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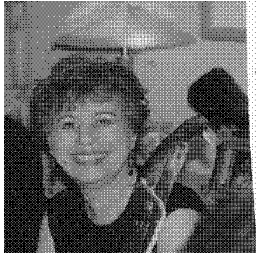
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## SABBATH CANDLE LIGHTING

### MAY

3	6:55
10	7:00
17	7:05
24	7:10
31	7:14

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## **BE A PART OF OUR JEWISH FAMILY**

*We are your destination for all things Jewish*

In April, the following members joined our family: Dov & Suzan Giloni, Iris Johnson, Ramona Luckman, Joanie Jacobs, Bobbie Troy and Shelly Moschel. Please reach out to them with a big Beth Emeth Welcome.

Three cheers for the most beautiful Passover Seder EVER! Filling up the room with 90 guests, including 24 non-members, was perhaps another sign that Beth Emeth is on its way to the top.

As I walked around the room, I saw smiling faces and a lot of enthusiasm. As we proceeded with our Seder, it was time for the four questions. Lauren (Mark and Maddie's granddaughter), Tali, (Rabbi Tracee and Keren's daughter) and Ryan (Sid and Wendy's granddaughter) read the 4 questions to the assembly. It was wonderful to see the two younger children race around the building, trying to find the Afakoman....success!!!

Dinner was exceedingly delicious from start till the last bit of dessert, including the crumbs of the mandlebreit. All our guests took part in a terrific rendition of Had Gadya!, led by our Rabbi. I will always remember the dog (bow-wow), the cat (meow), the water (splish-splash) and all the other characters of the song.

Thank you all for attending. I hope to see you all next year.

Shalom  
Marilyn



***FROM THE DESK OF RABBI TRACEE ROSEN***

## **New Summer Study Series**

Shalom friends,

I hope you enjoyed a wonderful Pesach. We sure did. At this time of the year, most synagogues are busy planning for the coming programming year, and winding down activities before summer. While we certainly miss the extra energy that our partial year residents bring to our shul family while they are here in the cooler months, we still have many, many folks who are year-round residents, and I thought it would be nice to offer a new opportunity for our community of learners. So this year, we will be adding a summer study series during May-June and again in August-September before our regular programming year kicks off after Sukkot.

The class will take selected Torah stories and proceed verse by verse to closely read the text, and then analyze difficulties by reading (in English translation) the comments of the famous medieval commentators: Rashi, Ramban, Ibn Ezra, and others. One story may take many weeks to unpack. Our first story will deal with the binding of Isaac. We began this text in a class I taught in January, and it was an overwhelming success.

I hope you will make time in your busy schedule to join us for some relaxed summertime learning.

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Tracee Rosen



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New Beth Emeth Member Havurah Groups will be Forming. Chavurot are small groups of Congregation members which usually meet once a month in each others homes. Members decide when to meet and select where events take place. The group runs itself and each group usually chooses a coordinator. Everyone takes turns planning events. Groups are usually 8-12 people depending on size of home.

If you are interested, please fill out application and we will start putting groups together. One application per household.

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**Name #2** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email #2** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

### **INTERESTS**

**Social** \_\_\_\_\_

**Museums** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dining Out** \_\_\_\_\_

**Holiday** \_\_\_\_\_

**Theater** \_\_\_\_\_

**Movies** \_\_\_\_\_

**Concerts** \_\_\_\_\_

**Shabbat Dinners** \_\_\_\_\_

**Pot Lucks** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Ideas** \_\_\_\_\_



# **“BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE”**

**May their names be remembered  
From generation to generation**

Dear Fellow Congregants,

During the High Holidays, we publish the “Book of Remembrance”. This book commemorates the lives of those that we have loved and who have passed on. There will be a special page dedicated to the Six Million Jews who perished in the Holocaust as well as recent victims of terrorism. In addition to honoring our loved ones, the “Book of Remembrance” is also a fund raiser for our Congregation. .

You must list the names as you want them to appear in the Book of Remembrance. **Do not use the term REPEAT**  
Please bring or mail this completed form with your check to the Beth Emeth office by July 15th, 2019.

Thank you for your continuing support

*Rhoda Lesser*

Chairperson 623-444-6621

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**Special Page—6 Million Jews & Victims of Terrorism      \$ 18.00**

**Grand Total    \$\_\_\_\_\_**

**New List**

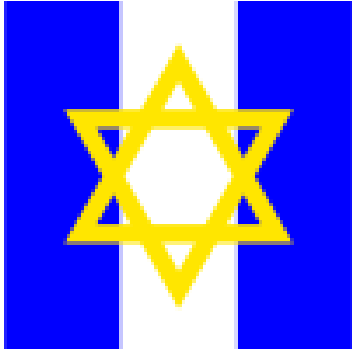
**My (Our Name) \_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone number \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date\_\_\_\_\_**

**Check enclosed, payable to Beth Emeth Congregation**





# ***BE A PART OF OUR JEWISH FAMILY***

***We are your destination for all  
things Jewish***

Dear Members,

I am both excited and honored to serve as President of Beth Emeth Congregation.

If you haven't been here in a while, we have really grown. Musical Shabbats every month, homemade dinners, Broadway Musical Revues, interesting and educational classes, rummage sales, hamantaschen baskets, Passover Seders, our infamous Jewish Film Festival and the list goes on and on.

I know that as we move into the Jewish year of 5780, we will see new vitality, warmth, wisdom and milestones at Beth Emeth Congregation. We will have new challenges as we grow, and as the Jewish community of the West Valley grows, we will be accompanied by the dedicated leadership of our spiritual leader and teacher, Rabbi Tracee Rosen, and an improved facility (new parking lot) to accommodate our ever expanding needs.

In addition to telling you about what is going on here, I would like you to invite friends or family members to join our congregation. Dues for 2020 will be \$600 for a single membership and \$1200 for a family. As an introductory special, we are offering membership from April 2019 through December 2020, including High Holiday tickets for both 2019 and 2020. Single Membership is \$450 and Family membership is \$900. This offer expires June 30th 2019.

To thank you for referring a member, we are offering a \$25.00 dues reduction towards your 2020 dues. This program is a win-win situation for both the Shul and our members.

I thank you for your support and look forward to our continuing success.

Shalom

Marilyn Newberg  
President





# BIRTHDAYS

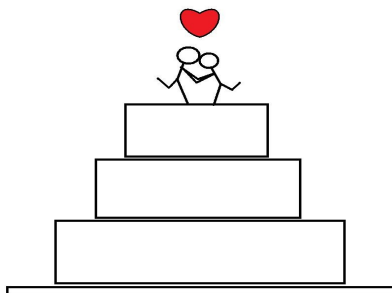
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1 Helene Schreiber  
7 Irma Epstein  
8 Sandra Goldman  
10 Keren Goldberg  
15 Mark Friedman  
16 Charlotte Rubinoff

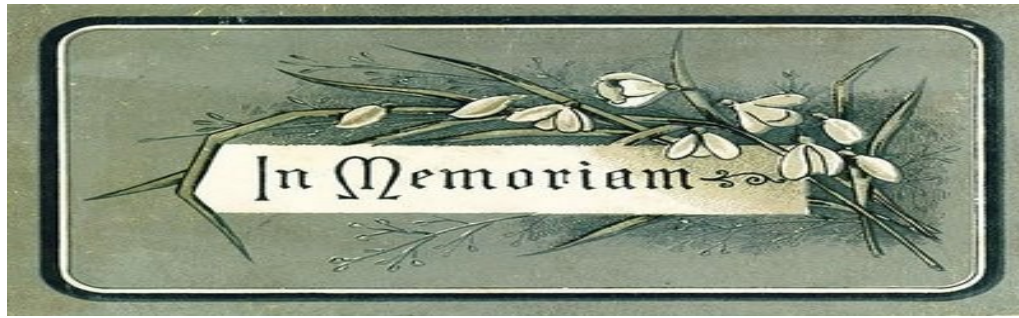
16 Joanie Jacobs  
24 Leah Tarnor  
25 Shoshana Perlmutter  
28 Marion Kushar  
28 Donald Schlossberg

# ANNIVERSARY

24 Michael and Carol Madvig  
26 Rabbi Tracee and Keren







**The following Yahzeits will be observed during May**  
**Kaddish may be said on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings.**  
**El Malei Rachamim, the memorial prayer, may be said on the Monday or Thursday**  
**preceding the Yahzeit at 8:00 a.m. Minyan.**

MAY	NISSAN/IYAR	Deceased	Relationship	Observant
1	26	Dorothy Miller	Mother	Iris Silverman
2	27	Sol Greenberg	Father	Geri Cooper
6	Iyar 1	Victor Ezraty	Father	Jack Ezraty
7	2	Esther Harris	Mother	Sue Goldberg
7	2	Max Klein	Father	Sy Klein
9	4	Jules Baer	Father	Alice Bernstein
9	4	William Besselman	Father	Irene Lehrer
10	5	Lorraine Weyl	Sister	Bob Newberg
11	6	Lily Goldberg	Grandmother	Keren Goldberg
11	6	Harold Rose	Father	Carol Madvig
12	7	Marvin Geller	Husband	Sue Geller
12	7	Arnold Rosen	Father	Elinor Goldstein
12	7	Arnold Rosen	Father	Tracee Rosen
12	7	Abraham Schwartz	Father	Efrem Schwartz
13	8	Norma Rosen	Wife	Bernard Rosen
14	9	Meyer Libman	Grandfather	Marilyn Newberg
14	9	Meyer Libman	Grandfather	Rhoda Lessner
14	9	Mary Scher	Mother	Ann Goldfarb
14	9	Ruth Tarnor	Mother	Charles Tarnor
16	11	Arthur Dorf	Father	Sherry Lazar
16	11	Louis Magedman	Father	Nelson Magedman
16	11	Abe Schlossberg	Father	Donald Schlossberg
18	13	Ethel Adele Dorman	Mother	Paula Forster
18	13	Asna Rifka	Grandmother	Sheldon Koven
19	14	Melvin Yampolsky	Brother	Marion Wolf
21	16	Gertrude Besselman	Mother	Irene Lehrer
21	16	Nathan Engel	Father	Sid Engel
22	17	Kay Feldman	Sister	A. David Silverman
27	22	Mildred Becker	Mother	Arnold Becker
28	23	Libby Pinkes	Sister	A. David Silverman
29	24	Diana Meyer	Mother	Linda Ziegler

# **SPECIAL DOUBLE PROGRAM, FRIDAY NIGHT, MAY 10 SHABBAT DINNER AT THE SHUL**



Join our community for a casual dinner at the shul on Friday night, May 10th at 5:00 pm, right before the start of our new bi-monthly Musical Friday Night service. We'll enjoy a homemade dinner prepared and served by volunteers, with a nominal cost of \$12.00 per BEC member, and \$15.00 for non-members. **PAID RESERVATIONS A MUST BY May 6th.** We will then assemble in the sanctuary for a joyous musical service, and enjoy a dessert Oneg after services.

## **Musical Shabbat Service**

Please make plans to join us for our bi-monthly special Musical Friday Night service on May 10th at 6:30 pm. These services are designed to attract people of diverse backgrounds to experience a joyful service with special music and melodies old & new. Our guest cantorial soloist for the evening is the marvelous Susan Colin.

**Here are just a few comments about Susan Colin:**

**"Susan sings with a clarity that is breathtaking and rare."**

**"The voice of an angel"**

**"Sings from the heart"**

**"Amazing recordings"**

**"I've never seen a cantor or soloist connect with an audience the way Susan did."**

Susan is a cantorial soloist with a diverse background in pop, choral, classical, and jazz music. She has written and recorded jingles, rock operas, original customized children's songs, and brings her professional approach to Jewish and inspirational music that appeals to people of all faiths and backgrounds.

Susan is also the owner of OySongs.com, the premier website for contemporary Jewish recorded and sheet music.





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# **WEST VALLEY HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE**

## **A TIME TO REMEMBER AND A TIME TO HONOR**

**LET US PLEDGE TO FIGHT PREJUDICE AND INJUSTICE  
AND STAND UNITED TO PROCLAIM**

**THE HOLOCAUST WAS NOT AN ACCIDENT IN HISTORY. IT HAPPENED BE-  
CAUSE INDIVIDUALS SO CONSUMED WITH HATRED DEVISED A HEINOUS  
PLAN TO PERSECUTE AND MURDER THE JEWISH PEOPLE. THERE WAS NO  
POLITICAL OR ECONOMIC JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS DEPRAVED CRIME  
AGAINST HUMANITY.**

## **"NEVER AGAIN"**

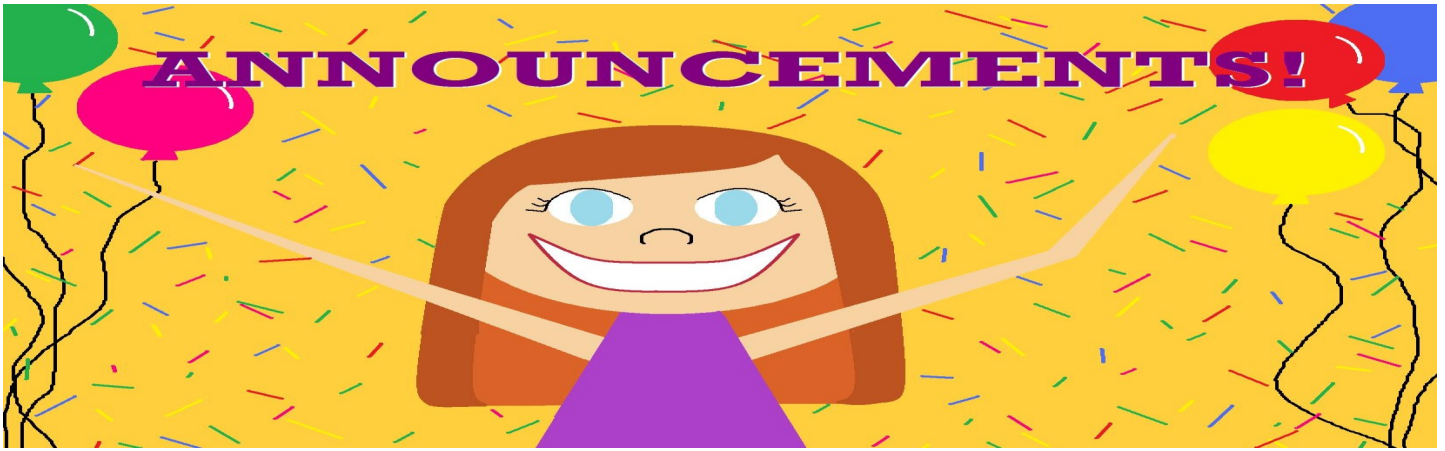
Please join Temple Beth Shalom, Beth Emeth Congregation, and  
the Jewish community of the West Valley in commemoration of  
Yom Ha-Shoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day

**Sunday, May 5, 2019 - 30 Nisan 5779 3:00 pm**

After the inter-faith commemoration ceremony and light re-  
freshments, *The Honorable Wendy S. Morton, Commissioner,*  
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**We are pleased to welcome the following new members**

***Dov and Suzan Giloni, Iris Johnson, Ramona Luckman  
Joanie Jacobs, Bobbie Troy, Shelly Moschel***

*We would love to invite everyone to celebrate the  
Bat Mitzvah of our member, Shelly Bailey,  
Saturday, May 18, 2019 At 9 a.m.  
Kiddush following services  
sponsored by Clay and Shelly Bailey*

### Poway 2019

Once again, hatred and terror rear their ugly heads and turn them toward the Jewish people. I found out about the shooting at the Chabad of Poway when my friend, Azra Hussein, head of the Islamic Speakers Bureau of Arizona texted on Saturday afternoon: "Yet another attack on innocent Jewish families in their place of sanctuary. My heart is with all of your community." In the aftermath of the murders in the mosques of Christchurch, New Zealand, and the bombings of churches in Sri Lanka, and of course the deaths last fall at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, we realize that all faith traditions are vulnerable to the unjustified and irrational hatred that is perpetrated by extremists who do.

We extend our hearts and our condolences to the entire Jewish community of Poway, and especially to our neighbor, Rabbi Shelly Moss, who lived in that community for 30 years, and has known Rabbi Goldstein since he arrived in Poway, and who returned there in solidarity for the community's Yom Hashoah observance this week.

We offer our prayer for all of the Jewish people: *Adonai oz l'amo yeeteyn, Adonai y'varech et amo vashalom*. May God grant strength to our people, and bless us all with peace.

**Amen.**



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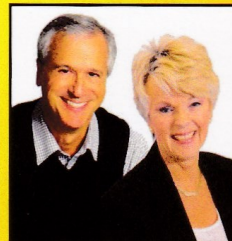
(Exceptions do happen, so please  
check)

- **Executive & Board Meeting**  
3rd Friday of each month -  
10:30 a.m.
- **Minyan**  
Mondays & Thursdays - 8:00 a.m.
- **Friday Evening Services -**  
6:30 p.m.
- **Saturday Morning Services**  
9:00 a.m.

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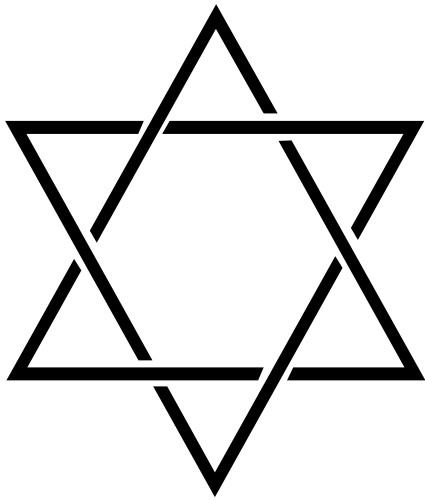
Ellie Schwartzberg of Jewish Family and Children's Service (JFCS) offers individual counseling, referral to appropriate resources and advocacy to Jewish people living in the Sun Cities and surrounding communities.

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, caregiving 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.

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**Dates:** Thursdays weekly from May 9 through June 20 (7 sessions), August 8 - September 19 (7 sessions) 9:15 - 10:15 am, right after minyan.

**Cost:** Free for Beth Emeth members. \$10 per session donation requested for non-members, but no one will be turned away.

**Book:** The text we will use is *The Commentators' Bible* by Michael Carasik, Genesis volume. It is strongly suggested to purchase the text, as it is a large format, and difficult to reproduce the pages legibly. It is available for sale on Amazon or through the University of Nebraska Press websites. Also the Shul can get the book for you for \$54.00. If you are unable to purchase it, you will be able to share with another class member.

Please join us for minyan at 8:00 am, followed by class, for a great start to your day!

Please RSVP to Cheryl in the office 623-584-7210 if you are planning to attend, so we know how many people to plan for.



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# MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 26 Nissan	2 27 Nissan Minyan 8 am Summer Study Series 9:15 Bereavement Group 1:00	3 28 Nissan Service 6:30	4 29 Nissan Services 9 am
5 30 Nissan  Yom Ha-shoah At Beth Sha-lom 	6 1 Iyar	7 2 Iyar	8 3 Iyar	9 4 Iyar Minyan 8 am Summer Study Series 9:15 Bereavement Group 1:00	10 5 Iyar <b>Musical Shabbat Dinner 5:00</b> Service 6:30	11 6 Iyar Services 9 am
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<b>SAVE THESE DATES:</b>	June 8th-10th SHAVUOT 	June 14th CHOIR SHABBAT 	June 16th FATHER'S DAY 			

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## **CHOIR NEWS**

Please join us for our Choir Shabbat  
On Friday, June 14th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

A big **thank you** to all our choir members;  
Sid Engel, Wendy Engel, Rosemary Abrami  
Natalie Morrison, Ann Goldfarb, Sarah Klein,  
Norma Weintraub, Morrie Hesch and  
Sharon Rothzeid

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