

January-February 2026

Bet Knesset Bamidbar

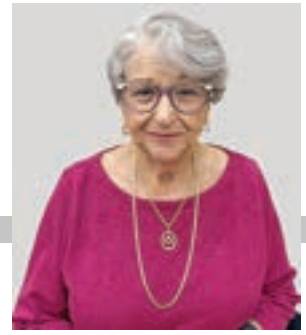


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President's Message

Arlene Goodman - President (702) 228-6362, arlvegas@aol.com



2025 was a very busy year for the Board of Directors, Moreh Alan, committee chairmen and members. It was a year filled with meeting new members and new friends, sadly saying goodbye to many "old" friends. Life goes on and so does BKB.

BKB members were busy going to Sisterhood and Men's Club Parties, dinners, Baseball Games and more. They also took time for Passover Seder, High Holidays and Break Fast. We are a busy, active group. We closed 2025 with a Hanukkah party and the last event of the year: a Chinese Dinner on December 24th.

I personally am **looking forward to 2026. What comes next?**

Wishing you all a very safe and happy New Year. Stay healthy and happy.

Arlene Goodman
President

Men's Club

David Kandel, President, (949) 697-8162, zzdavidk@gmail.com

I must start out by telling you, it is so rewarding and exciting to see how the BKB Men's Club events have grown in attendance and has been enjoyed by all our members.

The success of our Breakfast Meetings, now at the Egg Works every third Tuesday morning at 9:30 AM each month, and with the fantastic guest speakers, makes for a great way to start your day! Guaranteed. The cost of a full breakfast & drink is only \$10.

The upcoming events we have planned will also be new and of interest. We have booked guests for the next four months, and with some surprises.

All BKB men are also members of our Men's Club. If you are new to BKB or you have been a member but have missed our monthly Breakfast meetings, try to make it a point to join us. You won't be disappointed.

If you have any questions, please call or text me.

David Kandel, President
BKB Men's Club

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JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE

'Tis the season for New Year resolutions. At BKB, we made our High Holiday resolutions in September, but it is a custom, these days, to make promises to ourselves on January 1st. Although the vast majority of New Year promises (e.g.: losing weight, stop smoking, exercise more, drink more water, etc.) are forgotten even before that first piece of chocolate cake is served, we continue to use the arrival of the new year as an opportunity to reflect, resolve, and renew.

So, I am reminded of the story of a miner who was searching for gold. He worked tirelessly for years, hiked many miles in rough terrain, and sacrificed a great deal hoping to someday find that "pot of gold" and realize great wealth. The story goes on to relate that this man became tired and lost hope, deciding one day to abandon his efforts. He gave all his tools and maps to a good friend who wanted to embark on the same dream, telling him how hopeless it all was. The new seeker began to pick up where the first man ended, only to strike gold just over the next hill.

Thus, it is in life. Sometimes we abandon our dreams or our goals in frustration or exhaustion, not realizing that if we could just try a bit more, patiently wait a little longer, or search for other routes to our goals, we just might find the rewards that were waiting for us, hidden but not lost.

Thus, this wonderful lesson, exemplifies our mission for ourselves and for us at BKB. At BKB, we have a renewed sense of energy and dedication. Our Sisterhood, Men's Club, and Singles Group have never been more active, enjoyable, and enthusiastic. They certainly "go the extra mile" and give us so many opportunities to enjoy and foster

friendships in our Jewish environment. Our Shabbat Shalom services and other Jewish observances are meaningful, spiritual, and uplifting. Our special events, like our "Break the Fast" or "Passover Seder" or "Chanukah Party" and more, add meaning to our holidays, joy to our lives, and technicolor to our days. At BKB, we don't leave the discovery to "the next person", we just continue the drive to be more, do more, mean more for our entire congregation. You can just feel it, and it is wonderful to be a part of the Jewish community we have created... thanks to you.

There are other synagogues and temples around, some larger and bigger, many with fancy buildings, but NONE that offers more meaning, joy, fulfillment, and faith to our lives than BKB. I hope you are taking full advantage of all BKB has to offer and that you are finding fellowship and faith at BKB. I am always available to chat with you to help guide you on our joint spiritual journey and with any other matters of need or interest to you.

At BKB, we go the "extra mile". Perhaps that is something we all can do as we begin 2026. We can jump in, put our hands up, and make our commitment anew for another great (and even better) year at BKB... **THANKS TO YOU.**

My best wishes to you and yours for a 2026 filled with good health, happiness, success, and fulfillment. Let us all celebrate together, each and every day, the gift of life that G-d has given us. Let us not waste one single minute and use 2026, and the many years to come, for good.

Blessings and Peace,
Moreh Alan

Sisterhood

Vicki Socol, President (818) 399-7748, vicknvegas@aol.com



Dear Sisterhood,

Happy New Year to all women reading this article. I hope you enjoyed the festivities of December safely and in good health. If you are a member of the temple, you are automatically a member of the sisterhood.

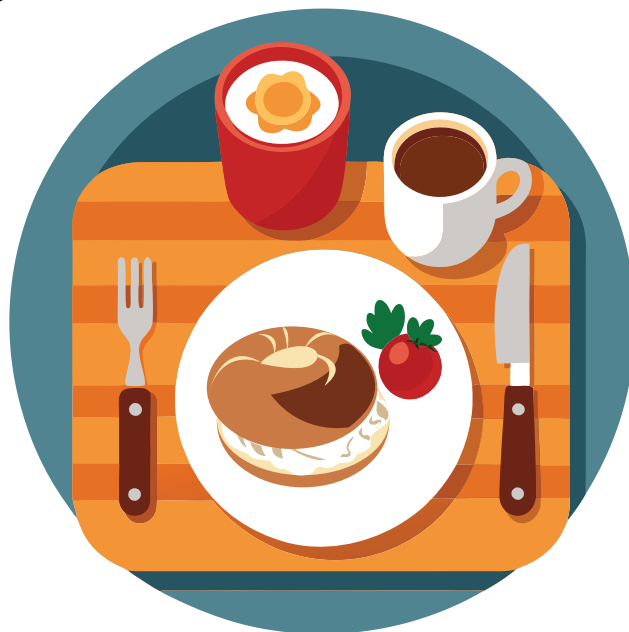
January 28th, we will again be at Desert Vista for our monthly general breakfast meeting at 10 AM. Please come and enjoy bagels, cream cheese, fruit, tea and coffee.

Be lucky and win some "dough" from our 50/50 drawing. At that meeting, we will install our 2026 officers. And... our guest speaker will be from the Roseman University of Health Sciences, who will discuss health care topics. Men are invited to this meeting.

There will be a \$5 activity fee at the door for this event. Mahjong card purchases, for regular size print at \$14 and large print at \$15, will be available through Sue Schweitzer until January 23rd. Names, phones, and mailing addresses of each purchaser are requested. For information, contact Sue at (702) 838-5373.

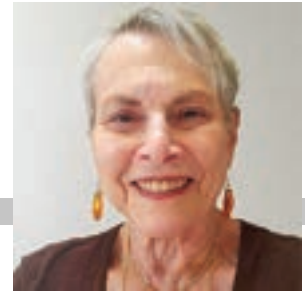
Our February activity is still in the planning stages, so keep an eye out for future e-blasts and listen for announcements. There is one more thing that I need to mention. After several months of discussion and planning, the Sisterhood has won the approval of the BKB Board to offer Shabbat Service Dedications for deceased loved ones. Forms will be available at the front table on service nights.

See you soon,
Vicki



Membership

Edith Einhorn, (702) 838-7267, eunicorn@cox.net



Please welcome new members Alan Greenberg and Michael and Diane Korotkin

If you have not already received a reminder to renew your membership for 2026, you will receive it in a few days. In order to keep up with increased costs, the Board has voted to increase yearly dues by \$36.00 (a mitzvah double chai) for a total of \$146 per person. You can pay by check or online by credit card. Directions for paying will be on the reminder letter and on our website at www.bkblv.org. Membership dues are BKB's major income source and they help make it possible to continue providing our membership services. And, as a BKB member you are automatically a member of Sisterhood or the Men's Club at no additional charge.

If your address, phone number or email has changed, please be sure to let me know. We don't want to lose touch with you.

Temple BKB values your membership and your help. If you have a few hours a week that you don't know what to do with, please consider volunteering to help BKB. Feel free to contact me so I can help match your interests with BKB needs.

Best wishes for a healthy and joyous 2026.

Edith



Donations to BKB

Sheila Cohan
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Oneg Shabbat Sponsors

Gladys London celebrating her Grandson's College Graduation
Marsha & Larry Kaufman celebrating their 51st Anniversary
Adrianne Shaw Rubin celebrating her 90th Birthday
Gail Weiss celebrating her 70th Birthday
Edith Einhorn celebrating Adrianne Shaw's 90th Birthday
Steve Lemansky celebrating his son's first wedding anniversary
Helene & Albert Lobel celebrating Albert's 78th Birthday

Tributes

Eunice Shafer, (702) 823-1474, euniceshafer8@gmail.com

IN SYMPATHY

TO:	FOR:	BY:
Darlene Vaturi	Husband Mino	Myra Feldgreber
Darlene Vaturi	Husband Mino	Susan Vizas
Mickie Abrams	Husband Mickey	Myra Feldgreber
Mickie Abrams	Husband Mickey	Marilyn Hirsch

GET WELL

TO:	FROM:
Arlene Goodman	Sheila Cohan
Elayne Tessler	Sheila Cohan

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

TO:	FROM:
Lawrence & Marcia Kaufman	Sheila Cohan

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

TO:	FROM:	TO:	FROM:
Phyllis Resnik	Edith Einhorn	Lonnie Wagman	Sheila Cohan
Elayne Tessler	Edith Einhorn	Phyllis Selman	Sheila Cohan
Gail Weiss	Sheila Cohan	Jay Shultz	Sheila Cohan
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Gail Weiss	Edith Einhorn	Linda White	Sheila Cohan
Adrianne Shaw Rubin	Arlene Gold	Norma Lawrence	Sheila Cohan
Joan Wiener	Edith Einhorn	Nancy Goldberg	Sheila Cohan
Adrianne Shaw Rubin	Edith Einhorn	Adrianne Shaw Rubin	Eunice Shafer

Planting Trees in Israel

Contact: Marilyn Hirsch at (702) 243-9484



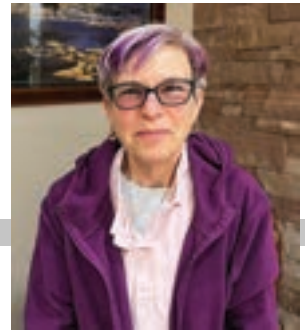
IN CELEBRATION

To **Adrianne Shaw Rubin**
Celebrating her **90th Birthday**
from **Arlene Goodman**
and **Sue Schweitzer**



Yahrzeit Contributions

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IN MEMORY OF

Donna Altman
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Joseph Greenberg
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David Altman
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Barbara Bergman
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Ricky Bindhamer
Sheila Cohan
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Phyllis Eisenberg-Helfer
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Arlene tGold

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Rebecca Stouber
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Kenneth Korotkin
Rita Kroll
Paul Lipton
Kurt Mayer
Gayle Ratner
Victoria Socol
Victoria Socol
Phyllis Stouber
Gail Weiss



May their memory be for a blessing

Our Deepest Sympathy

Sadly we announce the passing of:

BERNICE FRANK

Long Time BKB Member

MR. MICKEY ABRAMS

Long Time BKB Member



May Their Memory Serve as a Blessing

Birthdays

1/2	Edith Einhorn	1/29	David Altman		
1/3	Liz Aron	2/1	Alan Greenberg		
1/5	Joyce Contarsy	2/2	Leonard Newman		
1/5	Barbara Sparks	2/3	Steve Yohay		
1/9	Kenneth Korotkin	2/3	William Golub		
1/9	Diane Gerch	2/7	Sanford Mintz		
1/11	Allen Klein	2/10	Diane Korotkin		
1/12	Elionora Shok	2/12	Arnold Willis		
1/12	Aaron Sroka	2/16	Shirley Wigdor		
1/16	Gerald Salzman	2/16	Wendy Kraft		
1/17	Mark Goodman	2/16	Lilian Mortensen Willis		
1/17	Barbara Zeiden	2/17	David Kandel		
1/25	Marsha Kaufman	2/18	Michael Korotkin		
1/27	Abby Gomes	2/19	Benny Ruda	2/22	Barbara Nichols
1/29	Gayle Ratner	2/19	Sandra Miller	2/27	Elaine Ruda
				2/27	Susannah Skyer
				2/27	Joel Goldberg
				2/27	Judith Bernstein



Anniversaries

1/1	Marcy and Art Kulakow
2/20	Steve and Vickie Yohay



2026

Happy New Year

Things to do at and for BKB

We have had a great response this year for members submitting donations online at the BKB website. If you would like to donate using our online process, please visit: **bkbiv.org**. On the Home page, click "Get Involved – Donation Opportunities." Under each option; Oneg Shabbat, Jewish National Fund, Tribute Cards, Yahrzeit and General Temple Donations, click **DONATE NOW** and complete the online payment form.

YAHRZEITS

BKB maintains a calendar of the anniversaries of the death of your loved ones. In advance of that anniversary, we send out a reminder with the date of their service when that name will be read. If you wish to add a loved one, please call Sheila Cohan at: (860) 478-1246. You may also email her at: sheila0424@gmail.com. Send Sheila the first and last name of the person, his/her relationship to you and the date you wish to remember. Indicate if you want to remember the Hebrew date or the English date. It is also a tradition to honor the memory of the deceased by donating *tzedakah*, (a minimum amount of \$18 is being requested).



TRIBUTE CARDS

Remember friends and family with Tribute Cards while helping BKB. We have tribute cards for all occasions: Anniversary, Birthday, Get Well, Mazel Tov and Sympathy. Contact Eunice Shafer at (702) 823-1474, email: euniceshafer@gmail.com or 2229 Hot Oak Ridge St., Las Vegas, NV 89134.



JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

To Plant Trees in Israel through the Jewish National Fund, please call Marilyn Hirsch at (702) 243-9484. The cost is \$18.00 for each tree. Make checks payable to BKB. Trees can be planted for happy occasions as well as for sympathy.



BEREAVEMENT

After a BKB member passes away, our Sisterhood assists the family after the funeral by ordering and/or serving a sweet tray. If you need help with any of this, please call Arlene Goodman at (702) 228-6362.

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ANNUAL DUES FOR 2026

Single: \$146 Couple: \$287

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