Rabbi’s Message

Dear Friends – Shanah Tovah!

I recently had the opportunity to travel through Portugal and visit one of the oldest synagogues in Europe, the Synagogue in Tomar, a small ancient town in Central Portugal. There’s also a Templar castle and monastery nearby from the 1100s.

Jewish people already lived in this area in the 1300s, and the synagogue was built in the mid 1400s by the thriving Jewish community there. It has an interesting interior with Gothic vaulting and columns with classic capitals. Many Jews sought refuge there after the 1492 Spanish Expulsion, including a large number of artisans and traders who brought their talents and skills. However, by 1496, the King, at the insistence of his Castilian bride, issued a similar edict to the one of Spain, that the Jews either had to convert to Christianity or leave by Oct. of 1497; most left – that’s why we have “Spanish-Portuguese” synagogues in Amsterdam, Gibraltar, Turkey, Italy, New York, etc. After 1496, the Jewish community of Tomar vacated the synagogue. Over the years the building was used for many different purposes, even a prison! It wasn’t until 1923 that a Jewish philanthropist bought the building to restore and preserve it. (see photo on right of Tomar Synagogue)

Today it is once again a synagogue and houses a small Jewish Museum as a testament to medieval Jewish life. Personally, it was quite a thrill to walk through the narrow alleys of the old town, seeking out this synagogue where our people lived over 500 years ago. A highlight was meeting Teresa Vasco (see photo on left), a Portuguese Jewish woman who proudly wears a magen-david and greets each guest and tells them about the synagogue. There are some artifacts and several medieval Jewish gravestones. Excavations in a building next to the synagogue revealed the remnants of a mikveh. Teresa also said that Rabbis come from Israel and Morocco to lead services on Yom Kippur and Sukkot for guests from all over.

As in other places throughout Europe, there is renewed interest in Jewish life today. People of Jewish descent are seeking out their roots and heritage. I like to visit these historic sites to see the actual places where Jewish people lived, to in a sense, remember them and bear witness to their lives and their struggles and to appreciate the religious freedom we’ve been blessed to experience in our country today. Visiting ancient and fascinating places where Jewish people lived, and learning about their history gives me a deeper connection to our Jewish heritage, and underscores the importance of being involved in Jewish life today. I wouldn’t want our community to be a museum of a people that once was…… I hope you will join us for the many wonderful programs, services and events we have planned in the upcoming months.

Despite so many hardships and setbacks throughout our long history, we Jews are inveterate optimists. Judaism is truly unique among the world’s religions in its belief that we can change, overcome and even transform. We are a people that does not resign itself to fate. Rather, Judaism is a religion of hope and optimism. The theology, holidays and prayers all express and reinforce this approach to life. The High Holy Day liturgy is especially beautiful, meaningful and uplifting. It leads us to search our souls – to forgive, to make changes, to try to improve ourselves as we begin a new year. (Rabbi’s Message continues on page 3)

Plaque reads: “Monument to victims of Inquisition murdered in1506 in Lisbon” (this is in a large courtyard in front of a church)
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**Bulletin Bytes**

**ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS SEPTEMBER 20TH! ARE YOU READY?**

**SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES**

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

**ROSH HASHANAH**

Evening service, Wednesday, Sept. 20, 8 pm  
Morning service, Thursday, Sept. 21, 10 am

**TASHLICH** (casual get-together to symbolically throw away our sins and regrets of the past year – bring a shofar if you have one!)  
Rosh HaShanah afternoon, Sept. 21, 4:30 pm, Rancho Simi Park 1765 Royal Ave – at the Duck Pond

**YOM KIPPUR**

Erev Yom Kippur/ Kol Nidrei, Friday, Sept. 29, 7:30 pm  
Saturday, Sept. 30  
Morning service - 10 am  
Children's service - 1:30 pm  
Adult Study Session - 3:30 pm  
Yizkor/ Concluding Services (Neilah)

**SUKKOT** – beautiful service outside  
Friday, Oct. 6, 6 pm – Potluck dinner in the Sukkah, 7 pm service (inside)

**SIMCHAT TORAH** (Consecration for new students – opportunity for everyone to dance with the Torah)  
Friday, October 13, 7 pm

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President’s Message

Time flies!

It seems like summer just started, but school is back in session and the High Holy Days are quickly approaching. The old adage is true, time flies when you are having fun and the last year at CBE has been fun! In addition to our Friday night services, we seem to have special events scheduled every week. On top of that, we made several needed improvements to the facility: new entry, interior lighting, and a proper kitchen!

Our success is only possible through the support of our congregation. This support is more than just the financial support allowing us to provide a Jewish home in Simi Valley and work to improve our synagogue. This support includes the countless hours the Board gives to run the day-to-day business. This support includes the hundreds of hours spent organizing and hosting our special events. This support includes our dedicated clergy, going above the call of duty to maintain a thriving synagogue. Finally, this support includes everyone in the community who attends any of our services, events, or fundraisers. Together, we make CBE what it is.

As we look to the next year, together we can keep the momentum going and continue to support our local community. I am looking forward to another fun year at CBE, and I hope that you will share in it.

Shanah Tova,
Ryan Richmond

(Rabbi’s Message continued from page 1)

This is the key theme of the whole High Holy Day liturgy. The famous “Unetaneh Tokeh” prayer highlights this idea in one poignant line:

“Teshuvah - being sorry/ changing our ways and bettering ourselves,
Tefillah - prayer, and
Tzedakah - charity/ acts of kindness and righteousness free us to begin anew.

What an exhilarating prayer – a chance to start again (even with a prescription for how to do it)!

As we enter this High Holy Day season, I hope the beauty, poetry and profound meaning of our prayers will inspire you. May you be uplifted by these words filled with holy optimism; may they indeed lead us to healing and transformation. And, as we say in our prayers, may we all be inscribed (and inscribe ourselves) in the Book of Life, Blessing, Peace and Contentment, Amen.

Shalom u’vrachah! (Peace & Blessing)

Rabbi Michele Paskow
mailto:Michmich805@gmail.com

P.S. If you have neighbors or friends who may be interested in joining the CBE family, now is the time to welcome them – please invite them to services or to visit our Religious School. I will be happy to meet them and tell them about our CBE activities. 😊
Executive VP

Hello,

As we approach the upcoming membership year, I want people to think of the mitzvah in helping the Temple financially when filling out the membership paperwork and making payments. This property belongs to the membership and is here to provide a religious experience to the Jewish community. With ownership comes the responsibility of every member to keep this place operational. General maintenance of the facility includes the approximate 3.5 acres of land in addition to many building upkeep items—air conditioning/heating, cleaning service, pest control, gardening, storage, utility bills, etc. These items cannot be done for free—I, for one, cannot personally maintain the property, clean the building, spray for bugs, repair plumbing, etc. All these items require the hiring of outside contractors. One may wonder, oh, have volunteers do the work. A few individuals contribute time and expend energy in specific areas, but not enough volunteers are available to do all that is required for maintaining the buildings and property. During the last membership year the Temple had a water line break under the parking lot asphalt during the entire Thanksgiving holiday weekend (Wednesday through Monday). Remember, the building infrastructure is old. Owning property includes the responsibility of paying for these costly repairs and maintenance. With the yearly membership drive upon us, I ask people to consider renewing their membership or become members if not one already. The Temple cannot exist without a sustaining membership.

Shalom

Debbie Knecht
Executive Vice President

Recent Donations

Building Improvement Fund
Andrew Pock – in honor of The Jewish People
Michael and Merle Russ – in memory of Bessie Keimun
Ellen Fox – in memory of Irving and Andy Marder
Carl and Bernice Greenstein – in memory of Benjamin Wiseman
Sylvia LeVine

Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund
Thomas and Miriam Hintz – in memory of Lawrence Chusid
Bunnie Karoff – in memory of Theodore Karoff
Glen and Debbie Knecht – in memory of Theodore Karoff
Sheldon and Joan Liebmann – in memory of Michael Liebmann
Mitchell and Lynn Salberg – in memory of Shirley and Steven Borrok
Carole Fineberg - in memory of Richard Fineberg
Helene Morris

Religious School Fund
Libby Scop – in memory of Daniel Scop

Memorial Donations
Linda Landau – in memory of Michael Liebmann
Marianne Susman – in memory of Leslie Goldhammer
Sheldon and Joan Liebmann – in memory of Leon Brody
Lawrence and Marsha Kaufman – in memory of Edwin Kaufman
Guenter and Gayle Menke – in memory of Karl Menke
Anthony and Laura Luskin – in memory of Dina Pichkhadze
Michael and Mara Fox – in memory of Andy Marder
Karen Brodsky – in memory of Andy Marder
Carole Fineberg – in memory of Richard Fineberg
Helen Harrison – in memory of Andrew Marder
Mike and Jane Sander – in memory of Richard Fineberg
Susan Cohen – in memory of Andy Marder

Prayer Books Donations
Steve and Ruth Ann Rosman

Library Fund Donation
Sheryl Hammer

General Donations
Suzanne and Andrew Mahler
Shelah Harris
Sylvia LeVine

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

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
Women of CBE

“Women of CBE” is the sisterhood of the temple. We are members of the Women of Reform Judaism, which is a 100-year old international organization. WRJ helps us educate, serve, find our voices, make lifelong friends, learn leadership skills, support, renew spirituality, advocate, and so much more. We support Jewish camps, rabbinical students, and special projects.

The Women of CBE are dedicated to CBE. We work hard to earn money that is then gifted to the temple. Sometimes this is for the General Fund and often to sponsor a specific need. This past year we donated $8,926 to the temple. The money has been used for new desks for Rabbi Michele and Marilyn, gifts for the religious school students and preschool students for Hanukkah, bar/bat mitzvah gifts, tablecloths for outside events, hangers and sleeves to protect the nice holiday tablecloths, to provide speakers for the community, food for the “get-to-know-us” BarBQ, every oneg (including the High Holy Day onegs and “break-fast”), books for temple and school libraries, books and supplies for Religious School, appreciation gifts to the school staff, and more.

We host the annual Hanukkah Boutique, Tu Bishvat Seder, annual Purim Ball, help sponsor the temple Hanukkah party and other temple events, and host educational and entertaining events all year round. Being the home of Simi House of Judaica we are able to have Jewish items accessible for purchase with the proceeds going to the temple. The sale of gift cards also brings in money to the temple.

Everyone: Please purchase gift cards whether for your personal use or gifts. We have a wide range available. Support Women of CBE sponsored events. Sponsor an oneg in honor of someone, an event, or just because.

Attend the Hanukkah Boutique, this year on November 12. Thank you to all who have sponsored the High Holy Day onegs and the onegs throughout the year. To sponsor this year’s High Holy Day onegs, contact mspatera@earthlink.net

Join Women of CBE. Temple membership is not a requirement although it is appreciated.

Hope to see you.

RuthAnn Rossman
President

RSVP to Cheryl at mailto:deda5312@aol.com or to Kathy at mailto:taxiracing@aol.com

RSVP to Tracie at mailto:threiter@yahoo.com or call RuthAnn at 818-312-7266.
Fundraising

Summer is not a time when you typically have many fund raising events due to vacations, hot weather and a variety of other reasons. However CBE had two “fun raisers” during August.

The first was attending Jewish Appreciation Day at Dodger Stadium. Although a modest fund raiser for CBE it was an event where people could schmooze, eat, watch a baseball game, schmooze, and of course eat! Is there any more typical Jewish event? By the way our seats were in the shade and the Dodgers won.

The second event was a Wine Tasting featuring food prepared by several men at the temple. The food part was titled “Real Men Can Cook.” Les Sutton was our sommelier.

It was our first time having either of these two events. Hope you attended one or both events to support CBE.

Look for more fund raisers in the upcoming months!!!
L'Shana Tova!

Michael Matal
VP Fundraising

Men’s Club

Hello, I am Glen Knecht. I just became the CBE Men’s Club President. I was the Men’s Club president many years ago. I am back trying to see what I can do to develop a successful men’s club. The purpose of the CBE Men’s Club is to support CBE and provide a social aspect to our community.

The CBE Men’s Club meetings are held the 1st Sunday of every month. The upcoming meetings are Sunday, September 3, and Sunday, October 1, at 9:30 a.m. Place is my home at 2396 Fasley Ave., Simi Valley, CA.

The Men’s Club social breakfast gathering is the 3rd Sunday of every month 9:30 a.m. at Junkyard Café.

The club has many activities currently being planned. Events in the planning stage include but are not limited to golf, bowling, Laughlin trip, etc. Please come to meetings to find out what we are about and how you can be a part of a CBE men’s community.

For more information, you may call me at (805) 368-2671 or e-mail me at jrppoolservice@sbcglobal.net

Glen Knecht, President, Men’s Club

Membership

The membership drive for the 2017-2018 year has begun. Thank you to all our members who continue to support our temple. If you have not returned your new membership packet yet, I encourage you to do so. If you are considering becoming a new member or have questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. I would love to get to know you and help you out.

Our Membership Open House and BBQ was a great success. It was so great to see familiar and new faces enjoy this summer night. There were many people who came together to make this night happen. Thank you to Men's Club for barbecuing, and thank you to the Sisterhood for their yummy side dishes, drinks, and desserts. Also, thank you to Suzanne Mahler and her band Revolving Doors for sharing their music with us. I am also grateful to Mike, Amy, and Eli Mittelman for helping with Social Media education. Thank you to Sandy Miller, the Schneider's, the Knechts, Rossmans, Mahlers, Alan Mann, and the Suttons for helping with set-up and clean-up. Lastly, thank you to the rabbi and cantor for a wonderful Havdalah service.

Don't forget to follow CBE on Facebook and Instagram. If you have any recent CBE photos or upcoming events, please send them my way. I'd love to share them with our social media community.

I look forward to seeing everyone at High Holidays. Have a healthy and happy new year.

Warmly,

Frieda Bahr
VP of Membership

Dedication of the Fineberg Family Library

Left: Carole Fineberg and Meridith Patena
Right: Rabbi leads dedication ceremony
Oneg Sponsors

Thank you to Les & Daryl Sutton for the weekly challahs. Delish!

June 23, 2017
Michael & Marilyn Hollander in honor of Michael’s birthday
Zoe Venuhizen in memory of Dena Daniella Yaskiel
Alan Mann in honor of Linda’s birthday
The Richmond Family in honor of Ryan & Natalie’s 18th anniversary
Marty Richter in memory of Abe Richter
Rabbi Michele in honor of the birthdays of Shimon & Carol Paskow

June 30, 2017
The Brandler Family in memory of Florence Cricco & Barbara Primus
Cantor Michael & Merle Russ in honor of their 44th anniversary

July 7, 2017
The Mittelman Family in honor of Granddaughter Allison’s first birthday
Meridith Patera in memory of Sharon Mahler
Ivy Giles in memory of Lawrence Chusid

July 14, 2017
Rabbi Shimon & Carol Paskow in honor of their 55th anniversary
The Brandler Family in memory of Sharon Mahler
Maxine Seidel in honor of her mother-in-law’s 90th birthday
Lynne Selbst in memory of Irys Schneider

July 21, 2017
Carol Rosado in memory of Earl & his brother, Glen, who passed away Tuesday
Mount Sinai Memorial Parks, Eric Frank & Josh T. Ryan, Representatives

July 28, 2017
The Venuhizen Family in memory of Corrie Venuhizen & in memory of Sharon Mahler
Alan & Linda Mann in memory of Harold Mann & Angela Mann
Ronnie Sacks in memory of Ruth Sacks
The Patera Family in honor of Sam’s birthday

Aug. 4, 2017
Carole Fineberg in memory of Rick Fineberg & in honor of her grandchildren Harry & Max
Valerie Singh in honor of her birthday
Laurie Crites, Shanon Crites & Allyn Rifkin in memory of Marcia Rifkin

Aug. 11, 2017
Sharlene Pass in honor of "A Very Special Day for Her"
Lois Friedman in honor of Steve’s birthday
Meridith Patera in honor of Max’s 30th birthday
The Melnick Family in honor of Stan & Sandy’s 55th anniversary

Sisterhood Simchas - July

RuthAnn Rossman: Maxine, thanks for planning such a nice evening. Congratulations to over 10 devoted women of CBE who attended Area Day and 4 who attended Six Point Camp on Saturday.

Ronnie Sacks: Happy Birthday to my daughters, Shoshanna and Tiffany. Happy Anniversary to Barbara and Gordon.

Cathy Holst: In honor of my grandchildren who are together this summer with lots of fun and joy; Michael, Benjamin, Matthew, and Allison.

August

Lynn Salberg: To my wonderful sister-in-law, Jill Katell. I hope you have an amazing birthday.

Ronnie Sacks: Thank you Dawn Ringer, for sharing your thoughts with us. It was really meaningful!
Happy Birthday to my granddaughters: Tiffany, Shoshanna, and Shavia.

Cathy Holst: Thank you to Sisterhood Program Co-VPs, Jill Katell and Tracie Breiter, for the interesting lecture from Dawn Ringer on “Accepting Change.”

Suzanne Epstein: Wishing Jody well as she starts her new job with the Santa Maria Humane Society.
Wishing Bennett and Jackson a great new school year as they begin the 7th and 3rd grades.

(Oneg Sponsors continued)

Aug. 18, 2017
Judy & Eliot Epstein in honor of Matthew’s 27th birthday
Shelah Harris in honor of the Fineberg Family

RuthAnn & Steve Rossman in honor of Gabriel Rossman’s 40th birthday
The Tepfer Family in memory of Eric Tepfer
The Mutal Family in memory of Katherine Diana Mutal

Aug. 25, 2017
Meridith Patera in memory of Harry Shaw and in honor of Bennett’s birthday
Steve & Holly York in honor of their 32nd anniversary
The Smith Family in honor of Megan’s birthday
**Join us for Tashlich* and Shofar Blowing!**

On Rosh Hashanah afternoon  
Thursday Sept. 21st, 4:30 pm  
Bring a shofar (if you have one) and some bread crumbs to toss in the water.

Rancho Simi Park  
1765 Royal Ave – at the Duck Pond

*Tashlich means to cast away. It is a symbolic ceremony to cast off the sins of the old year as we usher in the new one.

Apples & honey will be provided.

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**SUKKOT AT CBE**

SUKKOT & SHABBAT CELEBRATION  
Friday Oct. 6th  
6 pm potluck dinner in the Sukkah, 7 pm service

SIMCHAT TORAH  
Friday, October 13, 7 pm  
Dance with the Torah as we start the cycle from the Beginning!

Monday Oct. 9th - 5:30-7:30 pm  
Light dinner, say the prayers for the lulav and etrog, adult learning, crafts for children  
All ages welcome; RSVP to the Temple office

Sponsored by the NJOP- National Jewish Outreach Program.

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**Having Fun and Raising Money for CBE**

Bowling Night and Poker Event

Everyone had a good time

Debbie Knecht is a winner
HANUKKAH BOUTIQUE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12
9 AM - 3 PM

AT CONGREGATION B’NAI EMET
9 WEST BONITA DRIVE
(W. OF MADERA, S. OF LA AVE.)
SIMI VALLEY, CA

FEATURING JUDAICA AND OTHER ITEMS - GIFTS, JEWELRY, TOYS, CLOTHING, FOOD, HOUSEWARES, ART & MORE!

BAKE SALE - BREAKFAST - LUNCH

For vendor & other info, go to
http://congregationbnaitemet.org/vendor%20call%202017.pdf
or contact Meridith at mspatera@earthlink.net
Let’s Celebrate - Mazel Tov!

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### Anniversaries

| Sep 4  | Eric and Erica Weiner | 5th |
| Sep 9  | Alan and Linda Mann   | 10th|
| Sep 12 | Steve and RuthAnn Rossman | 46th|
| Sep 29 | Maxine Seidel & Thomas Sumner | 5th|
| Oct 7  | Eric and Michelle Levine | 16th|
| Oct 11 | Todd and Lindy Schneider | 36th|
| Oct 12 | Jerry and Marla Bergmann | 37th|
| Oct 12 | Tom and Connie Cleantis | 3rd |
| Oct 12 | Emily and Kristopher Doepking | 15th |
| Oct 18 | Wayne and Shari Schultz | 42nd|
| Oct 20 | Mitchell and Lynn Salberg | 32nd|
| Oct 24 | Michael Mutual & Julie Bienenfeld | 18th|
| Oct 24 | Les and Daryl Sutton | 41st |
| Oct 26 | Seymour and Rochelle Botan | 42nd|

### Religious School Calendar

**SEPTEMBER**

- **10** - SUNDAY SCHOOL – SESSION #1
- **11** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL – SESSION #1
- **17** - SUNDAY SCHOOL – SESSION #2
- **18** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #2
- **24** - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #3
- **25** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #3

**OCTOBER**

- **1** - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #4
- **2** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #4
- **8** - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #5
- **9** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #5
- **15** - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #6
- **16** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #6
- **22** - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #7
- **23** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #7
- **29** - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #8
- **30** - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #8

**STUDENT-LED SERVICES**

- Sept. 8: 7 pm - Back to Shul Night - w/Israeli dancing
- Oct. 13: 7 pm - Consecration - Simchat Torah

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

Identify yourself as a CBE member and receive all the details. There is no obligation.

Future club meetings
When: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month!
Time: 7:15PM
Where: Congregation B’nai Emet
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“Minyan Masters” is a new Toastmasters group forming on Wednesday evenings in Simi Valley. This will be a Jewish-based group, helping people build their communication and leadership skills, while at the same time allowing to explore their spirituality, or discuss topics related to Jewish life, history and culture.

No previous experience necessary; no religious affiliation required; everyone welcome!

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For more information contact:
Alan Mann, DTM alammann60@att.net
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Yahrzeits

Sep 1  Benjamin Wiseman  Elul 10
Sep 2  Iris Tuber  Elul 11
Sep 4  Sheri Enright
Sep 5  Jean Epstein
Sep 6  George Ribstein
Sep 6  I.G. “Rik” Richter  Elul 15
Sep 7  Sarah Kaufman  Elul 16
Sep 7  Solomon Sussman  Elul 16
Sep 8  Ada Scheinert  Elul 17
Sep 9  Harry Bercow  Elul 18
Sep 9  Harold Ducker
Sep 9  Tim Wolff  Elul 18
Sep 10  Oscar Bromberger
Sep 10  Rose Fleischmann  Elul 19
Sep 11  Barbara Rosen  Elul 20
Sep 12  Dixie Cohen  Elul 21
Sep 12  Lynn Marlow  Elul 21
Sep 12  J.G. Neugroschl
Sep 13  Rudolph Edelstein
Sep 13  Gerhard Heimann  Elul 22
Sep 13  Donald J. Schwartz  Elul 22
Sep 14  Armin Hollander  Elul 23
Sep 15  Joseph Melnick  Elul 24
Sep 15  Faina Vineberg  Elul 24
Sep 18  Philip Landau  Elul 27
Sep 18  Herman Leon  Elul 27
Sep 18  Sandford Scharf
Sep 18  Anne Sussman  Elul 27
Sep 19  Annette Beezy  Elul 28
Sep 19  Evelyn Levin  Elul 28
Sep 19  Selma Wolffman  Elul 28
Sep 20  Hyman Chatt  Elul 29
Sep 20  Elsa Fleischmann  Elul 29
Sep 20  Audrey Gramowitz
Sep 20  David McMoyle  Elul 29
Sep 20  Meyer Rabinik  Elul 29
Sep 21  Cathy Mittelman  Tishrei 1
Sep 23  Jennie Sylvia Lindenbaum  Tishrei 3
Sep 23  Douglas A. Millings  Tishrei 3
Sep 24  Raquel Goldstein  Tishrei 4
Sep 24  Sylvia Selbst  Tishrei 4
Sep 24  Eileen Stern  Tishrei 4
Sep 26  Ann Schneider  Tishrei 6
Sep 27  Paul Charton  Tishrei 7
Sep 27  Louis Karoff  Tishrei 7
Sep 27  Gerri Katz  Tishrei 7
Sep 27  Mayer Yaskiel  Tishrei 7
Sep 28  Morris Feldman  Tishrei 8
Sep 28  Karel Venhuizen  Tishrei 8
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Oct 20  Edythe Anita Friedman  Tishrei 30
Oct 20  Miriam Landau  Tishrei 30
Oct 21  Marian Karoff  Heshvan 1
Oct 21  Frances Weiss  Heshvan 1
Oct 22  Hilda Mazin
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Oct 24  Sam Farkas  Heshvan 4
Oct 25  Regina Rachel Mann  Heshvan 5
Oct 26  Joel Ribstein
Oct 26  Betty Yager  Heshvan 6
Oct 26  Gerald Jerome York  Heshvan 6
Oct 27  Saul Kaufman  Heshvan 7
Oct 27  Reuben Lewis Mazin
Oct 28  Helene Bromberger
Oct 28  Hermann Bromberger
Oct 28  Samuel Bromberger
Oct 29  Shoshanah Copelof  Heshvan 9
Oct 29  Daniel C. Gilson  Heshvan 9
Oct 29  Jodi Jawitz  Heshvan 9
Oct 30  Thomas Farago  Heshvan 10
Oct 30  Gabriel Seidel  Heshvan 10
Oct 31  Rose Bercow  Heshvan 11
Oct 31  Lewis Howard  Heshvan 11
Oct 31  Jack Nadler  Heshvan 11
Oct 31  Muriel “Cookie” Stern
Oct 31  Nedra Trachtenberg  Heshvan 11

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’na’i 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:

Bruce Mahler on the passing of his wife Sharon Mahler, aunt of Suzanne (Andrew) Mahler. Sharon was a longtime Sisterhood member and supporter.

Joan Bernstein on the passing of her partner and dear friend, Andy Marder. Andy’s father Irving Marder also recently passed away at the age of 96, leaving his wife Arlene, son Jonathon, and three grandchildren.

The family of Harry Shore. Harry was the father of Neil and Erin. He taught for many years in our religious school, was known for his good humor and patience, and he was famous for his performances as a very wicked Human in our Purim pantomimes.

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