I have been offering the “Mishabeirach,” the “Prayer of Healing” for my granddaughter, Irit Zimrah bat Rivkah for the past five days, as I write this message. Emme Layla Paseornek was born on December 21, 2012, Tevet 8, 5773 and is the youngest of my three grandchildren. Emme has a wonderful personality. She is always smiling, very affectionate, loves to hug and kiss, and loves receiving the same. When she stopped crawling, she by-passed walking, and immediately started to run. She is beautiful, intelligent, inquisitive, musical, and reads above her level. And so when she became ill with extreme abdominal pain and throwing up frequently, the doctors had her sent to Children’s Hospital for a sonogram and a multitude of tests. Once again, as I write these words, I am still not sure what the results will be, however, in the last 2 days, Emme appears to have returned to her happy disposition. Obviously we will all continue to pray for her complete recovery.

As I consider writing my 30th Rosh Hashanah message for our synagogue bulletin today, I share this experience of praying for my granddaughter with you because I sometimes think that many of us have become very lapse in our concern for the power of prayer. The New Year 5776 is about to begin. These are very powerful words, and yet I suspect that for many of us the reality that another year is about to arrive doesn’t have a great impact on our lives. We will do what we always do. Many of us will come to Shul, and even though in our synagogue we observe two days of the holiday, the overwhelming majority has already decided that one day is sufficient. Some of us will purchase new clothes for the holiday. A number of us might visit the cemetery and participate in the cemetery service we have each year before Rosh Hashanah, although I have noticed the number of attendees diminishes every year. Some will send Rosh Hashanah cards and greetings. A variety of people will plan a holiday dinner with family and friends. Some will go out of town for the holiday to be with family there. But whatever we decide to do or not do, I truly wonder how many of us will actually pray and how many of us ever think about praying.

According to many surveys and polls that have been taken recently, fewer and fewer people find the need to pray a significant part of their lives. Frankly, I don’t have to look at polls, I just have to glance at empty chairs in the sanctuary. And I know that some will argue that one doesn’t have to come to synagogue to pray because God can be found anywhere. The vast number of those who use this excuse, rarely, if ever pray in that undesignated area, unless dire circumstances impose the need to pray for that one incident or emergency. In fact, according to the Torah, God Himself told us, “Build Me a Sanctuary that I may dwell among you!” God knows that His people require a community place of worship to find Him and that it is not the nature of humanity to innately establish a relationship with God wherever we may be. That rarely, if ever, happens.

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So the next two questions which we ought to deal with as the year 5776 arrives is “why should I pray?” and “how should I pray?” The answers to those two questions could be a year course, but actually the answer is very simple, and doesn’t take the wisdom of an Einstein to come up with a solution. Although, Albert Einstein who was considered more of a man of science than of religion did find a purpose for religion when he said that its purpose was “to make clear fundamental ends and valuations, and to set them fast in the emotional life of the individual.” The reason we should pray, according to Rabbi Leo Baeck is to “be alone with God.” Michael Joseph Berdichevsky, a Hebrew author from Poland wrote, “All things pray, and all things exhale their souls…..Creation is itself but a sweetness and a longing, a sort of prayer to the Almighty, blessed is He.” The Talmud answers the second question, “Prayer is the service of the heart.” In other words, the way we pray comes from our hearts.

As we are about to embark on another Rosh Hashanah, my prayer for you is that you will pray for whatever it is that you appreciate in life that God has given you, and that you will share your blessings with others. My wife Sharon, my daughters, Shoshana, Rachel, Rebekah and her husband David, and my grandchildren Daniel, Jordyn, and Emme Layla, pray that God will give you and your loved ones a year of good health, success, meaning, faith, happiness and peace.

Shanah Tovah,
Stephen A. Leon
Rabbi

L' Shanah Tovah
Have a sweet year!

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High Holy Day Services 2015/5776

Saturday, September 5
9:30 PM – film, change of Torah covers, refreshments
Midnight – Selichot service

Sunday, September 13
12:00 noon – Annual cemetery service

ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, September 13 – Erev Rosh Hashanah
6:45 PM – Mincha/Ma’ariv
6:56 PM – candle lighting

Monday, September 14 – Rosh Hashanah Day 1
9:00 AM – Shachrit
6:45 PM – Mincha/Tashlich/Ma’ariv
7:55 PM – candle lighting for 2nd day Rosh Hashanah

Tuesday, September 15 – Rosh Hashanah Day 2
9:00 AM – Shachrit
7:00 PM – Mincha/Ma’ariv/Havdalah
7:54 PM – candle lighting for 2nd day Rosh Hashanah

Friday, September 18 – Shabbat Shuvah
6:15 PM – Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma’ariv
6:50 PM – candle lighting

Saturday, September 19 – Shabbat Shuva
9:30 AM – Shachrit
6:40 PM – Mincha/Seudah/Ma’ariv/Havdalah

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, September 22 – Erev Yom Kippur
6:30 PM – Mincha followed by Kol Nidrei
6:50 PM – candle lighting

Wednesday, September 23 – Yom Kippur
9:00 AM – Shachrit
~11:45 AM – Yizkor
5:15 PM – Mincha
7:49 PM – Havdalah/end of holiday

SUkkOT

Sunday, September 27 – Erev Sukkot
6:15 PM – Mincha/Ma’ariv
6:38 PM – candle lighting

Monday, September 28 – Sukkot Day 1
9:30 AM – Shachrit
6:15 PM – Mincha/Ma’ariv
7:37 PM – candle lighting

Tuesday, September 29 – Sukkot Day 2
9:30 AM – Shachrit
6:45 PM – Mincha/Ma’ariv
7:35 PM – Havdalah

Friday, October 2 – Shabbat Hol Hamoed Sukkot
6:15 PM – Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma’ariv
6:32 PM – candle lighting

Saturday, October 3 – Shabbat Hol Hamoed Sukkot
9:30 AM – Shachrit
6:20 PM – Mincha/Seudah/ Ma’ariv/Havdalah

Sunday, October 4 – Hoshanna Rabbah
8:00 AM – Shachrit

SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday, October 4 – Erev Shemini Atzeret
6:15 PM – Mincha & Erev Shemini Atzeret services
6:29 PM – candle lighting

Monday, October 5 – Shemini Atzeret / Erev Simchat Torah
9:30 AM – Shemini Atzeret services
~11:00 AM – Yizkor
6:15 PM – Mincha followed by Erev Simchat Torah services
7:28 PM – candle lighting

Tuesday, October 6 – Simchat Torah
9:30 AM – Simchat Torah services
6:35 PM – Mincha, Ma’ariv/Havdalah
7:27 PM – Conclusion

HIGH HOLIDAY
Creative Prayers

Rabbi Leon is inviting congregants to submit creative prayers for the High Holiday services. Prayers should be submitted by September 9 by email to rabbisal@aol.com.

HIGH HOLIDAY JR. CONGREGATION

(ages 8+)

Monday, September 14 only
Wednesday, September 23
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM
Chapel
(Will include light lunch)

HIGH HOLIDAY CHILDCARE

USY is offering childcare for the High Holidays

Babysitting will be offered from
10:30 am - noon
Monday, September 14
Tuesday, September 15
Wednesday, September 23

Marvin Nadler Youth Room
(Will include light lunch)

ages 3-8 only – must be potty-trained
Reservations Only
Call Denise in the office (833-2222) by September 9

High Holiday
Childcare
As the High Holidays approach once again, the days of introspection begin (between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur). This is the time that we as Jews take to re-evaluate our lives over the past year, and decide the course we need to take for the year to come. It is also the time to review past deeds and make amends where needed. Many people only reflect on events from an individualistic perspective, which is not wrong, but it should also include deeds which affect the community as well.

Our mission as Jews is Tikkun Olam, or “repair the world.” It may be hard to believe any one of us could accomplish this monumental task alone, but collectively, working together through the shul, or community, does permit Tikkun Olam. What can we each do to help our community? There are many opportunities, but I ask you to consider those that are closest to us, such as the shul. This includes committees which need your time or talents. Volunteering, as well as donating financially, allows you to repair our world. Currently, the shul is experiencing difficulties due to a shortage of resources (people and financial). Those that attended the Annual Meeting in May will recall the Treasurer’s report; if you did not attend, feel free to get a copy by notifying the office of your desire to obtain one. By “paying it forward” with your time or money, above and beyond your membership, permits a win-win between the shul and your tax return.

During our High Holiday season, as you each begin your introspective process, remember our shul. By doing so in any way you can, you are performing Tikkun Olam. I thank everyone for your consideration and assistance. May we all be inscribed for another year in “The Book of Life” and pay it forward through Tikkun Olam. On Rosh Hashanah it is written, on Yom Kippur it is sealed.

Alan Cohen
President, Congregation B’ni Zion
**B'nai Zion Tzeirim Group**

Join B'nai Zion Tzeirim young adult group. It is a diverse community of Jewish singles and couples living in El Paso. We are a group dedicated to learning, spiritual growth, and social activities in our community.

If you are interested in becoming more involved, please contact us at bnaizion.congregation1@gmail.com or call the office for more information: (915) 833-2222.

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**SHUFFLE Concert**

SHUFFLE Concert is an exceptionally accomplished, New York based, chamber music ensemble. Their unique style invites the audience to participate in the selection of works to be performed from a menu. Genres vary from classical, baroque, and romantic, to jazz, pop and Broadway. The result is a highly engaged audience and a high energy performance. More information can be found on: www.shuffleconcert.com

The SHUFFLE Concert on October 12 will benefit El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank and Congregation B'nai Zion.

**Ticket prices on or before September 21:**
- Reserved Seating: $36
- Adult: $18
- Students (K-College): $5

**Ticket prices after September 21:**
- Reserved Seating: $36
- Adult: $25
- Students (K-College): $10

For more information on sponsorship and advertising opportunities, please contact Denise Tolentino at 915-833-2222.

Tickets are available at El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank, Congregation B'nai Zion, and online at: www.congregationbnaizion.org.

**Sign up for e-blasts!**

Don’t be left out! Learn about what’s going on in our shul through our weekly e-blasts and reminders for upcoming events. We also let you know if a member of our congregation has passed away, and the shiva arrangements.

Call or email the shul with your email address to be added to the list-serve.

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**Annalie Rollins to Retire**  
*After 25 Years of Service to the Shul*

For many, it is hard to imagine Congregation B’nai Zion without Annalie’s smiling face greeting visitors in the office or her voice answering questions over the phone. Through her various positions over the past twenty-five years, Annalie has been a lynchpin of communication between the shul and its members. This era is coming to an end, though, as Annalie announced her retirement this summer. The Board and all who have worked with her are deeply grateful for her service.

While her last day of fulltime work at the shul was August 31, Annalie will continue to work on a part-time basis until a new executive director is hired. So, you still have a chance to thank her for years of service, and we can prepare to properly recognize her contribution to the shul.

Along those lines... *Do you have a favorite Annalie story or picture?* Please email them to us at cbzdevelopment@gmail.com or provide them to the shul office by September 30. The submissions will be compiled to present to Annalie as part of our thanks for all of her invaluable work.

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**Replenish Our B’kol Echad!**

If you’ve attended Shabbat Mincha services, then you probably had the opportunity to use one of the little blue B’kol Echad books to recite the Birkat Hamazon (grace after meals) and sing some festive songs after Seudah Shlisheet. Perhaps you were one of the lucky few whose book was completely intact, or perhaps you suddenly couldn’t find where Rabbi Leon was at in the grace after meals “benchers” and then realized that page 48 was missing. Or maybe you attended the Anusim Conference and had to share a B’kol Echad with three other people because there were not enough to go around.

In order to make sure you have a complete B’kol Echad the next time you have a meal at the shul, we need to replenish our stock. For $10, your voice can join others by contributing one B’kol Echad to the shul. Your contribution will be recognized in the book and can be made in honor or memory of a person or event.

Please contact the shul office to make your contribution to the B’kol Echad fund. You can also contribute through our website, www.congregationbnaizion.org, by logging into your ShulCloud account and clicking on the “Donate” tab, then selecting “B’kol Echad” as the “Type.”

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**Congregation B’nai Zion Seeks Executive Director**

The application process is open for the position of Executive Director at Congregation B’nai Zion. The Executive Director oversees the operations of the synagogue and ensures that the organization runs efficiently. The ideal candidate will possess excellent organizational and interpersonal skills, flexibility and creativity, a positive outlook and motivation to ensure that our congregation continues to thrive and to serve the needs of our membership.

A full job description is available on our website, www.congregationbnaizion.org. The position is available immediately. To apply, please provide a cover letter, resume, and references to our president, Alan Cohen, at acohen4010@aol.com.

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**Simple Ways to Support the Shul**

**Amazon:** Do you buy items from Amazon? Sign up through smile.amazon.com and select Congregation B’nai Zion as your charity. The shul gets 0.5% of your purchase.

**CBZ Albertson’s Community Partners:** When you use this card at Albertson’s, the shul gets a portion of your purchase. Albertson’s is discontinuing the program at the end of the year, so take advantage of it now.

**CBZ NEEDS YOU !!!**

Want to help energize the shul, bring the community together, and contribute to the shul’s financial stability? The CBZ Development Committee is seeking more members and also volunteers for particular projects throughout the year such as:

- **SHUFFLE Concert** on October 12
- **Building Rededication and Past-Presidents dinner** in December
- **Casino Night fundraiser** on January 30
- **Shalach Manot** on March 17 and 20
- **Mother’s Day Brunch** on May 8

The Development Committee includes both cultural and educational programs, and also ways-and-means development. Contact Denise Tolentino at 915-833-2222 or Kristin Kimmelman at cbzdevelopment@gmail.com for more information. We also would love to hear your ideas for future CBZ programs and projects.

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**Our synagogue thanks you so much for your donations and support.**
You’ve missed one of B’nai Zion’s most magnificent treasures if you’ve never toured the Cantor David Leon Biblical Gardens. A garden tour transports you 5,000 years back in time to the days of Abraham and the sites significant to the history of Judaism. Stop by the office for a map of the Garden, and take a stroll through Israel.

You enter the Gardens through the Jaffa Gate into Jerusalem and the Western Wall that holds notes and prayers posted there by those who wish. On more than one occasion a note has been found in the B’nai Zion Western Wall. You travel south from the Sea of Galilee on a flagstone walk adjacent to the flowing Jordan River. Here, just as in Israel, you see grapevines growing alongside pomegranates, apricots, mandarin oranges and olive trees, as well as an herb garden of roe, onions, oregano, mint and thyme.

As you meander south you see sites that include the Garden of the Matriarchs, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah; the Negev; and Masada. You see the caves where the Dead Scrolls were found at Meggido, and now rest in the Shrine of the Book that lies just across your walk way. And finally the Dead Sea looms at the end of the Jordan River.

Finally, as you leave you pass the Yad Vashem memorial where an eternal light urges humankind to “never forget.” Adjacent to Yad Vashem there are two sites; one a wall with the names of survivors who settled in El Paso and whose names are on plaques on the wall. The other is an adjacent wall that displays brass plates where family members can honor family members that perished in the concentration camps.

Rabbi Leon’s Father, Cantor David Leon, conceived and created the garden, along with myself over fifteen years ago. Contact the office to place a name on the wall of survivors, or plates honoring those who perished. You can also honor a friend or an event by planting a tree in the B’nai Zion Biblical Garden. What a great opportunity to plant a tree in Israel without leaving the country!

Sam Kobren
On behalf of the members of the Board of Directors of the Sisterhood, I would like to wish all synagogue members, their loved ones, and friends of Congregation B’hai Zion a happy, healthy and sweet New Year.

What is Sisterhood? Don’t let the name confuse you – we are a women’s group, but not a sorority! Our purpose is to strengthen and unite women of the synagogue and support them in efforts to understand and perpetuate Conservative Judaism in the home, synagogue, and community, and to reinforce their bonds with Israel and with Jews worldwide. We are affiliated with Women’s League for Conservative Judaism and participate in WLCJ’s programs and events. For the past year B’hai Zion Sisterhood has been a member of the Pacific Southwest region of WLCJ. I had the pleasure to travel to Irvine, California this past May to attend the regional conference. The PSW region is very happy to have us as a part of their region and I have been in contact with various regional officers and Sisterhood board presidents from throughout the region over the last several months. I look forward to more B’hai Zion Sisterhood members becoming active members at the regional level.

Sisterhood supports numerous functions of the congregation, including the synagogue gift shop, the synagogue kitchens, BZUSY, and Talmud Torah. Activities include our Evening in the Sukkah with Rabbi Leon, game days, twice-a-year book club in conjunction with Hadassah and the women of Temple Mount Sinai, the Shalach Manot project for Purim, in association with the synagogue Development Committee, Sisterhood Shabbat, and events such as a Collectibles Show and a Chinese Auction as part of this year’s calendar. Sisterhood also sponsors educational events relating to women’s health issues and Jewish topics.

Sisterhood membership benefits include fellowship with congregants as well as opportunities to interact with Jewish women across our region and nation, and participation in projects that benefit both our synagogue and the Jewish community of El Paso. The benefits of Sisterhood membership extend far beyond the individual member. The synagogue also benefits from the vibrancy of the women in its midst. The Jewish community, both locally and beyond, benefits from the support provided to their projects. And our future generations benefit from the legacy we create.

On behalf of the Sisterhood, I encourage you to attend a program or event and experience the joys of Sisterhood. I think you’ll be glad you did.

Shanah Tovah,

Patty Hutman
Sisterhood President

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Sisterhood Presents...

Ladies’ (and Gentlemen’s) Evening with the Rabbi in the Sukkah

Wednesday, September 30 6:45 pm

Enjoy a delicious meal in the Sukkah and share an evening of learning as Rabbi Leon discusses “Is Your Kiddush Cup Filled with Manischewitz Half-Full or Half-Empty?”

Please attend evening services at 6:30 p.m. Food will be served after evening services conclude.

RSVP please: 833-2222
SISTERHOOD

College Connection Update

B’nai Zion Sisterhood’s College Connection is an outreach program for our congregation’s college and graduate students, living out of town. Sisterhood funds these free packages filled with Jewish holiday items and nosh, a student directory, and a letter about the holiday from Rabbi Leon. This is a way to keep our students connected to their Jewish heritage and their congregational family.

Seventeen years ago, I read an article about a synagogue in New Jersey, with a holiday outreach program for their college students. I approached Rabbi Leon about starting a similar program here. My first child was going off to UT Austin. As a family, we celebrated Friday night Shabbat dinners, apples and honey for the New Year, latkes and gifts while we lit the menorah on Hanukkah, picking costumes to wear on Purim, and Passover seders with the traditional bargaining over the afikoman prize. College Connection was a way to keep these happy memories and warm feelings about his Judaism alive, while he started a new life at school.

The shul board agreed to support this program for our students. Several years ago Sisterhood took over its support and costs. Up until last year, Stanlee and Jerry Rubin generously took care of the packing and shipping through Helen of Troy. At one time, we actually had up to 89 students receiving packages, four times a year. Sisterhood now has to cover the costs of packing and shipping, and so we had to eliminate students still living in El Paso from the program. Last year there were 26 students receiving packages for Rosh Hasana, Purim, and Passover. I know how much my children enjoyed their packages, and were envied by their friends who did not receive anything from their synagogues or churches.

My last child has graduated college. I tell you this because I believe in the importance of this program and want to make sure it continues. Parents, I need your help! If you have a child who will be in college or graduate school for Fall 2015, you should receive a letter and information form in August. If you do not, please contact me to make sure your child is included. Please send the requested information to the shul office or email me before the deadline. Check the box that asks for your help! I work full time, so work is not an excuse to not help with packages for your children.

I do want to thank Jackie Zehden, who helped last year on the Passover packages. I also want to thank Jack Peitzer, who helped me with all the other packages. Thank you Rabbi Leon for the holiday letters, I know the students like hearing from you.

For more information, to donate funds, or to volunteer, please contact me at smpeitzer@gmail.com or 740-5075

Thank you!

Sandy Peitzer
Chairman

MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT COMING TO B’NAI ZION!

Wednesday, October 14th

8:45 a.m. ~ Continental breakfast and announcement of rules
9:30 a.m. ~ Play mahj with your group of 4
12:00 noon ~ Lunch
1:00 p.m. ~ Resume playing until 3:30 p.m.

Prizes for most wins (individual) and highest scorer.
Drinks and snacks will be available all day.

Cost: $15.00
Must RSVP by Wednesday, October 7th to Marcia Schwartz

2015-2016 Sisterhood Directory

Time is running out! Last reminder to all advertisers and synagogue members to return your ad forms, greetings/memorials/honors/simchas forms, and personal contact information ASAP. Our submission for printing is very soon and we want to be sure all information is complete.

If you haven’t already done so, please email your information to Joyce Gronich bzjoycegronich@gmail.com, or call Patty Hutman or the office.

If we do not hear from you otherwise, we will assume that the information in last year’s directory is still correct. This book is ONLY sent to members of the synagogue.

Sisterhood Gift Shop

Start 5776 with beautiful Judaica, challah covers, candlesticks, and Kiddush cups. Sweeten your holidays with apple and honey plates. Bring in the sound of the new year with a new shofar. We will be so happy to help you.

Shanah Tovah from your Sisterhood Gift Shop!
Please contact the Synagogue office to share special news and simchas

Around the Community

Camp Kadima’s New Home
On behalf of Camp Kadima campers, parents and staff, we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Congregation B’nai Zion for housing us this summer. A wonderful time was had by all! Camp Kadima 2015 ran from June 22 - July 10.

Robin Gold
Director

El Paso Holocaust Museum & Study Center and the Pulaski Society of El Paso present:
“Poland’s Heroes of the Holocaust,
Featuring Jan Karski”

Poland’s Heroes of the Holocaust, Featuring Jan Karski” tells the true accounts of people who risked their lives and the lives of their families to rescue Jewish men, women, and children during the Holocaust. They are stories of great courage in the face of impending persecution and the threat of lethal punishment. “They Risked Their Lives – Poles Who Saved Jews during the Holocaust” is based on over 400 interviews conducted with Poles who saved Jews, relating the scale and circumstances of these acts of rescue, as well as the motivation behind them, and the fates of those involved.

Details:
What: Special Exhibit: “Poland’s Heroes of the Holocaust, Featuring Jan Karski”
When: Private Opening 6:00 pm, Tuesday, Sept. 1
Public Opening: Sept. 2 thru Nov. 1
Where: El Paso Holocaust Museum, 715 N. Oregon
Information: Jamie Flores
351.0048 ext. 28
or jamie@elpasoholocaustmuseum.org

MITZVOT & SMILES

Recently, Camp Kadima (A summer day camp for special needs children/young adults) participated in our first "Mitzvot & Smiles" event in celebration of "Good Deed's Day. This program was made possible through a grant from the Jewish Federation of El Paso and was provided to Congregation B’nai Zion of El Paso.

We visited the El Paso Children’s Hospital and brought 75 gift bags with good wishes. In addition, Rosalind Roger entertained the children through a sing -a-long. How fortunate that we spent the day with Dr. Carlos Gutierrez, a board member of the hospital and parent of our long time camper, Charlie. How very special that we were spreading "good cheer" to those in need. We pray that all the children will have a speedy recovery.

Our next "Mitzvot & Smiles" event will be this fall. We are currently making plans to visit a retirement community to spread "good cheer."

Robin Gold
9/6 (Elul 22)
George Frank
Morris Pulner

9/7 (Elul 23)
Archie Goodman
Nathan Levitt
Jerrold Ravel

9/8 (Elul 24)
Peter Biro
Branche Schutz

9/9 (Elul 25)
Rachel Schlusselberg
Bernard Schoichet
Robert Swartz

9/10 (Elul 26)
Max Kasner
Basye Rubin

9/11 (Elul 27)
Edith Frankel
Irving Heller
Henry Kellen
James Schnitzer
Sam Wintroub

9/12 (Elul 28)
Bob Brown
Beckie Kishk

9/13 (Elul 29)
Bert Neumark

9/14 (Tishrei 1)
Saul Himelstein
Shimon Schlusselberg
Harry Teplitz

9/15 (Tishrei 2)
Cantor David Leon
Shirlee Scharf

9/16 (Tishrei 3)
Sally Guibas
Max Rosenbaum

9/17 (Tishrei 4)
Manuel Wemicky

9/18 (Tishrei 5)
Rose Cherry

9/19 (Tishrei 6)
Joe Galatzan
Nathan Hauptman

9/20 (Tishrei 7)
Arlene Hutman
Ida Levenus

9/21 (Tishrei 8)
Irving Meyer Felsen

9/22 (Tishrei 9)
Florence Freedenthal
Moses Schwarz

9/23 (Tishrei 10)
Efrayim Altus
Rivka Altus
Genia Nadler
Levi Nadler

9/24 (Tishrei 11)
Julius Dula
Gitel Gluck
Golde Gluck
Hershel Gluck
Isidore Gluck
Leah Gluck
Mindel Gluck
Yaakov Gluck
Abraham Rosenfeld
Henry Schlusselberg

9/25 (Tishrei 12)
Anne Beleck
Anne Butcher

9/26 (Tishrei 13)
Joseph Gniazdowitz
Annette Marcus
Ida Siegelman

9/27 (Tishrei 14)
Jules Novick
Arlene Pergricht
Georgie Schwartz
Dora Veta

9/28 (Tishrei 15)
Isaac Gniazdowitz
Morris Horowitz

9/29 (Tishrei 16)
Sara Askenzai
Louis Postnick
Clara Stone

9/30 (Tishrei 17)
Jennie Roth
Pia Zlotnick

Misplace your Messenger?
You can always find a color copy on our website:
www.congregationbnaizion.org

We are saddened by the passing of our beloved members
Irvin Nadler
Arthur Silberg
and extend our heartfelt condolences to their family and friends.
May their memory forever be a blessing.

UNVEILINGS
Please join these families for the unveilings of the monuments of our late beloved members in the B'nai Zion cemetery.

Sunday, September 13
Cheryl Heller ~ 10:30 AM
Irving Heller ~ 11:00 AM
Bernie Chasens ~ 11:30 AM
Cemetery Day ~ noon

Sunday, September 20
Bertha Davidoff ~ 1:00 PM


**DONATIONS**

(donations made over the summer)

**Ben and Florence Schoichet Memorial Fund**
yahrzeit for sister, Florence Schoichet
Blanche Brown

yahrzeit for mother, Lillian Kopilowitz
Blanche Brown

yahrzeits for loved ones
Bernie and Molly Goldberg

**Building Fund**
yahrzeit for mother, Dorothy Zaben
Richard and Eileen Armour

in memory of George Durschlag
Mark and Sara Blaugrund

yahrzeit for May Glazer, mother of
Rick Armour
Archie Siegelman

in memory of Art Silberg
Art and Linda Corral

**Cantor David Leon Biblical Gardens**
wishing a happy retirement to
Dr. Branch Craig
Sam and Lenore Kobren

yahrzeit for mother, Etta Kobren
Sam Kobren

condolences to Wenda Kolodny
(Houston) on the loss of her cousins,
Jack and Shirley Alter
Sam and Lenore Kobren

condolences to the family of
Jay Mendeloff on their loss
Sam and Lenore Kobren

speedy recovery to Melinda Horan
Sam and Lenore Kobren

thank you to Sam and Lenore Kobren
for their gracious hospitality
Evelyn Fox

speedy recovery to Tom Dula
Felicia Rubin

speedy recovery to Judy Grodin
Keith and Becky Myers

speedy recovery to Sam Belford
Keith and Becky Myers

in memory of father, Max Rosenberg
Ben and Barbara Rosenberg

**Cemetery Fund**
in memory of Art Silberg
Kenneth and Joan Korn
Sandy & Judy Grodin

in memory of Jeff Zurio
Maurice Kurland

yahrzeit for husband and father,
Martin Naparstek
Dorene Naparstek
Ilisa Naparstek

yahrzeit for sister, Norma Tarshis
Sylvia Korn

yahrzeit for mother, Eileen Licht
Joan and Kenneth Korn

yahrzeit for Michie Esquenazi
Henry Esquenazi

yahrzeit for daughter, Sheryl Fuhr
Rosalie Halpin

**Doris Eisenberg Garden of the Living**

congratulations to Adam Rosenfield
and Dr. Lauren Eisenberg on the birth of their son,
Andrew Robin Gold
Arvin and Beverly Robinson

congratulations to Alana Berg and
Ivan Dubandzic on their marriage
Richard and Leslie Otis

condolences to the family of Art
Sternberg of Suffern, NY
Susan Eisen

congratulations to Duane Coleman
on the 50th anniversary of Sun Travel
Jack Eisenberg

best wishes to Cliff and Martha
Eisenberg on the birth of their grandson
Sam and Gayle Belford
Susan Eisen

yahrzeit for father-in-law and grand-
father, Ernest Friedman
Jack Eisenberg
Louis and Cindy Cohen

in memory of Ira Kurland
Susan Eisen

speedy recovery to Judy Grodin
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg

in memory of Lowell Nussbaum
Susan Eisen

in honor of Michael and Susan
Jaffee’s 35th anniversary
Jack Eisenberg & Valerie Barnett

happy birthday to Naomi Rosenfield
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg

condolences to Mima Jackson on
the loss of her husband, Phil
Louis and Cindy Cohen
Susan Eisen

congratulations and much success
to Michael Jaffe on the opening of
his new Horizon City store
Jack Eisenberg

speedy recovery to Sam Belford
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg

in memory of Stephanie Shapiro
Susan Eisen

wishing a speedy recovery to
Steve Kline (Ft. Worth)
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg

congratulations to Susan Eisen
on a successful year of informative
radio programs
Jack Eisenberg

**General Donation Fund**
in honor of Dr. Steven and Wendy
Lanski on the birth of their baby
Dr. Arvin and Beverly Robinson

condolences to Shirley Nussbaum
on the loss of her husband, Lowell
Dr. Arvin and Beverly Robinson

yahrzeit for Phillip Rosenthal
Miriam Goldfarb

in honor of Adam Rosenfield and
Dr. Lauren Eisenberg on the birth of their son
Dr. Arvin and Beverly Robinson

in honor of Anita Kolleeny on her special birthday
Alice Kasner

best wishes to Joyce Jaffe on the engagement of her granddaughter,
Melissa
Sarita Heller

**Hymer and Vicki Rosen Memorial Fund**
yahrzeit for grandmother, Sarah Rosen
Victor and Lynn Butcher

**Kiddush Lunch Fund**
in memory of Art Silberg
Felicia Rubin

**Marla Rae Stein Memorial Fund**
in memory of Art Silberg
Sharon Stein and family

in memory of Irvin Nadler
Sharon Stein and family
**Donations**

**Marvin Nadler**  
**USY Room Fund**

in memory of Irvin Nadler  
Valerie Barnett  
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Sue Bendalin  
Peter Shugart and Judi Lieberman  
Dr. Boris Kaim and Fifi Heller-Kaim  
Cynthia Shenkman  
Fred & Nina Hirsh

**yahrzeit for mother, Pauline Teplitz**  
Bob Teplitz

Rabbi’s Fund

in memory of Art Silberg  
Peter Shugart & Judi Lieberman  
Rose Holland

**yahrzeit for mother, Chaya Rubinstein**  
Jaime Rubinstein

speedy recovery to Emme  
Paseornek, granddaughter of  
Rabbi and Sharon Leon  
Felicia Rubin  
Manon and Ellen Daugherty

happy birthday and good wishes  
to Gaylyn Palmore on her Hebrew  
studies  
Rose Pergricht

**yahrzeit for father-in-law,**  
**Gil Holland**  
Rose Holland

**yahrzeit for father, Isidore Greenberg**  
Dr. Harvey Greenberg

in honor of Kristin Kimmelman’s  
receiving the Bernard & Florence  
Schoichet Young Leadership Award  
from The Federation of El Paso  
Robin Gold

**yahrzeit for mother, Natalie Liftin**  
Roni Spetalnick

congratulations to Peter Svarzebin  
on his election to the El Paso City  
Council  
Dr. Jerry and Marcia Schwartz

continued “get well” wishes to  
Rabbi Stephen Leon  
Robin Gold

**yahrzeit for sister-in-law, Rebecca Wiederman**  
Rose Holland

In appreciation of Rabbi Leon  
Herry and Sara Gaono  
Mike Batkin

**yahrzeit for mother-in-law, Dora Gniazdowicz**  
Ruth Gniazdowicz

**yahrzeit for Gil Holland**  
Ruth Gniazdowicz  
Rose Holland

**yahrzeit for mother, Libe Holland**  
Ruth Gniazdowicz

in appreciation for Isaac’s  
unveiling  
Ruth Gniazdowicz

In memory of Lowell Nussbaum  
Arvin and Beverly Robinson

**Rosenberg Rose Garden**

**yahrzeit for father, Max Rosenberg**  
Ben Rosenberg

**Siddur Fund**

in memory of Art Silberg  
Dr. David and Rose Schecter (Bible)

in memory of Irvin Nadler  
Dr. David and Rose Schecter  
David and Tita Kaplan (2 siddurim)  
Dinah Braun and family

**Talmud Torah Fund**

in memory of Annette Blum  
Louis and Miriam Rosenbaum

in memory of Art Silberg  
Louis and Miriam Rosenbaum

happy birthday to our friends, Ann Schaechner, Blanca Carrasco,  
Blanche Brown, Jackie Zehden,  
Milton Cherno, Ruth Erlich, Stanley Goldman and Charlotte Roth  
Louis and Miriam Rosenbaum

happy anniversary to our friends,  
Dr. Moises and Dora Margolis, Jack  
and Benita Neumann, Dr. Jerry and  
Marcia Schwartz, Louis and Aida  
Galanter, Rabbi Stephen and  
Sharon Leon, Warren and Claire  
Pulner and Rick and Jackie Zehden  
Louis and Miriam Rosenbaum

in honor of our grandson, Jack  
Hutman Genauer, on his 2nd  
birthday  
Mark and Patty Hutman

condolences to Riva Nathanson  
on the loss of her mother, Kate  
Blaugrund  
Louis and Miriam Rosenbaum

In memory of Jonah Rockoff  
Louis and Miriam Rosenbaum

**Teens to Israel Fund**

in memory of Art Silberg  
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Myer and Beth Lipson  
Scott and Lynn Kobren  
Dr. Jerry and Marcia Schwartz  
Sidney & Meralee Schlusselberg  
Rose Holland  
Dr. Louis and Marie Robbins

in memory of Dr. Richard Applebaum  
Dr. Louis and Marie Robbins

in honor of Bob and Jane Warach on  
their 41st wedding anniversary  
Allen and Arlene Smith

condolences to Art Corral on the  
loss of his sister  
Charlotte Roth  
Marcia and Jerry Schwartz

speedy recovery to Dr. Todd Reiter  
Sam and Gayle Belford

**yahrzeit for father, Ezra Kaim**  
Dr. Boris Kaim and Fifi Heller-Kaim

congratulations to Allan and Amy  
Goldfarb on the birth of their grand-  
daughter  
Sam and Gayle Belford

**best wishes for continued good  
health to Helen Pearlmutter**  
Charlotte Roth

in memory of Ina Kurland  
Sue Bendalin  
Ira and Irene Batt

in memory of Jay Mendeloff  
Charlotte Roth  
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg

**speedy recovery to Judy Grodin**  
Sam and Gayle Belford

**yahrzeit for Margarita Kaim**  
Dr. Boris and Fifi Heller-Kaim

congratulations to Keith and Becky  
Myers on the birth of their grandson  
Sam and Gayle Belford

in memory of Lowell Nussbaum  
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg  
Albert and Shirleen Askenazi

congratulations to Stuart and Shari  
Schwartz on the birth of their grandson  
Sam and Gayle Belford
congratulations to Stuart and Sheri Schwartz on the marriage of their son
Sam and Gayle Belford

thinking of you to the family of
Sylvia Chasson Lande (LA)
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg

yahrzeits for mother, Tama Hirsch
and grandmother, Sophie Hirsch
Steve and Ruth McGrew

condolences to Laura Valan and the
Green family of Encino on the loss of
their father and grandfather
Cliff and Martha Eisenberg

in honor of Jack Hutman Genauer’s
2nd birthday
Mark and Patricia Hutman

Torah Fund

in memory of Sara Hauptman
Felicia Rubin

USY Fund

in memory of Art Silberg
Richard and Robin Krasne

in memory of Irvin Nadler
Richard and Robin Krasne

happy birthday to Kenneth Korn
Rose Holland

Rabbi Leon wants to thank all of his “angels” for doing a mitzvah of helping to bury a homeless Jewish man.

The Development Committee would like to thank you for your generous contribution for our Rummage Sale. Your continuous support is vital to the success of our congregation.

Our synagogue thanks you so much for your donations and support.

Honor a Loved One
or
Acknowledge a Special Occasion

Add a leaf to B’nai Zion’s “Tree of Life”

$200 per leaf
$1000 per plaque

We want to thank the following members for sponsoring meals during the summer:

Oneg Shabbat
~ Manny and Laura Corral, and Stephen Valdes in honor of their granddaughters, Savannah and Mariska Rose Valdes

Kiddush Lunch
~ Jay and Roni Spetalnick in appreciation to all CBZ members
~ Linda & Art Corral in memory of Linda’s mother, Doris Rose

Seudah Shlesheet
~ Robin Gold and Helen Berman in memory of father and husband, Ruby Berman

Bagel Breakfast
~ Rachel Lavis in memory of her husband, Eddie Lavis
~ David and Kristin Kimmelman in memory of David’s father, Sam Kimmelman
~ Erika La Coste in memory of her husband, Hal
~ Felicia Rubin in memory of cousin, Yvonne Schuller

If you are interested in sponsoring a Friday evening Oneg Shabbat, Saturday morning Kiddush Lunch, Saturday afternoon Seudah Shlesheet, or Sunday morning Bagel Breakfast in honor or in memory of a loved one, please call the Synagogue office for more information or to make arrangements.

We appreciate your support!
These ladies, all officers and/or active members of B’nai Zion Sisterhood, were delegates to the Sisterhood Southwest Regional Convention. They are (left to right):

Bertie Siegelman,
Martha Rothschild (president 1951-53),
Bea Jacobson (president 1955-57),
Esther Vinikoff,
Blanche Brown (president 1957-59),
and Florence Schoichet (president 1982-84).

This picture was probably taken in the 1950’s. Does anyone know what year? Please call the shul office if you do (915-833-2222)
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