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GREEN VALLEY SHOFAR



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President's Message

Happy secular new year. As 2020 begins, I'd like to recap some of the major things we accomplished in 2019.

First and foremost, we grew our membership. I'm especially proud of the number of former members who, for whatever reason, dropped out and have now chosen to rejoin.

During 2019 we also added interesting speakers to our bagel brunches, and instituted the BSTC Jewish Film Festival. A big thanks to all those submitting ideas, and participating with the Programs committee to implement them.

Kudos to the Art Gallery committee, our lobby has never looked better. Religiously, we had a Bar Mitzvah and a Baby Naming. And last, but not least, we hired a Rabbi.

I want to thank everyone who has volunteered their time and talents in 2019. You are appreciated. We could not function without you.

*Ruthann Shapiro,
President*



GREEN VALLEY SHOFAR

The Official Newsletter of
Beth Shalom Temple Center

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This is the January/February 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.

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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 **mail sent to the temple** 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 **please include the name of the person you wish to contact on the front of the envelope.**

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 10th of the month prior to the publication date.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, January 1, 1 p.m., **Welcome Rabbi Norman & Lynne Roman New Years Brunch**, **MUST** have pre-paid reservations!

Friday, January 3, 7 p.m., **Friday Night Shabbat Services** led by Gary and Lenny Friedman, Oneg to follow prepared by Dusty and Timber Friedman

Saturday, January 4, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study**

Sunday, January 5, **EVENT CANCELLED: Bagel Breakfast** Annual Fish Sponsored Bagel Breakfast will be in February to allow for Tucson Jewish Film Festival (*see next entry*)

Sunday, January 5, 3 p.m. **Jewish Film Festival screening: *Disobedience: The Sousa Mendes Story*** hosting special guests, the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona Tucson Jewish Film Festival. Cost \$7 per person, free popcorn and beverages will be served.

Monday, January 6, 12 p.m., **Mahjong Class**

Tuesday, January 7, 6:30 p.m., **Ritual Committee Meeting at BSTC**

Wednesday, January 8, 9 a.m., **Men's Club meeting** at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant

Thursday, January 9, 10 a.m., **Haddasah Therapy Doll Making Project** at BSTC

Saturday, January 11, 10 a.m., **Saturday Morning Shabbat Services** led by Rabbi Norman Roman

Monday, January 13, 12 p.m., **Mahjong Class**

Tuesday, January 14, 10 a.m., **Sisterhood's Meeting**

Friday, January 17, 7 p.m., **Friday Night Shabbat Services** led by Rabbi Norman Roman

Saturday, January 18, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study**

Monday, January 20, 9 a.m., **BSTC Board Study Session**

Monday, January 20, 2 p.m., **Speaker: Les Bakke presents *Minority Service Members of World War II*** in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. FREE and open to the public.

Wednesday, January 22, 11 a.m., **Sisterhood Annual Paid Up Luncheon**. *More information under the Sisterhood Committee Report.*

Saturday, January 25, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study**

Monday, January 27, 2 p.m., **BSTC Annual Board Meeting and Elections—2020 membership dues *MUST* be paid before this time for your vote to be counted!**

Wednesday, January 29, 3 p.m., **Social Action Committee Meeting @ BSTC**

Friday, January 31, 7 p.m., **Friday Night Shabbat Service** led by Rabbi Norman Roman

Saturday, February 1, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study**

Sunday, February 2, **Annual Fish Sponsored Bagel Breakfast FREE for all members!** 9:30 Michael G. on piano, 10 a.m. breakfast begins. *Programs Committee will present a guest speaker during brunch.*

Monday, February 3, 12 p.m., **Mahjong Class**

Tuesday, February 4, 6:30 p.m., **Ritual Committee meeting** at BSTC

Friday, February 7, 7 p.m., **Friday Night Shabbat Services**, led by Rabbi Norman Roman

Saturday, February 8, 10 a.m., **Saturday Morning Shabbat Services**, led by Rabbi Norman Roman

Monday, February 10, 12 p.m., **Mahjong Class**

Tuesday, February 11, 10 a.m., **Sisterhood meeting**

Wednesday, February 12, 9 a.m., **Men's Club meeting** at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant

Saturday, February 15, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study**

Monday, February 17, 9 a.m., **BSTC Board Study Session**

Monday, February 17, 12 p.m., **Mahjong Class**

Tuesday, February 18, 10 a.m., **Sisterhood Card Bingo Program** (*more info in the Sisterhood Committee Report*)

Wednesday, February 19, 2 p.m., **Wednesdays at the Temple** featuring Jane Noah, private investigator, presenting: TRUTH, LIES & PRIVATE EYES, Tales of a Private Investigator. FREE and open to the public!

Friday, February 21, 7 p.m., **Friday Night Shabbat Services** led by Rabbi Norman Roman

Saturday, February 22, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study**

Monday, February 24, 10 a.m., **BSTC Board meeting**

Monday, February 24, 12 p.m., **Mahjong Class**

Wednesday, February 26, 3 p.m., **Social Action Committee Meeting @ BSTC**

Saturday, February 29, 9:30 a.m., **Torah Study**

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 Carole Greenberg: ***In honor of:*** Stuart Tobin on becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- ♦ From The Tobin/Weissman Family: ***In honor of:*** Stuart Tobin's second Bar Mitzvah.
- ♦ From Stuart Tobin: ***In honor of:*** Michael & Sara Mussman, for participating in his second Bar Mitzvah.
- ♦ From Dusty & Lenny Friedman: ***In honor of:*** Mike & Joyce Finkelstein and their love for BSTC.

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.

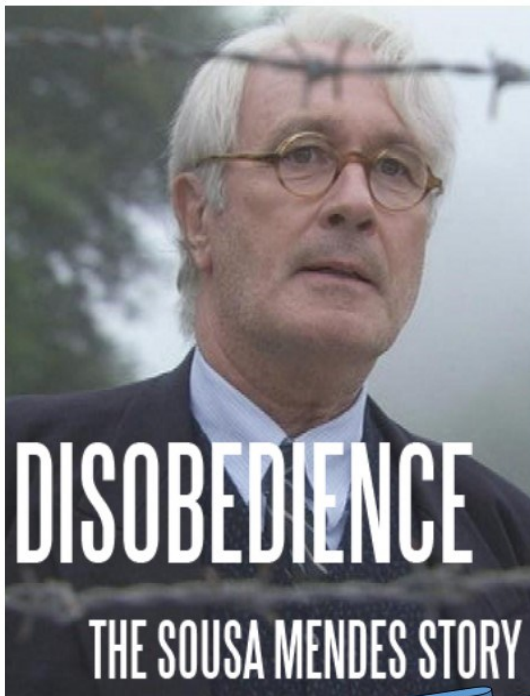
Yahrzeit Donations:

| Remembered by | For His/Her | Yahrzeit |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Ruthann & Sid Shapiro | His Mother | Evelyn Shapiro |
| Sig Friedman | His Father | David Friedman |
| Gail Norton | Her Daughter | Kelly Kern |
| Serene Rein | Her Father | Benjamin D Leavitt |
| Audrey Barbour | Her Mother | Sheila Aaron |

*Beth Shalom Temple Center's Program Committee Proudly Hosts
The Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona*

Tucson International Jewish Film Festival

DISOBEDIENCE THE SOUSA MENDES STORY



Aristides de Sousa Mendes, the Portuguese Consul General stationed in Bordeaux, France, during World War II defies orders from his government and issues more than 30,000 visas to people fleeing the Holocaust.
(2008, 104 min.)

Peter Barret, whose family received a visa from Sousa Mendes will speak following the film.

**Sunday, January 5, 2020
at 3 p.m.**



1751 N. Rio Mayo • Green Valley, AZ 85614

\$7/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.

MEMBER NEWS & UPDATES

Please Welcome New Members:

- ♦ Stacey Bell
- ♦ Ellen Brody
- ♦ Martha Fine
- ♦ Eilene Pace

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

Directory Updates

- ♦ New email address for Jane Gold
- ♦ New email address for Denis Nathan
- ♦ New phone number for Merle Sobol
- ♦ New email address for Nancy Karsh

The 2020 Membership Directory is available on the website. Please let Stacy know if you would like a printed copy.

NEW MEMBER BIOGRAPHIES

Stacey Bell was born and raised in southeast Michigan, loving the community and beauty found in Metro Detroit...until she came to Arizona, starting off in spiritual Sedona, then relocating to our wonderful Green Valley. Being long-time family friends of Rabbi Roman, getting involved with temple now makes even more sense.

Teaching yoga since 2006, Stacey had a studio in Brighton, Michigan that was repeatedly voted "Best Yoga of Detroit". After teaching for 5 years in Sedona, she and her partner, Shane, moved to Green Valley.

Stacey has always loved real estate, and decided to become a Realtor. Within the 3 years she has been in business, Stacey has rocketed to the top 5% of agents nationwide, and is part of the esteemed Circle of Excellence with Long Realty. This year, she has been voted to the MLS Board of Directors.

Stacey is looking forward to being part of the Art Gallery committee with Marcia and Bev. Soon, she will be offering a gentle yoga class at the temple. You can always find her at her yoga studio,

Transform Yoga, next to the Chicago Deli. Or, of course, to help you buy or sell your home!

Ellen Brody was born in Manhattan. She graduated from NYU with a BS degree, went on to get a Masters Degree at University of Vermont.

Ellen has lived in Costa Rica, spent many years in Mexico, and traveled to South America.

She is an award-winning artist, who owned an infamous art gallery in Telluride, Colorado. She is also a long-time acclaimed art educator.

Her favorite hobbies, besides arts and crafts, are Reiki the Healing Touch, music, dance, yoga, cooking, gardening, and dogs.

John Holleran was born in sunny Los Angeles, CA. There were 6 kids in his family, so he was never alone. His home radiated with sunshine, love, family, warmth and above all, acceptance. He was raised with his sisters and brothers as Catholic, but his mother's family had a well-hidden secret of Jewish ancestry. Fear kept the family silenced for years and years.

A hyperactive child with endless energy, a sister suggested their dad get him a drum, which he thoroughly enjoyed, and grew up loving music. He formed The Think Band consisting of himself, a brother, and some friends. In 1971, living in Hawaii, the band was performing on a small, local TV channel. They were then invited to play at the Hawaii Convention Center for the Air National Guard, in front of 20,000 people. They also played at the Battle of the Bands, at The Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles, CA and were honored to make 2nd place.

He went to music school at Westminster, Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1975, mentoring with Frank Zappa's band, when Frank Zappa was at the school.

He met his wife in 1984, and married in Rancho Cucamonga, CA in 1986. Father of 3 wonderful grown children, grandfather to 5 beautiful grandchildren, 2 dogs, and 3 cats.

Now retired from a wonderful career in telecommunications, he still loves playing the drums and jamming with his band members.

TEMPLE TIDINGS

Member Passing



One of BSTC's long time members, Theodore "Ted" Walden, passed away November 19, 2019 after a valiant struggle with multiple physical problems. Lauren, his daughter, and long-time companion, Sally, were by his side.

Ted was a wonderful bridge partner: friendly and always willing

to help less experienced players.

There will be a celebration of life tentatively (at time of publication) scheduled for January 11, 2020 at La Posada. Any questions or expressions of sympathy may be directed to his daughter, Lauren.

PLACE YOUR HAMENTASHEN ORDER ASAP



Last year, the BSTC Sisterhood experimented with making Hamantaschen for Purim. It was such a success that the Sisterhood has decided to bake again for Purim 2020 as a fund

raiser. This time around, along with cherry and apricot, we will be baking prune and poppy seed, which are difficult to obtain in Arizona. **Cost is \$18 per dozen, and orders must be pre-paid!** Orders can be sent with payment to the BSTC office, or you may email orders directly to Ruthann. All orders must be paid for by January 5th to guarantee your pastries are made.

Notes From the Board

At a recent open Board meeting, the Board voted to accept a **credit card processing company**. The credit card machine is on-site and operational, and several members have already taken advantage of this. Most charges will see a small fee added to cover the cost of providing this convenience, but some donations such as for Jim Click raffle tickets, will not. Questions: contact Ruthann.

Live Calendar

The website has been updated with a link to a live calendar. It can be printed, but unfortunately we have been unsuccessful with regards to making it show complete information. Best success is seen by clicking directly on an activity for which you would like to see more details.

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

Suggestion Box Responses

There was one suggestion in the Suggestion Box since the last Shofar was printed. Dina Rosengarten asked about our having someone from UofA's Hillel come and speak to us, plus the possibility of making a donation to Hillel. Ruthann advised her to contact the Programs committee chairman, Merle Sobol, and the Social Action committee chairman, Gary Melton.

Facility Reservation Form

In addition to allowing members access to the most updated information, the intention in providing the Active 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.

Torah Study

If you have never been to a lively Torah Study, or it's been a long time, please join us. All are welcome. Unless there is Saturday service, Torah Study begins at 9:30 a.m.

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.

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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ART GALLERY

BSTC Art Gallery presents *Art In Dimension*, a new exhibit with two Tucson artists' exploration of the second and third dimensions in art. On the gallery walls will be stunning contemporary painting by Ann Marcus Lapidus; the display case will show modern jewelry, along with beautiful women's kippot, by Jere Moskowitz. Exhibit opens Wednesday, January 8th and will be on display through March 2, 2020. Gallery will be open for viewing each Wednesday from 12:30 p.m. until 3 p.m. Or, please call the BSTC office at 520-648-6690 for a viewing appointment.

The Art Gallery is also hosting a demonstration and workshop, *Altered Books*, with BSTC's most recently

exhibited artist, Linda Lucas Larriva. The workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, January 14, 2020 from 1-3 p.m. in the BSTC Gallery. \$10 fee includes all supplies. CLASS IS LIMITED TO 10 PARTICIPANTS so please RSVP by January 7th to Bev.

Marcia and Bev

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 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 (smile.amazon.com), 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: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/86-0682304>. 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 Program**. Here is all that you need to do...

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 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 Joyce know if you have any questions.

JIM CLICK RAFFLE

The 2019 grand prize winner was drawn on December 6, 2019. The next raffle begins in February. Traditionally, tickets have been available at \$25 each, or 5 for \$100 and 100% of your donation goes directly to BSTC. *Donations for this do not incur any additional processing fee when your credit card is used.* Contact Steve Abrahams for information.

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

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

The Membership Committee welcomes new members: Stacey Bell, Ellen Brody, Martha Fine, and Eilene Pace.

Mike is planning another informal meet and greet for newer members in mid-January, to be hosted by one of our members. Contact Mike if you are new and have not been to one of these fun events.

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.

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 January 1st at 1 p.m. please join the Men's Club and Sisterhood as we co-host an outstanding hot/cold brunch prepared by Michel, in welcoming Rabbi Norman and Lynne Roman to our community.

Details and reservation information available in the Shofar, temple lobby, and on the website. Please RSVP to the office.

SAVE THE DATES:

CHANGE: April 22, 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.

ONEGS

Please contact new committee chair, Maridell Nochumson, at maridell.noch@hotmail.com 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. To sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush luncheon

Beth Shalom Temple Center's Program Committee presents

Minority Servicemembers of World War II



Martin Luther King Day 2020
January 20, 2020 at 2 PM
@Beth Shalom Temple Center
1751 N Rio Mayo, Green Valley AZ 85614

Les Bakke, who has been working on Veterans' issues since 1972, will use video clips from the Library of Congress Veterans' Oral History project to present a variety of war stories from minority Veterans in honor of Martin Luther King Day.

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

please sign up on the sheet on the wall next to the Fish Kitchen door at BSTC.

PROGRAMS

From the Programs Committee chair, Merle Sobol:

“Hi Everyone,

Thanks to all who attended our very successful December Star Gazing program, and special thanks to BSTC member, David Levy, who presented the program. He filled the sanctuary and many attendees told me how much they enjoyed the evening. Again, THANKS to David and Wendee.”

UPCOMING PROGRAM EVENTS:

- ♦ January 5th—BSTC hosts the Tucson International Jewish Film Festival screening *Disobedience: The Sousa Mendes Story*.
- ♦ January 20th—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day speaker, Les Bakke presents *Minority Servicemembers of WWII*.
- ♦ February 19th—Wednesday at the Temple speaker series begins with Jane Noah, private investigator, presenting: TRUTH, LIES & PRIVATE EYES—Tales of a Private Investigator.
- ♦ March 21st—Evening of Improv & Dinner at Quail Creek: BSTC presents Tucson’s Unscrewed Theatre in their first traveling show! SAVE THE DATE and see flyer for details.

EVENTS IN THE PLANNING STAGES:

- ♦ Michael G Musical
- ♦ Outing with Rabbi Roman
- ♦ BSTC’s 25th Anniversary Party
- ♦ 2020 Jewish Film Festival

Contact Merle Sobol if you would like to join the Programs committee.

RITUAL

The Ritual committee has met with Rabbi Roman and has put together a schedule of services through June, 2020. This is included here, in this edition of the Shofar, see next column. We also discussed our need for a new High Holiday machzorim (prayer book). The books are currently using are falling apart. They were purchased with the idea that they would be used for 10 years. Those 10 years ended 5

years ago. If you would like to be part of this search committee, contact me at ruthann.shapiro@cox.net.

| Schedule of Services January-June 2020 | | | |
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| Day | Date | Time | Service |
| Friday | 1/3/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat lead by Gary & Lenny Friedman |
| Saturday | 1/11/20 | 10:00am | Shabbat |
| Friday | 1/17/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Friday | 1/31/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Friday | 2/7/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Saturday | 2/8/20 | 10:00am | Shabbat |
| Friday | 2/21/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Friday | 3/6/20 | 7:00pm | Sisterhood Shabbat |
| Monday | 3/9/20 | 5:00pm | Purim Pot Luck and Megilla Reading |
| Saturday | 3/14/20 | 10:00am | Shabbat |
| Friday | 3/20/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Friday | 4/3/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Thursday | 4/9/20 | TBD | Passover |
| Wednesday | 4/15/20 | 10:00am | Passover/Yizkor |
| Saturday | 5/9/20 | 10:00am | Shabbat |
| Tuesday | 5/12/20 | TBD | Lag B'Omer Picnic |
| Friday | 5/15/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Friday | 5/29/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat/Yizkor |
| Saturday | 6/13/20 | 10:00am | Shabbat |
| Friday | 6/19/20 | 7:00pm | Shabbat |
| Torah Study every Saturday with no Saturday Service 9:30am | | | |

SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood is delighted that the 10th annual Mah Jongg Fun Raiser was a great success!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 22nd—a Wednesday—is the Sisterhood’s Annual Paid Up Luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m.

BSTC Sisterhood Event

CARD Bingo & PIZZA IS BACK!

10:00 - 12:30 ♠ TUESDAY ♠ FEBRUARY 18

BRING 3 NICKELS, 3 DIMES, 3 QUARTERS, AND 1 ONE-DOLLAR BILL.
A TOTAL OF \$2.20. EXACT CHANGE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.



THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL COST OF \$3.00 IF YOU WANT TO
JOIN IN FOR PIZZA AND DRINKS WHEN WE'RE DONE PLAYING.



Games will be
lead by Marilyn Forstot

RSVP to
Gail Norton (520) 241-1037

Speaker Dr. David Graizbord from the UofA Department of Judaic Studies will present a lecture on the future of American Jewry. If your 2020 dues are paid, you're invited! Please RSVP to Gail Norton no later than January 10th. Questions about membership should be directed to Marilyn Forstot.

February 18, from 10-12:30—Card Bingo is back!! Bring 3 nickels, 3 dimes, 3 quarters, and 1 one-dollar bill. That's a total of \$2.20 and exact change would be appreciated! Marilyn Forstot will be leading the games. There is an additional cost of \$3 if you want to join in for pizza and drinks when we are done playing. Always fun and a bit hilarious! Take your chances and come! All money is returned as prizes. The more people who participate, the larger the prizes! RSVP to Gail Norton.

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.

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

Mitzvah – Good Deeds Done Together Day on Friday morning, November 1st was held with considerable leadership and participation by BSTC congregation members. BSTC hosted 5 projects, provided 3 projects and project leaders, and 14 BSTC members volunteered their support for the 15 projects being conducted in the Green Valley area. Marcia Wiener and several other BSTC members started the Mitzvah Day project in Green Valley 6 years ago, and starting this year, the Green Valley Council took on administrative support for this very successful and important community event.

Following the December 1st Bagel Breakfast, Youth on Their Own (YOTO) Director of Development, Bethany Neumann, along with Rashel, a YOTO Student Ambassador, spoke to the congregation at BSTC

presenting a wonderful program on the successes and challenges of supporting homeless students to stay in school. Arizona has a huge homeless youth population, and YOTO is currently providing more than two thousand homeless secondary school students in its program of support and opportunities to make their lives better, including about 15 in the Green Valley-Sahuarita area.

BSTC member, Les Bakke, writes a regular column for the Moorhead, MN "Extra" newspaper. If you want to read an excellent article regarding our YOTO presentation go to: <http://www.thefmextra.com>. Open the "E-Edition" at the top of the page, and then find the December 5th edition. Tab on the right arrow to get to page 9, where you will find Les' column. You can tab on the center of the page to make it larger for easier reading!

Upcoming Social Action Projects:

- ♦ The committee has set a tentative date of February 23rd at 11:30 a.m. at BSTC for the Welcome Lunch for local religious leaders of our community to meet our new Rabbi Norman Roman. A secondary goal of this lunch is to identify

interest in re-establishing a Community Inter-faith Council. Invitations should be going out to local clergy in mid-December.

- ♦ The Social Action Committee will begin fundraising for school supplies in February 2020 to support the elementary students at Sopori School in Amado.

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.

WEBSITE

Visit: www.bstc.us to see what's new!

Please call the office at 520-648-6690 if you need the password to access the "members' only" page.

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|--------------------|--------|
| Merle Sobol | 3-Jan |
| Marilyn Forstot | 4-Jan |
| David Wolpert | 4-Jan |
| Eloise Clendenin | 6-Jan |
| Martha Wolpert | 9-Jan |
| Lenny Friedman | 10-Jan |
| Susan Cohen | 11-Jan |
| Janet Brown | 15-Jan |
| Lenore Mills | 19-Jan |
| Ceylon Kelly | 20-Jan |
| Barbara Kowalski | 23-Jan |
| William Forstot | 27-Jan |
| John Holleran | 28-Jan |
| Stacey Bell | 31-Jan |
| Judith Kramer | |
| Lucy Graham | 5-Feb |
| Michel Kouhana | 6-Feb |
| Sig Friedman | 8-Feb |
| Fran Gordon | 8-Feb |
| David Roth | 9-Feb |
| Ali Klieger | 10-Feb |
| Linda Alexander | 13-Feb |
| Kent Blumenthal | 13-Feb |
| Tobey Gitelle | 13-Feb |
| Mike Finkelstein | 14-Feb |
| Esther Brill | 14-Feb |
| Bill Liebson | 17-Feb |
| Genie Gordon | 28-Feb |



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

| Happy Anniversary to: | |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Joyce & Mike Finkelstein | 3-Jan |
| Esther & Ed Brill | 10-Jan |
| Jeanette & Denis Nathan | 15-Feb |



Acknowledgement and apology: Stuart Tobin's birthday, December 26, was accidentally omitted from the last Shofar.

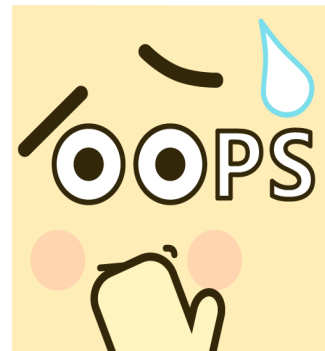
It has been determined that several names have been missed under birthdays and anniversaries. If anyone has been overlooked, and you have not received an acknowledgement of it, please contact the BSTC office.

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 | Agi Klieger |
| 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 |
| “ | Charlotte Brody |
| Jim Click Raffle | Steve Abrahams |
| Memorial Board /Yahrzeits | Joyce Finkelstein |
| Membership | Mike Finkelstein |
| Men’s Club | Dan Galitz |
| Mishaberach | Jo Legat |
| Oneg | Maridell Nochumson |
| President | Ruthann Shapiro |
| Programs | Merle Sobol |
| Public Relations | Mike Finkelstein |
| Ritual | Ruthann Shapiro |
| “ | Jo Legat |
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