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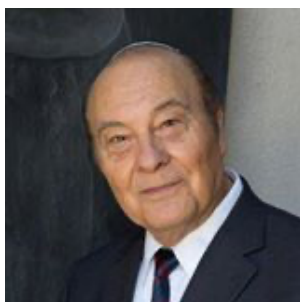
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## Rabbi's Message ~ Dov Gottesfeld

TEMPLE BETH EL CONGREGATION OF SANTA MARIA stands united with the SLO Jewish community in support of Israel's decisions to protect its citizens from their enemies. Enemies, which for decades had risen up with one intention - to annihilate the Jews, and take over the very land, from which their ancestors had been exiled by barbaric and genocide forces of various neighboring and distant nations enough times in history to which the current ISRAELI generation is saying - ENOUGH!



**Dov Gottesfeld**

WE SUPPORT THEIR DIFFICULT BUT HEROIC DECISION TO GO INTO GAZA. Yes, there have been, and there will be innocent casualties on both sides, but for those heroic Israeli soldiers who might die in this war, let the final words of the Biblical Hebrew Soldier SAMSON who had declared upon his death in GAZA "**Let my soul die with the Philistine**" (Judges 16-30) be engraved on their tombstones forever.

AM ISRAEL CHAI!

Rabbi Dov Gottesfeld

### October Schedule of Services:

October 6th Rabbi Dov Gottesfeld (7:30 PM)  
October 13th Anita Friedman (7:30 PM)  
October 20th Josué Medrano (7:30 PM)  
October 27th Andi & Jeff Portney (7:30 PM)

### Educational Activities

Adult conversational Hebrew on Tuesdays at 6 PM  
Etz Chaim Children's Religious School 9:30-10 AM

**Active Shooter lecture at temple: A presentation by Santa Maria Police. Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 pm.**

## TBE Board of Directors for 2023-2024

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## President's Column – Frank Young



-Frank Young, president of TBE

We are shaken by the news of unspeakable atrocities perpetrated by Hamas in the name of the Almighty. We mourn for all those killed and pray for those wounded or taken hostage by Hamas terrorists. We grieve with and support the members of our community who have lost loved ones in Israel. We pray for success of IDF soldiers in this fight against the barbaric evil that has invaded Israel. We pray that the dominion of tyranny and evil be brought to an end and righteousness be established.

Know that we fully support the State of Israel and its response to the dastardly attack and stand in solidarity with our Jewish brethren in Israel and around the world.

This war has ignited existing antisemitism across America. So, be alert. Report anti-Semitic incidents to the ADL. Log onto the website "<https://www.adl.org/report-incident>".

And don't be shy about calling the police. If you see something, say something.



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## California Central Coast **YIDDISH BOOK DRIVE** is underway

A book drive on California's Central Coast to collect old Yiddish books is currently underway, David Goldstien, area spokesperson for the Yiddish Book Center announced. Local residents with unwanted Yiddish books should contact:

David Goldstien  
Temple Beth El, Santa Maria  
805-598-8994 [dga@silcom.com](mailto:dga@silcom.com)

Cheri DeKofsky  
Jewish Federation Of Ventura County  
805-647-7800 [cheri@jewishventuracounty.org](mailto:cheri@jewishventuracounty.org)

Susan Stern-Pearl  
Temple Ner Shalom, San Luis Obispo  
805-234-6612 [sstern2125@aol.com](mailto:sstern2125@aol.com)

Collected volumes will be sent to the Yiddish Book Center's repository in Amherst, Massachusetts, where they will be catalogued and made available to teachers, students, and university libraries throughout the world.

Yiddish literature once enjoyed enormous popularity among the area's immigrant Jewish population. Sacred books in Yiddish translation, as well as sets of Sholem Aleichem, Y.L. Peretz, and other Yiddish classics were to be found in almost every Jewish home. In later years, however, assimilation took its toll. Books that had been treasured by parents and grandparents were often packed away and forgotten by a new generation of Jews who read no Yiddish.

Today, interest in Yiddish language and literature is experiencing a startling resurgence. Academic courses in Yiddish language and literature have been introduced at many colleges and universities around the world. Long-forgotten Yiddish books are urgently needed by a new generation of students and scholars.

All donations are tax-deductible. For additional information, please contact the two collection centers on the Central Coast, noted above.

Efforts to collect Yiddish books began nationally in June of 1980 with the founding of the Yiddish Book Center--a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and revitalization of Yiddish culture. To date the Center has recovered more than 1 million Yiddish books and has emerged as a major Jewish cultural organization, with initiatives in education, translation, and oral history as well as book collection.

The organizers hope that many volumes will be found in local homes on the Central Coast. All donations of Yiddish books and periodicals are welcome. The Center also accepts Yiddish sheet music and Ladino materials.

### **Weekly Torah Portion Discussions and Shabbat services at Temple Beth El for TBE members whose main language is Spanish.**

The Spanish-speaking portion of our membership meets just about every Saturday morning at the temple starting at 9:30 am. We use a Spanish/Hebrew prayer book and hold a Shabbat service and a discussion of the weekly portion in Spanish. We are not a separate group from the temple (TBE) membership but are members of it whose main language is Spanish and feel that this space creates for us a comfortable way to immerse ourselves in the study of the Torah. Everyone is welcome to join with us, even the English speaking who are striving to learn Spanish as well as our Jewish heritage. We are pleased that we have a space to accommodate our needs and we thank the Board of Directors who encouraged this. The leader of our group is Raul Medina (805) 922-4171 or (805) 868-8153).

Discusiones semanales de la porcion de la Tora y servicios de Shabat en el Templo Beth El para los miembros de TBE cuyo idioma principal es el español. Los miembros de habla hispana de nuestra sinagoga se reune casi todos los sabados por la mañana en el templo a partir de las 9:30 am. Usamos un libro de Rezos en espanol / hebreo y celebramos un servicio de Shabat y una discusión de la porcion semana en español. No somos un grupo separado de la sinagoga (TBE), sino que somos miembros de el cuyo idioma principal es el español y sentimos que este espacio crea para nosotros una manera comoda de sumergirnos en el estudio de la Tora. Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a nosotros, incluso los de habla inglesa que se esfuerzan por aprender espanol, asi como nuestra herencia judia. Nos complace tener un espacio para acomodar nuestras necesidades y agradecemos a la Junta Directiva que permita esto. Para mas información comunicarse con Raúl Medina al 805-868-8153.

# Bulletin Briefs

## Donations

For the High Holidays from Linda and David Goldstien  
For the High Holidays from Sherry and Manning Semiatin  
For the High Holidays from Phyllis Green  
In memory of her Aunt by Ellen Gave

## October Birthdays

6 Anita Friedman  
10 Sam Burg  
13 Madeleine Burg  
13 Jaime Frucht  
17 Aliya LeCover  
19 Mia Levy  
25 Diane Borad-Mirken  
25 Allison Portney  
30 Oceana Medina

## Sisterhood

The Sisterhood had a lovely dinner meeting at Guillermo and Maria Aguilar's La Villa restaurant in October. Helpful hint: the food was great and the chicken molé was fabulous.

Keep an eye out for the November bulletin and more activities. Of course we have our Hanukkah Party coming up in December, which is our largest fundraiser of the year. Great prizes in our big raffle, and delicious latkes cooked by the TBE master chefs.

**Marsha Epstein**

## Jewish/Israel discussion group

Prior to Covid there was an active group who met monthly to discuss Israeli and Jewish topics. We resume this program and invite you to our first meeting at Congregation Beth David Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30pm.

The event will also be on Zoom. If you would like a zoom link, please email Gordon before the 21<sup>st</sup>.

The event will be held in the chapel so there is limited seating. Please, we need to know, prior to the 19<sup>th</sup>, if you are attending at CBD. If more folks than the chapel can hold wish to come, and we know several days prior, we can move it to another room if need be.

Please feel free to bring whatever nosh you wish to share.

Your comments and suggestions are welcomed.

Gordon Mullin

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## Brotherhood

The next Brotherhood meeting will be held on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 AM at the Temple.

We will enjoy our famous breakfast of lox and bagels, eggs, and extras.

As usual, I will be sending out articles of interest to members of the group. Our seminar conversations have been lively, interesting and informative and all interested people, men and women, are invited to join us.

**Gary Epstein**



## October Yarzheits

10/2/23	Bert Vincent	17	Tishri	Cousin of Ken Wolf
10/6/23	Leonard L. Kaunfer	21	Tishri	Father of Al Kaunfer
10/8/23	Morris Yasskin*			Uncle of Miriam Shrogin
10/10/23	Walter Koch	22	Tishri	Brother of Katherine (Hersh) Koch
10/10/23	Mona Fern Naimark	25	Tishri	Grandmother of Bobby Naimark
10/11/23	Kathlin Bakst			Mother of Leslie Bakst
10/11/23	Lilly Shulman			Mother of Bernice Gaon
10/11/23	Errin Berkowitz*	26	Tishri	Sister of Sari Almaguer & Abby Zangwill
10/11/23	Stanley Gollub	26	Tishri	Brother of Myra Wapner
10/13/23	Florence Scheinblum	28	Tishri	Aunt of Ellen Gave
10/13/23	Moshe Olevi Nourani*	28	Tishri	Father of Dan Nourani*
10/13/23	Jack Burton Sachs*	28	Tishri	Father of Michael Sachs
10/13/23	Orey Shrogin*			Father of Miriam Shrogin
10/14/23	Samuel Yasskin*			Father of Trudy Resnick
10/15/23	Ruth C. Stern			Sister of Howard Stern
10/17/23	Irwin Jay Berson	2	Heshvan	Cousin of Len Akronowitz
10/19/23	Abraham Bakst			Father of Leslie Bakst
10/19/23	Lois Pawlan			Mother of Suzanne Levy
10/19/23	Abraham Rothstein	3	Heshvan	Stepfather of Gary Epstein
10/20/23	Cynthia Klein	5	Heshvan	Aunt of Andi Portney
10/20/23	Rabbi Abraham Raich	5	Heshvan	Rabbi at Temple Beth El
10/20/23	Emanuel Stone	5	Heshvan	Father of Arnold Stone
10/21/23	Rhoda Rosenblum	6	Heshvan	Aunt of Len Akronowitz
10/23/23	Jacob Simon*			Father of Nancy Evans
10/24/23	Ernest Kaplan*			Husband of Sylvia Kaplan
10/25/23	Matthew David Hersh	15	Heshvan	Nephew of Seymour and Boots Hersh
10/26/23	Bertha Rubenoff*			Mother of Lillian Tuman
10/27/23	John McManus	26	Tishri	Friend of Ron Levy
10/27/23	Sam Melman*			Father of Harvey Melman
10/27/23	Adele Mintzer	14	Heshvan	Aunt of Marsha Epstein
10/27/23	Stephen Schwartz			Husband of Marjorie Schwartz
10/29/23	Irwin (Irv) Boxer			Friend of Gary & Marsha Epstein
10/29/23	Ruth M. Levy*	10	Heshvan	Wife of Stanley Levy
10/30/23	Ben Goldman			Brother-in-law of Irwin Wapner
10/30/23	Samuel Gruver	15	Heshvan	Stepfather of Andi Portney
10/31/23	Mordka Berkowitz	16	Heshvan	Father of Sam Berkowitz
10/31/23	Joseph Y. Goldstien	16	Heshvan	Father of Sid & David Goldstien

## Months of Mourning

Yuvis Ferrer	Cousin of Josue Medrano, Niece of Eliana Medrano	11/24/22
Boots Hersh	Wife of Seymour Hersh	1/22/23
Ed Chait		3/1/23
Dominga Trujillo	Mother of Stella Perez	3/28/23
Sheila Sales Wife of Michael Sales		3/31/23
Margarita Ferrer	Sister of Eliana Medrano	5/6/23
Judith Klinger	Long-time Temple member	6/27/23
Harvey Blatter	Friend of Gary & Marsha Epstein	8/27/23
Joseph Friedman	Long-time Temple member	9/15/23

# OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>Brotherhood Breakfast &amp; 166<sup>th</sup> Seminar (8:30 AM)</p> <p>Diane Borad-Mirken in concert (3 PM)</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Board of Directors Meeting (6 PM)</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Adult Conversational Hebrew on Zoom with Joel David (6 PM)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Rabbi Gottesfeld leads Shabbat service (7:30 PM) Potluck (6 PM)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Rabbi Gottesfeld leads Torah discussion (10 AM)</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Brynn Albanese violin concert (2:30 PM)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>TBE Board Meeting (6 PM)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Sisterhood dinner meeting (6 PM)</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>March supporting Israel in SLO (6:00 PM)</p> <p>Also: Adult Hebrew conversation with Joel David (Zoom @ 6 PM)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Anita Friedman leads Shabbat service (7:30 PM)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Raul Medina leads Shabbat service &amp; Torah study (9:30 AM)</p>
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<p>22</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Active shooter education with Santa Maria police at police headquarters 1111 Betteravia (3 PM)</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Adult Conversational Hebrew on Zoom with Joel David (6 PM)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Andi &amp; Jeff Portney lead Shabbat service (7:30 PM)</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Active Shooter ed with Santa Maria Police at temple 3:00 pm</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>				