## Beth Shalom Temple Center



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#### President's Message

VOTE!

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Never in my lifetime has voting in an election been such an overwhelming necessity. The very continuation of our precious Democracy is in danger.

No matter your Party affiliation I strongly encourage you to read the Voters Guide sent to you in the mail by the County registrar to seek candidates on all levels, City, State, and Federal, who represent your position on the important issues of today.

On the August ballot are the following issues:

- Will the Government control Reproduction rights for Women or will the Constitutional right to privacy and Freedom of Religion prevail?
- Will we continue to lose our precious children to gun violence or will the continued adherence to the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment to the constitution, written in in a time of muskets and militias, prevail?
- What about our drought? Any one talk about where we will get water? Where does money to fight global warming come from if we keep giving tax cuts in Arizona?

Rides to the Polls will be available on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> by calling BSTC (520 648-6690) to set a time or 617-470-1131 or 617-335-0664 on election day, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. PLEASE return your mail in ballot.

You can reach me by phone or by email.

Gloria

#### Message from Rabbi Norm Roman

"RANDOM THOUGHTS FOR AUGUST"

Shalom, Dear Friends.

I wanted to share some random thoughts about this time of year, as, in the Hebrew calendar, we mark the months of Av and Elul:

1. The 9th day of Av is the most tragic day in Jewish history. In 586 BCE, the First Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed by the Babylonians. In 70 CE, the Romans destroyed the Second Temple on the same day, and 65 years later on that 9th of Av anniversary, they finished their conquest of Palestina by capturing Bar- Kochba's holdout at Betar. In 1492, the Spanish Inquisition reached its height of terror and anguish, as the Jews were expelled from the Iberian Peninsula when the "Edict of Expulsion" was issued on, once again, the 9th of Av. Pogroms throughout Europe were timed to occur on that date, including the most recent massacre at Babyn Yar in the Ukraine during the Shoah (Holocaust).

Tisha B'Av became a day of fasting, mourning and sadness. Many traditional Jews gather to pray and recite the Book of Lamentations late into the night. The contemporary, more liberal communities join in recognizing the tragedies of Jewish history by turning their attention to opportunities for study, and deeds of kindness to others who have suffered.

This year (because the 9th of Av actually falls on Shabbat), the observance is postponed to Saturday night and Sunday, August 6-7. BSTC has planned its regular Bagel Breakfast on the 7th and we suggest that each of us find some meaningful way by which to remember the day and its historical importance. For example, forego "dessert" (or even one entire meal) and have the cost of that food (or the food itself) donated to a local Food Bank, MAZON, the Jewish Response to

#### **GREEN VALLEY SHOFAR**

The Official Newsletter of Beth Shalom Temple Center

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This is the August issue of the Shofar. The Shofars are now being published electronically only. Go to: bstc.us to view and print archived volumes or call the office if you would like a copy.

**NEWSLETTER SUPPORT STAFF:** Mike Finkelstein and Jane Gold

The editors reserve the right to edit contributions for grammar, length and content. Community and member news will be published only as space permits. Community or member events that conflict with Temple events will not be publicized in the Shofar.

#### SENDING CHECKS TO BSTC?

If you are sending in a check to BSTC (not using our website to pay, either by PayPal or credit card) please make sure your check indicates the name of the program/event for which you are paying.

#### Mail should be addressed to:

P.O. Box 884, Green Valley, AZ 85622.

Sending mail to the Rio Mayo address may result in a loss or delay. To expedite delivery <u>please include the name of the person you wish to contact on the front of the envelope.</u>

- For information on the Memorial Board and Yahrzeits contact Joyce Finkelstein by phone or by email.
- For information on *Tributes* items, contact Amy Storer.
- For information on Commemorative Items, contact the office.

#### **TEMPLE USAGE SCHEDULING**

**BSTC** is currently open to members who are fully vaccinated. Please contact the BSTC office at (520) 648-6690 or bstcgv@gmail.com with any questions. The Facility Reservation form is on the BSTC website and in the rack in the lobby.

Not all scheduled events are included in the Shofar. To include your program in the Shofar calendars, please notify the Shofar editor. Deadline for Shofar copy is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the publication date.

#### **COMMEMORATIVE ITEMS**

The following commemorative items are available for purchase to honor or memorialize:

Memorial Board Plaques \$300 • Leaf for the Tree of Life \$100 • Sanctuary Chair \$125

Garden Bench \$225 • Garden Brick \$100

Send specific wording for the plaque, brick, etc. together with your check made out to BSTC, Attention "Memorial Board" or "Tree of Life," etc. Order forms can be found in the Temple foyer or contact the office.

#### **TRIBUTES**

Amy Storer, the volunteer chairing this committee, will mail a personalized card to whomever you choose. **SEE SOME SAMPLE CARDS ON THE BSTC WEBSITE.** 

#### All Tributes MUST include the following information:

- 1. Name of EACH recipient
- 2. Address of EACH recipient (Addresses for temple members living in Green Valley need not be submitted with your request; however, if your recipient has more than one address, please specify to which address your tribute should be sent: e.g. Arizona or other state)
- 3. Type of Tribute: Happy Birthday, In Honor Of, With Sympathy, etc.
- 4. NOTE: Any personal notes should be sent directly to the recipient as our cards do not have space to include them.
- 5. Names of ALL who are sending the Tribute including name of spouse, if appropriate.

Send your Tribute request and free-will offerings to: Beth Shalom Temple Center, P.O. Box 884, Green Valley, AZ 85622 (mark "Tributes" on the envelope and check memo line!)

#### **Tributes received this month:**

- From Sue & Marty Cohen: *In honor of* the birth of Hailey Danielle, granddaughter of Bobbie & Jack Vishner.
- From Esther & Ed Brill: Mazel Tov on the wedding of Amy Storer's granddaughter.
- ◆ From Esther & Ed Brill: *Refuah Shleamah for* Fred & Jo Legat.
- From Esther & Ed Brill: *Refuah Shleamah for* Harriet Belenker.
- ◆ From Esther & Ed Brill: *Happy Anniversary to* Gloria & Tom Clancy.

#### **YAHRZEITS**

Beth Shalom Temple Center will provide reminders of yahrzeits, and the name(s) of your loved ones will

automatically be recited for Kaddish at the appropriate Sabbath Services according to the Hebrew calendar.

If your yahrzeits are not yet on the current list and you wish them to be, please email Joyce Finkelstein or send a note to the Temple for her attention including your name, the name and relationship of deceased, and the date of death.



#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### **OPEN** for Services to members who are fully vaccinated! Masking optional.

Schedule of Services, Meetings & Events				
Day	Date	Time	Event	
WED	8/3/22	10 am	Book Club Meeting in the BSTC Library	
FRI	8/5/22	7 pm	Friday Night Shabbat led by BSTC Men's Club	
SAT	8/6/22	10 am	Torah Study on Zoom	
SUN	8/7/22	10 am	Bagel Breakfast (must RSVP)	
MON	8/8/22	10 am	Parashat HaShavua on Zoom	
TUE	8/9/22	10 am	Sisterhood Meeting @BSTC	
WED	8/10/22	9 am	Men's Club Meeting @Arizona Family Restaurant	
WED	8/10/22	2 pm	Social Action Committee Meeting	
SAT	8/13/22	10 am	Torah Study on Zoom	
THU	8/18/22	9:30 am	Long Range Planning Committee Meeting on Zoom	
SAT	8/20/22	10 am	Torah Study on Zoom	
MON	8/22/22	10 am	BSTC Board Meeting @BSTC	
THU	8/25/22	2 pm	Death & Dying Workshop Part II on Zoom	
FRI	8/26/22	7 pm	Shabbat Service	
SAT	8/27/22	10 am	Torah Study on Zoom	
WED	8/31/22	3 pm	Social Action Committee Meeting	
FRI	9/2/22	7 pm	Shabbat Service	

Worldwide Hunger, or an agency for Refugee Relief.

2. Lynne and I have just returned from an extended trip to New York/Brooklyn, visiting some of our kids and the 3 granddaughters, as well as some time in Michigan, where I am the Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Kol Ami in West Bloomfield. While there, I had the opportunity to meet with 10 of the Past Presidents with whom I served, and talk about the future of that Congregation as they search for their next Senior Rabbi. And, for one of the most meaningful hours, I was able to visit with a very dear friend, the first Woman President of Michigan's oldest Temple (Temple Beth El), now age 105! Amongst many topics discussed, both serious and humorous, she wanted me to read to her one of her favorite poems (incidentally, quite appropriate for this time of year):

> "For me - to have left one soul The better for my birth; To have added but one flower To the garden of the earth; To have struck one blow for truth In the daily fight with lies; To have done one deed of right In the face of calumnies; To have sown in the souls of men One thought that will not die -To have been a link in the chain of life Shall be immortality." (Edwin Hatch)

3. The month of Av gives way to the month of Elul, which means we prepare for the High Holy Days. Our hope is that as many of us as possible will be able to join together, in person, for our Services in the Sanctuary; but we know that there will be those who feel more comfortable participating virtually. Please watch for more details about some changes and plans which the Ritual Committee and I have been considering.

Also, our Worship this year will be enhanced by the beautiful voice and presence of a young woman Soloist, who will be joining me on the Bimah. I have come to know Sarah Sandlaufer, who lives in Scottsdale, but grew up in Southern California and belonged to both Conservative and Reconstructionist Synagogues (where she sang and helped lead Services), and I've enjoyed sharing music with her. Furthermore, her mother will be moving to Green Val-

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ley in the Fall, and fully expects to not only come hear her daughter sing and daven with us, but to become a member of Beth Shalom Temple Center, as well!

May this be a month of health and peace for all.



Death & Dying Workshop—Part II "Finding Meaningful Jewish Responses"

Discussion on Zoom - see flyer below

Thursday, August 25th from 2-3:30pm



#### **DIRECTORY UPDATES**

#### **Directory Updates:**

The Membership Directory is updated and posted on the Members Only page of the website when new information is received.

Directories can be printed from the website or requested by members from the office.

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 New member: Bonnie Cole April-August: Green Valley AZ

> August-March: Lookout Mountain TN

Join Rabbi Norm Roman for a Discussion... Death & Dying Workshop Part II "Finding Meaningful Jewish Responses" Thursday, August 25, 2022 2:00-3:30 pm on Zoom (and recorded) Bring your questions or send them in advance to: norm.roman@gmail.com As it says in our Shabbat Prayerbook: "Grief is a great teacher, when it sends us back to serve and bless the living."

#### **TEMPLE TIDINGS & MEMBER NEWS**

#### **BOARD NOTES**

The BSTC Board held the July meeting at BSTC, no Zoom. Zoom is no longer used for Board meetings but will continue to be utilized for committee meetings, classes, services, and some programs as desired.

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#### **SAD NEWS**

BSTC members, Suenette & Steve Maron, have shared the passing of loved ones. Suenette's mother passed away in Israel in early July, and Steve's 102 year-old-uncle, Meyer Maron also passed away recently.



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## Fundraise for BSTC...just by doing your normal shopping!

### RAISERIGHT (formerly SHOPWITHSCRIP)

raised over \$250 in 2021 and has raised \$102.40 so far in 2022—and that is just from three BSTC members

participation! Purchase from a selection of gift cards—real and electronic—directly from an app on your phone. They are sent directly to you! Use them for your own shopping (like at Frys or on Amazon) or give them as gifts!

Please contact Joyce Finkelstein with any questions or for help getting started!

#### FRY'S COMMUNITY REWARD PROGRAM

Fry's Rewards so far in 2022 total \$85.70.

- 1. Visit www.frysfood.com
- 2. Register your Fry's VIP Card online
- 3. Search for Beth Shalom Temple Center, or by organization #MH533
- 4. Select "Enroll"

That is all that you need to do. Fry's will then send a percentage of your purchases to the Temple.

If you are not a Fry's VIP Card holder, just stop by your nearest Fry's and ask for a free application. It will only take minutes to get your VIP Card.

Please let Joyce know if you have any questions.

#### **AMAZON SMILE**

Shop Happy and make a Difference! BSTC has received \$19.47 so far in 2022.

Do you shop on Amazon.com and like to help BSTC? Then you should be shopping with AmazonSmile! Log on at: <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> and the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations you select. If you have any questions, contact Joyce Finkelstein at <a href="mailto:mfinkel2@cox.net">mfinkel2@cox.net</a> or 520-393-0307.

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#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### ART GALLERY

The BSTC Art Gallery reminds everyone that the art exhibition currently on **display is on loan through mid-August** from the Pima Community College Louis Carlos Bernal Gallery. Retired professors Wayne Gudmundson and Dieter Berninger joined forces to create a historical photograph display: **"WHAT PLACE IS THIS?"** 

Gudmundson's silver gelatin prints document the contemporary locations of infamous and historic battles and violent acts in the area surrounding Tucson, Arizona. The photographs are accompanied by text in collaboration with historian and professor emeritus Dieter Berninger.

Carl Sandburg's poem *Grass* inspired the work: "Pile the bodies high at Austerlitz and Waterloo, shovel them under and let me work — I am the grass, I cover all...What place is this? Where are we now? I am the grass. Let me work."

The display will be shown from June 10 to August 12. The display is open during Temple events, on Wednesday afternoons, and by appointment. Call the office at 520-648-6690 for an appointment.

Marcia and Bev

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#### **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

Every year BSTC distributes the Book of Remembrance at Yom Kippur. We will again have an electronic Book of Remembrance. (We will mail a copy to anyone including the request for one with their monetary donation.) If you wish the names of your deceased loved ones included in the book for 5782, September 2021-September 2022, please send in your information along with your free-will donation

#### by September 16, 2022.

Please use the form on the following page, and print clearly to avoid any misspellings. In lieu of the form, you may also email Suenette your list or a note that it is the same as last year, and let her know if you want a printed copy.

If you have any questions, please contact Suenette Maron or the office at bstcgv@gmail.com.

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#### **CARING COMMITTEE—Who to Call?**

#### This information has been recently updated:

Do you need to let the congregation know about an important life event? Are you interested in making caring calls to other members? If you have any prayer requests, know of any of our members who are sick and/or in the hospital, or would like to make phone calls, please **contact Amy Storer**, new chair of the BSTC Caring Committee.

See the Mi Sheberach List on the website for those who need your prayers. Contact Stacy or Rabbi Norm to add any names.

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#### **HOSPITALITY**

Bagel Breakfasts have resumed, every first Sunday of the month. Fully vaccinated members and guests are welcome. RSVP and pre-payment are required for ALL food events, no refunds. (Remember that credit cards payments for any event/donation can be made through the BSTC website.)

ONEG CHAIR & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Contact Ricki and/or Ruthann.

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#### JIM CLICK RAFFLE

The 2022 Jim Click Raffle has begun. Steve turned in the first 42 ticket stubs in mid-June. BSTC has raised \$875 so far in this year's raffle! There are three great prizes this year: a new 2022 Ford Maverick Lariat Hybrid pickup truck; two round trip, first

class airline tickets anywhere in the world; or \$5,000 in cash. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100 and 100% of your ticket purchase goes directly to BSTC. Check the BSTC website for a link to the flyer of prizes!

For tickets: contact the office at 520-648-6690 or Steve Abrahams or Ed Gold. If you live in the Green Valley area, Ed will deliver tickets to your door. Tickets will also be on sale at the Bagel Breakfasts and in the BSTC office during office hours.

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#### **LIBRARY**

A book club has formed and is meeting at 10 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month in the BSTC library. All members are welcome! Please contact Laura Unger for more information.

Linda Stein and Charlotte Brody, Librarians

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#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS**

The Membership committee invited nine prospective members to attend the June Bagel Breakfast. EIGHT of those joined the temple within one week of that breakfast, and more potential new members are planning to attend the August Bagel Breakfast.

#### Members are invited to SCHMOOZE!

Please send your comments, story and/or photos to Ricki for upcoming editions of The BSTC Schmooze. Then, watch for the BSTC Schmooze to come in your email!

BSTC welcomes photos from our members to be shared in the Shofar, Schmooze and on our social media platforms. Send pictures to Mike with your request and details.

Anyone interested in joining this committee please contact Mike Finkelstein.

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#### **MEMORIAL BOARD**

The Memorial Board committee received a letter from our supplier for the nameplates, W.E. Baum, notifying us that they (like many companies) are being impacted by supply chain issues. Orders for the cast bronze nameplates may take up to 12 weeks. If you would like to order a memorial nameplate to

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Use the form below and please print clearly to avoid any misspellings.

If you have any questions, you may email me at <a href="mailto:suenet7756@aol.com">suenet7756@aol.com</a> or the temple at <a href="mailto:bstcgv@gmail.com">bstcgv@gmail.com</a>. You may also email me your list, or just email or note that it's the same as last year. However, monetary donations must be sent to the Temple.

Please note if you would like a printed copy.

Thank you. Suenette Maron BOR chair
BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE FORM
Please print the name(s) of your dearly departed
Remembered by: (Please print)
O I/We would like a printed copy.
Mail this form and your free-will donation to:
BSTC
P.O. Box 884
Green Valley, AZ 85622

Mark BOR on your check memo and envelope. Thank you.

remember your loved one, please do so as soon as possible. W.E. Baum will do its best to deliver the nameplate by Yom Kippur. The cost is \$300 each.

For more information, please contact Joyce.

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#### MEN'S CLUB

The BSTC Brotherhood cancelled their July meeting and field trip to the Tucson Jewish History Museum and Holocaust Center due to another covid outbreak that followed the July bagel breakfast.

#### **Upcoming Brotherhood Events:**

- Men's Club Shabbat—Friday, Aug 5th
- Gaslight Theater Wizzard of Rings—Sept 17th Gary Friedman is the chair of this event. Cost is \$28 per person. There are 46 tickets reserved. See flyer below.
- The next meeting is at 9 a.m. on Wednesday,
   August 10th at Arizona Family Restaurant.

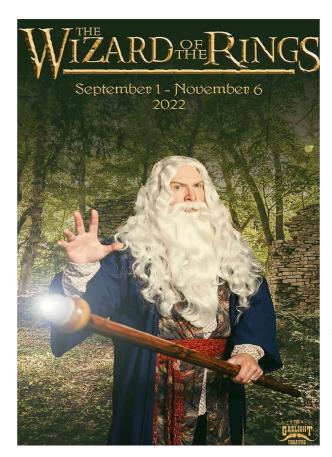
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#### **PROGRAMS**

- Our wonderful baker, Randy Gehman, plans to offer challahs again in the near future!
- Planning has already begun for BSTC's 2023 Passover Seder, with the committee currently evaluating caterers and event spaces.
- We are planning a Zoom discussion on the Jews of India with one of the Rabbi's former students.
- In early September, we are planning a Green Valley presentation about Israel by Nir Nitzan, a travel guide from Israel.
- Life As An International Fashion Model—a talk by BSTC member, Harriet Ayer. Watch for info!

#### **WITH RABBI NORM**

- The new Director of Weintraub Israel Center Abbii Cook in Tucson visited BSTC in late July to meet with BSTC members and Rabbi Norm.
- A follow-up Zoom Discussion, Death & Dying Workshop, Part II—Finding Meaningful Jewish Responses will be held on Thursday, August 25th



## Beth Shalom Temple Center Men's Club presents

#### Fun at the Gaslight

Saturday evening September 17th, 2022 6:00 pm

\$28.00 per person

Dinner before show at: Little Anthony's Diner (additional cost on your own)

#### add your name to the list of these reservations:

Mike Finklestein, Dan Galitz, Sid Shapiro, Virgil Graham, John Unger, Arnie Krohn, Rabbi Norman, David Bayless, Michael Benisch, Ed Gold, Howard Cohne, Stu Tobin, Merle Sobol, Ed Brill, Gary Friedman

For reservations, call or email:

Gary Friedman, grfriedman@yahoo.com 520-344-7599

from 2-3:30pm, then posted on the BSTC YouTube channel. Invitation with link will be emailed to members.

- HOLD THE DATE: SHABBATON WEEKEND with Rabbi Norm is rescheduled for MARCH 24-26, 2023. More information to come. Registration will begin in January 2023.
- In-person Hebrew classes may begin in the fall.
   Please let Rabbi Norm know if you're interested in participating.
- Rabbi Norm is leading a group trip to Israel from November 8-19, 2022. See flyer for details. If you aren't already signed up, and want to go, contact him as soon as possible.
- We are considering a possible Jewish tour of New York City or Los Angeles in the spring 2023, led by Rabbi Roman, with the assistance of local travel agency, Pleasurebent Travel. More info to come!

#### **Upcoming Events:**

◆ Early planning is underway for a delayed BSTC anniversary event and fundraiser. If you are interested in helping with the planning please let Mike Finkelstein (mfinkel2@cox.net) know.

Contact Mike Finkelstein if you are interested in participating on this committee.

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#### **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Marcia Weiner, Bev Lake, and Les Bakke were featured in a recent Green Valley News article about our current art gallery exhibit, a display of historical photographs entitled "What Place Is This?"

And, BSTC member, Harriet Ayer, was interviewed in the summer issue of the Green Valley Community Quarterly, discussing her career as a model with feature author Guy Atchley.

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# You are invited to join Rabbi Norm & Lynne Roman on an Exciting & Inspirational Trip to ISRAEL November 8-19, 2022

Our group will consist of Jews and non-Jews from all over the United States—experiencing the holiness and vitality of the modern State of Israel, while gaining a deeper appreciation for the ancient truths that were born there!

We will enjoy 11 days of touring throughout the country, along with opportunities to interact with residents, community leaders, and new immigrants; there will be time for exploring, relaxing, tasting Israeli food & wine, and shopping...all at a very comfortable pace.

The itinerary being planned includes:

daily breakfast and some lunches or dinners, all touring admissions and fees, luggage assistance, and 11 nights in deluxe hotels:

Renaissance Hotel (Tel Aviv) • Pastoral Guest House (Kibbutz Kfar Blum) Isrotel Ganim Spa (Dead Sea) • Inbal Hotel (Jerusalem)

We are NOT flying to Israel as a group, but flights may be coordinated with other participants.

Please note that the tour begins after breakfast in Tel Aviv on Wednesday, November 9th, but accommodations for the night of November 8th are included. Similarly, the program ends with dinner in Jerusalem on Saturday,

November 19th and a transfer to the airport will be provided for flights departing late that night.

#### Projected cost: \$4,955 per person in a double room (\$6,950 for a single)

Logistics in Israel provided by Nitzan Travel Services, Inc. • www.Nirtours4u.co.il

For more information or to discuss the trip further, please contact Rabbi Roman at 248-505-5255 or norm.roman@gmail.com

THIS YEAR IN JERUSALEM!

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#### **RITUAL**

BSTC has returned to the 7:00pm start time for our Friday night Shabbat service.

**Reminder:** BE ON TIME or you will need to ring the doorbell. Doors will be locked when services begin.

ONEG CHAIR & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Please contact Ricki and/or Ruthann.

The schedule of services for August is below:

Friday, August 5, 7:00pm - Men's Club led Shabbat Friday, August 26, 7:00pm - Shabbat service

For your convenience in planning, the schedule of services for September, including the beginning of the High Holidays, is also listed below:

Friday, September 2nd, 7pm - Shabbat service
Saturday, September 17th, 10am - Shabbat service
Sunday, September 25th, 7pm - Erev Rosh Hashana
Monday, September 26th, 10am - Rosh Hashana
Tuesday, September 27th, 10am - Rosh Hashana
(2nd day)

Remaining High Holiday schedule will be included in the September Shofar, and is available on the active calendar you may access from the BSTC website.

All fully vaccinated/boostered members and their guests are welcome to attend in person. Masks are optional. Wine and challah will be available at the conclusion of services as applicable. Onegs and light Kiddish luncheons will restart with our Passover celebration. Of course these plans will change if Covid restrictions need to be resumed.

For those who for what ever reason can not attend in person we will continue to stream our services via YouTube *Live*. Watch your e-blasts for links and information.

If you borrowed a prayer book but now attend in person, please return the prayer book.

This is your BSTC and unless we know what your religious needs are we can not provide for them. Please let me know.

Ruthann

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#### **SECURITY**

 Great News! We have been notified that BSTC has been awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona for exterior lighting improvements and for a second layer of door security at the entrance to the Temple. Your BSTC Security Team wants to officially thank Gary Melton for his outstanding efforts in preparing, coordinating and submitting the application for the grant. As you may be aware, Gary has just relocated to Malaysia for a 1-2 year period, and we look forward to his return.

- If you are at a temple service or event and need to leave the building before it concludes, PLEASE contact the security shomer, so he or she can let you out. The security shomer will be located in the back corner nearest to the sanctuary exit door. If you are coming into the Temple after the beginning of a service or event please knock on the door and the security shomer will unlock the door and let you in. We are seeking volunteers to share the Shomer duties! Shomers must commit to arriving 30 minutes prior to the services or event for which they volunteer, and short on-the -job training will be provided.
- Our new BSTC Guide for Emergency Safety Procedures is completed but will always be open to revision as we collectively identify the need for revision. This guide is posted in the "members only access" portion of the BSTC website for your ease of access. We will also conduct training on short portions of the guide periodically to help all of us better understand the content.
- Please wear your nametag whenever you are at BSTC for services or events. Thank you.
- Remember: "If You See Something (suspicious activity), Say Something!"

Your BSTC Security Team,

Les Bakke, Dan Galitz, Gary Friedman & Cliff Shekter

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#### **SISTERHOOD**

The Sisterhood led Shabbat service scheduled for July 8th was cancelled due to the covid outbreak.

The Sisterhood is planning to resume the annual Mahjongg Tournament on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. This event benefits the BSTC Sisterhood and Dazee's/Genesis House, a shelter for abused women, children and the elderly. In the past, the Sisterhood has collected only clothing for donation to Dazee's at the tournament, but this year they have asked us to look at other needs they have

# BSTC SISTERHOOD ANNUAL MAHJONGG FUN-RAISER

To benefit Hands of a Friend (Dazees/Genesis House)
& Beth Shalom Temple Center Sisterhood

Tuesday, November 15, 2022
Registration at 12:45pm • Play 1:30 to 4:30 pm

Beth Shalom Temple Center 1751 N. Rio Mayo • Green Valley, AZ 85614 (Masks may be required!)

BRING TABLE COVER

Contact: Agi Klieger 818-653-7525

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instead and have requested donations of new/ unopened personal care products including:

- Paper towels/toilet paper/facial tissues/napkins
- Diapers—all sizes from infant to training pants
- Sanitary pads/napkins and tampons
- Shampoo/conditioner/body wash
- Tootpaste/mouthwash/toothbrushes
- Hand sanitizer

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 Cash and checks (payable to Hands of a Friend) are also most welcome and appreciated.

If you haven't shopped at Dazee's yet, do give it a try. We think you will be pleasantly surprised by the quality, prices and choices.

Any questions about the donations needed? Please contact Gail Norton at 520-241-1037.

THANK YOU!

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#### **SOCIAL ACTION**

The committee will be meeting at BSTC on August 31st at 3pm to discuss our upcoming participation in the September 10th "Hunger Walk" and the October 9th "Walk Against Hate".

#### **Continuing Projects:**

- The committee continues to collect food donations and transport them to the local food banks. The food collections are Wednesday afternoons from 1-3 pm in the BSTC art gallery. Please come by and make a donation of food and/or money for the needy members of our community and view the exhibit. You are also encouraged to continue to bring donations to the bin in the lobby when attending services or meetings as well. THANKS!
- The committee is done promoting donations for this year's Sopori school supply drive at bagel breakfasts, raising a total of \$1,236. Committee volunteers will begin shopping for the backpacks and supplies on the teacher's lists

near the end of August, and provide them to the students when the school year begins. Thank you for your generous support of this very worthy cause!

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#### **TORAH STUDY**

Torah Portions are included for members in the table shown on the next page, as well as on the Active Calendar on the BSTC website. Torah Study is meeting via Zoom virtual platform. All are welcome. Invitations are emailed weekly.

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#### **TRIBUTES**

**Tribute update:** Please send any personal notes, cards, and/or messages directly to the recipient. Our Tribute cards do not have enough space to include those. A sampling of our custom Tribute cards is displayed on-line: https://bstc.us/tribute-cards. See page 3 of any Shofar for instructions for how to make a Tribute donation to BSTC. Thank you to all who contribute and participate!

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#### **WEBSITE**

The Gift Shop tab with links to these new pages is active for public access! BSTC will NOT have these items on site. Buyers contact the artist directly to purchase items. Any BSTC artists who are interested in participating, please contact Stacy.

Please email Stacy at bstcgv@gmail.com, or call 520-648-6690, if you have any problems or suggestions.

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MONTHLY TORAH PORTIONS					
Portion (Parashat)	Date	Torah	Haftarah		
Mattot-Mas'ei	July 30, 2022	Numbers 30:2-36:13	Jeremiah 2:4-28		
<u>Devarim</u>	August 6, 2022	Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22	Isaiah 1:1-1:27		
<u>Va-etchanan</u>	Aug <mark>ust 13,</mark> 2022	Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11	Isaiah 40:1-26		
<u>'Ekev</u>	August 20, 2022	Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25	Isaiah 49:14-51:3		
<u>Re-eh</u>	August 27, 2022	Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17	Isaiah 54:11-55:5		



Happy Birthday to:		
Marilyn Israel	1-Aug	
Donna Wyte	2-Aug	
Robert Lipson	6-Aug	
Jane Gold	8-Aug	
Beverly Lake	9-Aug	
Emanuel Shaham	12-Aug	
Marlys Fiterman	13-Aug	
Lynne Roman	13-Aug	
Arlene Brody	15-Aug	
Ann Cohn	18-Aug	
William Katz	19-Aug	
Dan Galitz	22-Aug	
John Unger	22-Aug	
Bobbie Vishner	25-Aug	
Maridell Nochumson	29-Aug	
Don Janklow	31-Aug	



Happy Anniversary to:	
Ed & Jane Gold	7-Aug
Jim & Ruth Barwick	10-Aug
Barbara & Andrew Katz	10-Aug
Becky Charboneau & Kent Blumenthal	13-Aug
Lynn & Don Janklow	16-Aug
Steve & Suenette Maron	20-Aug
Howard & Arlene Brody	21-Aug
Cliff & Jean Shekter	28-Aug
Les & Carolyn Simon	28-Aug

COMMITTEE	CHAIR/CO-CHAIR
Aesthetics	Tobey Gitelle
Art Gallery	Marcia Wiener
Book of Remembrance	Suenette Maron
BSTC Shopper	OPEN
Calendar & Reservations	BSTC office
Caring-Mishpochah	Amy Storer
e-Scrip	Joyce Finkelstein
e-Blast	Jane Gold
Facilities	Arnold Krohn
Facebook	Jo Legat
Facebook (co-chair)	Jane Gold
Finance	Tobey Gitelle
Historian	Gail Sommers
Historian (co-chair)	Gloria Clancy
Hospitality: Bagel	Ricki Letowt
Hospitality: Oneg	OPEN
Jim Click Raffle	Steve Abrahams
Jim Click Raffle (co-chair)	Ed Gold
Library	Linda Stein
Library (co-chair)	Charlotte Brody
Memorial Board/Yahrzeits	Joyce Finkelstein
Membership	Mike Finkelstein
Men's Club	Merle Sobol
Mishaberach	Jo Legat
President	Gloria Clancy
Programs	Mike Finkelstein
Public Relations	Mike Finkelstein
Rabbi	Norman Roman
Ritual	Ruthann Shapiro
Ritual (co-chair)	Marlys Fiterman
Security	Dan Galitz
Shofar	BSTC Office
Sisterhood	Sue Cohen
Social Action	Larry Gravitz
Tributes	Amy Storer
Website	BSTC Office