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Chai Lites

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Dear Friends,

I saw a quote that says "Hope is the only thing stronger than fear". Do you agree? I think it's an interesting idea, as hope is a very powerful emotion that can lift one out of mundane thoughts and fears. We've made it through this past year, despite the fears and concerns. We didn't give up hope that we'd find healing and recovery; that's what kept us buoyed during the most challenging days.

The notion of hope is very strong in our tradition. Israel's national anthem is called "The Hope" – HaTikvah! I believe that the fact that we Jews always believed in the messiah (even if he didn't actually show up to "rescue" our people from distress or change the unfortunate circumstances), that hope and faith in something better played a strong role in our resilience and survival. We are inveterate optimists. I like this label and approach. It's way better than being a doomsday pessimist. Also, being hopeful leads us to work toward positive change in our community and the world at large.



Summer is here and we are now able to go out and socialize more. I hope you will enjoy yourself, find interesting things to do, and look with hope to the new Jewish year, which will be here in early September! We are planning to be both in the sanctuary and on Zoom or streaming, so you can be involved in the way that is most comfortable for you.

If you have Jewish friends, please invite them to attend a service or event with you. I am hopeful that this will be a year of growth for us both in spirit and learning, and in numbers of people joining, too, to support the shul.

Shalom וברכה - שלום וברכה,
Rabbi Michele Paskow

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
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Editor's Notes:

Cantor's Corner is on hiatus this issue.

Due to the suspension of the Chai Lites during the pandemic, our schedule has gotten a little thrown off. Therefore, this issue will cover July and August, and we will return to quarterly publication with the new year at the beginning of September.

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Presidential Ponderings



Shalom CBE Family and Friends,

A little over a year ago I wrote, "During these difficult and unique times, and with the uncertainty still facing us, I don't know when life will return to normalcy, but I know it will not take us 40 years." In fact, what seemed

like a lifetime only took approximately 16 long and arduous months before we could once again hug our immediate family, kiss our grandchildren, and shake hands with our CBE friends. My question to you today is, "What are you going to do with all the toilet paper and hand sanitizer you have hoarded since this Covid-19 pandemic began?"

Life has been very surreal for me, and I'm sure for you, too, during these unique and trying times. In spite of all the obstacles and hurdles we have had to overcome, CBE has been here for you the entire time. We have managed to still provide weekly Shabbat services as well as High Holy Days services, using the wonderful world of technology and Zoom. Nosh 'n' Drosh Wednesday sessions with an array of inspirational speakers and learned scholars have provided us with valuable information and food for thought. Mark Husey, our choir director for the High Holy Days, performed a brilliant and memorable concert for us showcasing hit Broadway tunes. Many of you celebrated and participated at our second Passover Seder on Zoom, eating your home cooked meals, good or bad, and singing the beautiful Pesach melodies. With the help of modern technology, we were even able to hold several fun fundraisers: Count Your Blessing, Paint with CBE, and Buy a Cam, to name a few.

We have scheduled three Friday outdoor live-on-our-patio Shabbat Under the Stars services, on the last Friday of the month in June, July and August. On the first Friday and Saturday of the months ahead, we are planning on holding live and in-person Shabbat services. We will be following all of the latest CDC and Ventura County guidelines for indoor and outdoor events. For those of you who are not yet comfortable with attending live services in our sanctuary or on our patio, we will simultaneously Zoom these services into

your smart devices, allowing you to participate and interact with our services. I would personally like to congratulate and thank our "Geek" squad volunteers, Max Patera, Ken Bahr, Steve Rossman, and Michael Hollander, for providing the concurrent live and Zoom services. If you are interested in broadening your "broadcast" skills, please notify any of the Audio/Visual members for training. No experience necessary!

By the time you read this, you will have heard the instructions for renewing your membership for the 2021-2022 year. This year we are attempting to streamline the membership renewal process. Instead of sending out cumbersome and expensive membership packets, there is now a Membership page on the brand-new website. There, you will be guided through a series of questions that will lead you to the membership package that is best for you. If you can answer questions about yourself and follow simple instructions, you will have no trouble quickly renewing your membership. Read your Wednesday weekly newsletter and email blasts for the most up-to-date information on membership renewal, ongoing updates to the website, and all temple matters.

A non-profit organization such as ours depends on our membership for support throughout the year. When you renew your membership, please consider making an additional pledge to CBE. I have noticed over the past few years that many members have taken advantage of the "senior" discount when they or their spouse turns 65 years of age. I am going to ask you seniors, if you feel you can afford the higher membership level, that you continue to register at the level you were paying before you reached the glorious "65". With everyone's support, CBE will continue to grow as a congregation and provide the myriad of activities we present each year. Congregation B'nai Emet is your shul and community for religious services, education, Life Cycle Events, and much, much more.

The board, staff, and I are sincerely grateful for your ongoing support of Congregation B'nai Emet. May we all have a safe, healthy, and prosperous year.

L' shanah tovah, לשנה טובה
To a good year.

Les A. Sutton, DDS
President, Congregation B'nai Emet

Religious School News

It's summer break, but religious education at CBE will be back before you know it—live and in-person!

First Religious School class: Sun. Sept. 12th

First Judaica High class: Mon. Sept. 13th

Registration forms and a full calendar will be up on the website soon, so keep an eye on your Weekly News Emails for announcements and more information.

Looking Ahead to HHD

The High Holy Days are early this year! Individual tickets will be available on the website soon, so watch for that announcement in your Weekly News Email, as well as additional information about where and how services will be held. For now, here are the dates to know:

Erev Rosh HaShanah: Mon., Sept. 6th

Rosh HaShanah: Tues., Sept. 7th

Kol Nidrei (Erev Yom Kippur): Wed., Sept. 15th

Yom Kippur: Thurs., Sept. 16th

In the meantime, if you would like to learn a part in Hebrew, or participate in High Holy Days services in another way, please contact Rabbi Michele.

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Tuesday July 13 at 6 PM
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(so tickets can be
purchased in advance)
RSVP to Alice at
jafiducia@gmail.com

The Women of CBE invite you to:

**Reimagining the Balabusta—
A Workshop with Rabbi Dahlia Bernstein**



**Tuesday
August 10
at 6 PM
on Zoom**



THIS IS JUDAISM FOR THE 21ST CENTURY
Balabusta is a Yiddish expression describing a good homemaker, generally denoting a woman who is exceptionally skilled at maintaining her home. Tradition and change. Deep, impactful, life-altering wisdom that was there all along. Hear how Rabbi Bernstein suggests we reinvent the Balabusta for today.

 **THE WOMEN OF CBE** 
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STRONGER TOGETHER

invite you to our next meeting
IN THE RABBI'S SUKKAH
Tuesday, September 21
6:00 PM
at the home of Rabbi Michele Paskow
Please bring a meatless entree,
salad or dessert.

To RSVP to any and all sisterhood events, email:
Jill Katel: j.katell@yahoo.com or
Alice Fiducia: jafiducia@gmail.com

Women of CBE

WHAT DID SISTERHOOD DO DURING THE LOCKDOWN?

- We had monthly meetings on Zoom for the entertainment and enlightenment of our members and others, including Sukkot and Hanukkah parties and a Tu BiShvat seder.
- We continued our ongoing fundraising efforts, through shabbat donations to the oneg fund, gift card sales, and tribute cards. We even had some gift shop sales!
- We held virtual fun and fundraisers such as the Magic Show and Hanukkah Boutique, and managed to have a remarkably successful Car Rally. Recently, as things began to open back up, we even had a restaurant fundraiser.
- We carried on our donations to CBE, Feed the Needy, CBE Religious School, Israel, and various community and national causes.
- We planned an exciting upcoming year of in-person and virtual events.
- We increased our membership! (Membership info [HERE](#))

Did you know? You can now submit oneg sponsorship donations online [HERE](#)!

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

HOW DOES SISTERHOOD ACCOMPLISH SO MUCH?

We're trained!

We are members of the Pacific District of the Women of Reform Judaism. Through this amazing international organization, we attended virtual training and inspirational efforts such as the Fried Women's Leadership Conference and the WRJ Biennial Convention. We took part in workshops on, among other things, how to keep going, personally and as a group, during the pandemic. We were also able to connect with other sisterhoods for friendship and prayer.

We invite all interested (or simply curious) women to attend the first ever virtual district-wide Area Event, July 31–August 1st. And it's free this year! Share in our accomplishments and companionship through workshops, discussions, Judaic studies, and arts and crafts. For more information, go [HERE](#).

We need you! Join us and share our friendship and accomplishments.

WITHOUT YOU WE ARE ONE WOMAN SHORT!

In sisterhood,
[Meridith Patera](#) & [RuthAnn Rossman](#), Co-Presidents



Social Action



In May and June, CBE members Bob and Barbara Poehls, Andrew Mahler, Orna Adams, and Sandy Miller masked up and donned gloves to help prepare and serve meals at the Samaritan Center. On this page, Bob Poehls contemplates what he's done to the garlic and Andrew Mahler fights hunger–ninja-style!



Our current Mitzvah project: children's clothing for the summer season, to be donated to Casa Pacifica. Adult clothing will also be collected & distributed to Council Thrift Shops. Please contact Suzanne Mahler at: suzanne_crwfrd@yahoo.com to make arrangements for donation pick-ups.

DID YOU KNOW? האם ידעת?

By Bobbie Sion

The Arava Region

The area from the Dead Sea south to Eilat along Israel's eastern border with Jordan is called the Arava region. Once a spice route, this desert valley with harsh conditions produces more than half of Israel's agricultural exports, using modern, environmentally friendly techniques.

The Arava International Center for Agricultural Training (AICAT) welcomes more than 1,000 international students annually from Cambodia, Cape Verde, East Timor, Indonesia, Nepal, Vietnam, and elsewhere.

Students learn how Israelis make the desert bloom, which inspires them to go home and use these techniques. One student from Thailand built pipes for water which enabled his parents to grow crops much farther from the riverbank. In Nepal, students started a "moshav," or community farm, which was something of a social revolution.

An Indonesian student remarked that even though "Indonesia doesn't have relations with Israel, and we only hear bad things about it," he had returned for a second time and plans to open a rice and avocado business back home. About Israel he said "I love it". A Cambodian student said that the knowledge he learned will change "the face of my family, my community, and my country".

An hour south of AICAT is the Arava Institute for Environmental Students at Kibbutz Ketura which was established in 1973 by American Zionists. Palestinians, Jordanians, Israelis, and others not only focus on environmental issues but have weekly "peace-building sessions" to discuss coexistence and cooperation. A student from Belfast, Northern Ireland found a strong bond among the many people who came from many different walks of life to study in Israel.

Israel shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of the world with fruit. (Isa 27.6)



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Saturday Morning, Live!



On April 3rd, CBE held its first in-person Shabbat morning service indoors since the start of the pandemic and lockdown. Attendees were required to wear masks at all times, RSVP to ensure capacity guidelines were observed, and sit socially distanced (above).

Members of the A/V team helped bring a live, interactive Zoom experience to those who were watching from home, kicking off the ambitious effort to make multi-access in-person/Zoom services a permanent offering—not bad for a little shul! Thanks to all who have supported the A/V fundraiser, Buy a Cam, thus far. Without Brian Marcus, our VP of Fundraising's enthusiastic organizing, and the generous support of the congregation, we would not be able to offer this option that has become essential to many members and visitors who are far away or otherwise unable to join us in person.

At right, Cantor Russ accompanies Emily and Kaitlyn Richmond, while slides and video are projected above.



Recent Events

Shabbat Under the Stars Returns!



At long last, we were able to convene for our first Shabbat Under the Stars in over a year! And, thanks to our Tech Team, those who couldn't join us in person were still able to participate over Zoom. Amanda Rozdial stepped up to become the first Junior CBE Techie, sitting with Max Patera and Ken Bahr during the service to see how all the pieces come together.

Recent Events



Suzanne Mahler and Sandy Miller show their pride in CBE and Judaism at Boomers and Beyond, a street fair produced by the Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce, offering resources for older people in the community. Now that such events are possible once again, expect to see CBE drumming up interest at lots of local festivals, just as in pre-pandemic days!

Upcoming Events

August Nosh 'n' Drosh:

From the Bimah to the Music Hall
Art & Music Informed by the High Holy Days
with Neal Brostoff

Wed. Aug. 4th at 3:00 pm via Zoom

Neal Brostoff is a classically trained pianist and producer of Jewish music events. He has held prominent advisory positions at the Skirball Cultural Center and the Israeli Consulate in L.A., and has taught courses at the University of Judaism, UCLA, and Pierce College. Mr. Brostoff has performed as a soloist and orchestral pianist across the U.S. and around the world, from a concert series at LACMA to touring with American Ballet Theatre. Since 2015, Mr. Brostoff has lent his talents and enthusiasm to the movement for Jewish renewal in Poland, staging musical showcases of Polish-Jewish music in both the U.S. and Poland.

Lunch 'n' Learn Returns!

The Persian Jewish Experience

From Persecution to Emancipation with Isaac Levy

Sat. Aug. 7th: Shabbat morning service at 10:00 am, followed by a boxed lunch and talk.

Multi-access: in-person at CBE & online via Zoom.
All Covid protocols current at the time of the event will be followed by everyone involved.

Isaac Levy is a member of CBE. Born in Iran, he will share his family's history, with stories of tradition and survival.

Schedule of Services, Candle Lightings, & Torah Portions

All Shabbat services will continue to be available via Zoom as we gradually return to the temple sanctuary. Zoom links are sent out in the CBE Weekly E-mail on Wednesday, and again on Friday mornings.

Date	Candle Lighting	Service	Torah Portion
7/2 (22 Tamuz)	7:53	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Pinchas (Numbers 25:10-30:1)
7/9 (29 Tamuz)	7:51	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Matot-Masei (Numbers 30:2-36:13)
7/16 (7 Av)	7:49	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Devarim (Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22)
7/23 (14 Av)	7:45	Shabbat Under the Stars, 7 pm	Vaetchanan (Leviticus 21:1-24:23)
7/30 (21 Av)	7:39	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Eikev (Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25)
8/6 (28 Av)	7:33	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Re'eh (Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17)
8/13 (5 Elul)	7:26	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Shoftim (Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9)
8/20 (12 Elul)	7:18	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Ki Teizei (Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19)
8/27 (19 Elul)	7:09	Shabbat Under the Stars, 7 pm	Ki Tavo (Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8)

Upcoming Events

Shabbat Under the Stars

Our summertime tradition returns!

Close your week with food and friends as we welcome the peace of the Sabbath on our beautiful temple patio. Happy days are here again!

July 23rd ~ Aug. 27th

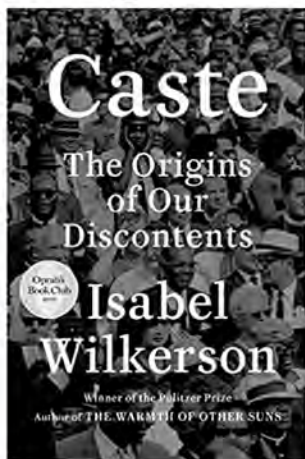
7:00pm

Details

- No reservations necessary—just show up!
- BYOC—Bring Your Own Chair
Concert-in-the-park style: bring a camp/lawn chair
- Potluck information TBA

Service will also be available on Zoom for those who are not able to join us in person.

Books AND Bagels



August 8th at 9:30 am on Zoom

CASTE: The Origins of Our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson

"As we go about our daily lives, caste is the wordless usher in a darkened theater, flashlight cast down in the aisles, guiding us to our assigned seats for a performance. The hierarchy of caste is not about feelings or morality. It is about power—which groups have it and which do not."

The Pulitzer Prize-winning, bestselling author examines the unspoken caste system that has shaped America, and shows how our lives today are still defined by a hierarchy of human divisions. An eye-opening story of people and history, and a reexamination of what lies under the surface of ordinary American life today.



If you are interested in joining the Books and Bagels reading group, email Barb Poehls at bbpoehls@gmail.com.

Birthdays

Debra Schranze		7/4
Jeffrey Plotkin		7/9
Bob Poehls		7/9
Karen Ribstein		7/9
Mel Edelson		7/15
Chloe Berezowsky	20th	7/16
Stacy Nath		7/21
Steven York		7/21
Scott Ranelletti		7/22
Gabe Perez		7/27
Erik Breiter		7/28
Joshua Bordo	24th	7/31
Robert Sherden		7/31
Connie Davidhoff		8/3
Louise Edelson		8/6
Ryan Richmond		8/7
Brandon Tellio		8/7
Lynne Kelly		8/9
Eliana Plotkin	24th	8/9
Steven Friedman		8/11
Harry Schned		8/11
Melissa Shilkoff	24th	8/11
Max Patera		8/13
Bruce Stein		8/13
Larry Shilkoff		8/15
Jill Katell		8/21
Frieda Bahr		8/26
Patricia Schned		8/29

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For more information, and to purchase cards, contact Lynne Kelly at lkelmom@aol.com

Anniversaries

Bob & Barbara Poehls	7/17	38th
Rabbi Shimon & Carol Paskow	7/18	59th
Jerry & Jan Auerbach	8/1	39th
Paul & Zoe Venhuizen	8/6	40th
Stan & Sandy Melnick	8/12	59th
Julie & Scott Ranelletti	8/25	19th
Jeffrey & Tamara Plotkin	8/26	42nd
Isaac & Vivian Levy	8/27	17th
Jesse & Dale Charnick	8/28	56th

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In memory of Marty Richter, Men's Club President

Stacy Nadler & Ron Schneeberger

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Michele Paskow

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In memory of Earl Rosado, Martin Keimon

Cantor Michael & Merle Russ

In memory of Cantor Herman Russ

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In memory of Gail's grandmother, Golda Greenstein

Larry & Cindy Shilkoff

*In honor of their son Jordan's College Graduation
Ceremony (One year late!)*

Bruce Stein

In memory of Lainie Stein

Amy Tellio

In honor of Jeffry Tellio's Birthday

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In memory of Paul's twin brother, Radboud Venhuizen

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Social Action

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Hybrid Services Effort

Audio/Visual Equipment Fund

Legacy Giving

As you update your Will or Trust, we hope you will remember CBE as a beneficiary. President Les Sutton or Treasurer Ryan Richmond will be happy to work with you to help set this up. Make CBE's future part of your legacy, l'dor v'dor: from generation to generation.



To purchase a leaf for our Tree of Life in memory of a loved one, please click [HERE](#).

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.

For more information, contact RuthAnn Rossman at rupee24601@gmail.com or (805) 581-3723. She will connect you with Josh Ryan, Advance Planning Representative at Mount Sinai, or one of his partners. Absolutely no obligation.

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 check, change, or add to the current yahrzeit information on file, please contact the office.



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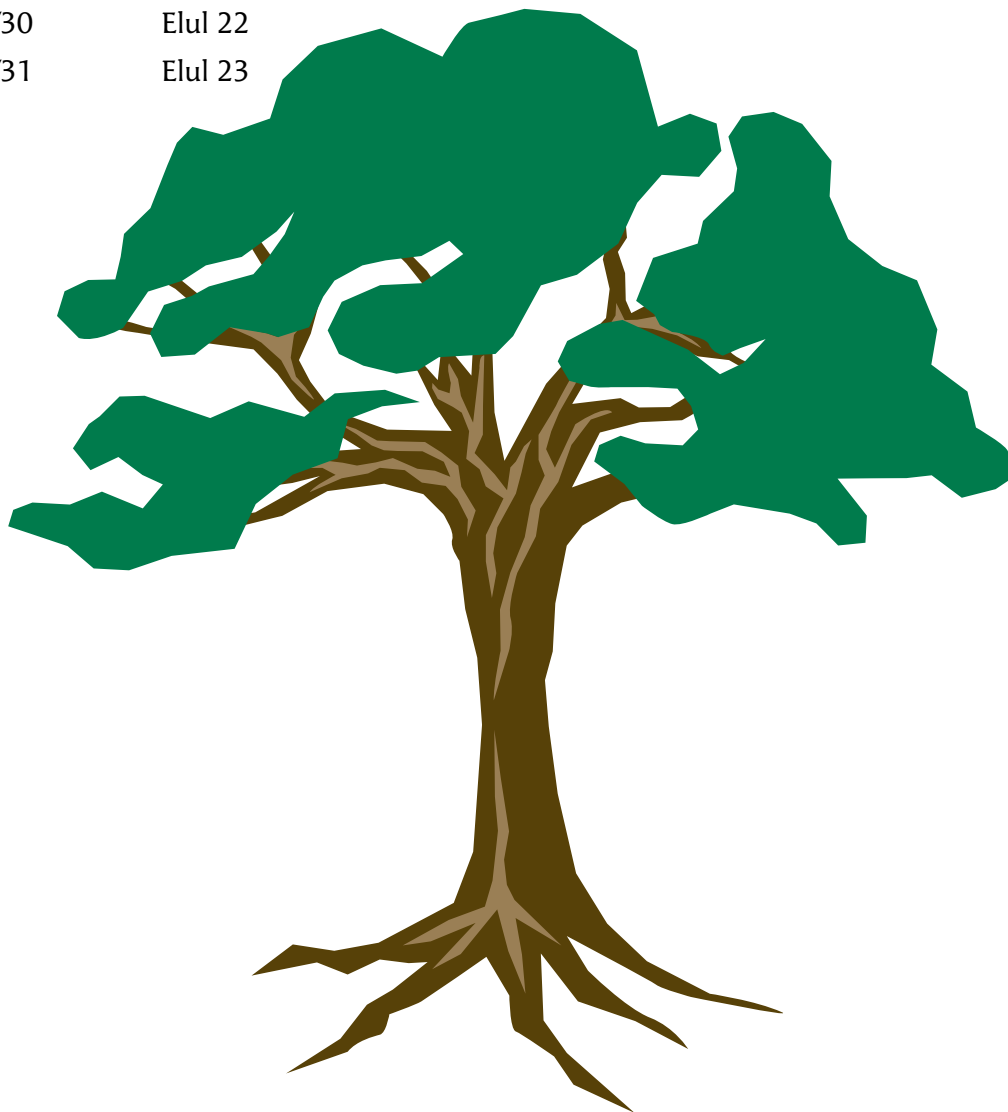
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Lenore Schneeberger	7/12		David Breiter	8/13	Elul 5
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Yahrzeits

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