother's closely guarded pickle recipe which she vows to take to her grave. This movie shows ethnic backgrounds don't matter. It is family recipes and food past down through generations that feed our souls and connect us to each other.

"Remember" a revenge thriller tells the story of Zev a 90 year old Holocaust survivor with dementia who sets out on a cross-continental road trip to find and bring justice to the Nazi SS guard who destroyed his family. He learns that immediately after the war the guard escaped Germany and has been living in the U.S. under an assumed identity. What follows is a story with surprising consequences.



"Arranged" is a story about two young women — Rochel an Orthodox Jew, and Nasira a devout Muslim — who meet and become friends as first-year teachers at a public school in Brooklyn. Over the course of the year they learn that they share much in common, not least of which is that they are both going through arranged marriages.

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 Thirteenth Annual West Valley Jewish Film Festival. Please consider becoming a DONOR...and thank you!

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER: \$500.00

Festival **EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS** will receive three 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 two 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.

DIRECTOR: \$300.00

Festival **DIRECTORS** will receive one set 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.

SCREENWRITER: \$100.00

Festival **SCREENWRITER** will receive two tickets to film or films of choice. Their names will be listed in the Festival Program.

ACTOR: \$50.00

Festival **ACTOR** will receive one ticket to film of choice. Their names will be listed under "Sponsor" in the Festival Program.

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____ **EXECUTIVE PRODUCER (\$500.00)**
____ **PRODUCER (\$400.00)**
____ **DIRECTOR (\$300.00)**
____ **SCREENWRITER (\$100.00)**
____ **ACTOR (\$50.00)**

In order to be acknowledged in the program, donations have to be received by January 10, 2018)

NAME_____

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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.

SAVE THE DATE

February 4, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Vino & Canvas Painting Party
Come to a fun afternoon at our painting party. All supplies
are included.

February 25, 2018 Purim Carnival - 2:00 p.m.

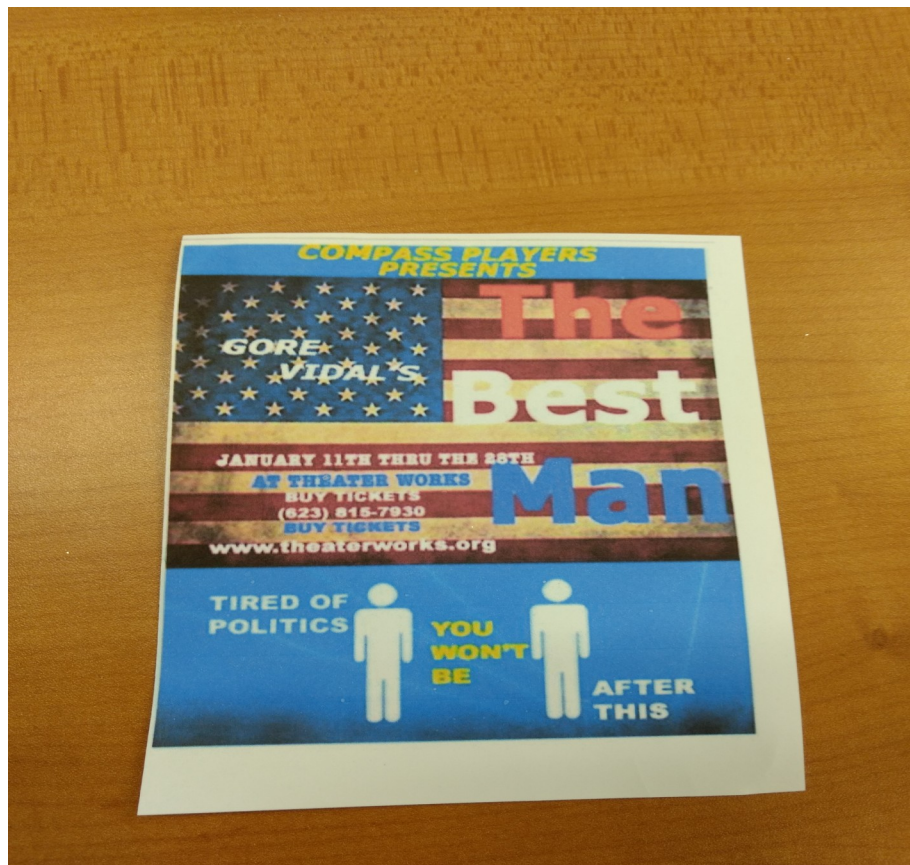
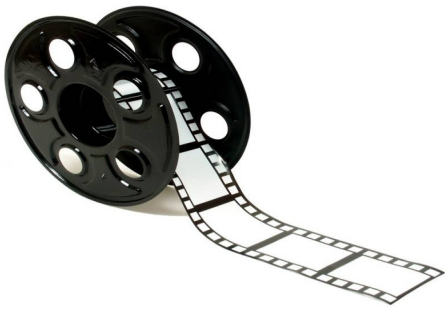
March 4, 2018 a 2:00 p.m. "The Children of Willesden Lane"
A beautiful book. Lisa Jura, a young Jewish girl living in Vi-
enna, dreamed that one day she would become a concert
pianist.

Beth Emeth Judaica Shop

Do you like to be the first? The Judaica Shop is looking for a volunteer or two to join our team. You will be the first to see our new merchandise. This is a wonderful opportunity to greet and meet new people as they come into Beth Emeth. If you have an interest in working with us please call Sandy in the office at 623 584-7210.

Barbara Newman

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR FILM FESTIVAL ON JANUARY, 27th, 28th & 29th . PLEASE COME AND VOLUNTEER TO HELP MAKE THIS A WONDERFUL SUCCESS. CALL IRENE LEHRER AT 623-505-3103.



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CALENDAR OF 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

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- **Minyan**
Mondays & Thursdays -
8:00 am

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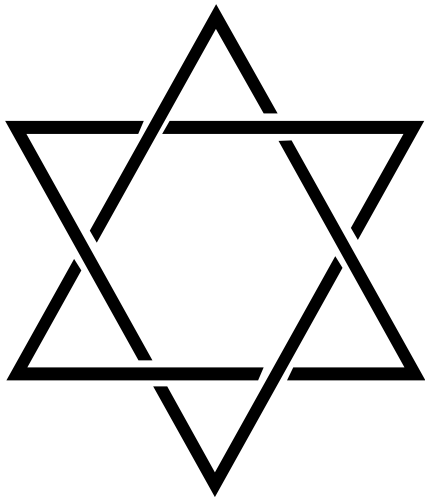
Jewish Family and Children's Service (JFCS)

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. 99th 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.



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January 2018
14 Tevet 5778 - 15 Shevat 5778

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Minyan 8:00 a.m. Office Closed 14 Tevet	2 15 Tevet	3 16 Tevet	4 Minyan 8:00 a.m. Rabbi Class 10:30 a.m. Celebration Max Gimpel 100th 2:00 p.m. 17 Tevet	5 Services 6:30 p.m. Executive Bd. Mtg. 11:30 a.m. 18 Tevet	6 Services 9:00 a.m. 19 Tevet
7 20 Tevet	8 Minyan 8:00 a.m. Hadassah 10:00 a.m. 21 Tevet	9 22 Tevet	10 23 Tevet	11 Minyan 8:00 a.m. Sisterhood Bd. Mtg. 9:00 a.m. Sisterhood Game Day 11:30 a.m. 24 Tevet	12 Services 6:30 p.m. 25 Tevet	13 Services 9:00 a.m. 26 Tevet
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