

# THE MEGILLAH

☆ Temple Beth David ☆

**Tevet ~ Shevat 5776**

**January 2016**

*Honoring Marina!*

**Anarchy, Wars, and Leaders!**

**Texas Hold'em**



**Dine Out Delight!**

**Club 55!**

**Brotherhood & Sisterhood  
Membership Party!**



*Temple Beth David*

**Pechanga!**

**See inside for more details!**

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# CIRCLE OF HONOR MEMBERS 2015/2016 / SEPTEMBER SCHEDULES

## **\*\*GOLD**

Aaron & Leslie Kern

## **\*\*SILVER**

Robert Altman & Michelle Sandler  
 Gene Broscow & Rachelle Wilson  
 Stephen & Bich-Thuy Groner  
 Neil Kornswiet  
 Marv & Evelyn Marshall  
 Charlie & Cathy Niederman  
 Jeffrey & Teri Roth  
 Allan Shubin & Sandy Sobolew-Shubin  
 Howard & Diane Spielman  
 Saul & Barbara Zenk

## **\*BRONZE**

Beverly August  
 Joel & Hallie Berman  
 Fran DeKovner  
 Alan & Laurel Jarrick  
 Steve & Shirley Kahn  
 Jan Klein  
 Linda & Terry Krieger  
 Daniel & Deborah Lelchuk  
 Daniel & Patrice Levin  
 Marlyn Phillips  
 Eugene & Shirley Ross  
 Richard & Deanne Ruby  
 Laurie Schneider  
 Kevin & Robin Vest

### January Shabbat Schedule

Friday	1	7:00pm	Family Shabbat Service
Saturday	2	9:00am	Lay Led Minyan
Friday	8	7:30pm	Shabbat Choir Service Honoring Marina!
Saturday	9	9:00am	Lay Led Minyan
Friday	15	7:30pm	Shabbat ALIVE!
Saturday	16	9:00am	Lay Led Minyan
		10:30am	Shayne Myers Prunty Bar Mitzvah
Friday	22	7:30pm	Shabbat Torah Service
Saturday	23	9:00am	Lay Led Minyan
Friday	29	7:30pm	Shabbat Service
Saturday	30	9:00am	Torah Study

### January Religious School Schedule

Sun	3	9:00am	Religious School resumes
Tues	5	4:15pm	Hebrew School / Teen Program <i>NO 9th Grade Program</i>
		6:00pm	7th grade dinner
Sun	10	9:00am	Religious School
Tues	12	4:15pm	Hebrew School / Teen Program
Sun	17		<b>NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL</b>
Tues	19	4:15pm	Hebrew School / Teen Program <i>NO 9th Grade Program</i>
Sun	24	9:00am	Religious School 3rd grade family program
Tues	26	4:15pm	Hebrew School / Teen Program
Sun	31	9:00am	Religious School

*"Please consider remembering  
 Temple Beth David in your  
 will or trust."*





## Rabbi Nancy Rita Myers January 2016

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Many of you are already aware that I'll be taking a sabbatical starting February 1, 2016. A rabbi's sabbatical is used for study, special projects, study in Israel, and/or to recharge one's rabbinate. Rabbis generally take a sabbatical every seven years. I've been a rabbi for just about 19 years and this is my first one. I am excited to work on a dream project of mine, writing a historical fictional novel on the judge, Deborah. This is something I started over fifteen years ago and had to put it on the back burner due to work and having children. I also know that it's important for me to take time to rejuvenate so that I can continue to serve as a congregational rabbi for many years to come. I want to thank you for your support and understanding of my time away. Thank you for giving me time to work on my book.

There are many questions about how things will work during my absence. I, along with our lay leaders and staff, have been planning for my sabbatical for at least half a year. Here's how the bigger events/areas will be covered in my absence.

**Pastoral:** Cantor Nancy Linder will be taking care of pastoral emergencies such as maintaining the *Mi Sheberach* list, phone calls, hospital visits, and funerals. When she is out of town, she will arrange for an area rabbi (like I would do). Please let her know if you or another congregant is in need of pastoral care.

**Shabbat services:** Our Friday night services will be under Cantor's leadership along with a number of our talented congregants such as Larry Matalon, Rabbi Robin Hoffman, Robin Harrison, Elliot Semmelman, Charlie Niederman, Perry Goldstein, Arnie Weintraub, and Matt Paretsky. Stories and sermons will be given by our service leaders and Florence Sudakow, Michelle Twisselmann, Rabbi Hoffman, Irma Moskowitz, & Dan Karmon.

**Holidays:** Purim will be under the leadership of Sharon Matalon (as it always is) with support of Cantor Linder. Passover 2<sup>nd</sup> night seder will be led by Cantor Linder and Perry Goldstein. Passover

Festival service will be led by Larry Matalon and Cantor Linder. Holocaust service will be led by Cantor Linder, our 9<sup>th</sup> graders, and will have organizational support of Charlie Niederman.

**Lunch & Learn:** will be moderated by Dan Karmon

**Torah study:** discussions led by Lay Led Minyan participants

**Tot Shabbat:** led by Cantor and Sharon Matalon

**Confirmation classes:** Rabbi Mayersohn, Rabbi Einstein, and special presentations

**Staff meetings:** Edie Mino

**Arranging High Holy Torah readers 2016:** Larry Matalon

Even though I'll be on sabbatical, I've agreed to still officiate and do the rehearsals for the upcoming Bnei Mitzvah and Confirmation service. I intend, with the exception of these, to keep a low profile so I can utilize my time fully.

I feel blessed at this time to have a great staff, committed lay leaders, and supportive congregants. If there was ever a time for me to be away, this is ideal. I want to thank you for your assistance, your volunteer time, and your understanding during these months. I look forward to seeing you in August.

*Rabbi Nancy Myers*





TO OUR BELOVED MEMBERS  
OF TEMPLE BETH DAVID:

RABBI NANCY MYERS & PAUL PRUNTY  
INVITE YOU TO ATTEND OUR SON,

SHANE MYERS PRUNTY'S



BAR MITZVAH

ON JANUARY 16, 2016 AT 10:30 A.M.  
AT TEMPLE BETH DAVID.  
LIGHT KIDDUSH LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW

ALL ARE WELCOME.

PLEASE RSVP BY JANUARY 1ST

AT THE TEMPLE OFFICE

714-892-6623 WITH EDIE OR  
[TBDavid@TempleBethDavid.org](mailto:TBDavid@TempleBethDavid.org)

# Upcoming Bar Mitzvah



**Shane Myers Prunty ~ January 16, 2016**

Shane Myers Prunty, son of Paul Prunty and Rabbi Nancy Myers, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, Jan 16, at Temple Beth David.

Shane is an excellent goal keeper for his AYSO soccer team, is an honors student at Oak Middle school in Los Alamitos, and has been volunteering, for his Mitzvah project, with MeowwzResQ, a non-profit organization that rescues cats.



Hi All,

I am happy to let you know that Ruth Kramer is progressing well and I look forward to seeing her in the near future. For now, I am “holding down the fort”. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Sisterhood will be sponsoring the continental breakfast at the program “The Women of the Bible—some were good, some were bad and ALL were interesting” presented by Dr. Sharon Keller, Ph.D on January 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in the social hall Mark your calendar you won’t want to miss this program!

Get ready for the big jackpot (one can only dream) as we once again journey to Pechanga Casino. This trip is scheduled for Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$20 and this includes the gratuity for the driver and you will also receive back \$5.00 in play money., (what a deal!) To make your reservation, call Edie Schwartz at [714-894-0094](tel:714-894-0094) or Doris Franco at [714-840-2126](tel:714-840-2126).

Thanks to Phyllis Postman for organizing the WHAT IF info packet to help families in a very emotional and difficult time., You can obtain a copy in the Temple office for a minimal cost of \$5.00.

Sisterhood Dining Delights will be held on January 11th at Katella Deli. More info will be coming. Please plan to support this fundraiser.

Mark your calendar for our annual paid-up Brotherhood/Sisterhood dinner. It will be held in the social hall on February 6th. You will be receiving more information shortly., The membership chairs for this event have a great evening planned for us.

Ruth and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very healthy and happy 2016.

SEE YOU SOON...

Anne Farber





**JACK BROSCOW**



# TBD BROTHERHOOD:

## 2016 UPCOMING EVENTS!!



Garry Plotkin, Brotherhood President

### JANUARY 31ST TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT



**SIGN-UP FOR POKER PLAYING:** *A truly wonderful time to play, eat, and win. See the below article for how to sign-up for the event.*

### Lots of Exciting Events are Coming for the New Year of 2016!!

**O**n Sunday, January 31st, starting at 11:00 AM, our Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament will be taking place. It offers great prizes, including a first place prize of \$500. To sign up, contact Jerrold Korn at (714) 812-0039 or fill-out the enclosed flyer in this issue of the Megillah. Bring your friends, since all are welcome.

Everyone will truly enjoy the Annual Paid-up Brotherhood/Sisterhood Dinner, "A Night on the Town," which will be held at 6:00 pm on Saturday, February 6th. It offers great entertainment, plus delightful Italian food and wine. As always, bring a newly wrapped gift for the Brotherhood White Elephant Auction conducted by our temple's outstanding auctioneer, Paul Prunty. This will be the greatest complimentary dinner in Temple Beth David's history!! It is free for all paid up Brotherhood and Sisterhood members!! If you are not a member, join our Brotherhood now for only \$36 so you can eat, drink and be entertained for free!!

Our late friend, Max Sudakow, will be remembered and honored at the Brotherhood Shabbat service on Friday, February 12th. Our guest speaker will be providing wonderful stories about Max that you have not heard. Please come to share the service with his family and our entire synagogue.

**A new defibrillator is coming to Temple Beth David.** It will be able to work for a person of any age (which includes children in preschool). The device is very easy to operate for those in need. The machine will take you through its use. Also, it will not function if the machine shows the patient does not need the defibrillator. The Good Samaritan Law prevents you from being held liable. Now, let's hope we never need to use it. With all this being said, eat healthy and exercise!!

*This is your synagogue, so come and enjoy  
its exciting events!!*

### MARK YOUR CALENDERS

**BROTHERHOOD DISCUSSION GROUP**  
Spielman's Schmoose and Bridal Room – 7:30PM  
Wednesday, January 13th  
Wednesday, February 10th

**BROTHERHOOD BOARD MEETING**  
Social Hall – 7:30PM  
Thursday, January 28th  
Thursday, February 25th

**TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT**  
January 31, 2016 - 11:00 AM

**PAID – UP BROTHERHOOD & SISTERHOOD  
DINNER**  
February 6, 2016 - 6:00 PM



# Religious School News!

January 2016



Dalia is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. She also earned a Bachelor of Hebrew Literature degree from Gratz College in Philadelphia and an MA Degree in Education from California State University in Long Beach. Dalia has worked in Jewish Education including Adult Education from the time she was a teenager to the present day. Prior to moving to Southern California with her husband, Rabbi Shalom Podwol, she was Education Director of the United Religious School in Homewood, IL.

In 2010, Dalia was recognized by The Chicago Jewish News as one of the ten most influential Jews in the greater Chicago area. In 2012, Dalia and her husband received an award in recognition of their leadership in the South Suburban Jewish Community presented by the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago.

Her interests include reading fiction and participating in Taekwondo where she has achieved the level of Black Belt. She also enjoys volunteering to read the Torah and chant the service at Congregation B'nai Israel in Tustin.

The Podwols are blessed with 4 adult children and 4 grandchildren.





Charlie Niederman, VP, Religious Practices

As we begin our secular new year, here is a look at Israel and its neighborhood. It is not a prediction for the year, and I have not seen or heard any that seem plausible. The Middle East is even less settled than it was a year ago, with new and more sophisticated extremists. Although there is now a coalition of Arab states pledged to fight the extremists, they have yet to fully engage them and it is not clear what it will all mean for Israel.

Within Israel itself, the governing right of center coalition has moved to consolidate its position and weaken the opposition. Currently a bill passed by the cabinet, made up of coalition members, was sent to the Knesset that would require nongovernment organizations (NGOs) to be more transparent about their funding, specifically funds from foreign nations. While it sounds benign and balanced, and a way to reduce foreign influence, it turns out to be aimed against the left opposition groups, because it spells out a threshold of foreign government funding that primarily affects them. There is no requirement to disclose private funding, such as that by the American Dr. Irving Moskowitz who has contributed more than \$85 million for construction on the West Bank and in East Jerusalem, primarily from the earnings of his casino and bingo hall in nearby Hawaiian Gardens.

Another less political but far sadder issue that was denounced by Prime Minister Netanyahu, and all but one of the ruling coalition members, was the video of the actions at a Jewish wedding reception in Jerusalem. It shows guests celebrating the killing of a Palestinian family in a dance brandishing guns and knives and repeatedly stabbing the picture of the 18 month old child victim. The groom and his family said they were unaware of what the dance was about and had they known would have stopped it. The arson in July that killed the Palestinian parents and their child has

sparked the current wave of Palestinian street violence that has resulted in the deaths of twenty Israelis, one American and one hundred twenty-one Palestinians. Jewish settler arson suspects are being questioned. Prime Minister Netanyahu said, "The shocking pictures that were broadcast... show the true face of a group that constitutes a danger to Israeli society and to the security of Israel."

To close on a promising note, the Israeli government has agreed to a deal with the developers to begin construction of the facilities that will bring in natural gas from its offshore natural gas field. They had hoped to sell to Egypt and Jordan, but a new Egyptian offshore gas field has eliminated that. However, relations appear to be improving with Turkey which is an energy consumer with a tenuous supply from the Russians whom they recently alienated by shooting down one of their aircraft. Nothing about such a deal has been publicized, but there are reports of preliminary discussions.

Despite the predominantly negative events ARZA and its partners in Israel have stood against the rising hatred and supported gender equality at the Western Wall, creating Arab-Jewish coexistence, and religious pluralism. The Israel Reform Movement continues to stand for a progressive vision of a Jewish democracy.

Help ARZA reverse the ominous trends, by joining at [www.arza.org](http://www.arza.org) and, if you can, donating to ARZA.

Charlie Niederman





# SEND A MAZELGRAM TO A FRIEND

Sisterhood will send a Birthday or Anniversary greeting in your name

## February Birthdays

1 Diane Prince	7 Marie Hicklin	12 Maytal Brady	22 Sidney Laham
1 Barbara Mootchnik	7 Julia Metz	12 Marla Weiss	22 Eileen Tobey
2 Glaizzel Garcia	8 Marcia Rosenzweig	12 Bill Cohen	23 Martin Greenstein
3 Jack Rosenthal	8 Heidi Swanson	14 Donald Schwartz	23 Herb Abrams
3 Maryse Fujimori	8 Thomas Mayer	15 Suzanne Rosen	23 Rudolph Gamarnik
4 James Michaeloff	10 Miriam Carr	15 Jack Collender	23 Sheila Merrill
5 Susan LeBoff	10 Steven Lustig	16 Alan Kurchin	25 Rabbi Robin Hoffman
6 Eve Fein	10 Jeff Fetterman	18 Deborah Lelchuk	25 Debbye Rosenthal
6 Rita Woods	11 Allan Mann	21 Diana Greenberg	26 Tracy Schneider
	11 Joan Fisher	21 Kelley Halbreich	

## February Anniversaries

5 Jon Chernilla & Susana Pollak	22 Mickey & Mel Lewin
17 Howard & Diane Spielman	24 Jeff & Sharon Fetteiman
17 Domenic & Maytal Brady	25 Ira & Colleen Bushinsky
18 Russell & Shelby Wolf	

Please note *temporary* mailing address for Mazelgrams:

Circle as many names as you wish and send this page together with 75¢ per greeting to:

**Renée Dorfman**

**Temple Beth David, 6100 Hefley St., Westminster, Ca 92683**

Did we forget someone you know? Any corrections or suggestions, please contact  
Renée (714) 329-7514 or [dorfstein1@gmail.com](mailto:dorfstein1@gmail.com)



**PLEASE NOTE: MAIL TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE**

**THANK YOU**

**MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER JANUARY 25, 2016**

Send this greeting from: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of greetings: \_\_\_\_\_ @ 75¢ each      \$\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed

\*\* Please make checks payable to TBD Sisterhood \*\*



# **FRAGILE FRIENDSHIP**



## **U.S. – CHINA RELATIONS**

**A FOUR-PART LECTURE SERIES BY DR. DON SCHWARTZ,  
PROFESSOR EMERITUS, CSULB**

**TEMPLE BETH DAVID, JANUARY 7, 14, 21, 28,  
10:30-Noon**

**REGISTRATION \$40, PAYABLE TO:**

**DR. DON SCHWARTZ**

**P.O. BOX 5151**

**GARDEN GROVE, CA 92846-5151**

**[www.thehistorydon.com](http://www.thehistorydon.com)**

# *To Marina with Love*

Come join the TBD Choir on  
January 8, 2016, to salute our Marina Indich.

Marina has been our dedicated Pianist for  
over 21 years. Her beautiful musical  
touched our hearts during  
Shabbat services, High Holy Days,  
and inspired our important life cycles.

Please join us in celebrating an evening of  
music on this special Shabbat.  
An opus of gratitude to our Marina.





# **“The Women of the Bible: Some Were Good, Some Were Bad, They ALL Were Interesting!”**

**Dr. Sharon Keller, Ph.D.,  
Hofstra University**



**Sunday January 10, 2016  
10:00 am**

**Temple Beth David Social Hall  
6100 Hefley Street, Westminster  
Free Admission**

**Please RSVP by Thursday January 7.**

**Continental Breakfast will be served.**

**For more information or to RSVP:  
Temple Beth David (714) 892-6623  
or [tbdavid@templebethdavid.org](mailto:tbdavid@templebethdavid.org)**

**This event is co-sponsored by The Orange County  
Jewish Community Scholars Program,  
TBD Sisterhood, and made possible  
by the generosity of the TBD Foundation.**

**[www.occs.org](http://www.occs.org)**





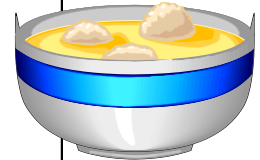


## TBD Sisterhood Dining Delight



**WHEN?** Monday, January 11, 2016  
FROM 7:00am to 9:00pm

**WHERE?** KATELLA DELI  
4470 Katella Ave.  
Los Alamitos, Ca 90720  
(562) 594-8611

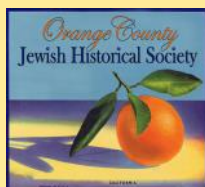


Invite your friends and family and join us for a meal at "**KATELLA DELI**". Just bring this flyer with you on Monday, January 11, 2016 and 20% of your total bill will be donated to TBD Sisterhood.

**MANAGER/SERVER**

**PLEASE ATTACH THIS FLYER TO THE GUEST'S CHECK**

Amount of check \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# Temple Beth David Club 55

**Tuesday, January 19 - 10:30am**

*Club 55 Presents*

***Dalia Taft: Celebrating 159 Years of Jewish Orange County: The Early Years***



Dalia Taft is the archivist for the Orange County Jewish Historical Society. In that role she is responsible for increasing the awareness of the role Jews have played in the development of Orange County from 1857, when the first Jew settled in Anaheim, to now. She maintains the Society's archives and is currently in the process of digitizing their entire collection. She helped organize the organization's website and created their logo, and lectures regularly about the different significant periods in Orange County's Jewish History. Ms. Taft also writes a monthly column in JLife, Orange County's monthly Jewish magazine, highlighting

images from the society's archives, and she wrote and directed the documentary California Orange Jews, on the history of the Orange County Jewish community. In 2012 she published the book "Jewish Pioneers of Orange County" and in 2013 she created the Israel EXPO entrance banner, celebrating 65 years of Orange County Jewish history and the state of Israel.

Ms. Taft graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles with a degree in art, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, and her professional experience includes work as educator at the Simon Wiesenthal Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles and public relations manager with the Easter Seals organization. She lives in Irvine with her husband Noah and their two children, Nathan and Kayla.

Jews have been in Orange County since 1857, when it was still a part of Los Angeles County, and have made significant contributions ever since. Ms. Taft will show how many of Orange County's early Jewish pioneers were actively involved in local commerce and politics while still maintaining their Jewish identity. The lecture includes a montage of old photos, period newspaper announcements and vintage advertisements.



Ben Dreyfus,  
OC's first Jewish resident



**Any questions, please call Irma Moskowitz - 714-377-9721**

**YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE 55 TO BE A PART OF CLUB 55!!!**

# Anarchy, Wars & Leaders

*An Adult Education Series*

*Presented by Rabbi Nancy Myers*

*Sundays 9am - 10am*



**Session 1 - December 6, 2015**

**The Iron Age of Israel**

**Session 2 - December 13, 2015**

**The Book of Judges**

**Session 3 - January 24, 2016**

**The Story of Deborah**

For more information and to RSVP, please call the Temple office  
(714) 892-6623 or [tbdavid@templebethdavid.org](mailto:tbdavid@templebethdavid.org)



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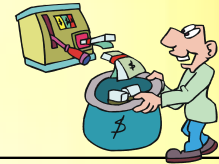


# TBD Sisterhood Presents a day at



**MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2016**

- ♦ \$20.00 PER PERSON - INCLUDES ROUND-TRIP BUS TRANSPORTATION AND GRATUITY FOR BUS DRIVER.
- ♦ Leave TBD parking lot at 9:00 am - Return approximately 5:00 pm
- ♦ You MUST bring your driver's license or a photo ID.
- ♦ Snacks will be served on the bus.
- ♦ Friends and family are welcome.



**NOTE: BUS SEATING IS LIMITED.  
RESERVATIONS WILL BE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS**

**Upon arrival you will receive \$5.00 in cash play!!!**

**Please make your check payable to: TEMPLE BETH DAVID SISTERHOOD**

**Complete the form below and mail by JANUARY 15th to:**



EDIE SCHWARTZ  
6470 Dominica Ave.  
Cypress, Ca 90630

or

DORIS FRANCO  
16401 Underhill Lane  
Huntington Beach, Ca 92647

For more information please contact:

Edie Schwartz (714) 894-0094

Or Doris Franco (714) 840-2126

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_ DL# or Pechanga Club # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ NO. OF RESERVATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ adults.

**JACK BROSCOW BROTHERHOOD OF  
TEMPLE BETH DAVID PRESENTS**

**Texas Hold'em Poker  
EIGHTH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2016**

**11:00 AM - UNTIL THE WINNER IS DETERMINED!!**

**IF 40 PEOPLE SHOW UP,  
(AND YOU CAN BRING A FRIEND)  
THE GUARANTEED 1ST PRIZE IS \$500.00!!**

**PLUS, HOWIE'S FAMOUS FRENCH DIP SANDWICHES!!  
(BEVERAGES AND LUNCH INCLUDED)**

**\$54.00 ENTRY FEE WITH AN ADD-ON AND  
A REBUY BEING AVAILABLE**

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL JERROLD KORN  
AT (714) 897-1002**

**JACK BROSCOW**



**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_



**ADULTS @ \$54.00** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND YOUR CHECK TO "TBD BROTHERHOOD"  
6100 HEFLEY STREET, WESTMINSTER, CA 92683**





TEMPLE BETH DAVID'S BROTHERHOOD AND SISTERHOOD PRESENT

# A NIGHT ON THE TOWN...

*An Italian-themed Evening That Includes Appetizers,  
Food, Wine and Entertainment!!*



**"Dress to impress: Wear  
your fedora or boa, and  
your boogie shoes, or  
whatever you want!"**

**Saturday, February 6, 2016**

**6-9 p.m.**

**Temple Beth David  
Social Hall**



**Entertainment includes Douglas "The Crooner" Roegiers. Plus, singing and dancing Rat Pack style with American standards from 6:30-7:30 pm.**

**Then the Brotherhood Auction, led by Paul Prunty, 7:30-8:30 p.m.**

***FREE for all Paid-up Brotherhood and Sisterhood Members***

**Please bring a wrapped donation valued at \$15 for the Brotherhood Auction**



**RSVP by Thursday, February 4, 2016 to  
Jon Alban at [jkalban@gmail.com](mailto:jkalban@gmail.com) or  
Cathy Katz at [talktocathy@verizon.net](mailto:talktocathy@verizon.net)**



**Would you like to help with the Purim Shpiel this year?**

Now's your chance! Get in touch with your inner thespian  
and be part of the fun!

Anyone who would like to help with set design and  
construction, costume construction, publicity,  
program design, set-up or take down please contact me.  
Also, if you would like to be an actor please let me know.  
(Previous performers will receive a personal invite!)

The Purim Shpiel is on Wednesday evening,

**March 23, at 7:00pm**

Rehearsal will be on Sunday, March 13 at 11:30am

Thank you!

Sharon D. Matalon

[larryamatalon@netscape.net](mailto:larryamatalon@netscape.net)

714 894-7886

P.S. The theme for the Purim shpiel this year is . . . . . !!!!!



# Thank You!

Thank you to all the congregants who contributed jackets, coats, umbrellas, and other items to Project Dignity. Also thank you to Hope Lutheran Church for your participation.

Jointly we collected:

56 jackets

5 coats

5 umbrellas

13 sweaters

17 sweatshirts

children's jackets 14

other misc. items



Last year we collected 23 jackets-wonderful increase.

~ Lynne Horn, Social Action Trustee



## Calling all Mah Jongg Players!



it time to buy your 2016 cards.

Cards are \$8.00 for regular and \$9.00 for large.

To buy your card please send a check to  
TBD Sisterhood with your name and address to:

**Eileen Tobey  
4427 Larwin Avenue  
Cypress CA 90630**



## SISTERHOOD MATTERS

### ***WHAT IF...***

Suddenly, you or a loved one passes away or becomes incapacitated, would you or your loved ones know where to find the check book, what bills to pay? Would they be able to find important papers, know what passwords to use to access accounts on the computer?

It is difficult to talk of these things when we are young and in good health. We all know that life can change in a second that is why it is so important to be prepared: to talk to your loved ones and get your affairs in order **NOW.**

I have put together a booklet with suggestions and helpful hints on how to get started. It is available in the Temple office for a suggested donation of \$5.00, to help defray the cost of printing.

Phyllis Postman







## **Temple Beth David Library Report**

I have been hard at work cataloging the TBD Library collection. When I am done, we will have an online catalog (on the TBD website)! With Steve Loken's help, I am also organizing the physical space, moving stuff around, getting rid of clutter, and finding an attractive home for all of the detritus that seems to collect in that space. And on the subject of "finding a home", an anonymous donor gave us two new bookcases for the library. We would dearly love to purchase two more matching bookcases (they are about \$75 each).

If you would like to help finance this purchase, please contact Michelle at 714-891-0788.

Michelle Sandler  
Temple Beth David Librarian

# Goodbye

# Kim

I have learned so much from all of you over the years. I learned right away when I started at TBD that kindness was appreciated here. You can only truly understand the importance of being able to work where kindness counts after you have worked where it does not. I continue to learn new things from you each day. You have all shown me new ways to see things, taught me to appreciate the day to day ordinariness of life, made me realize how precious that feeling of community is and how important it is to belong and contribute to it. Even though I could not understand the Hebrew, over the years I learned every song, every chant, the pattern of every ceremony and celebration. I would find myself humming the music for days after the HHD's, and I am here to tell you that you do not have to officially be Jewish to experience the joy and peace from those services. I am grateful for all of the ways that you have allowed myself and my family to feel that we did belong here, that we were part of the TBD family. I can never thank the Sisterhood enough for that awesome Baby Shower that they gave us after Noelle was placed with us. That was so over the top that words cannot even touch it. It was wonderful that Noelle was able to come here to the Early Childhood Learning Center where she got the best schooling start that anyone could hope for. I still miss being able to spy on her while they were playing, and to know that she was safe and close by. We have been very blessed that Noelle has been able to grow up knowing so many "Temple Aunties". That has been priceless.

I have also learned a lot of things from many who are no longer with us. From Fred Wolff, I learned that honesty and a sense of humor can go together well, and that a quirky smile in a picture frame on a memorial table can make the loss a reality like nothing else can. There are still some hanging file folder labels in my office that have his hand writing on them. From Mark and Bobbie Bennett, and especially from Mort Wedner, I learned that height has no correlation to feistiness. During one of the phone calls that Mort made to my office regarding Foundation business, he taught me how to handle someone who was making unreasonable demands. He said, "Just ask them what they want you to do. Then shut up. Don't say a word. Let them come up with the solution." He also ended every call by asking me to let him know if there was anyone who was giving me a hard time, that he would come over here and adjust their attitude. From Dorothy Wiener, I learned the power of choosing to care and that service never stops. As a retired nurse, even near 90, she never said no to the Red Cross when they called her, no matter where they needed her help. From Gary Prince, I learned what a real Mitzvah is – that it is done because you see a need that you can fill, without fanfare or recognition or even acknowledgement; that you give because it's the right thing to do. All of those who have passed while I have been here, long ago or just recently, have touched my heart and I will carry their blessed memories with me always.

So much has changed in these past 20 years. I have watched sweet babies grow into wonderful adults, I have watched these very buildings go through a marvelous renovation, I have watched Board Presidents and Board members come and go, as well as staff and clergy. Temple Beth David remains, always.

Many years ago, Rabbi Mayersohn tried to make everyone here at TBD understand that it was O.K. to schedule more than one event or meeting or whatever on any given day, that different things would appeal to different people. Now there is so much on the calendar that it is hard to keep up with it. That alone is proof that TBD has grown into a strong and vital community. There's always something going on to interest you, always a reason to be HERE, always a way to be involved. Temple Beth David is not any one person – it is all the Sisterhood members, the Brotherhood members, the Choir, the Chavurahs, the ECLC families, and the R.S. families, and all the people in between. It is supported by the TBD Foundation, by all of your donations and efforts, by all of your love and caring and time. Temple Beth David exists because you want to have a place to come to where you can feel this way, feel this spirituality and love for each other and be comfortable expressing it, a place where you can feel welcomed into a community that you helped to create and sustain. And I will be forever grateful that you have allowed me and my family to be a part of this wonderful place for all of these years. May Temple Beth David always go from strength to strength.

Edie, Mulu & Scott

No manager can accomplish anything without a good staff. I have been privileged to work with an extraordinary one. You know them – you know how hard they work, you know how much they care and that they carry TBD in their hearts, you know how they always go far above and beyond to get things done. You have honored me immeasurably. I would ask that you honor me one step further by honoring them. TELL them that you appreciate their efforts, SHOW them that you care. I could not be prouder of them or more confident that they can carry Temple Beth David into a bright future.

Amen and Thank you.

# Goodshop

# Goodsearch

To Our Temple Beth David Family:

As most of you are aware, our Temple depends on donations to deliver the high quality of services to all of you. We understand that many of you are still struggling with the recent economic downturn. However, we have come up with a way that will allow you to donate to the Temple without spending a penny of your own money, plus you will actually save money on many purchases that you normally make!

We would like to introduce you to Goodshop and Goodsearch. Goodshop works with more than 5,000 stores that will provide all of you with discounts on what you normally buy and then will donate up to 20% of the purchase price to the Temple. You will simply click on a link on the Temple Home Page, start saving money for your family and help the Temple out as well! We have included an easy step-by-step signup guide with this letter. Here are some examples of companies that participate in the program:

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These are companies that we all normally shop at, and by simply clicking on the link on the Temple website, you will be saving money for your family and actually raising money for the Temple. In addition, you can also save money by dining out at participating restaurants and, at the same time, raising donations for the Temple as well. It's simple, free and easy to use, and the average family using the site over a year will actually raise more than \$350 annually for the Temple. Multiply that by our 300 families and we will raise more than \$100,000 per year for the Temple! This program really works. Goodshop has raised more than \$11 million for charitable organizations with this program.

Likewise, we are also rolling out Goodsearch. By doing your internet searches through Goodsearch.com, which links with Yahoo, the Temple will receive a penny for every internet search. If you can imagine how many internet searches you do, and your families do, this will also add up to real money for the Temple.

We encourage all of you to participate and to help strengthen our Temple for all of us and for the generations to come.

With best regards,

Neil Kornswiet  
Ways and Means

Aaron Kern  
President

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*We note with sadness the recent passing  
of...*

**Dorothy Bleiweiss**  
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Howard & Diane Spielman for get well wishes for Ruth Kramer

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Chai Lifers Havurah ~ Blessings of health for Ruth Kramer

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Garry L. Plotkin in memory of Ryan Plotkin

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#### ECLC Fundraising

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Aaron & Leslie Kern in sending a kid to Camp Newman

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If you are interested in being a Greeter, please let Elaine Netzer on the Membership Committee know.

Email: [eknetzer@yahoo.com](mailto:eknetzer@yahoo.com)

**\* Our Religious School / Youth Program is funded, in part, by the Annual Community Campaign of the Jewish Federation of Greater Long Beach & West Orange County**

### HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF OFFICE SUPPLIES.

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Thank you to all who have donated! We appreciate your support!!!

**\*Please make sure they are valid dates and not expired\***

**If you have any unused envelopes, the TBD office would appreciate them. Please drop off any time!!! Thank you!!!**

**TBD offers FREE WIFI  
in the Social Hall.  
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### The Temple Office Staff Thanks...

- Keri Gee Semmelman for editing the Megillah
- Gloria Schwartz for ongoing office support & preparation for Shabbat services
- Millie Vogel for all her help with Shabbat preparation



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(Early Childhood Learning Center)



# January 2016

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					<b>1</b> <b>7:00pm</b> Family Shabbat <b>TBD Office closed</b> 	<b>2</b> <b>9:00am</b> Lay Led Minyan
<b>3</b> <b>9:00am</b> Religious School resumes	<b>4</b> ECLC resumes	<b>5</b> <b>4:15pm</b> Hebrew School / Teen Program <b>No 9th Grade</b> <b>6:00pm</b> 7th grade dinner	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>7:30pm</b> Shabbat Choir Service Honoring Marina!	<b>9</b> <b>9:00am</b> Lay Led Minyan
<b>10</b> <b>9:00am</b> Religious School <b>9:30am</b> Dr. Sharon Keller <b>12:00pm</b> Meet & Greet with new WAFTY Advisor	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>10:30am</b> Club 55 <b>4:15pm</b> Hebrew School / Teen Program <b>NO 9TH GRADE PROGRAM</b>	<b>13</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Sisterhood Board Meeting <b>7:00pm</b> Brotherhood Discussion Group	<b>14</b> <b>12:00pm</b> Lunch & Learn	<b>15</b> <b>7:30pm</b> Shabbat ALIVE! 	<b>16</b> <b>9:00am</b> Lay Led Minyan <b>10:30am</b> Shane Myers Prunty Bar Mitzvah
<b>17</b> <b>NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>4:15pm</b> Hebrew School / Teen Program <b>No 9th Grade</b>	<b>20</b> <b>7:30pm</b> Foundation Board Meeting	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>7:30pm</b> Shabbat Torah Service	<b>23</b> <b>9:00am</b> Lay Led Minyan
<b>24</b> <b>9:00am</b> Religious School 3rd family Prog. <b>9:00am</b> Anarchy, Wars & Leaders	<b>25</b> <b>9:00am</b> Sisterhood Pechanga Trip!	<b>26</b> <b>4:15pm</b> Hebrew School / Teen Program	<b>27</b> <b>7:30pm</b> TBD Board of Directors Meeting	<b>28</b> <b>7:30pm</b> Brotherhood	<b>29</b> <b>7:30pm</b> Shabbat Service	<b>30</b> <b>9:00am</b> Torah Study
<b>31</b> 9am - RS 11am - Texas Hold'em						



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