



Beth Emeth Observer

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

Have fun in the sun!



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SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING			
	June		July
	02	7:15	07 7:23
	09	7:19	14 7:21
	16	7:21	21 7:17
	23	7:23	28 7:13
	30	7:24	

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FROM THE DESK OF TOM BEHRENDT, PRESIDENT



I am very sorry to say that Rabbi Bahir has decided that he will not accept the position as our next Rabbi.

We currently have 2 more candidates that we are interviewing and hope to bring in for an interview. We also got approval from the Rabbinical Assembly to help in a search for a Rabbi. That process is very detailed and is being submitted to them.

Our thanks to Rabbi Tracee Rosen for leading Shavuot Services .

I wish you all a wonderful Summer, stay cool and well . Please G-d , we will have a Rabbi when you come back .



"I downloaded them from a cloud."



From the Editor's Desk



June is the sixth month on the secular calendar and was named for the Roman Goddess Juno, patroness of marriage and the well-being of women. The name was also from the Latin word juvenis, "young people." And July was named to honor Roman dictator Julius Caesar who, in 46 B.C. made one of the greatest contributions to history: With the help of Sosigenes, he developed the Julian calendar, the precursor to the Gregorian calendar that we use today.

There are no Jewish holidays in June (other than Rosh Chodesh, which we observe every month), but the sixth of July marks the observance of Tzom Tammuz, the Fast of Tammuz, which falls on the seventeenth of that month on the Jewish calendar. Tradition ascribes several catastrophes to that day, most notably the breaching of the walls of the temple by the Romans (A.D. 70) and the incident of the golden calf at Sinai. Later in July we observe Tisha B'Av, when we begin our fast on Wednesday evening, and when the Book of Lamentations is read. The period between Tzom Tammuz and Tisha B'Av is referred to as The Three Weeks, with Tisha B'Av designated as a day of mourning because of the catastrophes which occurred on that date.

There's something else on my mind aside from religious holidays...

I've also been thinking about our synagogue and how it has managed to survive. The answer is a simple one: VOLUNTEERS.

I have also thought about two simple words which probably express the feelings of many of us but are not spoken often enough: "THANK YOU!"

Words of thanks, for the individuals whose dedication to Beth Emeth include leading religious services on Sabbath, weekday minyans and during observances of Holy Days, are seldom expressed. Our members take for granted the hours of preparation and preplanning which go into providing a meaningful religious experience for each of us.

Let us not forget our president and Board of Directors who dedicate hours of their time and effort to what may seem the simple task of maintaining our synagogue. I'm thinking not only about religious services, but also the business of maintaining the building and grounds. **IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE!**

Bear in mind the costs of water, electricity, cleaning, plumbing, landscaping, parking lot maintenance, maintaining the office, air conditioning and the kitchen equipment. I'm sure there is plenty I haven't thought about. All these expenses must be met, along with the salaries of office staff and clergy.

The weekly Shabbat Kiddush requires the dedication of personnel who care enough to create menus, spend hours in the kitchen, prepare and serve to everyone who attends services, then take the additional time to restore our social hall to its previous condition so it can be utilized by others.

Finally, please remember the people who go "above and beyond" the call of duty to present programs for our congregation and the community at large. We owe all of them a huge THANK YOU!

Yes, it was intentional that I did not name names. They remain anonymous because there are too many to thank by name without forgetting someone. TO EVERYONE WHO VOLUNTEERS—THANK YOU!!

***Sisterhood Afternoon Tea
May 7th, 2023
A Delightful Afternoon***



***A Big thank you to Dr Stacey McEnnan,
our guest speaker !***

Stacey spoke of the history of tea, explained the difference between afternoon tea and high tea, and compiled the program menu and the literary references. Thank you, Stacey for all your work to make the tea delightful!





Rita Beth Wachs	06/04/2023
Bernard Rosen	06/06/2023
Rhoda Lessner	06/20/2023
Natalie Morrison	06/24/2023
Rosemary Abrami	06/26/2023
Rosie Colbert	06/27/2023
Maxine Popolow	06/27/2023
Jordan Colbert	06/30/2023
Elinor Goldstein	07/02/2023
Alice Bernstein	07/03/2023
Gyorgyi Rosenthal	07/04/2023
Joseph Sontag	07/06/2023
Dr Mindy Beth Lipson	07/08/2023
Alice Mason	07/08/2023
Elaine Glaser/Schwartz	07/09/2023
Sherry Lazar	07/12/2023
Jamie Rothschild	07/19/2023
Jim Frank	07/22/2023
Iris Silverman	07/27/2023



Andrew & Jan Heidecker	06/14/2023
Stephen & Rachelle Lederman	06/17/2023
Leah & Charlie Tarnor	07/04/2023
Bradley & Sherry Davidson	07/29/2023

Our sincere thanks for the following donations

<u>Yahrzeit Fund</u>	<u>Yahrzeit Fund</u>	<u>General donations</u>
In memory of Louis Magedman <i>Kat Magedman</i>	In memory of March Lowenthal <i>Joy Epstein</i>	<i>Sylvia Choy</i> <i>Marisela Erichsen</i>
In memory of Norma Rosen <i>Dr Bernard Rosen</i>	In memory of Frances Rothzeit <i>Saul Rothzeit</i>	<i>Tom Behrendt</i> <i>Diane Freilich/Melvyn Friedman</i>
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In memory of Lette Boschan <i>Gail Punyon-Kuhns</i>	In memory of Stephen Franek <i>Susan Hersch</i>	<i>Ketzi and Jim Toney</i> <i>Natalie Morrison</i>
In memory of Muriel Rosenberg <i>Rita Wachs</i>		<u>Kiddush Fund</u> Anonymous <i>Support for Ice Cream Social / Kiddushes</i>



In Loving Memory

The following Yahrzeits will be observed during Sivan - Av 5783

Kaddish may be said on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings.

El Malei Rachamim, the memorial prayer, may be said on the Thursday preceding the Yahrzeit at 9:00 a.m. Minyan.

<u>Date Observed</u>	<u>Deceased</u>	<u>Observant</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
6/1/2023	Sivan 12 Lessner Lillie	Rhoda Lessner	Mother in Law
6/6/2023	Sivan 17 Bernerd Lowenthal	Joy & Peter Epstein	Brother
6/7/2023	Sivan 18 Stephen Franek	Susan Hersch	Father
6/9/2023	Sivan 20 Phillip Dorman	Paula Forster	Father
6/10/2023	Sivan 21 Julia Sontag	Joseph Sontag	Mother
6/11/2023	Sivan 22 Bart J. Gordon	Iris Silverman	Nephew
6/11/2023	Sivan 22 Bessie Lazar	Max Lazar	Mother
6/11/2023	Sivan 22 Max Rothenberg	Owen Segall	Uncle
6/15/2023	Sivan 26 Seymour Hesch	Morrie Hesch	Brother
6/16/2023	Sivan 27 Norman Freilich	Diane Freilich	Father
6/17/2023	Sivan 28 Nancy Marcus	Phyllis Marcus	Mother in law
6/18/2023	Sivan 29 Abe Epstein	Gail Punyon-Kuhns	Grandfather

Date Observed		<u>Deceased</u>	<u>Observant</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
6/21/2023	Tammuz 2	Sean Goldmark	Gail Punyon-Kuhns	Nephew
6/22/2023	Tammuz 3	Harry Lazar	Max Lazar	Father
6/22/2023	Tammuz 3	Elsa Paul	Ronald Paul	Mother
6/24/2023	Tammuz 5	Ethel Zimmerman	Arnold Becker	Mother in law
6/26/2023	Tammuz 7	George Tarasuk	Diane Freilich	Friend
6/30/2023	Tammuz 11	Marion Lederman	Stephen Lederman	Mother
7/5/2023	Tammuz 16	Ben Lowenthal	Joy Epstein	Father
7/7/2023	Tammuz 18	Harold Lessner	Rhoda Lessner	Husband
7/8/2023	Tammuz 19	Irving Scher	Ann Goldfarb/Clapp	Father
7/9/2023	Tammuz 20	Ben-Yosef Israel	Shoshana Perlmutter	Father
7/9/2023	Tammuz 20	Anna Leibovitz	Herb Leibovitz	Mother
7/11/2023	Tammuz 22	Molly D. Merchant	Beverly Merchant	Mother-in-law
7/16/2023	Tammuz 27	Louis Rothenberg	Owen Segall	Uncle
7/22/2023	Av 4	Murray Bernstein	Alice Bernstein	Father-in-law
7/22/2023	Av 4	Eli Witt	Natalie Morrison	Father
7/23/2023	Av 5	Hanna Behrendt	Tom Behrendt	Mother
7/23/2023	Av 5	Linda Goldmark	Gail Punyon-Kuhns	Sister
7/23/2023	Av 5	William Rosen	Alice Mason	Father
7/23/2023	Av 5	Morris Silverman	Iris Silverman	Father
7/24/2023	Av 6	Jacob Goldberg	Cecelia Weissbuch	Father
7/25/2023	Av 7	Simon Newman	Harry Newman	Father
7/26/2023	Av 8	Ida Lee	Joanie Jacobs	Mother
7/27/2023	Av 9	Gus Forster	Paula Forster	Father in law
7/27/2023	Av 9	David Herbner	Francine Campbell	Son
7/27/2023	Av 9	Isser Koven	Sheldon Koven	Grandfather
7/27/2023	Av 9	David Perlmutter	Myron Perlmutter	Father
7/29/2023	Av 11	Nettie Freilich	Diane Freilich	Mother
7/29/2023	Av 11	Philip Rothfeld	Joan Rothfeld	Father
7/30/2023	Av 12	Bertha Rothschild	Jamie Rothschild	Grandma

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A Big Thank You to everyone who has donated to the Food Bank!



We are helping people who are having difficulties feeding their families during this time of high inflation. We continue to support St. Mary's Food Bank and are very grateful to all who donate. Please remember to keep filling the bin in the lobby.



Kiddush Fund

What a great way to build that feeling of community for all of us. Whether you want to sponsor a full kiddush, or just contribute to the Kiddush Fund, together we can create a loving and supportive community. It is an easy way to honor someone's birthday, anniversary, or special family event. It is time to celebrate some of the goodness in the world that is right here before us.

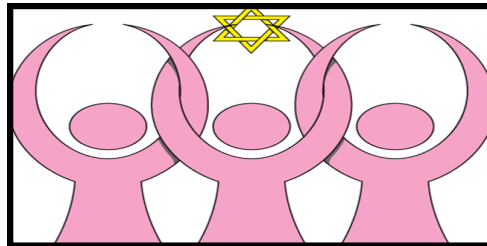


CALLING ALL MEN

Our next Board meeting will be at the shul at a date and time to be announced. We will further seek to fill positions and identify upcoming events. Looking forward to seeing you there and working with you.

The office of Men's Club president is currently vacant. Please let Tom know if you are interested.

SISTERHOOD



Come join in the fun!!!

Looking for interested women to serve on the Sisterhood board, come join us to plan fun events and support our synagogue...if interested call Ketzi 425-890-6792. Thanks.





June 2023

Sivan - Tammuz 5783

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 12 Sivan	2 Light 7:15 13 Sivan	3 14 Sivan
4 15 Sivan	5 16 Sivan	6 17 Sivan	7 18 Sivan	8 19 Sivan	9 Light 7:19 20 Sivan	10 21 Sivan
11 22 Sivan	12 23 Sivan	13 24 Sivan	14 Flag Day 25 Sivan	15 26 Sivan	16 Light 7:21 27 Sivan	17 28 Sivan
18 Father's Day 29 Sivan	19 Rosh Chodesh 30 Sivan	20 Rosh Chodesh 1 Tammuz	21 First Day of Summer 2 Tammuz Observer Deadline	22 3 Tammuz	23 Light 7:23 4 Tammuz	24 5 Tammuz
25 6 Tammuz	26 7 Tammuz	27 8 Tammuz	28 9 Tammuz	29 10 Tammuz	30 Light 7:24 11 Tammuz	



July 2023

Tammuz - Av 5783

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 12 Tammuz
2 13 Tammuz	3 14 Tammuz	4 Independence Day 15 Tammuz	5 16 Tammuz	6 Tzom Tammuz 17 Tammuz	7 Light 7:23 18 Tammuz	8 19 Tammuz
9 20 Tammuz	10 21 Tammuz	11 22 Tammuz	12 23 Tammuz	13 24 Tammuz	14 Light 7:21 25 Tammuz	15 26 Tammuz
16 27 Tammuz	17 28 Tammuz	18 29 Tammuz	19 Observer Dead- line 1 Av	20 2 Av	21 Light 7:17 3 Av	22 4 Av
23 5 Av	24 6 Av	25 7 Av	26 Erev Tisha B'Av 8 Av	27 Tisha B'Av 9 Av	28 Light 7:13 10 Av	29 11 Av
30 12 Av	31 13 Av					

Our logo is a Shield of David made up of a calligraphic interpretation of the Hebrew initials of the Congregation, BETH EMETH, which means House of Truth.



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Marilyn Newberg	1st Vice President
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Natalie Morrison	3rd Vice President
Jordan Colbert	4th Vice President
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Susan Hersch	Recording Secretary

Thank You 

To all those dedicated and loving people who stepped up and committed their time to be board members, directors, and club presidents. You are so appreciated!

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Arnold Becker
Arthur Bennett
Rhoda Lessner
Leah Tarnor
Esther Toney

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President

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PICK UP A GIFT AT THE JUDAICA SHOP



Do you have a tzedakah box? Get one at the Judaica shop, fill it up and donate your savings to the Synagogue as a gesture of kindness and faith.

Big Sale!!
Yahrzeit Candles!!
\$1.00 for one
\$5.00 for six



Also Shabbat Candles on sale - Box of 72 for \$8.00

We also now have several fine art pieces for sale.

Stop in anytime Monday - Friday 9am to 12pm
(Payment accepted by check or cash or credit card)