

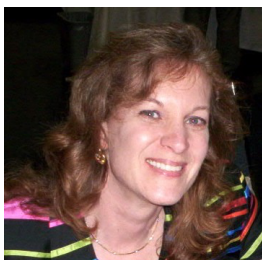
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Living Torah

Dear Friends,

We talk a lot about transmitting Torah, passing on our teachings, values, traditions and connection to our history and people. And this **is** very important. However, I think our Judaism goes even deeper than this; it goes beyond holidays, Shabbat and remembering the Holocaust. I used to think reading a book like “*Kol Nidrei: its origin, development and significance*” would bring me to a deeper spiritual connection. Don’t get me wrong, this is an important book for learning, as is studying text. But I think the next level is to **connect the texts and teachings to our lives**, not just for knowledge or information (transmitting), but for personal growth (transformation). Aristotle wrote “Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.” Our challenge for the new year is to bring our heart into our learning and spiritual practices, to **internalize the process of Torah**. How do we do this?

Torah is not merely to transmit, but to transform our lives

Judaism is more than “sit back, relax and enjoy the show.” In order to learn and grow, one has to search, seek and try new practices. For example, pick one of the beautiful readings in our new High Holy Day machzor, and write about it. What questions or thoughts does it raise for you? How do you relate to it? What do you struggle with? Why? Is there a way to lessen this battle or move beyond it to some kind of a resolution? Can you say one prayer each morning when you wake up and stretch? “Elohai neshamah, she’nattata be, tehorah he” – “My God, the soul that you have given me is pure.” Then add your own prayer for the day.

There are many wonderful books to help you on your journey:

General books for Jewish spiritual development:

Making Prayer Real: Why Prayer is Difficult and What to Do About It - Comins

Seven Prayers that can change your Life – Felder (he even spoke at CBE 2x!)

Mussar Yoga – Brotman

Torah Journeys – Gold

Books specifically for High Holy Day preparation:

A Faithful Heart - Levy

Preparing your Heart for the High Holy Days – Olitzky

Return: Daily Inspiration for the Days of Awe – Brown

This is Real and You Are Completely Unprepared: The Days of Awe as a Journey of Transformation - Lew

This is the season of transformation. Are you ready for some work?
Best wishes for a year of blessing and growth. Shanah Tovah!

Rabbi Michele Paskow



Prayer for the Journey

We move towards insight and clarity,
Awareness, appreciation, and
transformation.
Hear our prayer – spoken or whispered
Or thought in the stillness of our souls.
May we find blessings-
Life, joy, and peace.
May we find what we seek.
Amen

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ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS SEPTEMBER 9TH! ARE YOU READY?

SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLY DAY

SERVICES:

High Holy Day services will be conducted at the Mt. Sinai Chapel, 6150 Mt. Sinai Drive, Simi Valley.

ROSH HASHANAH

Evening service, Sunday, September 9, 7:30 pm
Morning service, Monday, September 10, 10 am

TASHLICH (casual get-together to symbolically cast away our sins and errors of the past year and usher in the blessings awaiting us in the new year): at [Rancho Simi Community Park](#), 1765 Royal Ave), 4:30 pm. Bring a shofar and some crackers or cereal to toss in the lake.

YOM KIPPUR

Erev Yom Kippur/ Kol Nidrei, Tuesday, September 18, 7:30 pm

Wednesday, September 19

Morning service - 10 am
Children's service - 1:30 pm
Adult Study Session - 3:30 pm
Yizkor/ Concluding - 4:30 pm
Services (Neilah + Havdalah)

SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH – (K-1 Consecration)

Friday, September 28, 7 pm

SUKKOT – SHABBAT LUNCH & LEARN

Saturday, September 29, 10:30 am



PLEASE HELP US BUILD THE SUKKAH!

Join us on
Sunday morning Sept. 23rd
at 8:30 am.

The more people who help, the faster the Sukkah goes up!
Sukkot starts that evening at sundown. We'll have several special celebrations that week for the holiday... Chag Samayach!!!

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President's Message

Shanah Tovah!

I have said it before, but time flies! It is hard to believe that this will be my third year as the President of our Congregation.



As 5778 comes to a close, we take a moment to reflect on the past year; and what a busy year it was for CBE! The Temple building continues to improve; with new flooring, paint, and extra comfortable chairs finished this summer. The CBE "Social Scene" continued to thrive with too many events to name and new interest groups forming. If you didn't make it out to one of our services, programs, events, or fundraisers than you missed out on some serious fun. The good news ... 5779 is shaping up to be even more fun!

I did not accomplish this alone, and rely on the support of our dedicated Board of Directors. We truly work together with a common goal to make CBE the center of Jewish life for the local community, and I believe our cohesion is evident in every aspect of Temple life. Our success goes even deeper. You--our membership -- makes CBE unique. You are our biggest asset; providing a warm and caring environment that truly makes our congregation a family. You were responsible for our successful past, and you will be part of our future success.

On behalf of the Temple Board, I wish you a happy and healthy New Year.

Shannah Tovah,

Ryan Richmond, Temple President

Membership

Thank you to all who attended and volunteered at our Membership Open House Barbecue! The event was well attended by current members, returning members, and interested community members. There was music, bbq food, and a wonderful Havdalah service. A huge thank you to Men's Club and Sisterhood for the food and to Gabe Katell and his band, Jazz Expressions, for the music.

The membership drive for the new year has started. Thank you to all who have renewed their membership commitment. If you haven't turned in your paperwork yet, please do. Your continued financial and volunteer support is what helps our temple community thrive and grow.

Don't forget to sign-up for your volunteer commitment! This year we are asking every member to volunteer for at least one temple event. So far, only 5 out of 271 spots have been filled. I know our great temple family can do better than that! We need Shabbat Greeters, High Holiday helpers, Hanukkah Party Helpers, and more! See how you can make a difference in Simi Valley's Jewish Community.

Click on the sign-up link to see how you can help.

<http://signup.com/go/JsnSBKy>

If you have any questions regarding membership or the volunteer link, please feel free to contact us.

A Sweet New Year to All!

Frieda Bahr & Alan Mann

Co- VPs of Membership

A Prayer

I recently rediscovered this Prayer in the Union Prayer Book for High Holy Days (Page 85) printed in 1962. In the turbulent times we live, I felt this prayer, even with its "old English", struck a chord and rings true today.



"Thou, who art the source of all blessings, be with this congregation and with all its members, their families and their households; prosper them in their various callings and occupations, help them in their needs, and guide them in their difficulties"

In these difficult times we especially pray:

"Fervently we invoke Thy blessing upon our country and our nation. Guard them, O God, from calamity and injury; suffer not their adversaries to triumph over them, but let the glories of a just, righteous and God-fearing people increase from age to age. Enlighten with Thy wisdom and sustain with Thy power those whom the people have set in authority, the President, his counselors, and adviser, the judges, lawgivers and executives, and all who are entrusted with our safety and with the guardianship of our rights and our liberties. May peace and goodwill obtain among all the inhabitants of our land; may religion spread its blessings among us and exalt our nation in righteousness. Amen"

Cantor Michael Russ

Havurah

If you are interested in joining a Havurah, please call Jill Katell at 818-429-9423 or reach her by email at <mailto:grkatell@pacbell.net> **Singles Havurah now forming.**



Men's Club

The purpose of the CBE Men's Club is to support CBE and provide a social aspect to our community. Is your wife a member of the sisterhood? If so, why are you not a member of the Men's Club? In order to make a difference, men need to support the group. The Men's Club is calling all men to attend meetings and events.

The CBE Men's Club meets for breakfast monthly, 10 am, at the Junkyard Café.

For more information, contact Marty Richter, President of the Men's Club, at <mailto:martyspc@aol.com>

Social Action

There are many opportunities to give back to our temple and community. See what's happening on this page.

Suzanne Crawford

VP Social Action



High Holiday Food Drive

September 9th – 19th, 2018

29 Elul 5778 – 10 Tishrei 5779



Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles (SOVA) depends on your donations to meet the ongoing hunger crisis in our community. Donations directly benefit the nearly 9,000 people who visit our pantries each month – people of all ages, races and religions. Please be as generous as you can be – the need has never been greater. Listed below are our greatest needs.

Peanut Butter	Canned Tuna/Fish	Canned or Dry Soup
Rice	Canned Meats	Whole Grain Cereal
	<i>(beef stew, chili w/meat, chicken, etc.)</i>	

We also welcome other *non-perishable* foods, personal hygiene items and children's books including:

Dry Beans	Tomato Sauce	Cooking Oil	Razors
Dry Pasta	Canned Beans	Kosher Foods	Deodorant
Dry Milk	Canned Vegetables	Diapers/Wipes	Lotion
100% Juice	Canned Fruit	Soap	Toothpaste
Oatmeal	Canned Pasta	Shampoo/Conditioner	Toothbrushes

Please avoid glass jars and expired, opened or perishable foods.

For more information, please visit www.jfsla.org/SOVA
or call Kathi Dawidowicz at (818) 988-7682 ext. 120



CONGREGATION B'NAI EMET BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, September 30

10:00am-2:00pm

9 West Bonita Dr. – Simi Valley, California

**Click Link Below to
BOOK APPOINTMENT**

*All successful blood donors will be entered
to win a dream vacation to Hawaii!*

PLEASE BRING A PHOTO ID | PLEASE EAT AND DRINK PLENTY OF WATER BEFORE DONATING



blood4life.org
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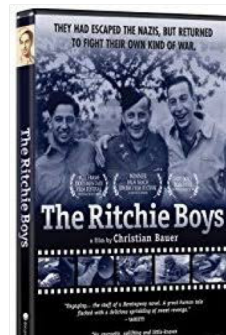


<https://tinyurl.com/y7chv97o>

Shabbat Lunch and Learn

Saturday, September 29th, 2018 * 10:30 am to 2 pm

Join CBE for a lovely Shabbat service and hosted lunch under our new sukkah, followed by the movie, "The Ritchie Boys"



"The Ritchie Boys" is the untold story of a group of mostly young Jewish immigrants from Germany and Austria who returned to Europe as soldiers in US-uniforms. They knew the psychology and the language of the enemy better than anyone else. In Camp Ritchie, Maryland, they were trained in intelligence and psychological warfare. They saved lives. They were victors, not victims.

RSVP to info@cbesimi.org to attend

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Lunch provided by the Suttons

Executive Vice President's Message

There are many changes taking place at CBE. The chairs have arrived and are quite comfortable. The new lighting has been completed throughout the building. Floors are in throughout the building, except bathrooms. Carpeting is completed on the bimah. Painting was completed some months ago.

The capital campaign is progressing with 100 chairs having been purchased by donors, and 30 more available.

Help will be needed to move all the things needed for High Holy Days from Bonita to Mount Sinai. Please contact Cindy if you will be able to assist. Help is also needed as ushers and with parking and directing attendees.

Thank you,
Steve Rossman
Executive VP

Women of CBE

The Women of CBE is the sisterhood of the temple.

In July we had our annual dinner and a movie at the Grill. It was well attended.

We celebrated Sisterhood Shabbat on Friday, August 10. There are pictures on page 11. On Shabbat the Women of CBE donated \$600 for the sponsoring of 10 chairs for the sanctuary and \$400 for the new kitchen floor. Earlier in the year we had donated \$1000 to help with the installation of the sanctuary flooring.

You will see many women from Women of CBE at the High Holy Day Services preparing, serving, and cleaning up after the onegs for Rosh Hashana and the break-fast. You do NOT have to be a member to be a sponsor of the onegs. Contact Meridith mailto:mspatera@earthlink.net if you want to be a sponsor.

Tuesday September 25 we will be having a pot luck dinner in the Rabbi's sukkah at her home. Please RSVP. that you will join us for a wonderful evening.

Tuesday October 2 will be our paid up membership dinner. It will be held in the social hall at Meridith's condo building.

October 18-21 some of us will be attending the Pacific District biennial convention in San Diego. Spaces are still available. Gain knowledge, friendships, ideas, and so much more.

Sisterhood is hosting the annual Hannukah Boutique on Sunday November 11. There is still time to reserve a table. If you don't have a booth, there will be ample booths to shop at and get things for yourself, friends, and all your holiday shopping in one place. Breakfast and lunch also available.

We would love to have you attend our events.

Join Women of CBE.

Hope to see you.

RuthAnn Rossman

President



WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM
stronger together

Congregation B'nai Emet

THE WOMEN OF CBE

WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM
STRONGER TOGETHER

invite you to our next meeting

IN THE RABBI'S SUKKAH

**Tuesday, September 25
6:30 PM**

**at the home of Rabbi
Michele Paskow
in Thousand Oaks**

Please bring, if your last name begins with:
A through I, a dairy or vegetarian main dish.
J through P, a salad or side dish.
Q through Z, a dessert.
Please remember, no meat products may be
included in your recipe.

**All women welcome. Join
us for an uplifting evening
and celebration of the
Sukkot holiday.**

RSVP to Alice at jafiducia@gmail.com or call RuthAnn at 818-312-7266

WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM
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The Women of
Congregation B'nai Emet
invite all women to our

AMERICANA MEMBERSHIP DINNER

Meridith Patera's Clubhouse
15078 Campus Park Drive
Moorpark CA 93021

Tuesday October 2 at 6:30 pm

**Dress code
(optional):
red, white & blue**

Complimentary to ALL
continuing & new members.

\$10 charge for all non-members & guests.

If a non-member or guest decides to join that night
or by November 15th, the \$10 will be applied to
their 2018-2019 membership.

Enjoy the company of the women who make the
difference in the life of our temple & become a part
of our CBE family.

Hope to see you there!!!

RSVP to Kathy Smith – taxiracing@aol.com or Cheryl Hirsch – Deda5312@aol.com or call (805) 581-3723



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Michele Paskow - Rabbi
Michael Russ - Cantor
Ryan Richmond - President

September 20Chai

High Holiday Appeals

For any non-profit organization such as ours, we depend on members, families, and guests for support through your contributions, whether it be membership, HHD donations, general donations, attending our fundraisers, or supporting us through the myriad of other functions we host throughout the year. If we could achieve the funds needed for our fiscal year budget without periodically asking for your help, I would be thrilled, and so would every other Synagogue in the Conejo, Simi and SF Valleys. Unfortunately, I do not know of any Jewish Temple in the local area who doesn't face the same problems as we do. But remember this one adage, the more generous you are for your HHD pledge, the less often I will need to ask you for donations throughout the year.

Our HHD appeal is an annual opportunity for you to help sustain and support CBE. Our operating budget is based on your meaningful donations in order for CBE to be a dynamic presence for the local Jewish Community. Our dues structure only covers 50% of the funds needed for our temple to function. HHD pledges have varied from 5% - 13% of our budget over the past few years. Lower HHD pledges result in fewer programs and events. My goals this year are twofold: to receive at least \$20,000 in HHD pledges (10% of our operating budget) and to have 100% participation from our congregants. While this works out to \$200 per family, I only ask for contribution at a level you find comfortable.

Last year if you gave \$18 it was greatly appreciated, but perhaps this year you can give \$36. If you pledged \$100 last year it too was appreciated, but maybe you can pledge \$125 this year. If you gave \$250 or more last year, the sky is the limit this year.

How many of you visit Starbucks routinely (or the Coffee Bean for those that like better coffee)? If the average cost of your latte is \$4.00, one latte every week means you are spending \$208 a year for your indulgence. How about indulging in CBE too! I would be ecstatic if everyone reading this would donate the equivalent of one latte per week. Can you imagine how happy I would be if I could convince you to donate two lattes per week?

We are a modest congregation. We do not charge exorbitant prices for membership or community events. We are looking for enough to keep our sanctuary, maintain our school, pay our *part-time* clergy, and maintain our building and grounds.

I truly hope you will find supporting our congregation a high priority, so we can continue to offer our services, programs and events. Please accept my personal best wishes for a year of good health, fulfillment, love and peace.

L'shanah Tovah

Les Sutton

Treasurer of CBE

Recent Donations

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Sylvia LeVine

Penny Schneider & Miriam Singer – In honor of their wedding

Bruce Stein – In honor of the Rabbi's help in Israel

Memorial Donations

Linda Landau – In memory of beloved cousin Michael Liebmann

Liebmann, Tellio & Lawson Families - In memory of Michael Liebmann

Bruce Mahler – In memory of Sharon Mahler

Libby Scop – In memory of Daniel Scop

Marianne Susman – In memory of Leslie Goldhammer

Building Improvement Fund Donations

Steven & Karen Brody – In honor of Sheldon & Joan Liebmann

Thomas & Miriam Hintz – In memory of Lawrence Chusid

Andrew Pock – In honor of The Jewish People

Michael & Merle Russ – In memory of Bessie Keimon

Larry & Cindy Shilkoff – In memory of Frances Shilkoff

The Women of CBE – For new flooring in the CBE kitchen

Building Improvement Fund Appeal Contributions

Steven & Gail Altabef

Norman & Lisa Berezowsky

Daniel & Geri Brandler

Michael & Marilyn Hollander

Sylvia LeVine

New Sanctuary Chair Donations

Norman & Lisa Berezowsky

Daniel & Geri Brandler

Julia Farago

Bert & Marla Goldberg

Sylvia LeVine

Lesli Kitt- and Gabe Perez

Rabbi Michele Paskow

Jane Petrea

Daniel & Debra Schranze

Wayne & Shari Schultz

Larry & Cindy Shilkoff

Valerie Singh

Joselyn Soble

Louis & Laura Tepfer

The 2018 Israel Group

The Women of CBE

Religious School Donations

Sheldon & Joan Liebmann – In memory of Michael Liebmann

General Fund Donations

Sonia Bordo – In appreciation of Rabbi & Cantor's Shiva participation

Barbara Cohen – In honor of Brenda Goggin

Ronald & Mu-Chen Forster

Suzanne & Andrew Mahler

Alan & Linda Mann

Steve & RuthAnn Rossman

Jewish Community Day at Dodger Stadium Donations

Suzanne & Andrew Mahler

Sanford Miller

Martin Richter

Carol Rosado

Joselyn Soble

High Holiday Donations

Susan Cohen

Yizkor Donations

Minnie Anzo-Ackerman

Ken & Suzanne Epstein

Michael & Marilyn Hollander

Keith & Lynne Kelly

Sylvia LeVine

Sheldon & Joan Liebmann

Ronnye Sacks

Other Donation Needs:

Prayer Books

Shabbat Siddur – Standard Print

Shabbat Siddur – Large Print

Etz Hayim Torah & Commentary Chumash

2018-2019 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

9 - SUNDAY SCHOOL – SESSION #1

16 - SUNDAY SCHOOL – SESSION #2

17 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL –SESSION # 1

23 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #3

24 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #2

30 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #4

OCTOBER

1- JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #3

7 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #5

8 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #4

14 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #6

15- JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #5

21 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #7

22 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #6

28 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #8

29 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #7

L'Chaim!

CBE's Wine Club



Join CBE Members for a monthly get together focused on wine!
Send an E-mail to info@cbesimi.org to be added to our Wine Club roster.
L'Chaim!

CBE's Wine Club meets once a month with the specific day and time determined by the host of the event. Locations rotate among members' homes, local wineries, or restaurants. During our tastings we explore the wonderful world of wine in fun thematic ways. One meeting might focus on Pinot Noir, while the next might focus on wines from Spain. The club is not just for wine experts but rather for any temple member who enjoys tasting wine, likes eating fine food, and enjoying good conversation in an informal social setting.

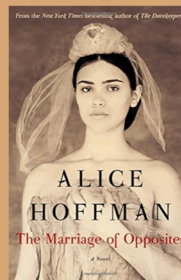
At each meeting, members (or couples), will bring a bottle of wine to share with the group based on the theme of the meeting. We will discuss what we like about each wine, make tasting notes, learn how to swirl, and learn enough "official" wine lingo to impress our friends.

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Bagels & Books



The next choice for our reading is:
The Marriage of Opposites
by Alice Hoffman

Sunday, October 21, 9:30 am
The Corner Bakery

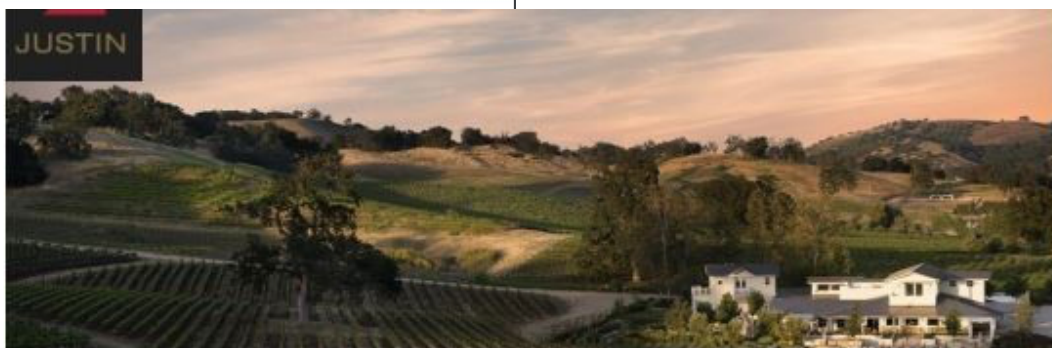
"A forbidden love story set on the tropical island of St. Thomas about the extraordinary woman who gave birth to painter Camille Pissarro—the Father of Impressionism."



&



JUSTIN



SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 3 – 6:00 PM

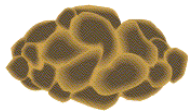
Join members of CBE for an evening of fun, food, and WINE as Temple President, Ryan Richmond, introduces a selection of 5 wines (whites, rose, and reds) from 2015 American Winery of the Year, Justin Winery, while you enjoy several pasta dishes from Maggiano's among other appetizers and desserts. In addition to the 5 featured wines, Ryan will offer a 2 ounce pour of Justin's legendary Bordeaux-style blends from his personal collection for an additional \$5 donation to CBE.

This is a fundraiser after all!

Tasting and Pasta
\$35 each or \$60 for two

Oneg Sponsors

Special thanks to the Sutton Family for the yummy challah.



June 29, 2018

Joan Bernstein in memory of Irving & Andy Marder
Amy Tellio in memory of her brother Michael Liebmann Ivy Giles

July 6, 2018

Carol Rosado in memory of Earl Rosado
Ron Mittelman in honor of Joe Mittelman



July 13, 2018

Sheldon Liebmann, Amy Tellio & Ruth Lawson & their families in honor of Joan Liebmann's 88th birthday
Paul & Zoe Venhuizen in memory of Corrie Venhuizen & in honor of Meridith Patera for her creativity

Alan & Linda Mann in memory of Harold Mann & Angela Mann
The Brandler Family in memory of Barbara Primus
The Ribstein Family in honor of Karen's birthday

July 20, 2018

The Brandler Family in memory of Walter Brandler
The York Family in honor of daughter Jennifer's marriage & Steve's birthday

The Poehls Family in honor of Bob & Barb's 35th anniversary

July 27, 2018

Ken & Suzanne Epstein in honor of Stephen & Maureen's 22nd anniversary
Meridith Patera in honor of Sam's birthday, wherever he is

August 3, 2018

The Rossman Family in memory of Laura Bloch, Dianne Marks, & Abraham Jacob Frank

Rachel Utiger in memory of Dale Utiger
Laurie Crites in memory of her sister Marcia Rifkin
Cindy Shilkoff

August 10, 2018

Meridith Patera in memory of Harry Shaw & in honor of the birthdays of Carla Shaw & Max Patera

Valerie Singh in honor of her birthday
The Tepfer Family in memory of Eric Tepfer
The Shilkoff Family in memory of Frances Shilkoff, & in honor of Melissa's 21st birthday & the anniversary of Larry's 21st birthday

Carla Shaw in memory of Harry Shaw & in honor of the beautiful women of CBE

August 17, 2018

Paul & Zoe Venhuizen in honor of their anniversary
Carole Fineberg in memory of Richard Fineberg
Michele Stevens in memory of Iris Tuber
The Foster Family in memory of Irwin Foster & Harry Bercow

August 24, 2018

Marty Richter in memory of Rik Richter & Barbara Rosen
The Ranelletti Family in honor of Scott & Julie's 16th wedding anniversary
The York Family in honor of Holly & Steve's 33rd anniversary
Lois Friedman in honor of Steve's birthday; better late than never!
The Ribstein family in honor of Brittany's birthday

Sisterhood Simchas

Cheryl Hirsch:

Happy Birthday to me & my brother Howard.

Happy birthday to my sweet, kind & good friends:
Jill Katell, Susie Riesen, Carla Shaw

Happy birthday to my nephew Eric & great niece Gracie

Happy Anniversary to my son Brian & daughter-in-law Jeanette, and Sandy & Stan Melnick

In memory of my father Isadore Rumack

On August 3 we had a guest speaker, Linda Cota-Kumagai, from "Free to Be Programs." This is a non-profit foster family agency serving children and adults with developmental disabilities, providing training and case management to foster/support families. Training and



certification to become a foster/support family is at no cost. For more information, contact Lany Stiharu at (818) 366-6682. Serving the Antelope Valley, San Fernando Valley, and Ventura County.



HANUKKAH BOUTIQUE

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11
9 AM - 3 PM**

**AT CONGREGATION B'NAI EMET
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League Details

- Weekly Head-to-Head
- Regular Season Weeks 1-13
- Playoffs Weeks 14-17
- 1/2 Point per Reception
- Live online draft 9/6 at 7pm
- Other questions, email the commissioner

The league will be limited to 12 teams, so the first 11 CBE Members to e-mail the commissioner at ryanrichmond@msn.com will be entered in our inaugural Fantasy Football Season!

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HIKING CLUB

Join Members of CBE's Hiking Club for monthly hikes in Simi Valley and surrounding areas.

Each hike will be organized by a Hiking Club member that is volunteering to be the "Hike Leader" for the day. They will provide the details for the hike:

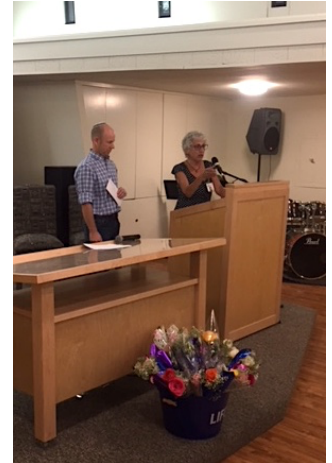
- Mileage
- Elevation change
- Expected timing
- And any fees

All hikes will be out-and-back, or loops, so that we start and end in the same parking area. After the hike we typically meet up for coffee, breakfast, or lunch.

If you want to join the CBE Hiking Club Roster, please send an email to info@cbesimi.org or call us at +1 805 581-3723

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Sisterhood Shabbat



Fundraising

Fundraising efforts have been slow lately, although we have received some commitments for donations from several sources.

I have been collecting information about various fundraising activities from the Jewish Journal and other resources. I would welcome help with these projects from people who have good business communication skills. This would be a great opportunity for your volunteer commitment in the upcoming year. If we form a committee, a lot more can be accomplished.

Les Sutton has contacted a company who can supply crew-neck, v-neck and polo shirts with the CBE logo. We need help getting people to sign up with their shirt size and choice of style. We would like to have them available by the Hanukkah Boutique (if not before).

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are close at hand, and we do have High Holiday Siddurs available for sale (regular print and LARGE PRINT). It is a great way to support your temple.

And don't forget, you can always donate to our various needs at Congregation B'nai Emet.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Miller
VP Fundraising

Johnny and Kenny in Shul

Little Johnny and his little brother Kenny were sitting together in shul. Kenny giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, little Johnny had had enough.

"You're not supposed to talk out loud in Shul!" he scolded. "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Kenny asked.

Little Johnny pointed to the back of the Temple and said, "See those two men standing by the door?

They're hushers!"

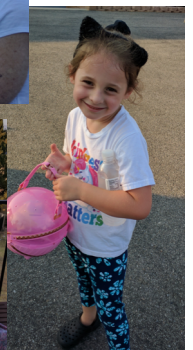
Shabbat Under the Stars

We had three lovely evenings of sharing food and celebrating Shabbat on the patio



CBE Membership Open House

A Fun Time for All Ages



August 4, 2018

Let's Celebrate - Mazel Tov!



Birthdays

Sep 01	Judy Epstein	Sep 26	Mariel Venhuizen
Sep 01	Nirit Levy	Sep 27	Chen Mu-Forster
Sep 01	Mitchell Salberg	Sep 29	Michael Mittelman
Sep 02	Jessica Schneider	Sep 30	Karen Troop
Sep 03	Ariella Sion	Oct 01	Leanna Smith
Sep 05	Lawrence Kaufman	Oct 07	Lori Sherden
Sep 06	Eliot Epstein	Oct 11	Nir Levy
Sep 12	Debbie Knecht	Oct 13	Dustin Breiter
Sep 13	Melinda Mittelman	Oct 13	Leah Rosado
Sep 13	Steven Mittelman	Oct 14	Heather Foster
Sep 15	Gabe Katell	Oct 14	Alan Leon
Sep 15	Justin Ranelletti	Oct 15	Sandra Melnick
Sep 16	Louis Knecht	Oct 17	Catherine Holst
Sep 18	Madison Mortimer	Oct 18	Bethany Poehls
Sep 18	Maxine Seidel	Oct 19	Jessica Sion
Sep 21	Steven Sherden	Oct 25	Bobbie Sion
Sep 22	Hanna Moss	Oct 28	Cherie Bordo
Sep 23	Elizabeth Anna Sternberg	Oct 28	Kathy Smith
Sep 26	Seidel Sumner	Oct 31	Shari Schultz

Anniversaries



Sep 04	Eric and Erica Weiner	6th
Sep 09	Alan and Linda Mann	11th
Sep 12	Steve and Ruth Ann Rossman	47th
Sep 29	Maxine Seidel & Thomas Sumner	6th
Oct 07	Eric and Michelle Levine	17th
Oct 11	Todd and Lindy Schneider	37th
Oct 12	Jerry and Marla Bergmann	38th
Oct 12	Tom and Bonnie Cleantis	4th
Oct 12	Emily and Kristopher Doepping	16th
Oct 18	Wayne and Shari Schultz	43rd
Oct 19	Larry and Cindy Shilkoff	38th
Oct 20	Mitchell and Lynn Salberg	33rd
Oct 24	Michael Mutal & Julie Bienenfeld	19th
Oct 24	Les and Daryl Sutton	42nd
Oct 26	Seymour and Rochelle Botan	43rd

*CBE Has a new appearance -
moving in*

Jewish Appreciation Day at Dodger Stadium



CBE Members enjoying the game



THANK YOU TO:

Steve Rossman
Miko Sion
Sandy Miller
Wayne Dawson (Sandy's friend)
Jordan Shilkoff (Cindy's son)
Kurt Madonian (Jordan's friend)
RuthAnn Rossman
Les Sutton



The Rossmans and some friendly Photobombers



October is *Breast Cancer Awareness Month*

CBE will be having a "PINK" shabbat details to come soon




WHERE LEADERS ARE MADE

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Listening

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Jewish-based group, helping people build their communication and leadership skills, while at the same time allowing everyone to explore their spirituality, or discuss topics related to Jewish life, history and culture.

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Help us start a friendly and supportive Toastmasters Club to reach those goals.

Communication



Bring a guest!

תקשורת



WHERE: Congregation B'nai Emet
9 W. Bonita Drive
Simi Valley, CA 93065

WHEN: First and Third Tuesdays of every month!

TIME: 7:15PM

For more information contact:
Alan Mann, DTM alanmann60@att.net
805-341-3836

OPPORTUNITIES for Involvement:

- **ATTEND** Shabbat services
- **ESTABLISH** a spiritual and emotional bond with Judaism and the Jewish people.
- **ENRICH** your knowledge with Rabbi Michele, guest speakers and adult education
- **PROMOTE AND SUPPORT** Jewish life in Simi and Moorpark through:

Sisterhood, Men's Club, Pre/Religious School, Havurah, Religious and Community Services.

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A Poem for Yom Kippur - "Kol Nidrei" - "All the Vows"

All the vows on our lips,
the burdens in our hearts,
the pent-up regrets about
which we brooded and spoke
through prayers without end
on last Atonement Day
did not change our way of life,
did not bring deliverance
in the year that has gone.
(From mountain peaks of fervor
(We fell to common ways
At the close of the fast.

(Will You hear our regret?
(Will You open our prison,
Release us from shackles of habit?

(Will you accept our prayers,
forgive our wrongs,
though we sin again and again?

In moments of weakness
we do not remember
promises of Atonement Day.
(Recall that we easily forget,
take only our heart's intent.
(Forgive us, pardon us.

Ze'ev Falk

Yahrzeits

Sep 01	Dixie Cohen	Elul 21
Sep 01	Lynn Marlow	Elul 21
Sep 02	Gerhard Heimann	Elul 22
Sep 02	Donald J. Schwartz	Elul 22
Sep 03	Armin Hollander	Elul 23
Sep 04	Sheri Enright	
Sep 04	Joseph Melnick	Elul 24
Sep 04	Faina Vineberg	Elul 24
Sep 05	Jean Epstein	
Sep 06	George Ribstein	
Sep 07	Philip Landau	Elul 27
Sep 07	Herman Leon	Elul 27
Sep 07	Anne Sussman	Elul 27
Sep 08	Annette Beezy	Elul 28
Sep 08	Evelyn Levin	Elul 28
Sep 08	Selma Wollman	Elul 28
Sep 09	Hyman Chait	Elul 29
Sep 09	Harold Ducker	
Sep 09	Elsa Fleischmann	Elul 29
Sep 09	David McMoyler	Elul 29
Sep 09	Meyer Rabinek	Elul 29
Sep 10	Oscar Bromberger	
Sep 10	Cathy Mittelman	Tishrei 1
Sep 12	Jennie Sylvia Lindenbaum	Tishrei 3
Sep 12	Douglas A. Millings	Tishrei 3
Sep 12	J.G. Neugroschl	
Sep 13	Rudolph Edelstein	
Sep 13	Raquel Goldstein	Tishrei 4
Sep 13	Sylvia Selbst	Tishrei 4
Sep 15	Ann Schneider	Tishrei 6
Sep 16	Paul Charton	Tishrei 7
Sep 16	Louis Karoff	Tishrei 7
Sep 16	Gerri Katz	Tishrei 7
Sep 16	Mayer Yaskiel	Tishrei 7
Sep 17	Morris Feldman	Tishrei 8
Sep 17	Karel Venhuizen	Tishrei 8
Sep 17	Harry Wollman	Tishrei 8
Sep 18	Sandford Scharf	
Sep 19	Jacob Brenwasser	Tishrei 10
Sep 19	Margaret Brenwasser	Tishrei 10
Sep 19	Judy Epstein	Tishrei 10
Sep 19	Judith Gail Karoff	Tishrei 10
Sep 19	Isaak Pichkhadze	Tishrei 10
Sep 19	Ester Rabinek	Tishrei 10
Sep 20	Audrey Gramowitz	
Sep 20	Ann Schwartz	Tishrei 11
Sep 20	Edith Diane Weiner	Tishrei 11
Sep 24	Julius Brandler	Tishrei 15
Sep 24	Lainie Stein	Tishrei 15
Sep 25	Irvin Charton	Tishrei 16
Sep 25	Mary Finkelstein Michel	Tishrei 16
Sep 26	Joseph Berkowitz	Tishrei 17
Sep 26	Roslyn Schiff	Tishrei 17
Sep 27	Carol Winner	Tishrei 18

Sep 29	Shirley Hoffberg	Tishrei 20
Sep 29	Jeanette Ilowitz	Tishrei 20
Oct 01	Gertrude Cohen	Tishrei 22
Oct 01	Joseph Sweet	Tishrei 22
Oct 02	Walter Ascher	Tishrei 23
Oct 02	Martin Dubin	Tishrei 23
Oct 03	Richard Glassman	Tishrei 24
Oct 05	Anne Leibl	Tishrei 26
Oct 05	Jack Volkerts	Tishrei 26
Oct 06	Wilbert Melnick	Tishrei 27
Oct 07	Dorothy Tucker	Tishrei 28
Oct 09	Erna Ascher	Tishrei 30
Oct 09	Edythe Anita Friedman	Tishrei 30
Oct 09	Miriam Landau	Tishrei 30
Oct 10	Marian Karoff	Heshvan 1
Oct 10	Frances Weiss	Heshvan 1
Oct 11	Morrie Yasskin	Heshvan 2
Oct 12	Moris Goldstein	Heshvan 3
Oct 13	Sam Farkas	Heshvan 4
Oct 14	Regina Racâhel Mann	Heshvan 5
Oct 15	Betty Yager	Heshvan 6
Oct 15	Gerald Jerome York	Heshvan 6
Oct 16	Benno Epstein	
Oct 16	Saul Kaufman	Heshvan 7
Oct 18	Shoshanah Copelof	Heshvan 9
Oct 18	Daniel C. Gilson	Heshvan 9
Oct 18	Jodi Jawitz	Heshvan 9
Oct 19	Thomas Farago	Heshvan 10
Oct 19	Gabriel Seidel	Heshvan 10
Oct 20	Rose Bercow	Heshvan 11
Oct 20	Lewis Howard	Heshvan 11
Oct 20	Jack Nadler	Heshvan 11
Oct 20	Nedra Trachtenberg	Heshvan 11
Oct 21	Diana Feldman	Heshvan 12
Oct 21	Ida Luger	Heshvan 12
Oct 21	Jack Nadler	Heshvan 12
Oct 22	Hilda Mazin	
Oct 22	Luis Albert Rosado	Heshvan 13
Oct 22	Stuart Stern	Heshvan 13
Oct 23	Emanuel Cohen	Heshvan 14
Oct 23	William Priest	Heshvan 14
Oct 25	Ron Gutierrez	Heshvan 16
Oct 26	Ethel Albert	Heshvan 17
Oct 26	Carl Norman Kitt, Sr.	Heshvan 17
Oct 26	Joel Ribstein	
Oct 27	Reuben Lewis Mazin	
Oct 28	Helene Bromberger	
Oct 28	Hermann Bromberger	
Oct 28	Samuel Bromberger	
Oct 30	Sylvia Charnick	Heshvan 21
Oct 30	Ann Miller	Heshvan 21
Oct 30	Max Satin	Heshvan 21
Oct 31	Gerald B. Hasson	Heshvan 22
Oct 31	Simon Levy	Heshvan 22
Oct 31	Muriel "Cookie" Stern	

Please check the current Yahrzeit information on the data sheet you received in 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 the temple office with any questions regarding Yahrzeit data.

Thank you.

How to Observe a Yahrzeit at CBE

Light a 24-hour memorial candle in your home at sundown on the evening that begins the yahrzeit (anniversary of death.). It is also customary to attend Shabbat services at Temple and recite the Kaddish.

At Congregation B'nai Emet, names of your loved ones are read on the Friday evening before the Yahrzeit. If you observe the Gregorian (English) date, the name will be read following the yahrzeit date. It is suggested that you make a contribution to the Temple so that the memory of your loved one can be honored with an act of love and kindness.



Condolences To:

The Mittelman family on the passing of Ron's father, Joseph.

The Sion family on the passing of Miko's mother, Paula

Yehi zichronom l'vrachah – may their lives be a blessing and an inspiration

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B'nai Emet's program with Mount Sinai Mortuary for pre-need arrangements now has a unique program available to our Temple members and has already seen results.

You can perform two mitzvot with one action. You can relieve your loved ones of a distasteful, but necessary, chore at a most stressful time, and you can help support Congregation B'nai Emet. Now is the time to do it!! Give yourself "peace of mind" before the need arises.

Contact either **RuthAnn Rossman** via the Temple office, or **Josh Ryan** at Mount Sinai, Advance Planning Representative, 805.306.6411 jtryan@mountsinai.org

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Date	Candle Lighting	Service	Torah Portion
Sept. 7/28 Elul	6:54 PM	Family Service 7 PM - Israeli Dancing, "Back to Shul"	Nitzavim - Deu 29:9 – 30:20
Sept. 9	6:51 PM	Erev Rosh Hashana 7:30 PM	
Sept. 10		Rosh Hashana - 10 AM, Tashlich - 4:30 PM	
Sept. 14/ 6 Tishrei	6:44 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Vayeilech - Deu 31:1 – 31:30
Sept. 18	6:38 PM	Erev Yom Kippur - Kol Nidre 7:30 PM	
Sept. 19		Yom Kippur (see schedule p. 2)	
Sept. 21/ 13 Tishrei	6:34 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Ha'Azinu - Deu 32:1 – 32:52
Sept. 23-Sept. 30		Sukkot	
Sept. 28/20 Tishrei	6:24 PM	Shabbat + Simchat Torah Service 7 PM	
Sept. 29		Shabbat Lunch 'n Learn - lunch in Sukkah, inside for program and film	
Oct. 5/ 27 Tishrei	6:14 PM	Family Service 7 PM - Noah's Ark Shabbat	Bereshit - Gen 1:1-6:8
Oct. 12/ 4 Cheshvan	6:05 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Noach - Gen 6:9 – 11:32
Oct. 19/ 11 Cheshvan	5:57 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Lech-Lecha - Gen 12:1 – 17:27
Oct. 26/ 18 Cheshvan	5:49 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM - " Spooky Shabbat "	Vayera - Gen 18:1 – 22:24

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