

### **President's Message**

By the time you read this (thankfully) the High Holidays of 5780 will be but a memory. I want to once again thank everyone who helped make it a success: those who made "honors" phone calls, those who participated in the services and those who simply attended the services. I want to especially thank all those people who without being asked just dived in to help with the Break

Fast. (I must admit that by the Shofar blowing on Yom Kippur I was exhausted.) BSTC is so much more than a social club + a synagogue. We are truly a family that looks after each other.

Ruthann Shapiro, President



#### **GREEN VALLEY SHOFAR**

#### The Official Newsletter of Beth Shalom Temple Center

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#### Editor: Jane Gold

This is the November/December issue of the Shofar. The Shofar is published 6 times a year: Jan/Feb, March/April, May/June, July/Aug, Sept/Oct, and Nov/Dec.

**NEWSLETTER SUPPORT STAFF:** Mike Finkelstein, Stacy Laetsch

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 IN CHECKS TO BSTC

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

#### MAIL TO THE TEMPLE

To expedite delivery, any <u>mail sent to the temple</u> should be addressed to: **P.O. Box 884, Green Valley, AZ 85622**. Sending mail to the Rio Mayo address may result in a delay. To expedite delivery <u>please</u> <u>include the name of the person you wish to contact</u> <u>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 or Commemorative* items, contact Amy Storer.

For information on the *Green Valley Cemetery*, please call Ingeborg McDonald.

#### TEMPLE USAGE SCHEDULING

Before scheduling a program, please check the live calendar to avoid scheduling conflicts. Please turn in a Facility Reservation Form, available in the lobby and on the website, and contact the Facilities Manager for any set up or clean up needed. Contact the BSTC office at (520) 648-6690 with any questions.

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 10<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the publication Beth Shalom Temple Center Members and Friends are invited to attend a presentation by

# Paul Patterson

Director of Security for the Southern Arizona Jewish Federation

# "ACTIVE SHOOTING SITUATION IN A HOUSE OF WORSHIP"

Paul is a recognized Security Training Expert in the state of Arizona, who has served as an expert witness for governmental agencies, as well as private attorneys in both civil and criminal litigation.

Paul's presentation will cover Active Shooting situations and suspicious activity issues.

A question & answer session will follow his presentation.

# Sunday, November 3rd following Bagel Breakfast

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**



Friday, November 1, 7 p.m., **Friday Night** *Shabbat* Services, followed by Oneg

Saturday, November 2, 9:30 a.m., Torah Study

Sunday, November 3, **Bagel Breakfast**, 9:30 Michael G. on piano, 10 a.m. breakfast (sponsor: Ricki Letowt) begins, followed at 11 a.m. by a special presentation by Paul Patterson, the Director of Security for the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona. See flyer on previous page.

Monday, November 4, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Tuesday, November 5, 6:30 p.m., **Ritual Committee Meeting at BSTC** 

Saturday, November 9, 9:30 a.m., Torah Study

Monday, November 11, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Tuesday, November 12, 10 a.m., Sisterhood meeting

Wednesday, November 13, 9 a.m., **Men's Club meeting** at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant

Saturday, November 16, 10 a.m., Saturday Morning Services and Stuart Tobin's Bar Mitzvah led by the Mussmans & Kiddush (sponsor: Tobin family)

Sunday, November 17, 2 p.m., Sing Along: The Music of Harold Arlen & Sammy Cahn

Monday, November 18, 9 a.m., BSTC Board Study Session

Monday, November 18, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Tuesday, November 19, 11 a.m., Sisterhood's Annual Mah Jong Tournament

Saturday, November 23, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study** led by Michael Mussman

Sunday, November 24, 1:30 p.m., **BSTC Jewish Film** Festival screening: Run Boy Run Monday, November 25, 10 a.m., BSTC Board Meeting

Monday, November 25, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Wednesday, November 27, 3 p.m., Social Action Committee meeting at BSTC

Saturday, November 30, 9:30 a.m., Torah Study

Sunday, December 1, **Bagel Breakfast**, 9:30 Michael G. on piano, 10 a.m. breakfast begins (sponsor: Ricki Letowt), 11 a.m. Bethany Neumann of Youth On Their Own will attend, with some students from the program, and speak during brunch.

Monday, December 2, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Tuesday, December 3, 6:30 p.m., **Ritual Committee meeting** at BSTC

Wednesday, December 4, 7 p.m., **Star Gazing Event with David Levy** lecture with telescope viewing to follow.

Friday, December 6, 7 p.m., Friday Night Shabbat Services, followed by Oneg

Saturday, December 7, 9:30 a.m., Torah Study

Monday, December 9, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Tuesday, December 10, 10 a.m., Sisterhood meeting

Wednesday, December 11, 9 a.m., **Men's Club meeting** at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant

Saturday, December 14, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study** led by Rabbi Miri Fleming

Monday, December 16, 9 a.m., BSTC Board Study Session

Monday, December 16, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Friday, December 20, 7 p.m., **Friday Night** *Shabbat* **Services** led by the Mussmans, Oneg to follow sponsored by Sue & Marty Cohen

Saturday, December 21, 9:30 a.m., Torah Study

Sunday, December 22, 12 p.m., **BSTC Chanukah Party** cohosted by the BSTC Men's Club & Sisterhood

Monday, December 23, 10 a.m., BSTC Board meeting

Monday, December 23, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class

Saturday, December 28, 9:30 a.m., Torah Study

Monday, December 30, 12 p.m., Mahjong Class



## THE MUSIC OF HAROLD ARLEN & SAMMY CAHN

Join us at Beth Shalom Temple Center 1751 North Rio Mayo • Green Valley, AZ on **Sunday, November 17, 2019 at 2 PM** for another of our Musical Sing-Along Afternoons!

Hear the tunes and learn about these great songwriters!

Admission at the door: \$10 (\$7 for BSTC members) You are also invited to make a donation for the Sahuarita Food Bank and Green Valley Community Food Bank



<u>Featuring musicians:</u> Mike Finkelstein, Joey Lessa, Regina Ford & Bob Kovitz

For more information, or to RSVP, please call 520-648-6690.

## **COMMEMORATIVE ITEMS:**

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

Memorial 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.

## TRIBUTES

Do you need to send a greeting card? Do you want to support your Temple? Here's a great way to do both. Amy Storer, the volunteer chairing the committee will mail a personalized card to whomever you choose. Here's how:

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!)

If ordering several Tributes at the same time, print the birthday/anniversary page of the Shofar, check off the names of those you'd like to designate for Tribute(s), and mail it in with your check. Tributes may be sent with your own personal greeting for birthdays, anniversaries, get well, condolences, best wishes for the new home, in appreciation, mazel tov, and sympathy upon loss of a pet, etc.

- From Ed & Esther Brill: Sincere Condolences to: Linda Stein on the death of her son, Arthur Stein; to Kay Grask on the death of Dot Feldman, as well as to Dot's family; and, to Rosalind Cooper on the death of her husband, Jeffery. Refuah Sh'lema to: Harriet Belenker, Kay Sobol, Eric Rautenberg, Lenny Friedman.
  Ya'Sha Choach to: Mike Finkelstein on his tribute by the Green Valley News. And, thank you to Gary & Toi Melton for hosting the new members' get together, for the revised Social Action Committee, and all the extra goodies Toi makes to bring to events.
- From Michael & Joyce Finkelstein: **A Memorial Tribute to**: Bob Sharpe, sent to Jeremy Sharpe & family.
- From Harriet Belenker: Get Well Wishes to Ted Walden.
- <u>From Dusty & Lenny Friedman</u>: *Mazel Tov to*: Michael Finkelstein for his recent community honor; and, to Joyce Finkelstein for her recent Rotary honor.
- From The Gansky Zymelman Family Fund: **A Tribute to**: Marcia Wiener.
- From La Posada: **A Tribute to**: Joey Lessa.

## **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.

#### Yahrzeit Donations:

Remembered by	For His/Her	Yahrzeit
Nili Mirande	Her Parents	Pinkas & Sara Oleck
Esther Brill	Her Parents	Saul & Sophie Greenblatt Levine
Helene Feldman	Mother	Sylvia Snyder
Louis Simon	Wife	Sybil Simon
Steve Maron	Brother	Daniel Maron
Steve Maron	Father	Irving Maron

## **MEMBER NEWS & UPDATES**

#### Please Welcome New Members:

- Susan Flemming
- John Holleran
- Jeff Webster

*New Members please see Stacy in the BSTC office to have your photos taken!* 

#### **Directory Updates**

 New email address for Harvey Beim New address for Lenore Mills New address for Linda Alexander & Gene Nudelman

The 2019 Membership Directory is available on the website. Please let Stacy know if you would like a printed copy.

#### **NEW MEMBER BIOGRAPHIES**

**David & Wendee Levy** became BSTC members last December. David is a native of Montreal who moved to Southern Arizona about 40 years ago to pursue his exploration of the nighttime sky. His central role in the discovery of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 that impacted Jupiter in 1994 brought him to the attention of news media around the world. He has discovered 22 other comets, has written many books, and delivered many inspiring talks on astronomy. Wendee has been a teacher in Las Cruces, New Mexico and is, as David describes her, "my most demanding editor." David's autobiography centers on the night sky, with details concerning his life long battle against depression. He was shy and lonely, and found comfort in his early looks at the night sky.

As the years passed, he turned his childhood friendship with the night sky into a passion for it. His book describes adventures over 70 happy years, along with the eclipses, comets, displays of the northern lights, and a cosmic impact that have punctuated the years.

David is one of the most successful comet discoverers in history. He has discovered 22 comets, nine of them using his own backyard telescopes. With Eugene and Carolyn Shoemaker at the Palomar Observatory in California he discovered Shoemaker-Levy 9, the comet that collided with Jupiter in 1994. That episode produced the most spectacular explosions ever witnessed in the solar system. Levy is currently involved with the Jarnac Comet Survey, which is based at the Jarnac Observatory in Vail, Arizona, but which has telescopes planned for locations around the world.

Dr. Levy is the author or editor of 35 books and other products. He won an Emmy in 1998 as part of the writing team for the Discovery Channel documentary, *Three Minutes to Impact*. As the Science Editor for *Parade Magazine* from 1997 to 2006, he was able to reach more than 80 million readers, almost a quarter of the population of the United States. A contributing editor for *Sky and Telescope Magazine*, he wrote its monthly "Star Trails" column, for twenty years, and his "Nightfall" feature appeared in each issue of the Canadian magazine, *Skynews*. He currently writes a monthly column *Skyward*, for a number of periodicals.

Jeff Webster became a BSTC member during the summer of 2019. Jeff was born in Idaho Falls, Idaho. He went to college at McAllister and the School of Visual Arts, St. Paul, MN. Upon completing his education, Jeff went to work at Mayo Clinic as a Medical Illustrator for three years. Jeff met his wife, Judy, the first year at Mayo. He left Mayo for the University of Minnesota to become Chief Designer at the St. Paul campus. Following a year sabbatical, he then went to the University of Alberta to create a publications office for them. Following that he went back to Minnesota and was appointed Senior Artist and Art Director for Control Data. He missed the mountains, so Jeff and Judy moved to Pocatello, Idaho where Jeff headed up PR duties and publications for the university. Judy ran the Neuro Lab at St. Anthony Hospital, Pocatello. They have two children, Eric and Marjorie, who have both become very successful. Marjorie is a Primary Care Physician and Eric is an AF Pilot and top engineer at GE Health Care. Judy and Jeff are quite happy with the results and their path through the years.

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#### BETH SHALOM TEMPLE CENTER – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

#### **BAGEL BREAKFAST GUEST SPEAKER**

Music by Michael G: 9:30-10:00 am Bagel Breakfast: 10:00-10:45 am

Guest Speaker, Bethany Neumann, Director of Development for YOUTH ON THEIR OWN (YOTO)



#### SUPPORTING THE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION AND CONTINUED SUCCESS OF HOMELESS YOUTH

Bethany and a couple of the YOTO students will join us for our December Bagel Breakfast. Immediately following the Bagel Breakfast, she will speak to our community regarding the nationally recognized Tucson "Youth On Their Own" program. She will cover the challenges they have faced and the successes they have had in fulfilling their important mission. You will also hear directly from a couple of the YOTO students what their experiences have been in the program. There will be time allotted to ask any questions you have for Bethany or the students.

Please join us for our December 1<sup>st</sup> Bagel Breakfast and this very special presentation.

## TEMPLE TIDINGS

Mitzvah Good Deeds Done Together Day— November 1, 2019 Updated website address for info or to register: www.gvc-foundation.org

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#### Tzedakah

The giving of Tzedakah during the High Holidays is a Jewish tradition. I want to thank each of you who contributed to the Book of Remembrance, High Holiday appeal and/or Project Issiah. For those of you who have yet to make a donation there is still time and remember Tzedakah is a year round thing.

Ruthann Shapiro

#### THANK YOU!

Thanks to BSTC member, Gail Norton, for donating a professional mixer to the kitchen.

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#### Notes From the Board

Recently, at our open Board meetings, the Board has voted:

1. On a credit card processing company. By the time you read this we will be able to take payments/donations with debit and credit cards. Cards to be accepted will be Visa, Mastercard and Discover. This should be a great help for those people like me who never carry cash. An E-Blast with complete details will be sent out.

Ruthann Shapiro

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#### Live Calendar

The website has been updated with a link to a live calendar. It can be printed.

Please check the website for this *"active calendar"* with regards to services, programs, committee meetings, and events.

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#### Suggestion Box Responses

There was one suggestion in the Suggestion Box since the last *Shofar* was published. Someone wrote that our **American flag looked tired and old**, and I couldn't have agreed more. Back in Pittsburgh I would have called the Jewish War Veterans and they would have had it replaced almost immediately. Here it wasn't that easy. Eventually I contacted BSTC member, Gary Melton, who is a veteran. Gary purchased and hung a new flag in time for Rosh Hashanah, and has had the old flag properly disposed of. Thank you Gary.



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#### **Facility Reservation Form**

In addition to allowing members access to the most updated information, the intention in providing this calendar will be to avoid scheduling conflicts. To have your event shown on the calendar, please submit a Facility Reservation Form. This not only includes the event on the calendar, it allows the Facilities Manager to make the most appropriate arrangements for set up, cleanup, audio/visual, etc. This form is available in the BSTC lobby, and there is a link to download it on the website as well. Please contact Stacy to submit the form, or if you have any questions.

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#### **Torah Study**

We are fortunate to have both Rabbi Miri Fleming and Michael Mussman leading Torah Studies on an alternating monthly basis. Look at the calendar of events to see who is leading and when. Each provide their own perspective about the Torah to that of the participants, thus creating conversation. If you have never been to a lively Torah Study, or it's been a long time, please join us. Unless there is Saturday service, Torah Study begins at 9:30 a.m.

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#### **Memorial Tablet Space**

Perhaps you have noticed that our three Memorial Tablets are getting full. Many members are choosing to remember their loved ones with the purchase of nameplates that are mounted on the Tablets. As you may notice, the bottom of each Tablet bears an inscription of the donor. The Temple Board is investigating the purchase of an additional Memorial Tablet, the cost of which is approximately \$8000. Would you like to memorialize a loved one in this special way? By donating the cost of the Tablet, you may choose an appropriate inscription to be placed at the bottom of the Tablet to remember your loved one.

If you would like to discuss making this generous donation, contact Joyce Finkelstein

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#### Who to Call?

Do you need to let the congregation know about an important life event? If you have prayer requests, or know if any of our members are sick/in the hospital, please contact Jo Legat, chair of the BSTC Caring Committee.

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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### ART GALLERY

BSTC Art Gallery presents Playing With Paper, an exhibit by local artist and educator, Linda Lucas Larriva, on display from October 25th through January 6th. Creative use of paper in collage, papier mache and paintings with mixed materials. As a retiree in Green Valley, she puts the passion in her heart on canvas, metal, cardboard, or anything she can throw, drip, dab, fold, cut, paint and manipulate until her heart is content. She uses materials that are recognizable in everyday life, but have been discarded, recycled and most hopefully unexpected. When she begins to compose a piece, she just starts. The moments drive the project as her hands experience her collection of repurposed treasures. Each tack of glue, each piece of paper, inspires her next move. Her wish is that you would move through the show and see the art develop from paints, sticks, wires, beads, prints, and more. Please call the BSTC office at 520-648-6690 for a viewing appointment.

Marcia and Bev

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#### E-SCRIP/AMAZON SMILES/SHOPWITHSCRIP

**\*\*\*NEW!\*\*\* SHOPWITHSCRIP** is a new program at BSTC that allows you to purchase brand name gift cards at their face value, and donate to BSTC without it costing you anything extra! You will find flyers in the lobby with information, order forms, and a complete list of participating retailers. Links to these have also been added to the BSTC website. Contact Joyce Finkelstein with questions.

#### AMAZON SMILES?

#### Shop Happy and make a Difference!

Do you shop on Amazon? Would you like to help the Temple with your purchases? Then you should be shopping with Amazon Smile!

#### What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that

# The Beth Shalom Programs Committee Invites you to an evening of Star Gazing with Author/Astronomer David Levy

# Wednesday, December 4th • 7 pm

Enjoy an informative presentation followed by telescope viewing & book signing at Beth Shalom Temple Center • 1751 N. Rio Mayo, Green Valley AZ 85614

"The subject of this evening's presentation is the story of my life. This book describes the adventures I have had over 70 happy years, along with the eclipses, comets, displays of the northern lights, and a cosmic impact that have punctuated the years." - David Levy

The Speaker: David H. Levy is one of the most successful comet discoverers in history. He has discovered 22 comets, nine of them using his own backyard telescopes. With Eugene and Carolyn Shoemaker, at the Palomar Observatory in California, he discovered Shoemaker-Levy 9, the comet that collided with Jupiter in 1994. Levy is currently involved with the Jarnac Comet Survey, which is based at the Jarnac Observatory in Vail, Arizona, but which has telescopes planned for locations around the world.

## **Cost: \$10 per person • All are welcome!** For information or reservations call 520-648-6690

lets you enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile (<u>smile.amazon.com</u>), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations you select.

#### Make it easy for yourself...

Just enter the following in your browser: <u>https://</u> <u>smile.amazon.com/ch/86-0682304</u>. You will be taken to the opening page. All that you need to do is to click on the "Start Shopping" button. You can now shop for your favorite items on Amazon and know that your purchases are helping the Temple. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Finkelstein.

#### FRY'S COMMUNITY REWARD PROGRAM

- Do you shop at Fry's?
- Do you have a Fry's VIP Card?
- Would you like to make money for
- Beth Shalom

Temple Center without it costing you anything? If you answered "YES" to these questions, then you need to enroll in the **Fry's Community Rewards Pro**gram. Here is all that you need to do...

- 1. Visit <u>www.frysfood.com</u>
- 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 send a percentage of your purchases directly 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 me know if you have any questions.

Joyce Finkelstein

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#### JIM CLICK RAFFLE

#### How would you like to own a brand new 2019 Jeep Grand Cherokee Summit?

That is this year's grand prize. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the BSTC lobby for more details. Tickets are available at \$25 each, or 5 for \$100 and 100% of your donation goes directly to BSTC. The



drawing will be held on December 6, 2019. Contact Steve Abrahams for info on purchasing tickets.

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#### LIBRARY

#### Notes from the Library

LEADERLESS BOOK GROUP

Looking for people to join a Leaderless Book Group. Bring your own choice of book to discuss at a social and informative session. We are hoping to meet one day a month and take advantage of the fine collection of books at our temple library.

Call Linda or Charlotte if you would like to join us.

Linda Stein & Charlotte Brody

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#### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

The Membership Committee welcomes two new members, Susan Flemming and Jeff Webster.

#### Send Us Your Photographs

For those members and friends who take pictures at any of our BSTC events, please think about sharing them. We'd love to upload them to our BSTC Facebook page as well as our website photo gallery. Send them to Mike Finkelstein and cc it to Danielle Wernick, as well.

Thank you.

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## Beth Shalom Temple Center Men's Club & Sisterhood

present



Imagine a vaudeville-inspired theater show with old-world magic, add a twinkling hint of 1900's Parisian humor, shake and stir for 100 minutes for your passport filled with FUN! You are a passenger in this entertaining theater of illusion.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2019 4:30 P.M. TICKETS: \$36.95 EA (Seats are limited, so call ASAP)

Everyone gets a great seat. We've created a cozy setting to allow Beth Shalom Temple members the opportunity to "feel the magic". The performers are NOT on a raised stage, so the magic happens inches from you!

No smoke, no mirrors, no divas. If you're expecting large-scale Vegas pyrotechnics, showgirls, wind machines, Tyrannosaurus Rex, or "hip" & "cool" attitudes... this is NOT your theater show! BUT, if you're up for live show entertainment with a sweet nostalgic feel, a "vaudeville road show without the dust" then CALL GARY to order your tickets.

## **Scottish Rite Grand Parlor**

160 S. Scott, Tucson AZ 85701

*To purchase tickets call:* Gary Friedman - 520-344-7599 or email: grfriedman@yahoo.com Mail checks to: 786 N Alexis Loop, Green Valley, AZ 85614

#### **MEN'S CLUB**

The Men's Club is now meeting at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant the second Wednesday of each month at 9 a.m.

On December 7th, the Men's Club and Sisterhood are co-sponsoring an event: Carnival of Illusion. See the flyer in the lobby for details. Tickets are still available. Contact Gary Friedman.

On December 22nd, the Men's Club and Sisterhood are also co-sponsoring the Temple's annual Chanukah Party. Details to be announced soon.

#### SAVE THE DATES:

**April 25, 2020** Annual Gaslight Theatre event. The show is Buccaneers of the Caribbean. We will be taking reservations in early January 2020.

**September 29-October 5, 2020** Road Scholar Trip to Hopi Mesa & Navajo Lands of Canyon de Chelly & Monument Valley. Trip info in the near future.

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#### NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The BSTC Nominations Committee welcomes all Beth Shalom Temple Center 2019 Members In Good Standing who have an interest in running for the 2020 BSTC Board of Directors. Please contact Merle Sobol for information, or leave a message with the BSTC office at 520-648-6690 and one of the committee members will get back to you with the requirements. There are seven 2-year openings to be filled.

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#### ONEGS

#### THIS CHAIR IS OPEN.

## *Please contact Ruthann Shapiro at to volunteer for this committee.*

Any great Temple knows how to combine the religious and social aspects of Temple life. BSTC is one of the great Temples. At the conclusion of the Friday night service we have an Oneg Shabbat. The Saturday morning service concludes with a light Kiddush luncheon. Each gives our members the opportunity to "schmooze" while enjoying some good food. Sponsorship is only \$50. Multiple people can share the sponsorship. Both Onegs and Kiddush luncheons can be customized per the sponsors request. To sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush luncheon please sign up on the sheet on the wall next to the Fish Kitchen door at BSTC, and send your check.

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#### PROGRAMS

**From OVER THE RAINBOW To COME FLY WITH ME** Beth Shalom Temple Center will hold another musical sing-a-long on Sunday, November 17 at 2 pm. Featuring the songs of Harold Arlen and Sammy Cahn, Join vocalists Regina Ford and Joey Lessa, along with Bob Kovitz on piano and Mike Finkelstein on trumpet, for a fun filled afternoon. Harold Arlen wrote over 500 songs, including the songs for The Wizard of Oz. Sammy Cahn is best known for his romantic lyrics to films and Broadway musicals that his collaborators, such as Jule Styne and Jimmy Van Heusen, set to music. The public is invited. Admission is \$10 (\$7 for temple members). See the flyer for more details.

From the Programs Committee chair, Merle Sobol: "Hi Everyone,

We had another very successful day, screening the movie The Band's Visit. I am so proud of our committee. We filled our synagogue again, and the snowbirds aren't even back yet. Approximately 60 folks attended, and we collected \$290. THANK YOU ALL, and a special THANKS to David and Martha Wolpert, Roberta Rabin, Mike and Joyce Finkelstein, Bev Lake, and my wife, Kay. A SPECIAL, SPECIAL THANKS to our PRESIDENT, Ruthann. So many folks told me how much they enjoy our Film Festival and are looking forward to the next film. They also suggest we have a discussion after the movie. We will discuss that at our next meeting. Thanks again!"

Contact Merle Sobolif you would like to join the Programs committee. Or, contact Marilyn Beim to participate on the Fund Raising committee.

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#### SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood is delighted to announce that we are

# **BSTC's Program Committee Presents Beth Shalom Temple Center's** First Jewish Film Festival Fall 2019



Nov. 24—RUN BOY RUN (2013.107 min.)

Srulik, an 8-year-old boy, flees from the Warsaw ghetto in 1942 and tries to survive in the forest. He poses as a Christian orphan, but his Jewish identity is RUN BOY RUN endangered.

Sundays at 1:30 p.m. 1751 N. Rio Mayo • Green Valley, AZ 85614

PUBLIC WELCOME

\$5/person • Free popcorn & beverages will be served

Payments will be accepted in advance, as well as at the door. Please RSVP to: bstcgv@gmail.com or 520-648-6690.

going to have a full house for our annual Mah Jongg Fun Raiser on Tuesday, November 19th (11:30 am-4:00 p.m.) and actually have several enthusiasts on a waiting list....this is our much anticipated endeavor to add to our coffers to keep funds in reserve for the special needs of the temple. If you would like to help with any aspect of promoting good will on this day of pure fun please join us !!! There are so many ways you can participate without being a player...apart from a delicious lunch prepared for us by Panda House we will have sensational raffle baskets, collections of gently worn clothing to donate to Dazees (which dedicates itself to the Women's Shelter and those who must begin life anew), and

the opportunity to welcome guests traveling a distance to be with us !

Watch for special notices regarding our December celebration of Chanukah co-hosted by the men's club and sisterhood. Each year we enjoy emphasizing different aspects of this beautiful holiday and promise to accompany our program with the usual tasty dishes and traditional melodies. As is our custom, we invite friends from the greater community as well as visiting family to share in the festivities with us.

On January 1 the men's club and sisterhood are ex-



cited to invite the BSTC membership to a Welcome Brunch honoring Rabbi and Mrs. Roman. Chef Michel will provide a superlative menu, and the specific details will follow. Please save this date and join us for what promises to be a most memorable event !!!

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#### SOCIAL ACTION

The following activities and programs are planned and supported by the BSTC Social Action Committee. We thank all the BSTC members for supporting our ongoing efforts to make our community a safer and better place to live through education, fundraising to support worthy causes, and social action.

The November meeting of the Social Action Committee will be on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm at BSTC.

There is no meeting in December, but committee will resume monthly meetings in 2020 on Wednesday, January 29th at 3:00 pm at BSTC.

10<sup>th</sup> Annual HungerWalk sponsored by the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona was held at La Posada on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> – we had our own BSTC Team this year of 6 members registered, raising \$202 for this community fund raiser.

#### **Upcoming Social Action Projects:**

- Mitzvah Good Deeds Done Together Day on Friday morning, November 1<sup>st</sup>
- Youth on Their Own (YOTO) Director of Development, Bethany Neumann, and several local students in the program will speak at BSTC following the December 1<sup>st</sup> Bagel Breakfast.
- The committee has discussed a possible welcome lunch for Rabbi Roman along with other religious leaders of our community, which may occur in early 2020. A secondary goal of this lunch is to identify interest in re-establishing a Community Interfaith Council.

#### Good news for the New year

In case you are not aware of one aspect of Arizona

State taxes: In Arizona you can reduce your Arizona Taxes with dollar for dollar credit for donations to certain charities. One of our committee members, Ed Brill, discovered this interesting provision that allows state citizens to give to a variety of charities and wipe out most, if not all, of your 2019 Arizona Tax liability. A really good reason to give to some of your favorite charities instead of owing taxes to Arizona State. Filing as a single person this deduction is good up to \$400 or filing as a married couple up to \$800. A link to the URL to find the 18 pages (996 charities) that you may get a dollar for dollar credit against your tax liability for 2019 is posted on the BSTC website.

Just a final reminder, PLEASE try to remember to bring a couple of non-perishable food items with you whenever you visit BSTC for events or services. These items can be placed in the large bin just inside and to the left of the main entrance doors. Your donation will go to the Green Valley Food Bank. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Gary Melton

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#### WEBSITE

The BSTC website (www.bstc.us) is updated regularly with information for members, as well as the public. *Please call the office at 520-648-6690 if you need the password to access the "members' only" page.* 







Happy Birthday to:	
Jerry Belenker	2-Nov
Ricki Letowt	3-Nov
Nancy Puckett	13-Nov
Sonya Foigelman	15-Nov
Arlene Hammond	16-Nov
Fran Licciardiello	16-Nov
Jeffery Webster	23-Nov
Danielle Wernick	26-Nov
Ruthann Shapiro	28-Nov
Serene Rein	30-Nov
Sy Kolman	1-Dec
Richard Wernick	1-Dec
Dusty Friedman	3-Dec
Kay Grask	4-Dec
Sherry Hoffman-Blum	7-Dec
Roberta Rabin	8-Dec
Harriet Belenker	10-Dec
Denis Nathan	12-Dec
Barbie Anastos	14-Dec
Martin Cohen	15-Dec
Michael Tannenbaum	20-Dec
Ed Gold	23-Dec
Tom Clancy	26-Dec
Wendee Wallach-Levy	29-Dec
Lisa Israel	31-Dec



## May you continue to celebrate your anniversary with joy and good health!

Happy Anniversary to:	
Fran & Tim Orrok	24-Nov
Merle & Kay Sobol	26-Nov
Steve & Madelyn Weig	3-Dec
Gary & Vanich Melton	8-Dec
Arnie & Carolyn Krohn	18-Dec

It has been determined that several names have been missed under birthdays and anniversaries. If anyone has been overlooked, and you have not received an acknowledgement of it, please contact the BSTC office.

**Missing BIRTHDAY for:** 

Stuart (Bud) Heller Carol Heller Cliff Shekter Jean Shekter David Steinberg Wanda Wolosky

Missing ANNIVERSARY for: Stuart (Bud) & Carol Heller



COMMITTEE	CHAIR/CO-CHAIR
Aesthetics	Tobey Gitelle
Art Gallery	Marcia Wiener
"	Bev Lake
Bagel Breakfast	Ricki Letowt
Book of Remembrance	Suenette Maron
BSTC Shoppers	Michael Benisch
u	Michel Kouhana
Building Reservations	BSTC office
Caring-Mishpochah	Jo Legat
Cemetery	Ingeborg McDonald
e-Scrip	Joyce Finkelstein
Event-Updates	Jane Gold
Facilities	Michael Benisch
Facebook	Danielle Wernick
Finance	Harvey Beim
Grants	Eric Rautenberg
Historian	Gloria Clancy
Hospitality	Michel Kouhana
Library	Linda Stein
u	Charlotte Brody
Jim Click Raffle	Steve Abrahams
Memorial Board /Yahrzeits	Joyce Finkelstein
Membership	Mike Finkelstein
Men's Club	Dan Galitz
Mishaberach	Jo Legat
Oneg	OPEN
President	Ruthann Shapiro
Programs	Merle Sobol
Public Relations	Mike Finkelstein
Ritual	Ruthann Shapiro
u	Jo Legat
Security	Dan Galitz
Shofar	Jane Gold
Sisterhood	Sue Cohen
Social Action	Gary Melton
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