

# Beth Shalom Temple Center



## GREEN VALLEY SHOFAR

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### President's Message

*(This message is a reprint of the Annual Meeting's State of the Congregation.)*

To say 2020 was a challenging year is an understatement. A year ago, at the annual meeting I would have never thought so as with Rabbi Roman's joining our family I no longer needed to worry about the religious component of BSTC. I also had a board and committee chairs who held BSTC in their hearts the same as me, and I also had Stacy in the office holding everything together.

Then Covid 19 hit the United States. At first it seemed that Arizona in general and Green Valley/Sahuarita in particular would be spared this horrible disease. Then I started to see more and more local religious organizations closing their doors. With Passover fast approaching it was decided to close BSTC as well. We all thought by the middle of April we would be back open. As you know that didn't happen.

In the meantime, Merle came up with the idea that we could tape both our services and a mock Seder and post to our website. With the help of Les Bakke (and his equipment) Rabbi Roman did a remarkable job (you can still see them on our YouTube page).

Les also introduced me to Zoom (I had never heard of it before) and YouTube. The Board, Rabbi and I decided that these were tools we could use to keep BSTC activities in our members lives. Meetings, activities and classes moved to Zoom while services were streamed via YouTube Live. I'm proud to say that except for a few YouTube Live hiccups we never missed an activity service, class or meeting.

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### Message from Rabbi Norm Roman

**RABBI ROMAN WILL LEAD A DISCUSSION ON TRADITIONAL AND MODERN COMMENTARIES CONCERNING THE TEN COMMANDMENTS, ON THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 4<sup>th</sup>, FROM 10:00-11:15 am.**

WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR **"ZOOM-RIM PURIM"** OBSERVANCE ON THURSDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 25<sup>th</sup>!

PLEASE LET RABBI ROMAN KNOW IF YOU (AND/OR YOUR FRIENDS) ARE INTERESTED IN THE PROPOSED GROUP TRIP TO ISRAEL, TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 11-23, 2021.

### "Leadership Advice from an Unexpected Source"

You may not be aware that the name of the Torah portion which contains the Ten Commandments doesn't reflect the name of God, nor Israel; rather it is entitled "Jethro", referring to Moses' father-in-law, a Midianite priest. He was a fascinating character, to be sure, but worthy of this honor? An honor not even given anywhere in the Torah to Moses himself? Nor to any of the patriarchs and only one of the Matriarchs?

Throughout the years, and especially when our attention has been turned to questions of communal or national leadership, power and authority, I've frequently come back to look at some of the traditional Jewish studies about Jethro and Moses. One of the most insightful to me is found in the essays of Rabbi

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**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) ***please make sure your check indicates the name of 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 loss or 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* items, contact Amy Storer.
- ◆ For information on *Commemorative Items*, contact the office.

**TEMPLE USAGE SCHEDULING**

**BSTC is currently a closed facility.** 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 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 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. **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 last month include:**

- ♦ From Bob & Lisa Ungar: *in honor of:* Joyce & Mike Finkelstein's wedding anniversary.

## 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
Serene Rein	Her Father	Benjamin David Leavitt
Sid Shapiro	His Father	Irwin Shapiro
Gail Norton	Her Mother	Doris Sable
Gail Norton	Her Daughter	Kelly Kern
Rich Wernick	His Mother	Barbara Wernick
Rich Wernick	His Grandfather	Harry Wernick
Rich Wernick	His Grandmother	Sarah Wernick
Rich Wernick	His Uncle	Martin Wernick
Rich Wernick	His Friends	Mr & Mrs Rogoff
Steve Maron	His Mother	Lee Maron
John Holleran	His Uncle	Ken Spears
Lenny Friedman	His Father	Joseph Friedman

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**BSTC is OPEN FOR SERVICES**

**TO MEMBERS ONLY right now  
& still Live Streaming on YouTube!**

Schedule of Services, Meetings & Events			
Day	Date	Time	Event
Thursday	2/4/21	10 am	Ten Commandments
Friday	2/5/21	4:30 pm	Shabbat Service
Saturday	2/6/21	10 am	Torah Study
Monday	2/8/21	10 am	Parashat HaShavua
Tuesday	2/9/21	10 am	Sisterhood Meeting
Wednesday	2/10/21	9 am	Men's Club Meeting
Saturday	2/13/21	10 am	Shabbat Service
Monday	2/15/21	9 am	Board Study Session
Friday	2/19/21	4:30 pm	Shabbat Service
Saturday	2/20/21	10 am	Torah Study
Monday	2/22/21	10 am	BSTC Board Meeting
Wednesday	2/24/21	3 pm	Social Action Meeting
Thursday	2/25/21	TBD	Purim Celebration
Saturday	2/27/21	10 am	Torah Study

*Look for meeting and class details under the respective committee's article heading.*

*Invitations with passwords will be sent via email for those who wish to attend.*



## **ADULT EDUCATION CLASS BY RABBI ROMAN:**

### **Parashat HaShavua**

***Rabbi will focus on Mishpatim, while others will summarize Bo, B'shallach, and Yitro***

**Monday, February 8 at 10 am on Zoom**

## **President's Message (continued)**

The High Holy Days were especially stressful but with the help and support of the entire BSTC family they went off without a problem.

When the weather got cooler, we started to meet in the Garden keeping socially distant and wearing masks. In this fashion we were able to celebrate Sukkot and Chanukah.

Unfortunately, Covid continues to get worse. In an effort to continue to allow in person Shabbat services we started taking temperatures and requiring the signing of a release. It was not enough. On January 6<sup>th</sup> it was decided we could no longer allow in person Shabbat services. We will most likely stay this way until the bulk of our congregation has received the Covid vaccination.

What do I anticipate for 2021? Unfortunately, more of the same. We are already planning virtual Purim and Passover. More gatherings in the Garden will also be held. Services, activities, meetings and classes will continue. I can say that Zoom and YouTube Live will never go away as they have proven to be an effective way for our members who for whatever reason can not attend in person to be part of BSTC.

I would not be a good Temple president without mentioning that none of this can be done with no cost. I want to thank all those who contributed in 2020. I also want to thank you for paying your 2021 dues. I hope we can count on you again in 2021 so that BSTC can continue to meet the social, religious and educational needs of the Green Valley/Sahuarita Jewish community.

*Ruthann Shapiro,  
President*

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## **Message from Rabbi Norm Roman (continued)**

Mordecai Schultz of the Hebrew Theological College: Jethro was an unusual man, distinguished in the Torah as the only Gentile friend of the Israelites after the Exodus. According to at least one ancient Rabbi, Jethro even converted to Judaism, and along with Ruth, serves as a role model for those who willingly join our faith community. But we learn more about

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### **Message from Rabbi Norm Roman (continued)**

him from the text, including the fact that his name was changed. It originally was Yeter, but when it was recognized that he was a man of sincerity and good deeds, another letter was added to his name, the Hebrew letter Vav, and he was forever known at Yitro. (Thus he joined with others in the Bible whose names were also changed after their performance of good deeds or their acceptance of God's covenant.) And the choice of the additional letter Vav is what intrigued Rabbis Schultz, and what I suggest provides lessons for us, now, as well.

The first function of the letter Vav is to add – the word “and”, if you will. Jethro not only provided a refuge for Moses when he fled from the Pharaoh in Egypt, but he welcomed him into his home and family. “And” signified the welcoming and including of someone new, with a different background and new ideas, if not new goals. Jethro adds to his original kindnesses with gestures of encouragement and support, for his new son-in-law and the Israelites.

The second role of the Hebrew letter Vav added to Jethro's name may not be as well known to many; it is called the “converse” letter, because it changes the tenses in Biblical grammar (verbs written in the past tense must be understood in the future, and vice versa). Jethro, a proven leader, suggested a significant change to Moses, i.e. rather than patterning after the Pharaoh as an authoritarian ruler, Moses should trust in his people to participate in their own ‘government’. Moses shouldn't assume all of the responsibility on his own shoulders – no man, no matter how wise or energetic or arrogant, could bear the burden on his own. Jethro told Moses to delegate authority, finding representatives who would be reverent, honest and just., It was to be a major change in tense and tone . . . ,

And finally, Dr. Schultz' message is that the third positioning of the letter Vav is to serve as a conjunction, uniting and holding together various parts of a sentence. Jethro wisely reunited Moses with his wife, Zipporah, and their children, at the very outset of their journey through the wilderness. Jethro reminded Moses that, before he could teach the people of their God and the Torah, he had to have family unity and harmony. He needed to respect their different backgrounds and experiences, ages and means of their coming to join the nation, in order to face the awe-filled future.

We would not have these principles, these founda-

tional values, preparing Moses and the Children of Israel for accepting the Ten Commandments, if were not for Jethro. He challenged them, and he challenges us in 2021 as well, to add to the good deeds of the past, to welcome change, and to always seek and respect unity.

Shalom.

Rabbi Norm Roman

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### **MEMBER NEWS & UPDATES**

The 2021 Membership Directory is updated and posted on the Members Only page of the website when new information is received.

***Printed copies of the directory are available for members upon request. Please call the office.***

#### **Directory Updates:**

- ♦ **New member:** Sarah Kirshbaum  
Tucson AZ
- ♦ **Name change:** Fern Lisa Wargotz (formerly Fern Blizzard-Wargotz)
- ♦ **Email for Kay Sobol**
- ♦ **Email for Ed Gold**

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### **TEMPLE TIDINGS**

#### **Notes From the Board**

BSTC's Board met for the January meetings via Zoom, continuing with this virtual platform until it has been determined that gathering in person is once again safe. Members are included and invited by eblast to join the General Board meetings. All are welcome.

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## Who to Call?

Do you need to let the congregation know about an important life event? Are you interested in making calls to other members? If you have 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 Jo Legat, chair of the BSTC Caring Committee. Call or email her.

*See the Mi Sheberach List on the website for those who need your prayers.*

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ART GALLERY

Please take the opportunity when coming for services to view the exhibit of Israeli art from the personal collection of BSTC member and Art Gallery Co-chair, Bev Lake. Thank you!

Marcia

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### E-SCRIP

#### Shop with Scrip (SWS)

***Are you finding yourself shopping for more things on-line during these trying times?***

**SHOPwithSCRIP** is a program at BSTC that allows you to purchase or re-load brand name gift cards for use in stores as well as ON-LINE ***raising funds for BSTC without it costing you anything extra!*** Please contact Joyce Finkelstein with questions or for help.

#### AMAZON SMILE

##### **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](https://smile.amazon.com)), 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.

##### **Idea to boost your donation:**

***Buy Amazon.com e-gift cards through the BSTC ShopWithScrip program, and then use them to make purchases via AmazonSmile!***

### **FRY'S COMMUNITY REWARD PROGRAM**

1. Visit [www.frysfood.com](http://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.

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### LIBRARY

While you can't visit in person, you can explore all that the Yiddish Book Center has to offer online, and they invite you to join us for weekly virtual public programs, follow us on social media, and sign up to receive our new "Weekly Reader" at [yiddishbookcenter.org/signup](http://yiddishbookcenter.org/signup).

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### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

#### **New member**

Sarah Kirshbaum, daughter of BSTC member Laurie Sherman, has joined BSTC. Welcome!

The Membership Committee met recently to work on efforts to outreach into the community. BSTC is a



member of the Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce, and are working with Stacy to update and correct our member page on their website. We have updated the tri-fold brochure to include a panel card with information about Rabbi Roman and the labyrinth. **Anyone interested in joining this committee please contact Mike Finkelstein.**

BSTC also has a Facebook page, as a number of folks prefer social media to email. With help from temple members, we would like to post temple happenings every week. Jo Legat will post news to the BSTC page.

We still have a supply of window clings for our members' cars that say "Proud Member of Beth Shalom Temple Center" and include the office phone number and website address. Remember, all BSTC members are, in effect, membership representatives. Please let us know if you would like one for each of your cars.

New members who have not done so in the past, please submit a digital photo of yourself and brief profile in order to allow the rest of the membership to know a little bit about each of you. Send your photos and write-up of your background, interests, and any Jewish activities you particularly enjoy to Mike.

### Member Photos

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

### Members are invited to SCHMOOZE!

During this time when we are all staying home more than usual, I guess that you have been reading more and maybe watching interesting things on television. Please write something for the BSTC Schmooze with your recommendations! Our friends like hearing from all of us and, after all, we may be home for quite a bit longer. Of course, write anything you'd like to share. ***Please send your story and photos to Ricki for upcoming editions of The BSTC Schmooze.*** Then, watch for the BSTC Schmooze to come in your email!

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## MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club met January 13th via Zoom with 10 members attending. Next meeting is on February 10th as we continue virtually due to our continued commitment to caution during this pandemic.

Major event changes with current status:

- ◆ The *Gaslight Theatre* event. Mike Finkelstein is fully refunding members who request it, others remain signed up for a show sometime in 2021.
- ◆ The Roads Scholar trip has been rescheduled to September 19-25, 2021. Many who were going on the original trip have rescheduled for the new dates. The Men's Club will re-publicize this event in a couple of months for new members who may want to attend. Contact Gary Friedman for information.
- ◆ Rabbi Roman has proposed a trip to Israel in the October-November 2021 time frame. More information will be published when dates can be finalized and the virus situation is clarified.

Completed projects:

- ◆ Lenny Friedman's proposed purchase and donation of a large commercial dough mixer to BSTC has been completed. The BSTC Hospitality Committee approved of the equipment donation and the BSTC Board of Directors accepted the donation. The mixer cost approximately \$1007.00.



- ◆ Men's Club members, under Lenny's leadership, tested the new mixer and recently serviced oven over the weekend of January 9-10 and then on the weekend of January 16-17 completed the community Bagel Sale. All bagel preparations were conducted without any significant problems and approximately 480 bagels were made. Our current records show that 39.5 dozen bagels were sold, raising approximately \$397 and, including donations, received about \$499. After all costs are deducted from the sale revenue, the remaining money will be donated evenly between the Sahuarita Community Food Bank and the Green Valley Southern Arizona Community Food Bank. This is the second very

ance with the Men's Club Bylaws, Gary has appointed Lenny Friedman to take the position, and Lenny is appointing David Wyte to take over his current position as Secretary. Again, in compliance with our Bylaws, in January-February 2022, the Men's Club will conduct their general biennial elections, which occur only in even numbered years.

The Men's Club wishes all BSTC members a very happy and healthy 2021 New Year!

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### PROGRAMS—ZOOM IN

BSTC Members participated in the first ever TV Tunes Trivia game. Feedback comments included:

- ◆ Thanks, Mike, it was great fun, especially watching Dan laugh!
- ◆ It was great fun trying to recall the shows and the commercials that filled our earlier years with hours of entertainment.
- ◆ I love it and look forward to the next one!
- ◆ This was so much fun. Thank you Mike for making my day! (huggy face emoji)

Plans for another game in February on TV and movie theme songs.

Winners of the last game all received free bagels from the Men's Club Bagel Sale. YUM!!

### MOVIES ON ZOOM

**"Harbor From Holocaust"** will be screened again on Wednesday, January 27th at 1 pm, courtesy of BSTC member Les Bakke. This one-hour PBS documentary is the story of nearly 20,000 Jewish refugees fleeing Nazi-occupied Europe during World War II, to the Chinese port city of Shanghai. It explores the extraordinary relationship of these Jews and their adopted city of Shanghai, even through the bitter years of Japanese occupation 1937-1945 and the Chinese civil war that followed.

Mike Finkelstein will be offering some background, based on a talk he gave at a BSTC Shabbat a number of years back about Jewish historical migrations to China.



successful bagel sale the Men's Club has conducted for our community.

Projects in process:

- ◆ In late January, the Men's Club will support its third BSTC outside area cleanup work party. This morning cleanup work will mainly consist of raking and sweeping waste around the BSTC outdoor areas.
- ◆ Future plans are to conduct a Men's Club bagel fundraising sale the third weekend of each month.
- ◆ Effective January 25th there will be a couple of leadership changes in the Men's Club. Gary Melton is stepping down as President to join the BSTC Board of Directors. In keeping in compli-



***Invitations to these events will be emailed shortly prior to the screening dates.***

## **MUSIC WITH MICHAEL G**

BSTC member and world renowned musical artist, Michael G, has extended an open invitation to BSTC members to come to his home on Sundays for a live music performance. He will continue doing this if there is additional interest on the part of BSTC members. **Any interested members please RSVP directly to Michael G.**

Contact Mike Finkelstein or Les Bakke with any questions or suggestions, or if you would like to join the Programs committee.

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## **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Rabbi Roman wrote an article for the Vail Voice that appeared in their January edition. Contact Mike if you would like a copy.

Mayor of Sahuarita, Tom Murphy, agreed to post news about BSTC that appeared in December in the Rancho Sahuarita residents Facebook page.

Mike submitted an article about BSTC to KGVY, the local radio station, that will appear in its March quarterly newspaper, which is automatically distributed for free to all local mailboxes.

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## **RITUAL**

Shabbat services continue at BSTC the first and third Friday night of the month and the second Saturday morning of the month. As much as we would love to have in-person attendance at this time, with the rise of Covid cases, we are limiting access to the Temple. The services will continue to be streamed via YouTubeLive.

In answer to the problem of driving at night, we have moved the starting time for Friday night services to 4:30 pm. The beauty in this is that if



4:30pm is too early for you, using the link you can join the service from the beginning at your convenience.

Remember that we have our weekly Torah Study group, as well as a monthly Parashat HaShavua—Weekly Torah Portion Class led by Rabbi Roman. On February 4th we will have a special class on the Ten Commandments, also to be led by Rabbi Roman.

*Ruthann*

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## **SISTERHOOD**

The Sisterhood new membership chair, Bobbie Vishner, reported that the annual dues mailing was sent, but due to the temple being closed for covid she has not yet collected all the mail that is being received, and wanted to let everyone know that after the first of February she should be able to get inside and get all that taken care of. Thank you for your patience.

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## **SOCIAL ACTION**

This month's meeting was Wednesday, January 27th at 3 p.m.

### Continuing Projects:

- ♦ In addition to providing 100 more motivational quotes to the YOTO program students in January, a number of BSTC members made sizable end of year donations to YOTO during the last few days of

December. Thank you!

- ◆ Collection of non-perishable food items and money donations will continue until all our congregation members feel safe to attend regular activities and services. January 12th food collected equals **53.4 pounds** of non-perishable food items. January 27th collected more, cumulative amount to be announced later.
- ◆ Larry Gravitz BSTC Social Action caps project has now distributed caps to BSTC leadership and 11 committee members.
- ◆ Planning will soon begin for donation collections for the student school supplies for Sopori Elementary School in Amado for their 2021-22 school year.

#### Other Social Action Activities:

- ◆ One of the committee's newest members, Martha Fine, is now working with Dr. Patti Lopez of the Angel Heart Pajama Project as a local area representative. Other new members are: Jo Legat and Lynn Janklow. Welcome!
- ◆ Committee member, Bev Lake, has agreed to join the GVR Council planning committee for Mitzvah Good Deeds Day. We now have three BSTC members on that committee. We are hopeful that our November 2021 Mitzvah Day planning will begin soon.
- ◆ Gary Melton has agreed to represent Southern Arizona on a newly formed ADL committee to support increased support for their "No Place for Hate" education programs in K-12 schools.
- ◆ Larry Gravitz has joined the A4a Immigration Action Team working on resolving immigrant problems. Larry is also working to keep our community better informed on immigration is-

sues and finding ways we can all become more involved in working on such.

- ◆ Monthly food donation drop-off days at BSTC will continue until all congregation members are safe to attend regular Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services, and normal activities are held again.

The Social Action Committee wishes all BSTC members a happy and healthy 2021 New Year!

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#### **TORAH STUDY**

Torah Portions are included for members in the table below and 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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#### **WEBSITE**

The website is updated regularly with business including the Board meeting minutes and financial reports, as well as with membership directory updates, news and photos. Take a look at [www.bstc.us](http://www.bstc.us).

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MONTHLY TORAH PORTIONS				
Portion (Parashat)	Date	Hebrew Date	Torah	Haftarah
Yitro	Feb 6, 2021	24 Sh'vat 5781	Exodus 19:14-20:23	Isaiah 6:1-13
Mishpatim	Feb 13, 2021	1 Adar 5781	Exodus 23:14-24:18	2 Kings 12:1-17
T'rumah	Feb 20, 2021	8 Adar 5781	Exodus 27:1-19	1 Samuel 30:1-18
T'tzavveh	Feb 27, 2021	15 Adar 5781	Exodus 29:29-30:10	Ezekial 43:10-27

# BSTC Tribute Cards



## **Tribute Card Categories Available:**

**Wedding Anniversary • Birthday  
Sympathy • Congratulations  
Get Well/Refuah Shlemah • New Home  
Loss of a Pet • In Memory of  
In Appreciation • Thinking of You  
Thank You • In Honor of**

### **Here are the guidelines:**

Send your free will donation check to **BSTC P.O. • Box 884 • Green Valley AZ 85622** and include the following information:

- Your Name (and Spouse, if appropriate)
- Occasion (and any other information required, e.g. "in memory of \_\_\_\_\_")
- Recipient's address, if a non-temple member. **If your recipient is a BSTC member, you do not need to submit their address; however, if a member has two addresses, please specify which one is to be used.**

**All Tributes will be acknowledged in the Shofar!**

***SEE SOME SAMPLES OF THESE NEW CARDS ON THE BSTC WEBSITE!***



Happy Birthday to:	
Lucy Graham	5-Feb
Sig Friedman	8-Feb
Fran Gordon	8-Feb
Agi Klieger	10-Feb
Linda Alexander	13-Feb
Kent Blumenthal	13-Feb
John Evans	13-Feb
Tobey Gitelle	13-Feb
Mike Finkelstein	14-Feb
Esther Brill	14-Feb
Bill Liebson	17-Feb



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

Happy Anniversary to:	
Denis & Jeanette Nathan	15-Feb
Art & Sandy Drucker	19-Feb

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
e-Scrip	Joyce Finkelstein
Event-Updates	Jane Gold
Facilities	Arnold Krohn
Facebook	Danielle Wernick
Finance	Dusty Friedman
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