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Dear Friends – Shalom Chaverim,

The past few months have been rough, with the vicious Hamas attack on Israelis and the eruption of anti-Israel, anti-Jewish rallies around the world. There is a lot of uncertainty these days, so rather than dwelling on all that cannot be known about the future, let me share with you three things I *do* know.*



#1: Community is everything. During this difficult, painful, and confusing time for us, it has been amazing to watch the people in Israel immediately pull together to help one another in any way possible, from preparing food for displaced families, to sending healthy snacks to the soldiers, to taking people into their homes. For us here as well, sharing our thoughts, feelings, and prayers together has been helpful and given us strength. This is what it means to be part of a community. We may feel the pain of what many experienced these last weeks, but we also feel our strength by being together in community.

#2: Shabbat is a gift. Shabbat reminds us to unplug for a bit; it's okay to detach from the news, from work, and from stress. Turn Friday night into Shabbos: light some candles, drink some wine, have a relaxed meal, take a few deep breaths, and think about what you are grateful for. Let go of the stimulation from the phone or computer for a few hours and you may begin to feel a bit better.

#3: This is not the end of the story. As Rabbi Samuels wrote so reassuringly, “The burden of these terrible days will not last forever”. I believe her! We are changed and deeply affected by what happened, but we will be resilient and hopeful about our future, both as Jewish people and as human beings working to make our world a better place.

Over 2,000 years ago, our sages also talked about “three things” – each with their own view of what the three things are! Shimon the Righteous came up with a motto: “Al shloshah devarim haOlam omed: al haTorah, v'al haAvodah, v'al gemilut chasadim.” (“The world stands on three things: the Torah, worship, and loving acts of kindness.”) (Mishnah, Pirkey Avot 1:2). Another sage, also named Shimon, Rabbi Shimon ben Gamliel, added his own three values: “Al shloshah devarim haOlam kayam: al haEmet, v'al haDin, v'al haShalom.” (“The world stands on three things: on Truth, on Judgment, and on Peace.”) (Pirkey Avot 1:18). These sages were spot-on. May the new year bring each of us renewed strength to work toward bringing these qualities and traits to our broken world.

Shalom and Be Well!
Rabbi Michele Paskow



**Based on a letter by Rabbi Joanna Samuels*

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President's Greeting



Dear Friends,

I must begin by saying what we are all thinking: now is a time of turmoil. Israel is under assault, and our hearts bleed with all those suffering. It is difficult to hold onto hope. Each time

violence and bloodshed returns, we face both fresh horrors and a dispiriting feeling of having seen this so many times before.

But out of turmoil comes resolve. Israel has formed a unity government and it speaks as one in this time of crisis. We, too, need to be unified. We need to open up our hearts to each other, to reach out and offer an ear and a hand.

We have stepped up security for our in-person events, and we are committed to keeping you, our community, as safe as possible in the face of rising antisemitism. We all must make difficult personal choices about how much to display our Jewishness in the face of hostility. I support you in whatever you choose. My own intention is to attend as many of our services and events in person as I am available for. This includes not only our wonderful Shabbat celebrations, but also our TWO community menorah lighting events!

Which brings me to the thing I had hoped to lead with: HAPPY HANUKKAH! In these dark times, it is all the more important to invest ourselves in eight days of rekindling light. I know we all look forward to seeing the smiles of our friends, our children and grandchildren. A lucky few even have the privilege of watching great-grandchildren experience our joyous traditions. What better reminder could we have that the Jewish people have endured and will continue to endure into the future? I can't wait to raise a glass of spiced cider to all of you for health and happiness. L'chaim!

Finally, I would be remiss in my Presidential duties if I did not make a plea for your continued financial support. So many of you have already given so generously to fund both our ever-expanding regular programs and services, and our increased security needs. We are so very grateful for all your contributions, no matter how small; every penny counts in keeping us going. I know you all care as deeply as I do about our CBE family of families. With your help, we will be here for generations to come.

Steve Rossman
President of the Board of CBE

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For more information, please contact CBE Board Treasurer Steve Altabef at sbataxman@outlook.com

Upcoming Events

Please Join Us for



HANUKKAH CELEBRATION

THURSDAY
DECEMBER 7
6:30PM

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Lighting of the Menorah

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Community Menorah Lighting

Wed Dec 13th, 6:30pm

Wood Ranch Shopping Center
501 Country Club Dr.
Simi Valley, CA 93065

Join us for music, fun, and tasty treats!
FREE and open to the public!

Seating is limited; to guarantee a seat,
please bring your own.
There will be security present at this event.



A Poem for Tu B'shevat:

This year Tu B'shevat, the New Year for Trees, will be celebrated on January 25th. This year, I hope you will honor the holiday by having some trees planted in Israel, or by helping us in the CBE garden. To plant trees in Israel in honor or memory of someone go to: <https://shop.jnf.org/products/trees-for-israel> To volunteer in the CBE garden, contact the Temple office for more information.

The One Who Plants a Tree by Richard J. Dorer

The person who plants a tree
Must first prepare the fruitful earth
By moving duff or sod,
And cherish in his heart a silent prayer
For he is working hand in hand with God.

It is a sacred task, to plant a tree,
That always should be done on bended knee.


The artisans may strive for years to raise
A structure reaching to the vaulted sky.
That well deserves the everlasting praise
And words of wonderment from passerby,
But he, the humble man who plants a tree,
Is fashioning His nation's destiny.

Books AND Bagels


Sun. Jan. 21st, 9:30 am, on Zoom

DEMON COPPERHEAD

by BARBARA KINGSOLVER



This novel is inspired by the anger and compassion of Charles Dickens's Victorian epic *David Copperfield*, and deals with similar themes of child poverty and survival, transposed to modern Appalachia. In his unsparing voice, Demon tells his own story of being born to a teenaged single mother in a single-wide trailer, with no assets beyond his dead father's good looks and copper-colored hair, a caustic wit, and a fierce talent for survival. He speaks for a new generation of lost boys, and all those born into beautiful, cursed places they can't imagine leaving behind.



Women of CBE

Sisters and friends,

As I write this message, I am at a loss as to where to begin. There is so much going on in our world as we head into the Hanukkah holiday season.



My first thoughts are of the war raging in Israel and those that were maniacally murdered or kidnapped by the Hamas forces in October. The pain I feel for the people of Israel is impossible to describe. As if that were not bad enough, the violence and conflict has spilt over into our own country, state, and local area. We mourn the loss of a local Jewish community member, Professor Paul Kessler, who was killed during a conflict between demonstrators right in nearby Thousand Oaks. Our condolences and prayers are with his family. I am in shock over the open anti-Semitism that has risen in our country. I never could have imagined it happening in this day and age.

The Women of CBE made a donation to the Friends of the Israeli Defense Force early in October as a token of our support of those that defend Israel.

The past quarter's Sisterhood activities began with supplying Oneg and Kiddish for the High Holy Days services. Cakes and other treats were individually wrapped by our committee members because of a recurrence of COVID-19 that spread throughout the congregation. Our deep thanks to all who contributed their money and effort to make this happen, especially Cathy Holst who organized the committee and worked tirelessly to make it a success.

In September, again because so many congregants either had COVID or are vulnerable, our regular paid-up membership event had to be postponed. In addition, our first donor luncheon in three years also had to be postponed because our area was hit by a rare hurricane, of all things!

Our general meeting/program for October was a potluck held at Rabbi Michele's home in the Sukkah. We renewed our knowledge of the holiday of Sukkot, its purpose and symbols. We also welcomed our newest members.

The rescheduled paid-up membership dinner was held on October 23rd, on a beautiful Sunday afternoon at the lovely home of Co-VP of Membership Kathy Smith, co-hosted by our other Co-VPs of Membership, Cheryl Hirsch and Cindy Shilkoff. The theme was Italian trattoria: "Il Pranzo Della Dominica" (Sunday Italian Dinner).



Women of CBE

The annual Hanukkah boutique was held on October 29th. As I am writing this, the total financial impact is still being calculated, but if my own vendor table is anything to go by, it was very successful, thanks to the hard work of so many!



We also had one of our great double restaurant fundraisers on November 1st at Yolanda's Mexican Restaurant (opposite).

Particular thanks to the Kritzer men (below) for their heroic battle with a very stubborn trash can!



Women of CBE



On the 14th of November we had our annual Hanukkah Craft Night, where Ruth Ann Rossman showed us how to make our own chocolate Hanukkah treats. There was blue, yellow and white chocolate everywhere, which I think is a sure sign of a good time!



Our annual Hanukkah party will be held on December 12th. Instead of a gift exchange, we will be making a donation of goods to a deserving charity. We hope you will join us for

that event. Details can be found in these pages, on the cbesimi.org website, or in your weekly WCBE and CBE news emails.

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Women of CBE

As an affiliate of Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) we contribute to the WRJ YES fund. The collection of funds supports Youth, Education and Special Projects grants to Jewish communities in the Reform movement and beyond. We are working to collect funds to earn our annual Lifeline Honor Roll status. If you need a special card, please consider sending one of our tribute cards. Or make a direct donation at <https://wrj.org/donate-wrj> and designate Women Of CBE as the Affiliate Sisterhood. Thank you in advance!

If you don't yet participate in our Women of CBE events, we invite you to join us. You can contact me at Lfriedmancrafty@gmail.com or Cindy Shilkoff in the CBE office for more information on our upcoming activities and our affiliation with Women of Reform Judaism and their activities.

Did you know? You can submit oneq sponsorship donations online at <https://www.cbesimi.org/support-the-sisterhood>

I wish everyone a happy Hanukkah, and a happy and peaceful 2024! Be the light of the world with love!

"LuLu"
Lois Friedman
WCBE President



WOMEN OF CBE
presents
Tu B'Shvat Seder
Tues. Jan. 30th 2024
6:30 pm at CBE
All women welcome!
Join us for this annual celebration
of our role as Jewish women
in repairing the world.
RSVP by Tues. Jan. 23rd

Upcoming WCBE Events



WOMEN OF CBE
Hanukkah Party
Tues Dec 12th 2023, 6:30 pm
At the home of Julie Bienenfeld-Mutal
Hanukkah bingo with prizes!
All women welcome!
Please consider bringing a donation for James Storehouse. See link below for list of desired items.
\$10 cash per person at the door
Includes dinner (brisket, chicken, latkes, vegetables, and dessert)
RSVP by Dec 10th
Location will be included in your confirmation email



WOMEN OF CBE
Painting Party
Tues Feb. 13th 2024, 7:00 pm
As You Wish
Pottery
1555 Simi Town Center Way #675
Paint your own masterpiece in the company of friends! All women welcome!
\$8 studio fee, plus the price of your pottery piece or canvas (\$5-\$70, with most pieces in the \$18-\$35 range)

Women of CBE

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Social Action

Some big changes are in the works for Social Action at CBE! We will be joining forces with Temple Adat Elohim and their Social Action committee to help support the Conejo Interfaith Refugee Team. This “welcome team” is a local coalition of interfaith and secular groups and individuals helping refugees from all over the world.

Please be on the lookout for information on our next Rock 'n' Roll Havdalah, which will be held sometime in January or February 2024. Donations collected will go to the Soroka Medical Center, a large trauma hospital in the southern region of Israel.

In addition, please check the Social Action page of our website (<https://www.cbesimi.org/social-action>) or your Wednesday morning CBE Weekly News email for information on our monthly Mitzvah Collection drives. For December, CBE is taking part in Stockings for Seniors, in collaboration with the local senior center and Meals on Wheels program. We also have our monthly “Feed the Needy” program which serves meals to those less fortunate on the 4th Saturday evening of each month at the United Methodist Church off Erringer and Cochran.

We encourage members of all ages to participate in CBE’s efforts towards Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. For more information on any of our programs, please contact Suzanne Mahler.

Suzanne Mahler
VP, Social Action

*Tribute Cards
from Women of CBE*

**Cards for all occasions!
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**Your purchase supports WCBE and
the Women of Reform Judaism.**

Go to www.cbesimi.org/support-the-sisterhood to see all available card designs and additional details. Contact Lynne Kelly at lkelmom@aol.com with any questions.

Laura B

If you prefer the post, please send Sisterhood mail & donations to:
Women of CBE, c/o Meridith Patera
15050-C Campus Park Drive
Moorpark, CA 93021

Social Action



Top left: Another successful Monthly Mitzvah collection!

Left and above: The November Feed the Needy team, led by Steve and Ruth Ann Rossman, served up a Thanksgiving feast.

Recent Events: High Holy Days



Recent Events

CBE brought a new twist to Tashlich this year, playing the sins and burdens of the year away with a drum circle and singalong. Lots of fun was had by all!



Recent Events



Thanks to our new Cantorial Team, Kevin Longobart (top left) and Jerry Alban, for leading such moving musical performances by the CBE Choir. Yasher koach to the choir and the supporting musicians, including Bob and Barbara Poehls and Harry Schned (left). What a beautiful addition to our services at this important time of year!

Recent Events

New Member Welcome Shabbat

We are all so excited to get to know our newest members this year! Welcome to the family!



Sushi in the Sukkah

CBE members and friends gathered for Sushi in the Sukkah, an initiative of the National Jewish Outreach Program (NJOP). Many thanks to Glen Knecht, Steve Rossman, Miko Sion, & Paul Venhuizen for building the CBE sukkah this year for us all to enjoy!



Recent Events

More from Sushi in the Sukkah: Max Doepking (below, top) turns the tables—and the lens—on man-behind-the-camera Max Patera. It's the Battle of the Maxes! Meanwhile, a small player (below, middle) wins what looks like all the Bingsos. Good job, kiddo!



Simchat Torah



Recent Events



Interfaith Thanksgiving



Cantorial Team Kevin and Jerry led the CBE Choir in a beautiful performance at the Simi Valley Interfaith Counsel's annual Thanksgiving service. Yasher koach!



Birthdays

Julie Bienenfeld Mutal	12/2		Emily Richmond	2/1	21st
Sharlene Pass	12/6		Ron Mittelman	2/2	
Elan Sofer	12/7	7th	Mark Geiger	2/5	
Sybil Goldstein	12/8		Ronald Schneeberger	2/8	
Spencer Mahler	12/8	6th	Steven B. Altabef	2/11	
Kaitlyn Richmond	12/9	18th	Lois Friedman	2/11	
Dr. Andrew Mahler	12/10		Ron Goldstein	2/11	
Cantor Michael Russ	12/10		Jacob Edelhart	2/12	19th
Chuck Cunningham	12/11		Raphaella Yoshi Shabah	2/12	2nd
Dr. Daryl Sutton	12/15		Suzanne Epstein	2/13	
Kimberly Fuentes	12/18		Cindy Shilkoff	2/16	
Amanda Rozdial	12/26	15th	Evan Davidhoff	2/18	
Lana Fricke	12/31		Eva Bahr	2/19	15th
Stephen Grosslight	1/3		Lindy Schneider	2/20	
Laura Kritzer	1/8		Richard Ahron	2/22	
David Shabah	1/8		Dr. Ronald Forster	2/22	
Courtenay Edelhart	1/9		Zoe Denila Venhuizen	2/26	
Marla Grosslight	1/9		Catherine Ahron	2/27	
Joyce Forster	1/12	23rd	Cynthia Nath	2/27	
Kenneth Bahr	1/13				
Max Velardo	1/13	10th			
Marilyn Hollander	1/16				
Henry Ponedel	1/16				
Fredyce Holland	1/19				
Jack Rozdial	1/22	12th			
Dr. Sandra Powers	1/26				
Alice Fiducia	1/27				
Oliver Mahler	1/27	4th			

Anniversaries

Miko and Bobbie Sion	12/18	45th
Mark and Belinda Geiger	1/1	29th
Keith and Lynne Kelly	1/4	49th
Michael and Marilyn Hollander	1/25	37th
Harry and Patricia Schned	2/13	36th
Daniel and Dawn Rozdial	2/20	19th

Recent Donations

Building Improvement Fund

Renee & David Kieselbach

High Holy Days Donation in memory of Celia & Jack Mehlman

Ronnye Sacks

High Holy Days Donation in memory of Hillary Scolari

Sandra Sigman

"For a lovely High Holidays Experience"

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Julia Babka-Kurzrock

Frances Brough & Chuck Cunningham

Alice Fiducia

Steven & Lois Friedman

Jennifer Garcia

Mark & Belinda Geiger

Evlyn Gould & Henry Ponedel

Stephen & Marla Grosslight

Jonathan & Chandra Lapidés

Isaac & Vivian Levy

Ron & Gail Mittelman

Barbara & Bob Poehls

Ryan & Natalie Richmond

Dan & Debra Schranze

General Fund

Steven & Gail Altabef

High Holy Days Fund

Steven & Gail Altabef

Marlene Auchman

Bahr Family

In honor of the Religious School

Jay Bloom

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In honor of Matthew, Sara, & Ezekiel Epstein

In memory of Kurt, Rose, Julius, & Elsa

Fleischmann; Nathan Brownstein; Max & Judy

Epstein; Irving & Gerry Wachtel

Ken & Suzanne Epstein

In honor of the hard-working staff and volunteers at CBE

Ashley Gelfound

Harold Goldstein

In memory of his parents and Clell

Steven & Marla Grosslight

Michael & Marilyn Hollander

In honor of Erin & Cristian's Wedding

Cathy Holst

Jacqueline Kovar

In memory of Tomas Kovar

Rita Kovar

Jonathan & Chandra Lapidés

In honor of Scarlett's Bat Mitzvah

Susan Leviton

Isaac & Vivian Levy

Sheldon Liebmann

In honor of Amy & Ruth

Gary Loeb

Karen Longobart

In memory of Earl David Goldberg

Suzanne & Andrew Mahler

In honor of the Grossman & Gelfound Families

Rhonda Nadler

Wendy Niesen

In loving memory of Stuart Neisen

Bob & Barbara Poehls

Carol Rosado

In memory of Earl Rosado

Cantor Michael & Merle Russ

Shoshana Russ

Harry & Patty Schned

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In honor of Jordan & Jen's Engagement

Kathy Smith

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In memory of Joan & Michael Liebmann

Recent Donations

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In memory of beloved family

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In memory of dear Aunt Alice Silverman

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In memory of J. Neugroschl & Rudy Edelstein

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Tree of Life Leaf in memory of Helene Morris

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High Holy Days Donation

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Monthly Donation to Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

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Religious School Fund

Roberta Lester

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For Religious Education

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Jesse Charnick

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Stephen & Marla Grosslight

Shelah Harris

In honor of Scarlett Lapides

David & Cheryl Hirsch

Cathy Holst

Keith & Lynne Kelly

Isaac & Vivian Levy

Phyllis Slade

Women of CBE for the High Holy Days

Women of CBE

Donation for Safety Training

Tribute Donations

Jacqueline Arouesty

In honor of Minnie's 100th Birthday

Janice Meldola

In honor of Minnie's 100th Birthday

Amy Liebmann Tellio

Tree of Life leaf in honor of Minnie's 100th Birthday

Yizkor Pledge Fund

Jay Bloom

In memory of Morris & Fern Bloom, Nate & Bertha Pitt, Jacob & Lillian Bloom, and Allen Bloom

Ken & Suzanne Epstein

In memory of loved ones

Benni Freund

In memory of Ruth Freund

Steven & Lois Friedman

Evlyn Gould & Henry Ponedel

In memory of Nelson & Adele Gould and Murray & Phyllis Gould

Recent Donations

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In memory of Florene & Shelly Miller

Karen & Keith Zook

In memory of Louis Weiss & Frances Weiss

Current Needs

Building & Property Improvement

Perimeter security fencing

Security


Ongoing funding for security guard

Cemetery Program

It's not something we like to think about, but preparing for your own passing in advance ensures your peace of mind, and relieves loved ones of stressful decisions in a time of loss. Congregation B'nai Emet has partnered with Mount Sinai Memorial Park in an endowment program to help our members make pre-need arrangements for burial plots and other funeral concerns. Participation has financial benefits both for you and for CBE.

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Observing Yahrzeits at CBE

A yahrzeit is the anniversary of a death. It is traditional to light a 24-hour memorial candle in your home, at sundown on the evening before the date of the yahrzeit.

Names of the remembered are read out at Shabbat services on the Friday night immediately preceding the yahrzeit date. Friends and family attend this service, and participate in the recitation of the Mourner's Kaddish. Many people also make a donation to the temple in honor of the remembered, as a mitzvah on behalf of a loved one who is no longer here to do so.

Those who have yahrzeits on file with the Temple office will receive reminders before the dates. We ask for your help in keeping this information current and complete. To add to the current yahrzeit information on file, go to <https://www.cbesimi.org/yahrzeit-reminders>. To check or change same, please contact the office.

Sandi Brown	12/1	Kislev 18
Samuel Minor	12/1	
Louis Weiss	12/1	Kislev 18
Frida Pichkhadze	12/2	Kislev 19
Betty Marx	12/3	Kislev 20
Marshall Pollack	12/3	Kislev 20
Jean Forman	12/4	Kislev 21
Seymour Hoffberg	12/4	Kislev 21
Sylvia Miller	12/4	Kislev 21
Rhoda Davidhoff	12/5	Kislev 22
Jack Lefton	12/5	Kislev 22
Beatrice Marx	12/5	Kislev 22

Eric Forster	12/6	Kislev 23
Morris Orloff	12/6	
Dr. Alvin Miller	12/7	Kislev 24
Samuel Selbst	12/7	Kislev 24
Vivian Gurstein	12/8	Kislev 25
Erna Handler	12/8	
Kitty Rozdial	12/8	
Michael Glazer	12/9	Kislev 26
Martin Klein	12/9	Kislev 26
Melissa Bernstein-Schoen	12/10	Kislev 27
Milton Charnick	12/11	
Sanford Shilkoff	12/11	Kislev 28
Bertram Bergmann	12/12	
Vicki Cohen	12/13	Tevet 1
Mitzie Friedman	12/13	Tevet 1
Marsha Evans	12/14	Tevet 2
Lois Wellen	12/14	Tevet 2
Abraham Katell	12/15	Tevet 3
Barbara Claire Sweet	12/15	Tevet 3
Dora Yaskiel	12/15	Tevet 3
David Ehrlich	12/17	Tevet 5
Libbie Chait	12/18	Tevet 6
Louis Cohen	12/18	Tevet 6
Ruth Freund	12/18	
Harvey Kritzer	12/18	
James Silver	12/18	Tevet 6
Faye Isbey	12/19	Tevet 7
Jacob Mann	12/21	

Yahrzeits

Sheila Mae Ross	12/21	
Bryan Sandoval	12/21	Tevet 9
Joseph Schweitzer	12/21	Tevet 9
Else Feingold	12/22	Tevet 10
Joseph Feingold	12/22	Tevet 10
Earl Ely Friedman	12/22	
Shirley Garfield	12/22	Tevet 10
Stuart Keimon	12/22	Tevet 10
Marvin Ackerman	12/23	Tevet 11
Eda Satin	12/23	Tevet 11
Gene Alfred	12/24	
Max Epstein	12/24	Tevet 12
Ida Greenstein	12/24	Tevet 12
Irvin "Bud" Greenberg	12/25	Tevet 13
Rhoda Russ	12/25	Tevet 13
Zelig Daniel Leibl	12/27	Tevet 15
Leon Luger	12/27	
Barbara Schwartz	12/27	Tevet 15
Minerva Lefton	12/28	Tevet 16
William Lee Smith	12/28	
Clara Gordon	12/29	Tevet 17
Anna Leader	12/30	Tevet 18
Rodman Turner	12/30	
Benjamin Wiseman	12/30	
Michael Bressler	12/31	Tevet 19
Joseph Bailey	1/1	Tevet 20
Dr. Michael Dunn	1/1	
Abraham Sutton	1/1	
Robert S Gorelick	1/2	

Leonard Schwartz	1/2	Tevet 21
Israel Tepper	1/2	Tevet 21
Morton Auerbach	1/3	
Sylvia Huttas	1/3	Tevet 22
Florence Howard	1/5	
Mildred Plotkin	1/5	Tevet 24
Steven Sacks	1/5	
Fannie Woodrow	1/5	Tevet 24
Max Rabin	1/6	Tevet 25
Joe Frolove	1/7	Tevet 26
Bobette Karoff	1/7	
Patricia Geiger	1/8	Tevet 27
Herbert Glick	1/8	Tevet 27
Glen H. Knecht Sr.	1/8	
Abraham Mitchel	1/8	
Elizabeth Turner	1/8	
Richard Levy	1/9	Tevet 28
Edith Greenberg	1/10	Tevet 29
George Liebmann	1/10	Tevet 29
Richard Schatz	1/11	Shevat 1
Sam Sonders	1/11	Shevat 1
Dorothy Zager	1/11	
Harry Luger	1/12	
Martin Richter	1/12	Shevat 2
Charles Stein	1/12	Shevat 2
Linda Mann	1/13	
Judith Eva Offstein	1/13	Shevat 3
Robert Gurstein	1/14	Shevat 4
Willard Levin	1/14	Shevat 4

Jahrzeits

Alex Leyton	1/14	Shevat 4
Sidney Scheinert	1/14	
Rochelle (Shelly) Richter	1/15	Shevat 5
Darrius Eugene Simpson-Menke	1/16	Shevat 6
Emily Rosado	1/17	
Dolf Keller	1/18	Shevat 8
Barbara Lester Silverstone	1/18	
Sylvia Brody	1/20	Shevat 10
Helen Blecher Katzman	1/20	Shevat 10
David Silversher	1/20	
Gertrude Miller	1/21	
Jack Miller	1/21	
Sophie Toni Shain	1/23	Shevat 13
Sybil Kaplan	1/24	Shevat 14
Alvin Kaufman	1/24	Shevat 14
Shirley (Sybil) Perlmutter	1/24	Shevat 14
Bruce Stein	1/25	Shevat 15
Barbara Siegel	1/26	Shevat 16
Dorothy Barasch Weiss	1/26	Shevat 16
Dora York	1/26	Shevat 16
David Altabef	1/27	Shevat 17
Mariel Graflund	1/27	Shevat 17
Shirley Richter	1/27	Shevat 17
Dr. Eugene Strull	1/27	Shevat 17
Alan Weiss	1/27	Shevat 17
Julius Zager	1/27	
Stella Zaltzman	1/27	Shevat 17
Dorothy Strull	1/30	Shevat 20

Bob Boyd	1/31	
David Bloch	2/1	
Gloria Goodman	2/1	Shevat 22
Arthur Leon	2/1	Shevat 22
Marian Levin	2/1	Shevat 22
Nathan Brownstein	2/2	Shevat 23
Rita Goodglass-Eisen	2/2	Shevat 23
Bernard Kessler	2/2	
Alex Edward Mann	2/4	
Beverly Pedowitz	2/4	
Steven Richter	2/4	Shevat 25
Bernard Schwartz	2/4	Shevat 25
Joseph Hananel	2/5	Shevat 26
Jay A. Keimon	2/7	Shevat 28
Edna Barasch	2/8	Shevat 29
Harvey Golison	2/8	
Ruth Kaye	2/8	
Mildred Kessler	2/8	
Claire Silversher	2/8	
Doris Holzberg Baum	2/9	Shevat 30
Nathan Hentell	2/10	
Magda Blum Mann	2/10	
Joan Nadler	2/11	
David Schranze	2/11	Adar-I 2
Shirley Tepfer	2/11	Adar-I 2
Ruth Wilkerson	2/11	Adar-I 2
Nettie Riff	2/12	
Lillian Hentell	2/14	
Arthur "Archie" Kracow	2/14	

Yahrzeits

Marilyn Kaufman	2/15	Adar-I 6
Mildred Keller	2/15	Adar-I 6
Robyn Libitsky	2/15	Adar-I 6
Stephanie Martin	2/15	
Jay Mortimer	2/15	Adar-I 6
Hyman Bloch	2/16	
Alan Leon	2/16	Adar-I 7
Leonard Salberg	2/16	Adar-I 7
Jack Trachtenberg	2/16	Adar-I 7
Herbert Davidhoff	2/17	Adar-I 8
Wesley Lester	2/17	
Abraham Shain	2/17	Adar-I 8
George Barron	2/18	
Dorothy A. Rabin	2/18	Adar-I 9
Isadore Sharapan	2/18	Adar-I 9
Lillian Krevoy	2/19	
Ruth Truskin	2/19	Adar-I 10
Irving Pedowitz	2/20	
Fritzie Gilson	2/21	Adar-I 12
Fran Kritzer	2/22	
Milton Schoffman	2/22	Adar-I 13
Fanny Strassburger	2/22	
Barbara Altabef	2/23	Adar-I 14
Stanley Kassap	2/23	Adar-I 14
Pearl Bloch	2/24	
Marian Brandler	2/24	Adar-I 15
Jacqueline Guzik	2/24	
Julie Heimann	2/24	Adar-I 15
Anne Klein	2/25	Adar-I 16

Nathan William Kritzer	2/25	Adar-I 16
Shirley Nusbaum	2/25	Adar-I 16
Mildred Ruth Picker	2/25	Adar-I 16
Murray Schneider	2/26	Adar-I 17
Sheldon H. Sloan	2/26	
Benjamin Zimmerman	2/26	
Sigmond Neugroschl	2/27	
Albert Edelson	2/28	
Suzanne Glover	2/28	
Joseph Keller	2/28	Adar-I 19
Alvin Pass	2/28	Adar-I 19
Samuel Pryor	2/28	Adar-I 19
Edie Gillis	2/29	Adar-I 20

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