# Sim Shalom

### THE NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL, HARLINGEN TEXAS

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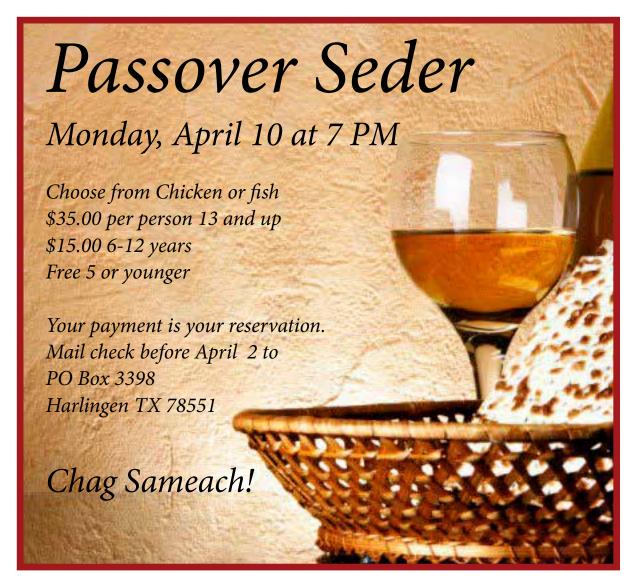
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# Annual Congregational Meeting

This Sunday, March 26, is the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, when we elect the board of trustees, review the past year, and discuss issues of concern and interest.

There will be a pot luck lunch at 12:15 p.m., and the meeting will follow (approximately 1 p.m.). Please plan to bring some food, dessert, drinks, or paper/plastic supplies. Call Laurel (550-9530) or Alma R (970-7722) for ideas of what to bring.

The board has proposed the following slate of candidates for the new Board of Trustees: President - Richard Fourzan; Vice-President (and Past President) - Jesus "Chuy" Silguero; Secretary - Richard Newman; Treasurer - Alma Russek; Member - Tamarah Spink; Member - Bruce Landsman; Member Emeritus - Rollie Koppel. Board members can also be nominated from the floor at the meeting. Please attend to make this a useful and enjoyable meeting,

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# Calendar

### **MARCH**

24-26	Rabbi in town
24	Shabbat service, 7:30 p.m.
25	Shabbat service 9 a.m., followed by discussion
	No Havdallah service
26	Annual Congregational Meeting

### **APRIL**

_	Temple Olean op and Work Day
<i>7-10</i>	Rabbi in town
7	Shabbat service, 7:30 p.m.
8	Shabbat service 9 a.m., followed by discussion
9	Religion School Model Seder
10	Temple Community Seder, Erev Passover
11-17	Passover
24	Yom HaShoah
30	Yom HaAtzma'ut/Independence Day BBQ,
	6 p.m.

Temple Clean Up and Work Day

### MAY

1	Yom HaZikaron
2	Yom HaAtzma'ut, Israel Independence Day
5	Sabbath Service 7:30
14	Lag B'Omer
26-28	Rabbi in town
	Confirmation Shabbat service, 7:30 p.m.
27	Shabbat service 9 a.m., followed by discussion
30	Erev Shavuot, Shavuot Service 7:30 PM
31-June	1 Shavuot

# Oneg Shabbat

Each member household is asked to host one Shabbat oneg during the year. Remember hosting now involves setting up, cleaning up, and providing challah, Kosher wine, grape juice, paper/plastic goods, coffee and drinks. You can bring other treats you like, but the congregation will share the responsibility of bringing snacks and desserts. If you cannot be a host on the date assigned, please call Laurel Steinberg at 550-9530.

### **ONEG HOST FAMILIES**

Friday, March 24: Russek Family, de Leon Family Friday, April 7: Berg Family, TBA Friday, May 26 (Confirmation Shabbat): TBA Friday, June 16: Banks Family, Sondock Family

### SPECIAL SERVICES

- We wish to console Elizabeth Goldstein on the passing of her mother, Ernestina Notargiacomo, and invite the congregation to a memorial service in her honor on Saturday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. at the temple.
- An unveiling service for Kathy Koppel Noriega will be held at 10 a.m. Sunday, March 26, at Restlawn Memorial Park.

### **NEWS AND NOTES**

- Mazal Tov and Happy Birthday wishes to Jerry Sondock on reaching his 90th Birthday on March 14 We wish you All the Best!!!
- Mazel Tov and Congratulations to Britany Stewart on her marriage to Louis James on March 11. We wish you lots of happiness!!

# Support the Temple

### **GIFT CARDS**

# DO YOU BUY GROCERIES? DRINK COFFEE? SEE MOVIES?

Help Temple Beth Israel at no additional cost while you do the things you always do. Buy gift cards for HEB, Wal-Mart, Cinemark, Starbucks, Target etc. before you go, and the Temple will receive a percentage.

When you buy the cards from the Temple, the Temple receives a small percentage of the cards you purchase, and you receive 100% of the cards' value you pay for.

Example: You buy groceries from HEB. Instead of paying cash or using your credit card, you purchase a \$100 HEB card in advance from the Temple, and purchase your \$100 worth of groceries using the card. The Temple gets 2 percent of your purchase! It's not much, but everything adds up.

It's easy!!! Login on the page https://www.shopwith-scrip.com

You can register on PrestoPay and pay directly to them. You can buy e-card at no cost for shipping. They will be delivered by email.

Contact Alma F. Russek at 956-970-7722 or email to TempleBethisraelharlingenTexas@gmail.com to get the enrollment code.

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# Celebrations

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

3/20 Paul & Sofia Shirazi

5/29 Bill & Monica Stewart

5/30 Bill Berg & Laurel Steinberg

6/29 Harry & Elizabeth Holzman

8/14 Gilbert & Susy Weisberg

8/19 Luis Gonzalez

& Abby Warshowsky

8/23 Shirley & Bryan Hewitt

8/25 Rabbi Frank & Laurie Joseph

### **BIRTHDAYS**

3/31 Gilbert Weisberg

4/5 Alma Russek

4/6 Dagan Wise-Herring

4/11 Andre Suissa

4/15 Jonathan Berg

4/16 Brittni Elise Greenfeld

4/17 Sophia Simha

4/20 Harry Holzman

5/2 Susan Ander

5/4 Patty Gaytan

5/14 Marisa L. Kahn

5/15 Benjamin Gonzalez

5/30 Andrew Newman

6/3 Benjamin Newman

6/24 Tomer Simha

7/13 Laurel Steinberg

7/14 Rebekah Shulamit Russek

7/16 Adriana Gonzalez

7/22 Melanie Goldstein

7/22 Rabbi Frank Joseph

7/25 David Suissa

7/26 Joel P. Smith

8/1 Rachel Russek

8/5 Paul Shirazi

8/8 Harold Fisch

8/8 Nathan Fisch

8/10 Rollie Koppel

8/10 Marina Wise-Herring

8/12 Rory Minck

8/12 Abby Warshowsky

8/20 Stan Fisch

8/25 Joseph Newman

8/30 Braulio Natanael Gaytan

8/30 Elizabeth Goldstein

# **BLOOD DRIVE, Feb. 19**









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# Thank You

### **DONATIONS**

A special thank you to Temple Emanuel in McAllen for loaning us a Torah scroll while ours is being repaired.

Thank you to Paulette Gindler-Bishop for arranging the loan.

FOR THE GENERAL FUND

William Berg & Laurel Steinberg

In Honor of the Silgueros' new son, Manuel In Honor of the annual blood drive barbeque Abby Warshowsky

Donation for Barbeque's Blood Drive expenses

Tomas Sanchez Jr.

Mary H. Warshowsky,

a Memorial Plate read Jean Happ Hudson June 21, 1932-November 21, 2013

Sam Greenfeld

In Memory of my Mother, Gertrude Greenfeld

Isabel Mercado

Bert & Jamie Wolf

Donation of Memorial Plate to read Albert Wolf Jr January 2, 1927-January 23, 2016

Jim Champion

*In Honor of the annual blood drive barbeque* 

FOR THE SHABBAT BREAKFAST FUND

Jesus and Angela Silguero

Richard Fourzan

Alma & Fernando Russek Jr.

In Memory of Janice Cassidy

In Honor of Gerald Sondock 90th Birthday

In Memory of Elizabeth Goldstein's mother

FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND

M. Roiteberg

In Memory Ada Perez

FOR THE TORAH FUND

Tamarah S. Spink

In loving Memory of Quentin Keyes

Linda and Kira Carstensen

In loving Memory of Quentin Keyes

FOR THE BUILDING FUND

Alma & Fernando Russek Jr.
in Memory of Ada Perez

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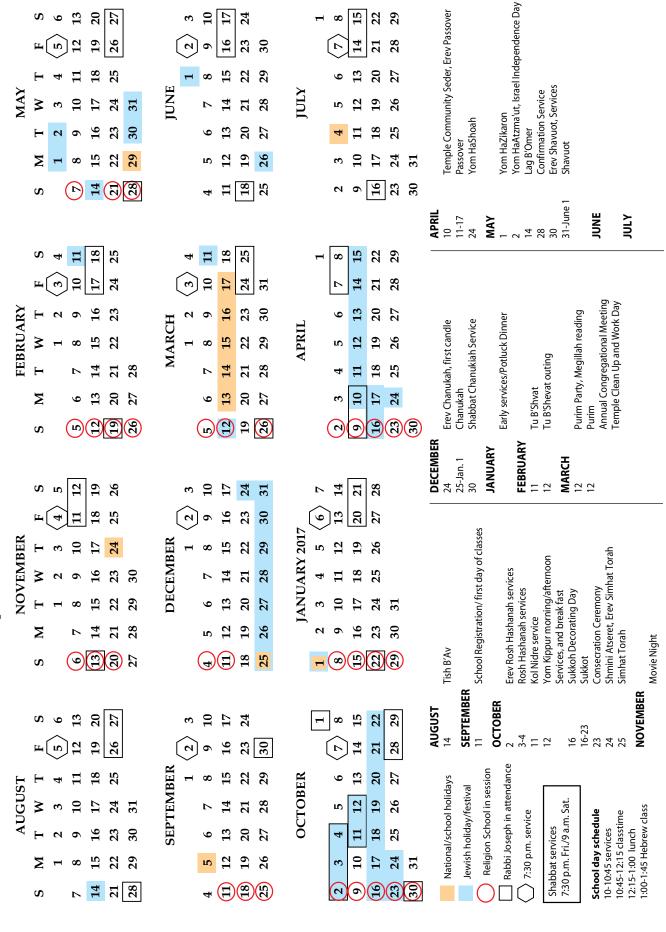
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## **PURIM**

























### Help Rebecca come home for a visit!

If you're on Facebook, go find Rebecca and give her fun video a like and a share in order to help her win a free airplane ticket to see her parents!!

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