BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WITH YOUR TBA FAMILY!

Join us for these special celebrations beyond Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur:

Simchat Torah Luncheon
Help continue TBA's tradition of a delicious community-wide lunch on the final day of chag! Sign up to be a sponsor (suggested $36) at tbala.org/stlunch or call Ariana at ext. 223. All names will be acknowledged in the Simhat Torah bulletin.

Erev Simhat Torah
Monday night, October 21
Festivities for EVERYONE

Simhat Torah Morning
Tuesday, October 22
Temple Beth Am expresses appreciation to two very special individuals who have devoted themselves to our TBA community. During our Simhat Torah morning service, we will honor Abe Berman, Hatan Torah, and Michael Harris, Hatan Breisheet.

Tashlikh at the Beach
Sunday, October 6 at 10:00 a.m.
Don't miss one of the most anticipated, meaningful events on our communal calendar. Join the TBA clergy with JLC Director, Amir Orbach and your TBA family for song, story, and a release of sins into the endless seas.

Sukkot
Begins Sunday night, October 13
See inside for details about Services, meals, and celebrations!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

“WHAT IS THERE LEFT TO SAY”

Ah, what to write about? New Sanctuary, new Gym, amazing High Holidays, Dodgers in the World Series? There is just so much. But here I am, in the 1st week of August, trying to come up with something that will be read in a month or so. The Sanctuary and Gym haven't opened yet; the High Holidays haven't occurred yet; the Dodgers aren't in the World Series yet.

So what should I talk about? You can never go wrong with talking about gratitude. The thing I love about gratitude is that it is not limited to the past, present or future. It impacts all 3 at the same time. From gratitude flows all the positive outlooks and practices. If I am grateful for my health (regardless of what shape it might be in), I am much more likely to make a bikkur holim visit, respond positively to a “meal train” request, or attend a Shiva. Even my complaining is not as strident if I’ve taken a few seconds to focus on the positive aspects of my complaint.

Just thinking of the kids in the Pressman Academy and the JLC, I am reminded of the parents' constant instruction to young children: say thank you. Is there any other instruction that is given more often (“eat your vegetables” is probably a close 2nd)? All we’re trying to do is plant those seeds as deeply as possible so that the adults that will someday emerge will have the benefits of a foundation built on gratitude (and good eating habits). That’s why the unofficial JPA/JLC motto of “we make mensches” is so important.

Speaking of Pressman Academy and JLC, we are all aware of how terrific the Gym will be, but our schools are about so much more. For example, our JPA was selected to join IDEAS: the Institute for Day School Excellence and Sustainability. Ours is one of ten Jewish day schools from across the country chosen for this 18-month program which is designed to help schools look at long-term sustainability through fundraising, admission and marketing. JPA is always looking at ways to improve and expand, and IDEAS is just an acknowledgment that we are being looked at to provide leadership in this area.

As for our synagogue, this has to be one of those special moments in time to be here and involved. We have successfully pulled off a once-in-a-generation (or lifetime) complete reimagination of our prayer space. We have one of the best teams of clergy anywhere to help guide us through this new portal we have created. It is now up to each of us to recognize how fortunate we are to be in this particular place at this particular time. From that perspective of acknowledgment, we have the opportunity to make TBA, Pressman Academy and the JLC our true homes away from. With that kind of “ruach”, anything is possible. Perhaps even the Dodgers winning the World Series.

Shana Tova,
Avi Peretz
August 1st, I stood at Camp Ramah in Ojai in Beit Knesset Nitzanim, the praying place for the 4-5th graders. I stood there, siddur in my hand, surrounded by campers I did not know, singing t'fillot we all knew. It was a moment of great joy for me as I looked around the space that was once my makom t'fillah, once the place where I prayed as Rosh Nitzanim with my staff and campers. The space was slightly different, more shade, less dirt, revitalized sidurim, etc. But, what was familiar was the songs that were sung, the spirit of camp t’fillot that can only be found through kavannah, intentionality, and jumping on the benches. At Camp, “doing Jewish” is part of the daily routine for all ages. And though the campers were less familiar, the counselors were my former campers and they were excited to show me how they shared melodies and helped focus tefillah as I had done with them. They made sure to meet my eyes as I looked around the Beit K’nesset with so much pride and pleasure.

This week in Torah we’ve begun reading the book of Devarim, Deuteronomy. This is a book that in and of itself is known as a second telling or a recapitulation of our history and relationships. Why is this type of storytelling necessary? What is the benefit of hearing our stories again and through the lens of our leader? Many pieces of camp are vividly retold by those who led or experienced before us. Sharing laughter and memories and important moments of “what was” to create the culture they now enjoy. I was lucky to see members of our Beth Am community, former campers and congregants, who would eagerly ask, “Do you remember when you were my rosh?” or “Could you remind me of a great ‘classic camp’ melody?” They wanted knowledge of the past to reaffirm and enlighten the present and future.

In Devarim, Moses knows that he is retelling as part of his farewell to his people, his life and his adventures. The retelling is a way for those who will move on into the land to continue telling the stories of who we are, of how we became a people, of where certain rituals came from and of connection to a larger entity and community. We visit our campers not only to be a familiar face and bring snacks but to share in the learning, in the historical memory and the growth of “what was” so that there is a “what can be.” The months when we read Devarim are the same months during which we are encouraged to look inward at how we missed the mark, how we can better live lives of kedusha, holiness, and work to heal our world. We each need to dwell in the Devarim of our lives. Think about how our stories are told: what came before us and what will we share as history for the future?

After completing a book of Torah, and before we can begin the next segment, we recite “hazak, hazak, v’nithazek” “strength, strength, may we be strengthened.” May we each, in this time of Devarim, exist in a space of camp: asking questions of what was, recall memories that inspired culture and continue creating generations of those who will tell and retell the stories of our lives with blessing and strength.
We are excited to welcome back from maternity leave, Reut Sklar, our Director of Youth, Teens, & Camp Keshet! Many thanks to our interim Co-Camp Directors:

- Over 250 Campers
- Bubble Show
- Waterslide Wednesdays
- Dress-up Days
- Challah Baking
- Art
- Cooking
- Morah Kira Concert
- Field Trips
- Shabbat Rotations
- Ramah Overnight
- Talent Show
- Build your own City
- Israeli Boot Camp
- Mad Science
- Outdoor Classroom

Camp Keshet Highlights

Temple Beth Am offers a variety of exciting and age-appropriate activities for children age 6 months through 7th grade. These programs take place in the Rena E. Ganzberg Education Center and the Lainer Library and accommodate children whose parents and/or relatives daven in the Shir Hadash, Library Minyan, and Beiteinu services. For more information on any of these opportunities, please visit www.tbala.org/hhdyouth or contact Reut Sklar at rsklar@tbala.org or (310) 652-7354 x 212. Sign up before Thursday, September 5th for discounted rates!

High Holidays 2019 Children and Teen Programming

Youth Learning & Engagement Presents:

EPIC chag

Join TBA clergy, staff and special guests for interactive programs designed for Gesher/Kindergarten – 3rd Graders and their families.

SEPT 30, 2019 • ROSh HASHANAH DAY 1 Family Service & Activity, 10:00 am
OCT 14, 2019 • S ukKOT DAY 1 Sukkah Hop in the Hood, 4:00 pm
OCT 22, 2019 • SIMHAT TORAH Torah Dancing & Family Activity, 10:30 am

RSVP to tbala.org/family

Questions? Call Farrah Noah (310) 652-7354 x 206
Our B’nei Mitzvah

MINA HOFFMAN
Daughter of
Daria and Rabbi Yechiel Hoffman
September 1, 2019

JESSE ABRAMS
Son of Michele Breslauer and Jeffrey Abrams
September 7, 2019

MAYA SIEGEL
Daughter of Judy Unger and Dr. Jeffrey Siegel
September 14, 2019

ELAN SAFAEI
Son of Hengameh and Eldad Safaei
September 21, 2019

GOLDIE BENTSVI
Daughter of Natalie and Yakov Bentsvi
September 28, 2019

LEV FREISHTAT
Son of Beth Freishtat
October 3, 2019

RIANNA KAITLIN LEVIT
Daughter of Paulette Kulawy and Matthew Levit
October 12, 2019

ZACHARY BERMAN
Son of Debra and Alan Berman
October 26, 2019

Yahrzeit Donations
We thank those who support the synagogue community in memory of their loved ones named below:


Bris and Baby Namings

Elon Moshe
Son of David & Sharon Yadegaran
Born on June 15, 2019
Given the name Elia Moshe

Jason Evan Maas
Son of Michael & Theresa Maas
Brother of Alana
Born on June 21, 2019
Given the name Netanyahu

Jacob Zev Feinstein
Son of Shira & Aaron Feinstein
Born on June 22, 2019
Given the name Yakov Zev

Hadley Rose
Daughter of Pressman Academy teacher
Dannielle Borggrebe & Christian Nixon
Born on June 24, 2019

Harrison Buddy Rivera
Grandson of Marie and Jeff Green
Born on June 27, 2019
Given the name Raphael

Eden Maya
Granddaughter of Allan and Laraine Kokin
Born on July 25, 2019
Given the name Eden Maya

Engagements & Weddings
Mazal Tov to:

Teri Cohan Link & Baruch Link on the marriage of their son, Shmuel Link to Christina Gamacorta
Dale & Tracy Schatz, Sandy & Bill Goodglick, & Rabbi Rebecca Schatz on the marriage of, Samson Schatz to Aarian Marshall
Rosana & Edward Chermsqui on the engagement of their son Dennis to Karen Gemal from Rio de Janeiro
Francine & Michael Farkas on the engagement of their daughter, Samantha, to Aryeh Goldman
Sivan Hetsroni, daughter of Susan & Ofer Hetsroni, on her engagement to Melvin Tsap

IN MEMORIAM We mourn the passing of:

Jacques Chriqui, father of Yoni (Lauren) Chriqui, grandfather of Noam and Jonah
Gloria Cutler, mother of Jeff (Claire) Cutler, grandmother of Aaron, Zach and Molly Cutler
Sam Gottesman, father of Judy (Judy) Gottesman, grandfather of Melinda Gottesman
Reg Shlagman, father of Nicole (Russell) Hoffman, grandfather of Isabella and Alexandra
Dr. Sarah Schmidt, mother of Deborah Schmidt (Avi Havivi), grandmother of Becky, Eve, Nina & Talaya
Rabbi Joel Zaiman, brother of Fredi (Steven) Spiegel
NEW OPPORTUNITIES!

As we open the doors to the new Ganzberg Sanctuary and soon-to-be-completed Gym, we turn to you, our beloved members, to ensure that our exceptional educational, cultural, and religious programs and services, continue to strengthen and expand our entire community and enrich our spirit. Temple Beth Am / Pressman Academy Giving accounts for approximately 17% of the congregation’s budget, bridging the gap between the membership dues/tuition and operating expenses. We are grateful for all of our donors whose annual support affords us with these essential resources, and we hope that we can count on your participation. YOU WILL BE IN GOOD COMPANY!

For more information please contact our Advancement Department at advancement@tbala.org Your Annual Giving contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by the law.

Annual Giving Levels

Community (Kehilla) $1-$999
- Listing on main lobby recognition board

Friends (Haverim) $1,000-$1,799
- Benefit above plus...
- Special listing recognition in Kol Ha’am & Gala Journal

Head’s Circle/Angel $1,800-$3,599
- Benefits above, plus...
- Invitation to Head’s Circle appreciation event

Jeremiah Society Prophets (Neviim) $3,600 – $7,999
- Benefits above, plus...
- 2 reservations for the Gala
- Invitation to annual Jeremiah recognition event

Supporters (Tomkhim) $8,000 - $17,999
- Benefits above, plus...
- 2 additional High Holiday seats
- 1 parking pass in the TBA lot for High Holidays
- 4 reservations for the Gala

Builders (Bonim) $18,000 – $24,999
- Benefits above, plus...
- Invitation to special “Jeremiah Chai” Appreciation Event
- 6 reservations for the Gala

Benefactors (Tzadikkim) $25,000 –$35,999
- Benefits above, plus...
- 4 additional High Holiday seats
- 8 reservations for the Gala
- Plus, all benefits Above...

Heroes (Giborim) $36,000 – $49,999
- Benefits above, plus...
- A table for 10 guests at the Gala

Guardians (Shomrim) $50,000 – $99,999
- Benefits above, plus...
- 6 additional High Holiday seats
- Special page in Temple/Pressman Academy Tribute Journals

Pillars (Amudim) $100,000 +
- Benefits above, plus...
- Premiere level recognition in all Temple & School Publications

TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

We invite you to share our new Hall of Memories, an intimate and sacred space just inside the Ganzberg Sanctuary. It will be a special place to permanently honor those dearly departed who have touched our lives. Dedicated in memory of Howard Pilch z”l, the inspiring, elegant design will surround visitors with symbolism and will house our historic Holocaust Memorial Wall.

Memorializing the names of our loved ones in the Hall of Memories demonstrates gratitude for the gift of their precious lives, and our hope that their spirits continue to inspire us. We will commemorate yahrzeits, on the anniversary of their passing, by hanging tzitzit next to their names.

Each Plaque: $750
New plaques ordered by October 23, 2019: $500
Plaques to replace those in the original Hall of Memories: $250
All plaque donations are tax deductible.
Order online at: www.tbala.org/HOM
or call 310-652-7354 x223 for more information.
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2019 CALENDER

SEPTEMBER

Monday
LABOR DAY Temple and School Offices Closed

Tuesday
FIRST DAY OF ECC AND JPA CLASSES

Sunday
JLC OPENING DAY

Tuesday - 8:00 a.m.
BETH AM LAWYERS BREAKFAST
See left-hand column for details
7:00 p.m.
DOCUMENTARY SCREENING-THE STORY OF LINA AMATO
RSVP to lmandelbaum@tbala.org

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.
INFO SESSION ON TBA’S TOUR OF THE AMERICAN SOUTH
Adelson Hall. RSVP to lmandelbaum@tbala.org

Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
JPA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

Sunday - 3:00 p.m.
SISTERHOOD 5780 LAUNCH PARTY
Location in private residence; for more info email Sisterhood President Annie Spar at apspar@yahoo.com

Tuesday - 7:30 p.m.
ONE LA TEAM MEETING
For more info, contact Henry Morgen at hjmla@sbcglobal.net

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.
WELCOMING THE STRANGER: A JEWISH CALL TO ACTION FOR REFUGEES & ASYLUM SEEKERS
With Melanie Nezer, Senior VP for Public Affairs at HIAS
Co-sponsored by TBA; located at Beth Shir Shalom in Santa Monica

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Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
JPA Middle School Back-to-School Night

Saturday - 8:00 p.m.
YOU ARE HERE: A SELICHOT SERVICE AND WORKSHOP
At Beit T’Shuvah - see cover for details

Sunday - 4:00 p.m.
ONE LA HOUSING SUMMIT AT TEMPLE ISAIAH.
Cospromised by Temple Beth Am.
For more info, contact Henry Morgen at hjmla@sbcglobal.net

Monday - 7:00 p.m.
UNPACKING ISRAEL’S SEPTEMBER ELECTIONS
Presented in partnership with Israel Policy Forum, New Israel Fund, and hosted at Temple Beth Am

Sunday
EREV ROSH HASHANAH*

Monday
ROSH HASHANAH – 1ST DAY

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CLASSES OF THE REMBAUM INSTITUTE OF ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY PROGRAMMING
For information and class sign-ups, visit www.tbala.org/rembaum, or email RembaumInstitute@tbala.org, or call Lia Mandelbaum at (310) 652-7354 x 215

HUMASH WITH RASHI WITH RABBI ADAM KLIGFELD
8:30 a.m., Wednesdays, September 4, October 16, 23

MINI SIDDUR CLASS WITH RABBI AVI HAVIVI
Tuesday mornings for 20 min after minyan

LIBRARY MINYAN MISHNAH STUDY
Shabbat Mornings, 9:20 - 9:40 a.m.
Rabbis, teachers, and other members of the Library Minyan will take turns teaching a weekly session in Mishnah on Shavuos.

MIDRASHA WITH RABBI REBECCA SCHATZ
Rabbi Schatz is starting a women’s study group that will meet once a month on Thursday nights at 7:00 pm to dive deeply into text, subjects and relationships surrounding our tradition. Our first session is September 5! This opportunity is open to anyone identifying as female and ages 18-180. Midrasha will meet in homes of our community, be full of sustenance through Torah, texts and fruitful conversation. Please email rschatz@tbala.org if you are interested in joining and being part of our Midrasha mailing list. Our 2019-2020 dates are Sept 5, Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 6, Mar 5, April 2, May 7 and June 4.

BETH AM LAWYERS BREAKFAST
Tuesday, September 10 at 8:00 a.m
Earn an hour of MCLE credit while enjoying bagels, networking, and a talk by USC professor Steve Ross on “Hitler in Los Angeles: How Jews Foiled Nazi Plots Against Hollywood and America.” Suggested $10 donation at the door, and Professor Ross’s book will be available for purchase. RSVP to ashane@tbala.org.

BAGELS and BUBBLY and MORE for 20s and 30s

On August 4th, local LA 20s and 30s came together at the home of Rabbi Rebecca Schatz to schmooze, eat bagels and lox, and drink mimosas!

Upcoming opportunities include Rabbi Schatz’s Midrasha female study group on September 5th, Sushi & Sake in the Sukkah on October 15, LA Dodgers Game, and Torah on Tap (dates TBD).
Daily Minyan Times

**MORNING MINYAN:**
Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m.
Sunday & Federal Holidays: 8:00 a.m.

**EVENING MINYAN**
6:30 p.m. in September
See website for October times, including all holidays.

**FRIDAY NIGHTS**
6:15 p.m. in September
6:00 p.m. in October
Saturdays: 90 minutes before the end of Shabbat

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October

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Tuesday
ROSH HASHANAH – 2ND DAY*

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Sunday - 10:00 a.m.
TASHLICHK AT THE BEACH
see cover for details

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Wednesday
KOL NIDRE SERVICES*

9
Thursday
YOM KIPPUR SERVICES*

13
Sunday
EREV SUKKOT

14
Monday
SUkkot – 1ST DAY
9:30 a.m. Combined Services

15
Tuesday
SUkkot – 2ND DAY
9:30 a.m. Combined Services
7:00 p.m.
SUSHI & SAKE IN THE SUKKAH FOR 20S AND 30S
www.tbala.org/sushi

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Thursday - 6:00 p.m.
NEW MEMBERS SUKKOT RECEPTION
in Sheryl & Seth Goldman's Sukkah
RSVP to ashane@tbala.org

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Friday - 5:30 p.m.
SHIR SUKKOT
For families with children up to age 5.
RSVP for dinner: tbala.org/shirsukkot

20
Sunday
EREV SHEMINI ATZERET

21
Monday
SHEMINI ATZERET SERVICES
9:15 a.m. SHIR HADASH (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. LIBRARY MINYAN (Chapel)
11:00 a.m. (approx.) Yizkor in both locations
EREV SIMHAT TORAH
5:45 p.m. - Minha; 6:00 p.m. Shir Simhat Torah for young families;
6:15 p.m. - Ma'ariv & Hakafot followed by the 8th Hakafa (a Tisch!)

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Tuesday
SIMHAT TORAH
8:00 a.m. HASHKAMAH (EARLY) MINYAN, Pilch Hall
9:15 a.m. COMBINED SERVICE, Dorff Nelson Chapel
Special Simhat Torah Honorees: Abe Berman and Michael Harris
1:00 p.m. COMMUNITY-WIDE SIMHAT TORAH LUNCH
End the season with a delicious meal together with your TBA Family and Friends. Sign up to be a Sponsor at www.tbala.org/stlunch

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Tuesday - 7:00 p.m.
SISTERSHOOD ROSH HODESH WITH RABBI REBECCA SCHATZ
RSVP to apspar@yahoo.com

* SEE BACK COVER FOR DETAILS

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Shabbat

Saturday Morning Services

Meditation Plus 9:15 a.m.
Whiteman Conference Room

Shir Hadash 9:15 a.m.
Ganzberg Sanctuary

Beiteinu 9:45 a.m.
Pilch Hall
Shir Hadash and Beiteinu will combine in the
Ganzberg Sanctuary on Shabbat morning, September 7

Library Minyan
9:20 a.m. Mishnah Study
9:45 a.m. Service
Dorff Nelson Chapel

Torah Portion

September 7  Shoftim
September 14  Ki Tetz
September 21  Ki Tavo
September 28  Nitzavim
October 5  Vayeilech
October 12  Ha'azinu
October 19  Chol Hamo'ed Sukkot
October 26  Bereisheet

Candle Lighting

September 6  6:54 p.m.
September 13  6:44 p.m.
September 20  6:35 p.m.
September 27  6:25 p.m.
September 29  6:22 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah
September 30  7:24 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah Day 2
October 4  6:15 p.m.
October 8  6:10 p.m. Kol Nidre
October 11  6:06 p.m.
October 13  6:03 p.m. Erev Sukkot
October 14  7:06 p.m. Erev Sukkot Day 2
October 18  5:57 p.m.
October 20  5:55 p.m. Erev Shemini Atzeret
October 21  6:57 p.m. Erev Simhat Torah
FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

It has been a wonderful summer with lots of planning and building. We are looking forward to feeling our building bursting again with the energy of our students, families and staff. It was a busy and productive summer, and our community should feel proud of our work since June:

Staffing: We are thrilled to welcome James Haddad as our General Studies Principal! James began on July 1st and is already working with enthusiasm and with a commitment to rigorous standards. Before Pressman, James served as the K-8 Principal at an independent school in the San Fernando Valley. Prior to serving as the Principal, James taught science, math and served as the Math Department Chair. He holds an M.A. from Pepperdine University and a B.A. from the University of California, Santa Barbara. In addition to his work at his school, James is an active member of the community through his work as a volunteer and as a coach in youth sports leagues.

Facilities & Security: We are looking forward to opening our new gymnasium this fall, as well as an expanded field, an outdoor eating space, and a renovated sanctuary! In addition, we upgraded our phone and intercom systems over the summer, providing a necessary security enhancement for our communication protocols.

Professional Development: Teachers engaged deeply and broadly in professional development over the summer. A total of 16 different staff members attended various workshops and conferences around the world. Topics included Conscious Discipline, Israel education, Singapore Math, Hebrew education, Learning Needs, Reading assessments, Non-violent Communication, and Resilience Training.

Communications: We are thrilled to welcome Deenie Silberstein as our first ever Director of Marketing and Communications. Deenie has extensive background in communications, development and strategic planning. In her new role, Deenie will be working to help us better communicate with all of you what is happening in school. You can contact Deenie at dsilberstein@pressmanacademy.org.

These enhancements are exciting additions to the Pressman Academy experience, and the 2019-20 school year is going to be great. I look forward to greeting everyone on Yom Hekeirut and embarking on another wonderful year together.

Dr. Erica Rothblum

Pressman Academy Parenting Institute

The Parenting Institute provides education and support for parents. Please join us for the Stepping Stones Parenting Series: Raising a Jewish Adult. Our interactive discussion will be based on a melding of Julie Lythcott-Haims’ book: How to Raise an Adult with Jewish Wisdom. Series takes place Thursday Mornings, at 8:15 a.m., beginning September 26, facilitated by Sari Abrams.

Join the Parenting Institute Facebook Page and enjoy parenting articles, videos and other resources. facebook.com/groups/JPParentingInstitute

Parenting Consultations: If you have a specific parenting concern or challenge which you would like to discuss one-on-one, please contact Sari Abrams, Director of Parent and Child Education, to arrange a time to “shmooze” individually. (310) 652-7354 x256; sabrams@pressmanacademy.org

PRESSMAN ACADEMY OPEN HOUSES 2020 - 2021 School Year

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
Thursday, October 24
Wednesday, November 13
Our Open House program begins at 9:30 a.m. sharp – 11:30 a.m.

The ECC Small Group Tours
Fridays: November 15, December 6, December 13
Small group tours begin at 9:40 a.m. sharp - 11:40 a.m.

COME MEET OUR ECC DIRECTOR, ANGIE BASS, AND OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL, DR. ERICA ROTHBLUM; VISIT OUR SCHOOL AND LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR WARM JEWISH COMMUNITY, OUR RICH CURRICULUM, OUR INCREDIBLE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM AND OUR EXCEPTIONAL HEbrew IMMERSION PROGRAM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RSVP PLEASE CONTACT LESLEY BLOOM, THE ADMISSION DIRECTOR: EMAIL ECCADMISSIONS@PRESSMANACADEMY.ORG OR CALL (310) 652-7354 x227. OR CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.PRESSMANACADEMY.ORG/PARENTANDME

DAY SCHOOL
Tuesday, November 12 at 8:30 a.m.

COME MEET OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL, DR. ERICA ROTHBLUM, PRINCIPALS, PARENTS, CURRENT STUDENTS, TOUR THE CAMPUS AND LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR INNOVATIVE ACADEMIC CURRICULUM AND WARM JEWISH COMMUNITY.

TASTE OF MIDDLE SCHOOL
(Middle School Open House)
Wednesday, October 30
6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RSVP PLEASE CONTACT LESLEY BLOOM, ADMISSION DIRECTOR AT (310) 652-7354 ext. 227 OR EMAIL HER AT LBLOOM@PRESSMANACADEMY.ORG

PRESSMAN ACADEMY ECC PARENT AND ME CLASSES

Are you looking for a wonderful, stimulating and exciting experience to share with your baby or toddler? The Pressman Academy Early Childhood Center is offering many terrific classes this fall. Check our website for a complete schedule of classes ranging from Musical Infant and Me, Grandparent and Me, Toddler Music and Me and Celebrate Shabbat with Me.

For more information on any of our Parent and Me classes or to register, please contact Lesley Bloom, the Admission Director: email eccadmissions@pressmanacademy.org or call (310) 652-7354 x227. Or check out our website at www.pressmanacademy.org/parentandme
Temple Beth Am Members Join with LA Jewish Community to Fast in Solidarity with Detained Immigrants

On Tisha B’Av morning, many Temple Beth Am members joined with over twenty congregations and organizations from throughout Los Angeles – including IKAR, Shibtb, HIAS, National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), T’ruah, and Bend the Arc – to “take our fast to the streets” in solidarity with asylum seekers fleeing from violence in their home countries and detained in facilities including the Metropolitan Detention Center in downtown Los Angeles, where the alternative service and demonstration was held. After shaharit, excerpts from the Book of Lamentations were chanted, interspersed with the reading of testimonies from recent asylum-seekers, followed by kinot (elegies) connecting to the current asylee crisis, including a poem by Rabbi Aryeh Cohen. After a few speakers, including the new Los Angeles-based organizer from HIAS Joe Goldman, Temple Beth Am’s own Rabbi Cantor Hillary Chorny led the gathering in singing the traditional Eli Tzion.

Temple Beth Am members interested in making a difference in the lives of the stranger and the indigent can take action with fellow congregants in a variety of ways in the upcoming year. The Social Action Committee is increasingly coordinating activities among the various Pressman and TBA communities. For example, the annual Sukkot Pressman Academy meal for the homeless will be a joint effort, and donation drives will be coordinated among the Pressman schools and the congregation. Go to www.tbala.org/socialaction to learn more.

Temple Beth Am Attends One LA 2020 Vision Event

On Sunday, July 21st, a delegation from Temple Beth Am attended the One LA 2020 Vision: Building Power event, an assembly to ratify the organization’s vision and goals for 2020. One LA is a broad-based organization comprised of diverse religious and non-profit institutions across Los Angeles County. The event was co-chaired by Temple Beth Am’s Nancy Goldstone and Mario Chavez of St. John’s Well Child and Family Center. Over 300 people attended the standing room only event at Temple Emanuel of Beverly Hills, primarily representatives from One-LA’s 25 member institutions which include Temple Beth Am.

Leaders from member organizations shared stories and strategies from the four issue campaigns to be focused on in 2020 – Mental Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Trafficking and Immigration. Progress that has already occurred in some of these areas was also presented. For example, in the city of Los Angeles, funds have been requested to implement an eviction prevention program, and additional mental health resources have been allocated in Los Angeles County. Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer and California State Senator Holly Mitchell spoke briefly in response to the vision shared by One-LA leaders. Individual institutions caucused about investment campaign strategies and the 2020 goals were ratified by the delegations.

Next steps for the coming year were discussed, including holding meetings with candidates for elective office and conducting a get out the vote campaign.

Marlisse Bachrach
Every synagogue in which I’ve been involved has had a sisterhood, and Beth Am is no exception. As a teenager I wondered what these women did, and then I kind of forgot about it. In my thirties, at a congregation in Mt. Kisco NY, they came and recruited at the Nursery School and I never looked back. The sisterhood there included women of all ages participating in a variety of activities. We all learned from each other. At Temple Beth Am, we have the most amazing community of women in our congregation today and we should all take advantage of the network we provide, just by being in the room.

This past spring the Sisterhood sent out “A Brief Survey for the Women of Temple Beth Am.” An incredible 217 of you responded, and we will be presenting the results of our survey at our opening event on September 15th. Don’t worry, it’s not going to be a long, boring power point presentation. It will be a seven minute chat in my back yard. The rest of the event will be a chance to catch up after the summer, before the holidays. I hope you will come.

Sisterhood has Mystery Book Group, Novel Book group, Rosh Chodesh and Mah Jongg every month. We’re planning speakers, hikes, networking events, social action opportunities, study sessions and events just for fun. Look out for the email with offerings each month, come and try an event or two or just reach out to me to meet for a coffee to talk about what you’d like to see from Sisterhood (apspar@yahoo.com).

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy new year. May you be inscribed in the book of life.

Annie Spar
TBA Sisterhood President
**GENERAL FUND**
IN HONOR OF
Sam Gottesman  Michael Berenbaum & Melissa Patack
Don Snyder  Shayna Sternberg
Dennis Chermsqui’s Engagement  Miryam & Henry Jannol
Sivan & Mel’s Engagement  Jennifer & Dan Low,
Marnie & Steve Stiglitz  Anonymous
Wedding of Sammy Schatz and Aarian Marshall  Karen Grey & Family
Heartfelt thanks to all of our TBA family and friends who sent words of sympathy in the wake of our loss.

**BILL STRICK MEMORIAL HELPING HAND FUND**
IN MEMORY OF
Gloria Cutler  Vivian & Ron Alberts, Rosanne Keynan, Debbie Rich
Joan Shaw Taylor  Vivian & Ron Alberts
Julie Shuer & Steve Davis on the birth of their granddaughter  Rosanne Keynan
The marriage of Shmuel Link to Christina Gambacorta  Rosanne Keynan

**CAMPUS RENOVATION & EXPANSION PROJECT**
IN MEMORY OF
Rochelle & Jeff Boren’s Anniversary  Solomon Pearlman

**PRESSMAN ACADEMY DAY SCHOOL**
IN HONOR OF
Marylind Dorf, our warm, insightful, brilliant teacher  2018-2019 Monday class
Rabbi Hillary Chorny’s help with prep for Naomi’s Bat Mitzvah  Christy & Alex Chaloff
Michelle Stone’s help with prep for Naomi’s Bat Mitzvah  Christy & Alex Chaloff
Robert Pflug’s guidance for both kids’ Bar Mitzvah  Christy & Alex Chaloff

**PRAYERBOOK FUND**
IN MEMORY OF
Suzie Sperling  Marshall Temkin

**MARCY COLKER KLEIN/BARRY SHAPIRO MEMORIAL FUND**
IN HONOR OF
Dennis Chermsqui’s Engagement  Dvorah Colker
Marie & Jeff Green’s newest grandchild  Dvorah Colker
Sivan Hetsroni & Mel’s Engagement  Dvorah Colker
Virginia & Frank Maas’ newest grandchild  Dvorah Colker
Mazal Tov to Shatz Family  Dvorah Colker

**REMBAUM INSTITUTE OF ADULT & FAMILY PROGRAMS**
IN MEMORY OF
Boris Garr  Norm Garr

**LAURA AND SID KLEIN FUND**
IN MEMORY OF
Laura & Sid Klein  Abbey Klein

**NORMAN AND MITZI ROSENBLATT FUND**
IN MEMORY OF
Norman & Mitzi Rosenblatt  Kathy & Barry Rosenblatt
Harry Chait  Kathy & Barry Rosenblatt

**RABBI KLIGFELD'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**
IN HONOR OF
Eva’s Bat Mitzvah  Julie & Michael Waterstone
Your guidance & the love you shared for Naomi’s Bat Mitzvah  Christy & Alex Chaloff
The engagement of Dennis Chermsqui to Karen Gemal  Judy Kriger
In appreciation of your support in our time of need  Jeff & Judy Gottesman
Benji’s Bar Mitzvah  Rishelle & Eric Maman
Rochelle & Jeffrey Boren’s 50th Anniversary  Adrian & Larry Miller

**LIBRARY MINYAN FUND**
IN HONOR OF
Our 37th anniversary  Bob & Sandra Braun
Hashem  Ed Miles-Arnold
Jonathan Friedman making Aliyah to Israel  Abe & Annette Berman
Abe reading Haftorah  Richard Friedman, Norm & Rachel Green
Our anniversary  Jules Kamin & Cathy Lippman
Library Minyan  Marshall Temkin
Library Minyan; for support in our time of need  Ed Elhaderi
Birth of grandson, Elijah Alexander  Melissa & Michael Berenbaum
 Birth of grandson, Harrison  Perry & Rena Horowitz

**SISTERHOOD DONATIONS**
To place a Sisterhood Tribute, contact Marlene Glaser at (310) 550-1738 or email: hagesq@aol.com

**MAZEL TOV!**
Goldie Altman - Happy 97th Birthday!  Marlene & Harvey Glaser
Rosana & Edward Chermsqui - Cathy and Jeff Turkell
Son Dennis’ Engagement to Karen Gemal  Shoshii and Izydor Wilchfort
Monique & Bradley Gibbon  Rebecca, George & Oliver Greenberg
- Birth of Nephew, Herschel Dylan  Rebecca, George & Oliver Greenberg
Michael & Theresa Maas  Rebecca, George & Oliver Greenberg
- Birth of Son, Herschel Dylan  Gabriela & Elie Litov
Virginia & Frank Maas  Agnes & Semyon Emet
- Birth Of Grandson, Herschel Dylan  Gabriela & Elie Litov
Jennifer & Brian Rivera - Birth of Son, Harrison  Rebecca, George & Oliver Greenberg
Jeff & Marie Green  Rebecca, George & Oliver Greenberg
- Birth of Grandson, Harrison  Jessica, Mark, Chason, Eleanor & Sienna Samuel

**GET WELL**
Jerry Becker  Audrey Cohn
Jean Katz  Marlene & Harvey Glaser

**CONDOLENCES**
Isaac Blumberg & Family - Loss of Mother, Sara  Marlene & Harvey Glaser
Jeff Cutler and Family - Loss of Mother, Gloria  Agnes & Semyon Emet
Trudy Goldberg & Family - Loss of Sister  Leona Sperling
Rae Shechtman & Family - Loss of Son, Brahm  Harvey & Marlene Glaser
Judy Wilkin & Family - Loss of Son, David  Marlene & Harvey Glaser

**SPECIAL**
Marshall Temkin & Famil - Suzie’s Yahzeit  Natalie Roberts

We would like to thank all the Temple Beth Am staff and members for their support and good wishes at a time that was most needed by our family, it is so comforting to know that our temple community is there for us. Thank you to all that have extended their thoughts and prayers. We are more than ever committed to help Temple Beth Am as much as we can.

*With our sincere and deepest appreciation.  Jeff & Marie Green & family*
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