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Rabbi's Message



Shalom Chaverim!

For a small *shul*, we sure have a lot going on! In January we had an amazing TuBishvat tree-planting day. The biggest joy came when the children proudly showed their parents the trees they planted! We also had a terrific Comedy Night, which began with three of our Choir members singing a few songs, accompanied by our extremely talented Irwin Cohen. Everyone enjoyed the clever comedy and the great camaraderie. Blending our American pride and culture with our Jewish practices, we had "Soup-er Bowl Shabbat" with lots of tasty soups and more for our Shabbos dinner on the last Friday of January. Now we are on to Purim and after that Pesach-

with other interesting and exciting programs in between. Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard with all of these events and programs.

It may come as no surprise to you that I love all of the Jewish holidays, but Purim always stands out as special, not only because it is a playful time, but because of its upbeat theme of survival against the odds. It's easy to see Purim as a children's holiday with costumes, noise, a foolish king, a beautiful queen and an evil villain. That's the straightforward, simple part of the story. We can also see Purim on a much deeper, symbolic level, as a paradigm for Jewish history; in almost every age there was a "Haman" who sought to destroy the Jewish people. Anti-Semitism is the longest-running, most widely adopted social pathology in history. Yet, despite all the odds, we have continued to survive until today. That is what I celebrate on Purim— our beautiful, varied and rich Jewish history, life and culture that has come down to us through the ages. It is for this reason that we laugh on Purim, not irreverent laughter, but laughter born of faith and joy in the amazing survival of our people. Besides the reading of the Megillah and a spirit of joy, Purim is also marked by a sense of thanksgiving with sending gifts to friends and those in need. May we continue to celebrate and enjoy our Jewish heritage in our time of freedom.



Please join us for a fun Purim celebration on **Friday March 14th at 7 pm**. We will sing songs and watch the story of Purim presented by our 5th and 6th grade students, with an appearance by the evil *Haman*! (boo, hiss!) Don't be shy, come dressed in a costume - prizes will be awarded! We'll continue with the Purim carnival on **Sunday March 16th** with all kinds of fun activities for the kids. Share in the fun, create positive Jewish memories and experiences and nosh some *hamantaschen* too!



Shalom and Chag Samaech! Rabbí Míchele Paskow

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 7, 7 PM SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA Service and special Oneg Tuesday, April 15 COMMUNITY PASSOVER SEDER Led by Rabbi Michele. Bring friends & family Children are welcome. Watch for more info.

SEE OTHER EVENTS LISTED THROUGHOUT THIS NEWSLETTER

President's Message by Mitchell Salberg



Shalom.

With only a few months into the New Year, the CBE Board has been busy planning exciting events and upgrading the temple. If you remember the "Where's Waldo" part of my High Holiday speech, you may have noticed some major changes going on.

The first thing you might have noticed is our beautiful new sign. A great big thanks to John and Alice Walsh Fiducia. John donated the money for the sign in honor of his wife Alice. What a great Mitzvah! Also, as you drive into the parking lot you might have noticed new trees planted on the east side. Rabbi Michele organized the Tu Bishvat Garden planting. She solicited sponsors for the trees, and with help from the kids from Religious School, the trees were planted. Mulch and sprinklers were also added. I would like to give kudos to Steve Rossman. Steve has been working hard setting up lighting for our new sign and putting the new sprinklers on a timer.

There is one thing you might not have noticed, but is also very exciting. The CBE Preschool West is officially open. Keep on the look out; there are more exciting changes to come!

I would like to recognize the Programs and Fundraising Committees. What an amazing group of people! The events over the last few months have been truly spectacular. Between the 35th Anniversary Gala and the recent Comedy Night, CBE has been buzzing with excitement. I would like to name everyone that put these events together, but I am afraid that I would probably miss someone. So I would like to recognize the collective groups! You are awesome!

Please check the temple calendar for some great events coming up in March and April. Also, elections are coming up. If anyone would like to join the Temple Board, please contact Penny Neugroschil.

Finally, I have to stress this reminder. As per the letter that accompanies the temple roster, the roster cannot be used to solicit business.

Shalom,

Mitchell Salberg

CBE President

The minutes of CBE Board meetings are available to all members in the Temple office. Black and white hard copies of the newsletter are also available in the Temple office

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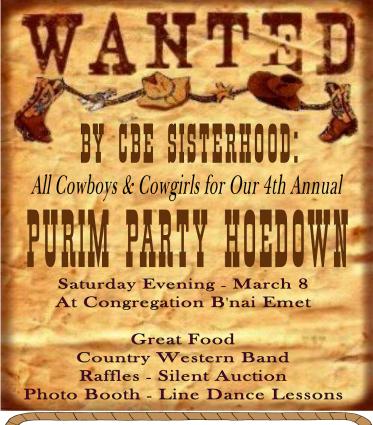


Bat Mitzvah



Shalom! My name is **Jena Storry**. I live in Simi with my parents Julie and Steve, my brother Jake, and dog Mackenzie. I am currently attending Valley View Middle School and I'm in 7th grade. My hobbies are singing, swimming, arts & crafts, and ice skating.

My Bat Mitzvah is important to me because it is a milestone in the Jewish life-cycle. I can celebrate with family and friends the things I have learned about my ancestors and culture. I am glad that I live in a time when girls are able to do this mitzvah. I am enjoying learning to read and write Hebrew and about Jewish culture. I am anxious and excited about taking this new step into my adult life.



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Fundraising

The fundraising committee had its first successful event of the year; our comedy night. It was the brainchild of Shelly Botan, with every committee member actively participating and helping in the evening. We had a great turnout (around 100 people) and wonderful entertainment provided by our own CBE Trio (Kathy Smith, Leslie Friedman, and Julie Bienenfeld who were skillfully accompanied by Irwin Cohen) and comedian Avi Liberman. We also had 2 short videos about the Koby Mandell Foundation, which is a non-government foundation that helps surviving family members who lost a loved one to terrorists in Israel. Not only did we raise funds for CBE and the Koby Mandell Foundation, but judging by the audience reaction everyone enjoyed a night of song and laughter.

The next two events will be a Bingo Night on April 5, (details to follow) and our weekend of selling pizza and other assorted foods at the Cajun and Blues festival over Memorial Day Weekend. We will have more details soon. In addition to making money, we are hoping that this exposure in Simi will generate at least a few new members for the temple (and the religious and preschool). We will update everyone on our weekly e-blasts as information becomes available.

Thanks,

Michael Mutal

Co-VP/Fundraising

Mazal tov to the **Tepfer** & **Richter** families on the arrival of Charlotte Gwen Richter, daughter of Steve and Julie Tepfer Richter, who was born Sunday, Feb. 23, at 7:45 AM. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz., is just beautiful, of course.

"Refuah Sheleymah"

Wishing a Complete and Speedy Recovery to:

Meridith Patera Laura Tepfer

Women of CBE

It's hard to believe it's already March! Maybe it's just me, but as I get older, the pages on the calendar seem to turn more quickly!

Sisterhood will be putting on a Purim Hoedown Party for the entire congregation and guests, on Saturday March 8th. You may purchase tickets ahead of time on our website through PayPal. It's going to be a fun Country-Western theme party with line dancing, BBQ and all the fixin's! Come out for a good ole time!

We have many wonderful things planned for the next two months, one of which is our next program. Please mark your calendar for a very special evening on Tuesday, March 11th. We are fortunate to have Martha Abby Miller joining us again. She was a guest at CBE not long ago, when she did a one-woman performance as Anne Frank. It was riveting. This time she will be performing as Margaret Mitchell, the author of "Gone With the Wind". This will be a community event, so please invite your friends and family. Flyers will be available to hand out to your friends and family.

We will be holding elections for our Sisterhood Board positions next month. However, at this time, we don't have anyone committed to taking on, with one or two others, the position for Ways & Means (Fundraising). This is a very important position, as it brings all of the congregation together for our annual Purim party, as well as two Mah Jongg Tournaments each year, allowing Sisterhood to donate a very significant amount of money to the synagogue. If this position is not filled with one to three members working together, I am very concerned we will not be able to put on these events as we have in past years, hence not being able to make the large donations we have in the past. This is my plea in this newsletter, which I also made at last month's Sisterhood program. It is not fair to expect the same people to continue in their posts year after year, and others not to volunteer. We are all very busy, I truly understand; however I am asking for volunteers to work together as a team for the Ways & Means positions so that we can continue to put on these wonderful events and raise money for our temple. If you are interested please contact either Sylvia LeVine, Jill Katell or myself.

Our new Officers will be sworn in at our April program date. It will be held at The Elephant Bar. We always have a really lovely evening with great company and food and appreciation for volunteers who have completed their terms. I invite all Sisterhood members to join us that night. Please see flyer on this page for more information. We look forward to seeing you at our events!

Shalom.

Janine Enright
President of The Women
of CBE





The Women of CBE Present



THE VOICE BEHIND SCARLETT O'HARA Martha Abbey Miller performs Margaret Mitchell



Tuesday, March 11
7 PM
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Well received by both men and women.

Martha Abbey Miller is a writer and a dramatist of one-woman shows about women of historical importance. Learn more about her at http://marthaabbeymiller.com/



Women of CBE

INVITE YOU TO OUR NEXT GENERAL MEETING
FEATURING

SISTERHOOD INSTALLATION DINNER

TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2014

IN THE BANQUET ROOM
THE ELEPHANT BAR
1825 MADERA ROAD
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\$20 PER GUEST

RSVP to: Sylvia LeVine, <u>805.582.0147</u> or <u>boliviansylvia@roadrunner.com</u> or Ronnye Sacks, <u>rehsacks@att.net</u> or <u>805.527.2036</u> or Cathy Holst, <u>catherine3484@yahoo.com</u>

THANK YOU - TODAH RABBAH

-To **Alice and John Walsh Fiducia** for donating the construction of the beautiful monument sign welcoming

you to CBE!





-To **Emily Doepking f**or helping to organize the tree planting for TuBishvat and for her continuing generous support of the CBE gardens.

-To **Steve Rossman** for all of his help with installing the electrical cables for the garden and sign.

-To **all of the students (and adults)** who helped with the TuBishvat planting.



A MEDITATION FOR THE MONTH OF PURIM (ADAR)

By Rabbi Marc Gellman

Dear God.

Thank you for laughter. Nothing so burdens the work of religious people as the notion that all things religious are pious and sober, serious and stern, boring and forbidding. On Purim we remember that ours is a religion of joy and that You seek to be served in joy, ivdu adonai b'simcha. Our world is so full of despair, sorrow, tragedy, and mournfulness. Help us, therefore, to nurture and deepen our ability to laugh and sing, to dance and exult in whatever blessings we encounter on our road to You. Laughter and joy are, after all, not mere diversions, but the only antidote to the terror of existence. A smile is, after all, the way hope forms itself on the human face. and laughter is, in the end, the way the soul speaks Your kindness into this wounded world.

Happy Purim, Shalom!

Men's Club

The Men's Club really is growing. Come be a part of it! We have our Men's Club Poker Night every other month. We will either BBQ (weather permitting), order pizza, or bring your own dinner. No matter what we eat, the best part is the camaraderie we enjoy as we play poker, tell jokes, stories and have fun. Other fun events are being planned, too. Join the Men's Club.

The Men's Club holds a meeting on the first Sunday of the month at 9:15 am at the Religious School. This gives us a chance for some quality alone time with our kids while we take them to school, and we earn "brownie points" with the women in our lives by giving them a chance to sleep in for once on a weekend day! Coffee and donuts are served.

The CBE Men's Club meets for breakfast at 9 AM, on the 2nd Sunday of the month, at The Junkyard Café, 2585 Cochran Street, Simi Valley (Cochran Street just west of Sycamore). Call Alan Mann, (805) 341-3836 or write to alanmann60@att.net so that he can let the restaurant know how many to expect.

The Men's Club is happy to announce that we have assembled and tested the BBQ grill we purchased for use during Temple functions. It is a gas grill, so no more charcoal, which means BBQ fundraisers will be more profitable, and those working it will have an easier time doing so. And it works great; a little less cooking surface, but the faster cooking should more than make up for that.

Contact Men's Club President Michael Enright for more info at lamigra223@yahoo.com

Michael Enright

Men's Club President



Sisterhood members show off the Challah covers they made at the February meeting.

Sisterhood Simchas

January. 2014

Ronnye Sacks- Thank you Janine for finding this wonderful new haggadah. Thank you Rabbi and all our super women for all your help and participation. It was such a special evening. Thank you Tami and Miriam for your goodies.

Sylvia LeVine - In celebration of my friend Laura's birthday. In honor of all my wonderful Sisterhood Sisters.

Carol Paskow – In honor of Aaron Cohen's birthday, January 18, 2014

Tami Plotkin – Thankful I survived shopping for Eliana's first winter formal dress and shoes. She looks gorgeous.

Alice Fiducia – Thank you to all who made Tu Bishvat a wonderful evening and lots of fun.

Rabbi Michele – Thank you to the women of CBE for your generous support of the Tu Bishvat Garden.

Cathy Holst – Thank you to the Rabbi and to all the people who helped with the Tu Bishvat Seder.

The Women of CBE always have a great time at the annual Tu Bishevat Seder. Join us next year.

We all read from the special Haggadah and eat a variety of fruits and nuts

















Oneg Sponsors

August 31

Sharlene Pass in honor of all the Adult B'nai Mitzvah who didn't give up!

January 3, 2014

The Fuentes family in honor of the Hebrew naming of
Luis Xavier
Ron & Sylvia LeVine in memory of Ron's beloved mom,

Ron & Sylvia LeVine in memory of Ron's beloved mom, Mildred LeVine

The Hilburn family in honor of Fisher's first birthday The Rossman family in honor of David's birthday

January 10, 2014

Janine and Michael Enright in honor of their 14th anniversary
The York family in memory of Dora York
Fredyce Holland in memory of her cousin, Steven Karol
The Picker family in honor of Lloyd's 75th birthday
The Forster family in honor of Joy's birthday
The family of Laura Tepfer in honor of her birthday and the
50th anniversary of her bat mitzvah

January 17, 2014

Leslie Friedman in honor of her & Gabe's engagement Rabbi Michele in honor of Aaron's birthday The Katell family in honor of Josh's birthday

January 24, 2014

The Fiducia family in honor of Alice's birthday
The Storry family in honor of Steve & Julie's 16th anniversary
The Hollander family in honor of Marilyn's birthday &
Marilyn & Michael's 27th anniversary

January 31, 2014

Ron and Sylvia LeVine in memory of Ted Lipschultz

February 7, 2014

Lynne Kelly in memory of Dorothy Rabin
Eric & Michelle Levine in honor of Matthew's 12th birthday

February 14, 2014

Sharlene pass in memory of Alvin Pass Ron & Sylvia LeVine in honor of their 8th anniversary The family of Craig Foster in honor of his birthday The Schned family in honor of Harry & Patty's anniversary Lynn Selbst in memory of her father, Murray Schneider Minnie Anzo in memory of her sister-in-law Esther Freeman

February 21, 2014

Sharlene Pass in memory of Rose Pass
Ron & Sylvia LeVine in memory of her dad Joseph Weissbrod
The Forster family in honor of Ronald's birthday
The Ranelletti family in honor of Lauren's 10th birthday
The Moss family in honor of Sara's birthday
Laurie Crites in honor of her brother Allyn's
63rd birthday and in honor of
girlfriend Rhonda Schwartz's
60th birthday

Purim Events

SPRING CARNIVA

SUNDAY - MARCH 16 NOON - 4 PM

PONY RIDES, FIRE DEPT.
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at the CBE Purim Carnival Sunday, March 16 12-2 PM Congregation B'nai Emet 9 W. Bonita Dr.

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PRIZES FOR ALL ENTRANTS!

SISTERHOOD MEMBERS RECEIVE & DONOR CREDITS!

This is a fundraiser for Women of CBE.

Religious School

We have several exciting things happening in March and April. First, we have the Purim Service on March 14 led by the 5th, 6th, and 7th graders. Then all the students will be involved in enjoying and participating at the Purim Carnival on March 16. This will include school fundraisers and activities by and for Preschool, Sunday and Judaica High at the temple. There will be games, activities, food, and fun for all.

Then on April 13 we have a model Seder and craft workshops at the Kadota Campus to help the students prepare for the holiday. Lots of parent help will be needed to set up, prepare, serve and clean up the seders. Be sure to check the weekly bulletins sent home for specific times and dates.

Jen Rosenstein Religious Schools VP



Religious School Calendar

MARCH

- 2 SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #21
- 3 JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #21
- 9 SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #22
- 10 JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #22
- 14 5/6TH GRADE SERVICE, WITH

PARTICIPATION OF 7TH GRADE –7 PM, PURIM 16 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #23 PURIM

PURIM CARNIVAL/WORKSHOPS @ TEMPLE

17 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #23 23/24 - No school - Spring Break

30 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #24

31 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #24

APRIL

- 6 SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #25
- 7 JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #25
- 13 SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #26

PASSOVER WORKSHOPS/MODEL SEDERS

- 14 –22 PASSOVER
- 20 No school Passover
- 21 JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #26
- 27 SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #27 YOM HASHOA
- 28 JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #27



How Does CBE Celebrate Tu Bishevat?















Planting Trees





















Celebrating & Learning









Crafts





Comedy Night















Wine & Cheese , Socializing, and Entertainment

















Recent Donations

Building Fund/Tu Bishvat Donations

Alice and John Fiducia – Lighted Monument Sign Women of CBE

The Doepking Family

Linda, Alan and Mel Mann – in memory of Miriam Mann Julia Farago – in memory of Tom Farago

Rabbi Michele Paskow – in memory of Dorothy Bauman Sheppard

Kieselbach Family – in memory of Mildred Esther Ertel Irwin Cohen

Cathy Holst – in honor of the Bailey-Holst family Josh – in memory of Zvi Meir Blumenfeld The Sion Family

Valerie Singh – in memory of Anne and Leonard Schwartz

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Michael and Julie Mutal

Michael and Merle Russ – in memory of Jay A. Keimon

Memorial Donations

Keith and Lynne Kelly – in memory of Max Rabin Guenter and Gayle Menke – in memory of Darrius Eugene Simpson-Menke

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Schranze

Religious School Donations

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Liebmann

Ronald and Sylvia LeVine – in memory of Mildred LeVine Alan and Sandra Leon – in memory of Arthur Leon

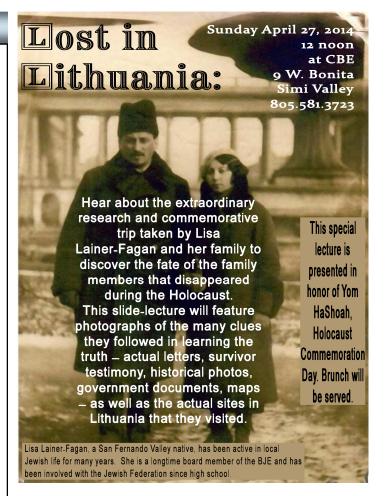
Preschool/Education Building Fund

Jerry and Sue Coffey – in memory of Fritzie Gilson

General Donations

Ryan and Natalie Richmond

Are you curious about **Havurah**? New and renewing members who would like more information about joining a friendly group of like-minded CBE members, call or email Penny Neugroschl at 805-526-1570 or PennyNeugroschl@yahoo.com



Programs Report

Friday, March 7, will be **Shabbat Across America**. We will have a pot luck dinner and service. "Shabbat Across America" has been celebrated across the country for thirteen years. The purpose is to encourage people who do not attend Shabbat services to attend and see how restful and welcoming it can be. Come join us. Bring something to share for dinner, and enjoy the service.

Sunday, March 9, we are having Barbara Israel speak to us on "*Rembrandt: His Fascination with the Bible and the Jews*." Ms. Israel is an artist and attorney who resides in New Jersey. A light breakfast will be served. There is no fee for this program.

Tuesday, April 15, will be the annual seder for the second night of Passover. It will be held at the temple and will be a catered Kosher Passover dinner, with the seder led by Rabbi Michele Paskow.

Hope to see you all at some of our upcoming events.

Ruthann Rossman

VP Programs

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

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Mar 01	Rachael Rosenstein
l	Jerry Bergmann
l	Michelle Elhai
l	Michael Mutal
	Whitney Pasch
l	Blaire Auerbach
Mar 12	Adam Cohen
Mar 15	Felicia Auerbach
Mar 16	Irwin L. Cohen
Mar 19	Marla Bergmann
Mar 19	Rachel Nusbaum
Mar 19	Wayne Schultz
Mar 20	Wilbur Brown
Mar 20	Ronald LeVine
Mar 21	Rochelle Botan
Mar 23	Jeremy Friedman
Mar 24	Merle Russ
Mar 25	Eric Fromer
Mar 28	Stanley Melnick
Mar 29	Jacqueline Sion
l	Jennifer Rosenstein
l	David Kieselbach
	Maximus Doepking
	Jena Storry
_	Aaron Weinstein
	Howard Evans
_	Judith Miller
_	Joshua Moss
	Todd Schneider
	Courtney Mayo
	Holly York
	Ken Epstein
	Rabbi Michele Paskow
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_	Carol Tolchin
_	Tracie Breiter
	Maylee Doepking
	Gayle Evans
	Brittany Scharf
	Max Tolchin
Apr 25	David Bergmann
	Marla Donaldson
Apr 25	Sean Kelly
	Mar 16 Mar 19 Mar 19 Mar 20 Mar 20 Mar 21 Mar 23 Mar 24 Mar 25 Mar 28

Michelle Scharf

Renee Kieselbach

Glen Knecht

Apr 26

Apr 28

Apr 30



Anniversaries

Mar 08	Julie and Stephen Storry
Mar 21	Erik and Tracie Breiter
Mar 23	Mark and Adrienne Roberts
Apr 08	Ron and Leslie Resnick
Apr 10	Daniel and Geri Brandler
Apr 15	Laura and Louis Tepfer



	Mar-01	Jillian Dru Abrams	Adar-I 29	Apr-09	Daniel Small	Nissan 9
	Mar-04	Bennie Riff	Adar-II 2	Apr-10	Harry Gordon	Nissan 10
	Mar-06	Jean Greenberg	Adar-II 4	Apr-10	Joseph Kaufman	Nissan 10
	Mar-06	Thomas Sumner		Apr-10	Benjamin Landes	Nissan 10
	Mar-09	Sue Neugroschl		Apr-10	Iris Lefton	Nissan 10
	Mar-15	Mary Hollander	Adar-II 13	Apr-10	Bernadine Paige	Nissan 10
	Mar-16	Leo Plotkin	Adar-II 14	Apr-11	Sidney Friedman	Nissan 11
	Mar-17	Max David Greenberg	Adar-II 15	Apr-11	Gloria Rifkin	Nissan 11
	Mar-20	Marcia Grossman	Adar-II 18	Apr-11	Marvin Steinberg	Nissan 11
	Mar-22	Joan Tratner		Apr-12	Trudy Jackman	
	Mar-23	Meyer Siegel	Adar-II 21	Apr-13	Irving Lamm	
	Mar-24	Ann Stern	Adar-II 22	Apr-14	Rosy Hollander	Nissan 14
	Mar-25	Shirley Bergmann	Adar-II 23	Apr-15	Shirley Oliver	Nissan 15
	Mar-26	"Emanuel "Manny" Si	nger	Apr-16	Jessie Orellana	Nissan 16
			Adar-II 24	Apr-16	Lisa Weissbrod	Nissan 16
	Mar-28	Bertha Brody		Apr-19	Marvin Kraft	Nissan 19
	Mar-28	Helen Kelson	Adar-II 26	Apr-19	Gail Lenore Shapiro	Nissan 19
	Mar-30	Nessine Ribstein		Apr-20	Sherman Doctrow	Nissan 20
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	Apr-03	Aron Pichkhadze	Nissan 3	Apr-21	Sandra Abala	Nissan 21
	Apr-04	Morris Glassman	Nissan 4	Apr-23	Morris Davis	Nissan 23
	Apr-04		Nissan 4	Apr-24	Connie Friend	Nissan 24
	Apr-05	Pinnie Firestein	Nissan 5	Apr-24	Martin Mitchel	Nissan 24
	Apr-05	Moses Strassburger		Apr-25	Cliff Lazar	Nissan 25
	Apr-06	Arthur Lefton	Nissan 6	Apr-25	Curtis Picker	Nissan 25
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Steve Charton on the passing of his wife, Raye.

Sylvia LeVine, on the passing of her uncle, Henry Fialla.

Carol Tolchin, on the passing of her husband, Bob Boyd.

Nirit Levy, on the passing of her father, Michael Etz Haim.

Marla Bergmann and family on the passing of her father, Irving Pedowitz.

Minnie Anzo on the passing of her sister-in-law, Esther Freeman

Fredyce Holland on the passing of her cousin, Steven Karol

RuthAnn Rossman and family on the passing of her mother, Pearl Bloch

May their life and memory be a blessing and an inspiration.





Please check the current Yahrzeit information on the data sheet you received in your membership packet. Verify its accuracy and call the office with any changes or new Yahrzeit information.

During the year, you will receive reminders for upcoming Yahrzeit dates. We want to have complete and accurate information.

Call Michael Hollander with any questions regarding Yahrzeit data.

Thank you.

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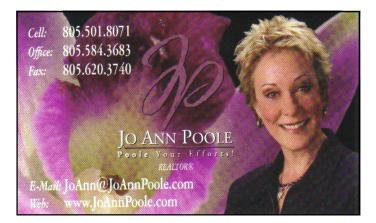


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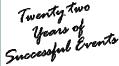




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<u>Date</u>	Candle lighting	Service	Torah Portion					
Feb 28/ 29 Adar I	5:33 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Pekudei—Exodus 38:21 - 40:38					
Mar 7/6 Adar II	5:38 PM	Family Service 7 PM	Vayikra—Leviticus 1:1 - 5:26					
Daylight Savings Time begins on March 9								
Mar 14/13 Adar II	6:44 PM	Purim Service 7 PM	Tzav—Leviticus 6:1 - 8:36					
Mar 21/20 Adar II	6:50 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Shemini—Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47					
Mar 28/27 Adar II	6:55 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Tazria—Leviticus 12:1 - 13:59					
Apr 4/5 Nisan	7:00 PM	Family Service 7 PM	Metzora—Leviticus 14:1 - 15:33					
Apr 11/12 Nisan	7:06 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Achrei-Mot—Leviticus 16:1 - 18:30					
April 14	7:00PM	1st Seder for Passover						
Apr 18/19 Nisan	7:11 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Pesach—(Special) Exodus 33:12 - 34:26					
Apr 25/25 Nisan	7:17 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Kedoshim—Leviticus 19:1 - 20:27					
Apr. 26		Jena Storry's Bat Mitavah, 10	O AM					

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