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B E T H   E L   C O N G R E G A T I O N



## *Tisha B'Av services*

*Erev Tisha B'Av* - Monday, July 15th at 7:00 p.m.

*Tisha B'Av* - Tuesday, July 16th

7:00 a.m. *Shacharit* & 1:00 p.m. Break the Fast

(There will be no 5:45 p.m. service on Tuesday)

# Welcome to Beth El



Beth El  
Services

## **SERVICES**

### **Shelah-Lekha**

#### **Birkat Hahodesh**

**Saturday, June 1st**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Chanting *Haftorah* - Althea Levine

*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **Korah**

#### **Rosh Hodesh Tammuz**

**Saturday, June 8th**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Chanting *Haftorah* - Dr. Steve Nathan

*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **Hukkat**

**Saturday, June 15th**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Chanting *Haftorah* - Jonathan Gelbart

*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **Balak**

**Saturday, June 22nd**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Chanting *Haftorah* - Sam Miller

*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **Pinhas**

**Saturday, June 29th**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Anniversary Shabbat

Chanting *Haftorah* - Scott Berlant

*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **M'at'tot-Mase**

#### **Birkat Hahodesh**

**Saturday, July 6th**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Chanting *Haftorah* - Phil Jalowiec

*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **D'varim**

#### **Shabbat Hazon**

**Saturday, July 13th**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Chanting *Haftorah* - David Siegel

*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **Erev Tisha B'Av**

**Monday, July 15th**

Morning service 7:15 a.m.

*Erev Tisha B'Av* service 7:00 p.m.

### **Tisha B'Av**

**Tuesday, July 16th**

Morning service 7:00 a.m.

*Mincha* & Break the Fast 1:00 p.m.

(No 5:45pm minyan)

### **Va'et'hanan**

#### **Shabbat Nahamu**

**Saturday, July 20th**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Chanting *Haftorah* - Cantor Sam Goldman  
*Mincha* service 6:45 p.m.

### **Ekev**

**Saturday, July 27th**

Morning service 9:00 a.m.

Anniversary Shabbat

Chanting *Haftorah* - John Wolfe

*Mincha* service 6:30 p.m.

### **Kabbalat Shabbat**

**Fridays,**

**June 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th**

**July 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th**

Come as you are! The service begins at

5:45 p.m.

## **PROGRAMMING**

***Enjoy your summer!***

## **echo NEWSLETTER NEWS**

*Attention Business Owners, Professionals, and Self Employed:*

Liturgical Publications, Inc. (LPI), our *echo* newsletter publisher, had Jim Gall, our newsletter representative, visit our synagogue a few weeks ago to service our *echo*. You may have received a phone call or an email from Jim - and may have even placed an ad in our newsletter. We would like to thank our present advertisers for renewing their ads and thereby continuing their support of our synagogue. For those interested in placing a new ad, this is your opportunity.

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June & July  
Programming



Arthur Lavinsky  
Rabbi

## Dear Friends,

While summer hits most of the country on June 20th, I think it's fair to say that in Arizona, summer is already here. By now kids are out of school, many are planning vacations to cooler climates, and the pace slows down as the temperature reaches triple digits. It appears that activity decreases as the mercury rises.

Yet at Beth El, we are here for you 365 days a year. In addition to our regular office hours during the week, we conduct services twice daily, morning and night. I purposely say "services" and not "*Minyanim*" (plural for *Minyan*) because while we always have services, we don't always have a *Minyan*. We need you, our members, to insure that we have ten Jewish adults at services each and every day. While there is a core of 6 or 7 people who are here nearly every day, that leaves us with a gap that can only be filled by you. Many of you come when you are observing a *Yahrzeit* for a loved one so that you can say *Kaddish*, but rest assured that if it wasn't for others who attended our service, you would not have a *Minyan*. I hope that whether you have to say *Kaddish*, either during a period of mourning, or on the anniversary of the passing of a family member, or even if you have no such *Chiyuv* (obligation) you might commit to supporting our ongoing *Minyan* which is the only ongoing egalitarian *Minyan* in the Valley of the Sun. We would welcome you with open arms and we know that you will find friendship and fellowship with other members of the Beth El Family. Sometimes it is particularly challenging to get a *Minyan* during the heat of the summer, so your presence is even more appreciated at this time of the year.

I am also pleased to report that my Achilles' tendon has been healing well since my surgery in January. While I was unable to walk or drive for over three months, I was still able to make hospital visits, conduct funerals, unveilings, and weddings with the assistance of Dial-A-Ride, taxi service, and the assistance of my wonderful wife and erstwhile driver, Debbi. But now, thankfully, I'm walking (mostly without a cane), and my surgeon told me that I am now safe to drive (it's the pedestrians that have to worry). I've even returned to the golf course, and I'm as bad a golfer as I have ever been, now that I've earned a true handicap.

I have heard that some people have been reluctant to call me for pastoral assistance in recent months because they heard that I was still healing. I appreciate their thoughtfulness, but that was certainly unnecessary then and remains unnecessary now. If you or someone you know is ill and could use a visit; if you want to call about planning a *Simcha* (a wedding or a *Bar/t Mitzvah*), or

simply want to talk, I am here to serve you. Please don't be shy. I can only help you if you call me directly, as I have never been clairvoyant. One of my great frustrations is when I hear, after the fact, that someone was seriously ill but didn't call me because they didn't want to bother me. Sometimes I will call that person and ask "Why didn't you call me?" and they answer "Rabbi, I know you're busy and I didn't want to bother you." Let me declare with absolute certainty: "Serving you, my beloved congregants, is my honor, privilege, and pleasure."

It reminds me of the old joke "How many Jewish parents does it take to screw in a light bulb?" Answer: "None, we'll just sit here in the dark!" Please don't sit silently in the dark. If there is any way that I can help you as a rabbi, or that we can help you as a congregation, don't be shy. Call me at 602-944-3359 x108. If, God forbid, there is a life or death emergency, call me day or night at my home number which is available in the synagogue directory (I am not printing it in the *echo* because it is also published online on our website and I don't want my phone number posted on the internet.)

I wish you all a wonderful summer. Try to stay inside during the hottest times of the day, drink plenty of water, and join us in *Shul* to be among your friends and fellow members of Beth El Congregation.

*L'Shalom,*  
Rabbi Arthur Lavinsky

### The Rabbi is available for you!

In addition to being able to schedule appointments with Rabbi Lavinsky throughout the week, he has also established "drop by" office hours from 8 - 11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. ***During the summer months, please call the office to be sure Rabbi is in, before dropping by.***

Furthermore, if you are in the hospital or another institution, or if you are unable to leave your home, Rabbi Lavinsky will happily visit you wherever you are. Just call the Rabbi at 602.944.3359, ext 108.

Remember - we're here to serve you.

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**Preston Mayon**  
President

## Annual General Membership Meeting

At our Annual Congregational meeting, on May 6, you elected new Board members. Thanks to the hard work of Greg Harris and his Nominating Committee, we have a full Board, twenty-four, for the first time in several years. I know that our new and returning Board members will be working hard for the good of Beth El.

The members of your Board of Directors for 2013/2014 are as follows:

Aaron Moskowitz, Barbara Becker, Barbara Kehm-Mayon, Ben Cooper (Immediate Past President) David Segal, Denton Simmons, Ed DuBrow, Gail Ulan, Greg Harris, Herb Dreiseszun, Jennifer Jalowiec, Joan Sitver, Julie Witenstein, Kathy Miller, Kim Mertens, Laura Katz, Leisah Woldoff, Leslie Feldman, Linda Aarons, Mathis Becker, Preston Mayon (President), Rich Cohen, Shawn Naughton (Men's Club President), Shirl Dorfman and Sue Cohen.

By now your Board elected people from the above list to be officers. Their names are on our website [www.bethelphoenix.com](http://www.bethelphoenix.com).

Remember, you are Beth El. We are here to serve you. Let the members of your Board know what is on your mind. Their contact information is in our Membership Directory.

While you are on vacation, your Board and Beth El staff will be hard at work preparing for the High Holy Days, the new school year and scheduling events and activities for you.

Enjoy your summer.

*Preston*

## TREE OF LIFE

Contact Korina at Ext. 106 for information on how to purchase. How about purchasing a leaf or stone to commemorate your bar/bat mitzvah, special birthdays, weddings or anniversaries.

Leaves: \$180  
Stones: \$1800  
(5 stones remaining)



### *Thank You to Our Special Front Desk Volunteers*

Joanna Appelwick	Eileen Bloom
Selma Friedman	Steve Herman
Charleen Holt	Marsha Joffe
Jason Philo	Linda Staman
Connie Zilversmit	and all past volunteers

*We couldn't do what WE do without YOU!*

## BETH EL GIFT SHOP

Bejuled by Julie Pallissard will continue to be our visiting vendor for the month of June. Please stop in to see her beautiful gemstone jewelry.

For the month of July, Scarves by Ann G will be our visiting vendor. Ann has a variety of hand-made scarves in so many gorgeous colors that can be worn in so many different ways.

Custom orders are available from both of these wonderful vendors. Their business cards are available in the case.

Reasons to shop at the Beth El Gift Shop:

1. Supports YOUR Beth El
2. No sales tax
3. Convenient
4. Custom orders offered for all *Judaica*

Please contact co-chairpersons Michelle Rosenbaum or Charleen Holt to help with all special orders and questions.



Anne Schafer  
Executive Director

## Shalom,

Our Board of Directors:

Typically, the Board administers and manages the affairs of the congregation and is charged with the supervision and control of the property, adopts rules and regulations as it deems necessary and approves the annual budget. The Board approves the employment and termination of employment of the senior staff. They also set congregational goals and manage the direction of the congregation. In other words, they have a big responsibility.

Each year there is a transition of lay leadership and when a member joins the Board, they are elected for a one, two, or three year term. Since we recently had our Annual Congregational meeting, I would like to acknowledge the Board members that have served and whose current term ended with the May Board meeting and sadly - will not be returning for another term:

Debra Gelbart, Lawrence Green, and Sara Ziskin.

I would also like to acknowledge the volunteers who are new to the Board or renewing their volunteer commitments :

Sue Cohen, Edward DuBrow, Leslie Feldman, Jennifer Jalowiec, Laura Katz, Barbara Kehm-Mayon, Preston Mayon, Kathy Miller, Aaron Moskowitz, Shawn Naughton, David Segal, Joan Sitver, Gail Ulan and Leisah Woldoff.

The following Board members are currently on the Board and will continue to serve you.

Linda Aarons, Barbara Becker, Mathis Becker, Rich Cohen, Ben Cooper, Shirl Dorfman, Herb Dreiseszun, Greg Harris, Kim Mertens, Denton Simmons and Julie Witenstein.

Whether a Board member is incoming, continuing, or outgoing, I thank them all for their commitment to serving our congregation. I wish much success to our incoming leadership team, and if you see any one of them, be sure to let them know their hard work for the good of the congregational family is appreciated.

Have a wonderful summer.

Anne

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during normal business hours  
to pick yours up!

### Exciting Benefit for Beth El members & their families/friends!

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A portion of all sales benefit Beth El Congregation.

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**Janette Silverman**  
Education &  
Youth Director

## EDUCATION News

### Education Today

Educating our children today poses new challenges. Chances are that when you think of a school you think of a classroom with children sitting in one place in a quiet room with a teacher standing at the front of a classroom with a whiteboard or blackboard (or green or blue) behind her (or him). Perhaps you also think of that teacher as having a large desk behind which s/he often sat, formally separating him/herself from his/her students. Today's religious school classroom at Beth El doesn't resemble this type of classroom in any way except that the class contains students and teachers.

Today's Beth El classroom likely includes one or more *madrihim* (teenagers who are assisting the teacher). Many of our classrooms have students from several grades, and a large projector screen in front of the classroom or to the side in lieu of a traditional board. Material the students are studying can be projected on that screen, and students and the teacher are able to take notes on the screen with special tools. In one of our classrooms, students can "write" on the screen using their fingers or faux pens.

What is going on in our classrooms that encourage us to leave a traditional classroom and even traditional teaching methods? Studies indicate that in the secular classrooms, about 20% of all students have special needs. At Beth El's Talmud Torah, it is likely that 30-40% of our students have special needs. In addition, we recognize that logistics and scheduling may make attending our classes during their set times unfeasible.

Over the last five years we have been designing and implementing ways that we can both provide more individualized instruction to students within the larger framework of a classroom setting, and also providing a way for students who can't attend classes at Beth El. Our *madrihim* program and our Beth El On-Line program work together to provide one solution to two challenges. *Madrihim* help teachers to create small groups or even one-on-one instruction, while the Beth El On-Line program gives us tools to reach students off-site - perhaps at their homes or in their parents' office. If you come into any of our classrooms, you might find several students sitting in a classroom, and several more pictured on the screen. Our teachers are succeeding at meeting the challenge of teaching students who are physically present in their classrooms and students who are off site and sitting in front of a computer screen. Does it sound complicated? It is. It's like an actor in a play in the round. To help the teachers combat the challenges that arise from these changes in classroom structure, our *madrihim* are in the classrooms. If you want to see something amazing, stop by Talmud Torah any Sunday or Wednesday and see how our school has changed, and why we are at the forefront of using technology in a religious school. In fact, our use of technology has won us several awards and recognition as well as the support of the Council for Jews With Special Needs. Please, don't just take my word for it, but plan to come visit one day after we resume classes on August 25.

## USY News

Hi Friends,

As the school year comes to an end, I would say we had another very successful youth group year! We ended USY this year with a bang, having our annual pool party! I also would like to introduce everyone to our newest member of the Beth El staff, Lindsay Simon. Lindsay will be taking over our Kadima and USY advisor position. She is smart, fun, full of energy and passionate about Judaism. I'm excited to see all the great things she brings to our youth programming!

*B'Shalom,*  
Rachel Stern

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Hi everyone!

My name is Lindsay Simon and I am so incredibly excited to join the amazing community of Beth El Congregation. As Rachel said, I am the new Kadima and USY advisor. I cannot express how fortunate I feel to be working with such vivacious and independent students and have absolutely loved every member I have met. I am confident this coming year will be full of new friendships, leadership opportunities, and immense Jewish learning that will transfer into a healthy and meaningful lifestyle to cherish at youth group and beyond.

Please feel free to contact me at:  
usy.bethelphoenix@gmail.com with any questions.  
I can't wait to meet you all!

*B'shalom,*  
Lindsay Simon



USY Kinnus, May 2012



## Preschool News

May has come to a close, as has our school year. As always, the year seemed to fly by so quickly and we enjoyed each child and their accomplishments.

**Sari Topper-Romberg**  
Preschool & Camp  
Director

May was such a busy month. We focused on celebrating our mothers by making them gifts and preparing for Mother's Day Teas. The two year old class decorated frames and made sun catchers together, while the three year olds honored their mothers with a "ladybug" theme. They made ladybug snacks, ladybug purses and planters. They also dictated what they love about their mommies and sang a special song to them. The Pre-K group made their mothers aprons, clay handprints and vases. At their special lunch they gave them yellow roses and strawberry smoothies and sang to them in English and Hebrew.

We also celebrated *Shavuot* during May with a special program. The children made their own blintzes by flattening out a piece of bread, putting cream cheese on it and then rolling it up. We played *Shavuot* related games and read stories.

I am looking forward once more to a fun-filled summer and Camp Yad B'Yad. Our goal is to provide an enriching experience within the framework of a Jewish environment. We will take a journey through literature as we focus on various authors. With each book the children will participate in various activities such as art, science, math, language, sensory and movement.

Each day the children will have water play activities which will include a water slide, mud pies, water tables, sprinklers, bubbles and more.

The entire camp will benefit from special visitors such as from the Phoenix Zoo, and the younger children will have a teddy bear picnic. Our Pre-K through 1st graders will experience many field trips, some of which are bowling, the circus, the library, an indoor playground, and a swimming party at my house.

What I enjoy most about the summer is when the whole camp meets each morning for *T'filot*. The children are so excited to sit with their siblings or their new best friend. Each week we celebrate *Shabbat* together and welcome any parents who want to join us.

Try to stay cool this summer and, most important, keep your kids safe around water.

*B'shalom,*  
Sari Topper-Romberg



Can you dig it? Teacher Hadassah & Andrew are planting in the Outdoor Classroom garden.



Katie is enjoying playing in the worm garden for our Outdoor Classroom celebration.



Sara enjoys time outside for water play during Camp Yad B'Yad 2012.



Pictured here are the Pre-K-1st graders enjoying some fun in the sun during last years Camp Yad B'Yad.

# Beth El Announcements



## **Yom Huledet Same'ach to our June Birthdays**

### Date

- 1 Joan Mendelson  
Eleanor Sussman  
Jerome Targovnik
- 3 Joyce Margulies  
Abe Meth  
Aileen Rosenberg
- 4 Jeannette Grunfeld  
Kenneth Levy
- 5 Liz Shenberg
- 6 Harold Walzer
- 8 Helaine Kaplan
- 9 Jeff Katz
- 10 Michael Apfel  
Sorrell Bellin  
Lisa Serbin
- 11 A. David Silverman  
Arnold Unger  
Cheyenne Wilk
- 13 Alena Cantor  
Mark Goldberg  
Marc Staman  
Imre Zwiebel
- 14 Debra Gelbart
- 15 Elliot Blau  
Barry Frankel  
Naomi Yablon
- 16 David Schoenwetter
- 18 Janette Silverman  
Gerald Webner
- 19 Anne Schafer
- 20 Phyllis Silberstein
- 21 Wendy Jo Adair  
Michell Poor  
Abraham Sonnenschein  
Joyce Sonnenschein
- 22 Erin Goldberg  
Sylvia Ulan
- 23 Selma Friedman
- 24 Gerald Buckman  
Terry Kelman  
S. Gertrude Shore
- 25 Harriet Feit
- 26 Herbert Liston  
Elizabeth Naughton  
Edward Schlar  
Mark Schwartz
- 27 Nick Fotinos
- 28 Lea Morgenstern  
Joseph Portnoy  
Ron Woldoff
- 29 Maddy Roth
- 30 Harriet Bodzin

## **Yom Huledet Same'ach to our July Birthdays**

### Date

- 2 Charlotte Levine
- 3 Yafa Maloyeva  
Willa Schneider
- 4 Virginia Serbin
- 5 Bennett Cooper  
Bruce Mallin  
Herbert Rosenberg  
Linda Staman
- 6 Dorothy Ansel  
Paul Sacks
- 7 Aaron Bebee  
Rita Buckman  
Suzanne Fuchs
- 8 Allyn Kluger  
Ronald Nichols
- 9 Max Allen
- 10 Hannah Glouberman  
Eve Hubschman  
Lisa Segal  
Janet Sickler
- 13 Helen Freedman  
Morton Siver
- 14 Jerry Faier  
Lawrence Green
- 15 Eva Feld  
Bill Peerce  
Lynda Schwartz
- 16 Farideh Behboodi  
Jill Miller  
Martin Pear
- 17 Amanda Garcia
- 18 Barbara Kehm-Mayon  
Stephen Nathan  
Stephen Winkelman
- 19 Neal Kurn  
Cynthia Serbin-DuBrow
- 21 Stephen Glouberman
- 22 Janet Alpert  
Ronald Anatole
- 23 Seema Liston  
Jay Rivin
- 24 Michelle Rosenbaum  
Aaron Shore
- 25 Theodore Mendelson
- 27 Iris Silverman
- 28 Lawrence Schwartz
- 29 Joe Camacho  
Anne Shindler
- 31 Henry Markiewicz  
Julieta Unger

## **OFFICE CLOSURE**

*(Independence Day)*

Thursday, July 4th





## Mazal Tov to our June Anniversaries

Date	Years Married
2 Herbert & Seema Liston	56
3 Mark & Deena Foster	34
5 Herbert & Patricia Dreiseszun	55
Lloyd & Bathia Sirkin	36
Stephen Winkelman & Audrey Wolff	25
8 John & Deborah Wolfe	44
11 Stephen & Hannah Glouberman	47
12 Louis & Barbara Goldstein	58
15 Brian & Janet Alpert	44
Marvin & Pearl Freeman	55
16 Sheldon & Ronda Kottle	39
17 Barry & Shelley Frankel	24
18 Mark & Loretta Goldberg	30
Jeffrey & Betsy Hill	41
19 Seymour & Janice Rosen	36
Ron & Leisah Woldoff	8
20 Robert & Anna Cohen	37
21 Elias & Linda Barzilai	43
Robert & Marcia Mallin	43
22 Sherman & Esther Adler	55
24 Sheldon & Randy Dashefsky	34
26 Sanders & Iris Switzer	53

## Mazal Tov to our July Anniversaries

Date	Years Married
3 Joseph & Susan Cohen	46
4 Theodore & Joan Mendelson	21
Gary & Rosemary Phillips	37
6 Adam & Estelle Nierenberg	16
Gerald & Caryll Webner	46
7 Phillip & Zina Berry	17
9 Jack & Barbara Luftman	46
10 Melvin & Ann Polunsky	47
13 Butch & Pam Raphael	16
21 Scott & Yoon Cohen	11
26 Marvin Siegel & Eileen Bloom	32
31 David & Elaine Hirsch	36

*Please note: If your name is not listed, please contact us to be sure we have complete and accurate information on you in our database.*

## Mazal Tov to:

**Rich & Sue Cohen** on the birth of their grandson, Preston Chase, born May 1st. Parents are Jonathan & Debbie Buxer.

**Oscar & Huguette Machbitz** on the birth of their great-grandson, Samuel Matthew, born May 4th. Parents are Brad & Natasha Hanan.

**Sari Topper-Romberg** on the birth of her first granddaughter, Savannah Rose, born April 26th in Florida. Parents are Corey Romberg & Katelyn Ramos.

**David Rosenbaum** for being named as one of the top 50 attorneys in Phoenix.



## We Remember-Zikhranam li-V'rakha:



Adam Rothman, son of **Anita Dale**.

Condolences to the family of **Lorraine Klenofsky**.

Bette Rae Young, sister of **Josephine Liebhaber**.

Condolences to the family of **Edna Voloshin**.



## Volunteer Profile

*Editor's note: This is part of a series to profile Beth El's wonderful volunteers, written by Debra Gelbart.*

As a retired lawyer for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Eileen Bloom knows that being especially knowledgeable about an organization is helpful to doing a great job, whether as an employee or a volunteer. She has volunteered at Beth El's front desk since the fall of 2005, and has learned a lot about the congregation.

In addition to welcoming congregants and visitors who come through the front door, she provides information to those who ask questions, completes acknowledgment cards for donations to the synagogue, sells gift shop items, takes payments and helps with office tasks. "I've certainly learned how much is involved with running a synagogue," said Eileen, who also is a member of the Endowment Committee.

Eileen also volunteers as a reading tutor in the Madison School District in central Phoenix. She and her husband, Marvin Siegel, a cardiologist, have been members of Beth El since 1984, when they moved to Phoenix from Chicago. They have three grown sons, Andrew, Eric and Zachary. Andrew is a physician in Philadelphia, Eric is a software developer in California and Zachary is a mechanical engineer in Flagstaff.

All three of their sons had their *bar mitzvah* at Beth El. She's glad to be a member and she's found that giving her time and energy to the synagogue has enhanced her sense of connection. "I feel like I'm more a part of Beth El by volunteering," she said.



## EXTREME COUPONING

I would love your Sunday or Wednesday newspapers, magazines or internet coupons - but only the coupons you do not use! I, in turn, will go shopping for the best deals and put these coupons to work. *Coupons that*

*I do not use are given to the armed forces!*

Drop off your coupons at Beth El or mail them to me at 11425 N 54th Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85254. If you would like to be a part of this project, please contact me at 480.443.9524 or email me at bethns1818@cox.net. Any *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* kids who would like to help me and do a *mitzvah*, this is a wonderful opportunity for you! I pay for all items and then donate them to ICM.

In March, I purchased 149 products (including food, soap, toothbrushes, deoderant, razors and baby food) for \$19.43!! Again, the majority of items are free, but I had to pay sales tax.

Thank you in advance, Beth Shernoff

## GROCERY CARD FUNDRAISER

Do you shop at Fry's, AJ's, Basha's or Albertson's?



We have \$25 shopping cards in stock! When you deplete the \$25, you can have the cashier reload the \$\$\$ on your card. Each time you shop using your card, Beth El gains and it does not cost you any more to use the card.

If you shop at Albertson's - please drop by the synagogue office and pick

up your free key fob.

Every time you shop at the store, all you have to do is swipe the card when you check out and Beth El receives credit for your purchase.

This is a Beth El fundraiser that should have 100% congregation participation. We all need groceries and Beth El gains for each and every purchase - which is not an added cost to you to participate.

If you have any questions about how the program works - or to order your card, please contact Renee, [rjoffe@bethelphoenix.com](mailto:rjoffe@bethelphoenix.com) or 602.944.3359 ext. 113 - or anyone else in the synagogue office.

Our thanks to everyone that currently participates in this wonderful - free program. If you do not participate, WHY NOT???

*Our most recent check from Fry's alone was over \$800! Thank you to everyone who is participating in this no added cost to you fundraiser!*

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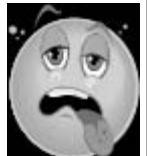
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# BETH EL CONGREGATION

## June 2013 23 Sivan 5773 - 22 Tammuz 5773

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 23 SIVAN Shelach Shabbat Ends @ 8:23 6:45pm Mincha
2 24 SIVAN OFFICES CLOSED	3 25 SIVAN	4 26 SIVAN	5 27 SIVAN 6:15pm Exec. mtg - H/H	6 28 SIVAN	7 29 SIVAN 7:16 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	8 30 SIVAN Rosh Chodesh Tammuz - Day 1 Korach Shabbat Ends: 8:06 6:45pm Mincha
9 1 TAMMUZ Rosh Hodesh Tammuz - Day 2 OFFICES CLOSED	10 2 TAMMUZ	11 3 TAMMUZ	12 4 TAMMUZ 6:15pm Ritual mtg - H/H	13 5 TAMMUZ 6:30pm Men's Club mtg - H/H	14 6 TAMMUZ 7:19 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	15 7 TAMMUZ Chukat Shabbat Ends: 8:09 6:45pm Mincha
16 8 TAMMUZ Father's Day OFFICES CLOSED	17 9 TAMMUZ	18 10 TAMMUZ	19 11 TAMMUZ 7:00pm Board mtg - PAV	20 12 TAMMUZ	21 13 TAMMUZ 7:21 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	22 14 TAMMUZ Balak Shabbat Ends: 8:11 6:45pm Mincha
23 15 TAMMUZ OFFICES CLOSED	24 16 TAMMUZ	25 17 TAMMUZ Fast of the Seventeenth of Tammuz	26 18 TAMMUZ	27 19 TAMMUZ	28 20 TAMMUZ 7:22 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	29 21 TAMMUZ Pinchas Anniversary Shabbat Shabbat Ends: 8:12 6:45pm Mincha
30 22 TAMMUZ OFFICES CLOSED						

Daily minyan times: Monday-Friday 7:15am & 5:45pm, Saturday 9am (see date for PM), Sunday 8:15am & 5:45pm  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 23 TAMMUZ	2 24 TAMMUZ	3 25 TAMMUZ 6:15pm Exec mtg - H/H	4 26 TAMMUZ Independence Day 8:15AM MINYAN OFFICES CLOSED PRESCHOOL CLOSED	5 27 TAMMUZ 7:22 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	6 28 TAMMUZ Mattos - Masei Shabbat Ends: 8:12 6:45pm Mincha
7 29 TAMMUZ OFFICES CLOSED	8 1 AV Rosh Hodesh Av 7AM MINYAN	9 2 AV	10 3 AV 6:15pm Ritual mtg - H/H	11 4 AV 6:30pm Men's Club mtg - H/H	12 5 AV 7:20 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	13 6 AV Devarim Shabbat Ends: 8:10 6:45pm Mincha
14 7 AV OFFICES CLOSED	15 8 AV 7pm Erev Tisha B' Av svc	16 9 AV Tisha B' Av 7AM MINYAN 1pm Mincha NO 5:45PM SVC	17 10 AV 7:00pm Board mtg - PAV	18 11 AV	19 12 AV 7:17 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	20 13 AV Va'eschanan Shabbat Ends: 8:07 6:45pm Mincha
21 14 AV OFFICES CLOSED	22 15 AV Tu B'Av	23 16 AV	24 17 AV	25 18 AV	26 19 AV 7:12 P/S CAMP ENDS 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat	27 20 AV Ekev Shabbat Ends: 8:02 Anniversary Shabbat 6:30pm Mincha
28 21 AV OFFICES CLOSED	29 22 AV	30 23 AV	31 24 AV			

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