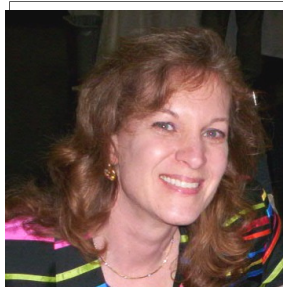


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Rabbi's Message



Dear Friends – Shalom Chaverim,

Jewish humor, besides being funny, usually has some truth to it- that's why it's funny, because it either pokes fun at that truth or describes it humorously. We enjoy laughing at ourselves (in a good way) and at the silly things in life. Here's a good example:

"When I was young, I asked my father, "If you don't believe in God, why do you go to synagogue so regularly?" My father answered, "Jews go to synagogue for all kinds of reasons. My friend Garfinkle, who is Orthodox, goes to talk to God. I go to talk to Garfinkle."

One of the reasons I love this quip is because it can be true. We can come to shul and support our community for all kinds of reasons. Each one of us has a different personality, some serious, some social, some pensive, some deeply devout, some wanting to help the community. To me all of these are good reasons to come to shul! There are many different ways to be involved, from weekly Shabbat services, to Sisterhood and Men's club, to Havurah, social action, adult education and even gardening (yes, we need you!!!) I hope you'll make CBE a priority for you and your family this year.

I just came across an article that states:

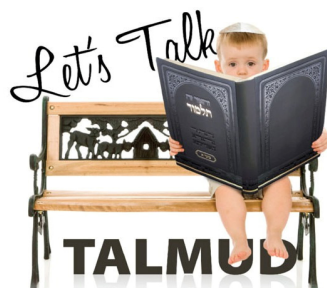
"Churchgoing people (for our purposes- *shul*-going) tend to be happier and more satisfied than their non-religious peers – but why? A new survey finds that the key to their sanguine disposition may have more to do with friends than faith. People who attend religious services and have rich networks of church-based friends reported more life satisfaction than those who go to church but have few or no friends in the congregation." (Time 12/20/10)

As we start the year anew, why not put weekly Shabbat services on your calendar and also make an effort to make some new friends at the synagogue. Being involved in our community is deeply rewarding and uplifting in many ways. Many have told me that they look forward to Shabbat services each week and enjoy the camaraderie that being involved brings.

Now that the building is officially ours, THERE ARE NO MORE EXCUSES!!!

Shalom and Be Well!

Rabbi Michele ("Michal") Paskow



THE TALMUD TEACHES...

By ten things is the world created,
by wisdom and understanding,
and by reason and by strength,
by rebuke and by might,
by righteousness and by judgment,
by lovingkindness and
by compassion.

Hagiga 12A

President's Message by Michael Hollander

WE DID IT! In the last newsletter, I told you that our escrow would close before December 6th. I am happy to report the escrow on our Bonita property closed on Tuesday, November 30th. This occurred just six days after the escrow closed on the Royal/Corto property. We have much to celebrate and lots work ahead of us. Big thanks to the Real Estate Committee which worked very hard for the past 2 ½ years through 12 amendments, dozens of conference calls and hours of angst and frustration. Earl Rosado, Eric Bordo and Michael Mutal led the charge to make this transaction become a reality. With that said, I want to acknowledge the foresight and diligent work of the Jewish Life Center Board members. Their dreams brought about the Royal/Corto land donation exactly 12 years ago to the day from when we sold it to the developer, Community Dynamics. In 1998, the immediate needs of our Preschool and the persistence of temple members Carole Fineberg and Nancy Micon persuaded KB Homes to donate the 4.74 acres to Congregation B'nai Emet. Shortly after, the Jewish Life Center was born with the hope of building a Jewish community center for Eastern Ventura County and home for CBE. Well, the specific dream was not meant to be, but the generosity of many and the steadfastness of the JLC Board allowed us to use this investment for a permanent home for Congregation B'nai Emet, and hopefully soon, our Preschool.

Now that we have our home, it needs on-going love and support. The buildings on the property are at least 45 years old and require some modest repairs to keep them functional and safe. Our plan is to do the required maintenance over the next couple of months, particularly on the school building. Currently, it is rented by a Montessori Preschool and we want to keep our tenant happy and the children safe. Since it will be a few years until we can raise the funds for construction of a facility big enough to house our own Preschool, we are happy to have our tenant remain on the property.

A quick thank you to those who put on the wonderful Hanukkah party and New Year's Eve celebration last month. Everyone who attended had a great time and we all look forward to many more *simchas* in the future.

We have an exciting future ahead, so make sure you get involved and help us continue to fulfill our dreams. See you in Temple and welcome to your new home.

Michael A. Hollander

President

The minutes of CBE Board meetings are available to all members in the Temple office.

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Executive VP's Message

Happy New Year. The year ended with exciting news. I want to congratulate Congregation B'nai Emet on the closing of escrow and finally having a permanent place we can call home. Now that we own the Bonita location we have new responsibilities. The landscape committee has been busy trying to keep up with the growth of weeds as a result of all the rain. I have been working on fixing the lights that were not working in the temple. I think everything is working now. Home improvement expert Earl Rosado has a list of major repair projects that need to be done as soon as possible for both the Temple and Montessori. Earl has been getting bids on doing the repairs. During the next few months you will see some of the repairs. This is going to be an exciting 2011 for Congregation B'nai Emet.

Mitchell Salberg

Executive Vice President

THANK YOU TO THESE SPONSORS WHO PURCHASED ADS IN THE CBE HANUKKAH PARTY PROGRAM:

The Women of CBE
The Weinstein Family
The Knecht Family
Rabbi Michele Paskow
The Rossman Family
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Michael's Flowers – Michael Mutal
CBE Men's Club
Grinder Deli, Moorpark

To celebrate **Tu BiShevat** you can have trees planted in Israel through the Jewish National Fund [(800) 542-TREE], you can plant your own spring garden, you can also renew your efforts toward ecology and environmentalism, or make a contribution to our own Temple for our future garden at our permanent site. In recent years having a Tu BiShevat Seder to eat different fruits and celebrate the beauty and cycles of nature has also become very popular. Of course, we will be doing special projects with the students during Religious School.

The minor holiday of Tu BiShevat symbolizes more than just a birthday, or an Arbor Day. Trees signify growth, renewal and the continuity of life. In fact, the Torah itself is compared to a Tree of Life. At this start of the New Year and a new cycle of nature, may we renew our commitment to Torah, to our beautiful Jewish traditions, and to our own lives. **HAPPY TU BISHEVAT!**

"Bulletin Bytes"

Thank you to **Jennifer Rosenstein**, her mother **Marcia** and sister **Tracy** for making all of the latkes for the Hanukkah party!!! Wow! Thank you also to **Sandy Leon** and **RuthAnn Rossman** for helping Jennifer to organize the Temple Hanukkah party and putting together all of the gift baskets for the auctions.

Yasher Koach to **Meridith Patera** for writing this year's magnificent Hanukkah productions *Hanukkah Night Football* and *Once Upon A Hanukkah*. The actors and musicians (all part of the CBE family) were superb! Thank you to everyone!!!

A POEM FOR TU BISHEVAT:

*This year Tu Bishevat, the New Year for
Trees will be celebrated on January 20th.
I hope you will plant some trees in Israel
in honor of the holiday and also to help
replenish the Carmel forest after the
recent terrible fire in November.*



THE MAN WHO PLANTS A TREE

by Richard J. Dorer

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

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

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

Membership

A New Year...A Quest for New Members Continues.

Here it is January 2011, and we begin a new year with thoughts about things we resolve to change, or something we would like to accomplish for the first time.

In December, CBE accomplished something we had dreamed about for a very long time. We wanted a home that would give us a sense of permanence and pride. And now, with determination and devotion, we have it. Now that we have the building, what now? Do we rest on our laurels and bask in a euphoric state for years to come? No, being the determined group we have become, we look forward. Until we bring our religious school and preschool onto the property we now occupy, we will be incomplete.

Your membership with CBE continues to be the mainstay of the success and future growth of our temple. In order to provide the services and activities our congregants desire, we must continue to grow our membership base. If you have a friend, co-worker, or neighbor who has expressed interest in coming to services, expanding their knowledge of Judaism, and/or joining a temple, please encourage them to go to our website www.congregationbnaiemet.org, or call the temple office at 805 581-3723. Better yet, invite him/her to join you at our next Shabbat service or temple event, so that they can experience the warmth and friendliness of our temple family. During the month of January, we are offering pro-rated membership/religious school fees good through August, 2011. *If you are already a member, you will be eligible for a credit of \$100 towards your 2011-2012 membership fees, once your referral has completed registration.*

Best wishes for a Healthy, Happy and Fulfilling New Year!

Shelly Botan
VP Membership



Welcome to New Members

Brett and Michael Moss and Family
Gabrielle, Sara, Joshua and Hanna

Men's Club

The Men's Club was instrumental in helping out at the Hanukkah boutique by removing the pews so that the vendors could sell their products, and after the boutique was over putting the pews back for the Gathering Place to meet. That same weekend we also were the readers at the services.

In December the Men's Club was in charge of the Feed the Needy program on Christmas Day.

Some of our upcoming events are the Purim Carnival, a car rally, a fund raiser at a local restaurant, movie night (maybe the movie our own Mitch Salberg is in!), and helping out wherever we are needed around our temple.

If you have any questions about any of our activities or want to become a member please contact me at: mmmutal@gmail.com or 805-527-9104(work #).

Programs

We had a very successful Hanukkah party on December 5th at Valley View Middle School. There was great attendance, magnificent entertainment, and delicious food. Thanks to all who helped make it possible. Thanks to Sandra Leon, Ruth Ann Rossman, Rabbi Michele, and all who helped with all the serving, the set-up and the clean-up. Thank you to all who donated desserts, and all those who schlepped stuff to and from the temple. A special thanks to the creative talents and energies of Meridith Patera and Irwin Cohen, as well as the adult players and the religious school students who performed. Bravo!

Keep your eyes open for our next event, a community Seder in April.

Jen Rosenstein
VP Programs

ADULT EDUCATION

ADVANCED BEGINNING HEBREW will be taught by Rabbi Michele on Sunday mornings beginning Jan. 23rd. The class will be a 10-session course taught at North Campus (religious school site) from 11-12. Knowledge of the Hebrew alphabet and basic reading is necessary; this class will help students continue reading and learn basic prayers. Fees for textbook and materials will be announced.

THE WHOLE MEGILLA taught by School Administrator Meridith Patera. Five Mondays starting Jan. 24, 7:35 - 8:45 PM at CBE. See details on page 13.



SHEMA - LISTEN by Cantor Michael Russ

There is a story about this 91-year-old man, who goes to the doctor for a check up. A few days later the doctor sees the man walking down the street with a 30-year-old woman, walking arm in arm.

The man says to the doctor, “Well, I took your advice.”

The doctor said, “Oh my! What did I say?!”

The elderly man answered, “You said, ‘find a hot mama and be cheerful.’ ”

The doctor replied, “No! What I said was, ‘you have a heart murmur, and be careful!’ ”

I told this story at the Thanksgiving interfaith service in November. I guess I didn’t make my point clear, so here it is. Listening is at least as important as speaking if not more so. Usually when people get into an argument, what we say seems much more important than what we hear. We can be so wrapped up in the points we are making that we are unable to listen to the other side.

Moses went to Pharaoh and warned him over and over again what would happen if the Pharaoh refused to let the Hebrews leave Egypt. Each time the Pharaoh did not listen clearly. Each time Pharaoh’s heart hardened and he refused.

As Moses spoke to the Hebrew people, telling them that God would lead them from slavery in Egypt to freedom in Israel (then Canaan), the Hebrews could only speak of their fears and concerns. It was easier to talk of their fear than to listen to God’s promise.

When the Hebrews stood at the edge of the sea and they saw the Egyptians coming, they said, “What?, . . . There are no graves in Egypt, you had to take us into the desert to die? We already told you in Egypt, leave us alone and we will serve the Egyptians, for it is better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.” They just couldn’t hear what Moses was telling them and they couldn’t even remember God’s miracles which they witnessed themselves because they were too busy talking of their fears to be able to listen.

The most important prayer in all of our liturgy starts with the word “LISTEN”. “LISTEN ISRAEL, ADONAY IS OUR GOD, ADONAY IS ONE.”

When we get involved in organizations, there is always politics. In our cities, counties, states and nation there is politics. Often times, people are too busy talking and sometimes too busy arguing that we have a tough time listening. What is it the other person is saying and why? What point are they trying to make?

I remember an incident, which took place years ago. I was having an argument with someone and in the midst of the argument I suddenly realized I was wrong. However, I was so upset it was impossible for me to admit it. I told the other person I had to stop for a moment. I needed time to calm myself down so I could tell this person that I realized I was wrong and she was right . . . and, of course to apologize.

May we continue to learn to listen. May we learn to better listen to others and hear what they have to say. May we read the prayers in the prayer books and listen to what the words given us are trying to say. May we study our heritage, our Bible, our Judaism, and listen to our Rabbis , so that we might open our minds and listen to their wisdom and make it a part of our lives. After all, . . . it could be important for our health!



Membership VP Shelly Botan welcomes new temple members.



New CBE members receive a blessing.



New member Sarah Machlin-Sly signs a prayer at the service welcoming new members



Festive oneg for Hanukkah & welcoming new members.

Sisterhood Simchas

November 2010 Simchas

Cathy Holst: Happy Birthday Jonathan on your 11th birthday.
Auntie Cathy

Penny Neugroschl: Thank you to Geri for the wonderful job she does as president. In honor of my daughter Cindy and Marshall's 25th Anniversary.

Tami Plotkin: I am so thankful that Eliana doesn't need surgery to repair her broken knee. I am relieved that we're over 33% done with Ellie's casting period (two weeks out of 6)

Carla Shaw: I am so grateful for all of my sisters in Sisterhood.

Jill Katell: Happy 22nd Anniversary to Gabe and ME on November 11.

Ronnve Sacks: Happy 60th Birthday to my brother in-law Gordon. Happy Anniversary Hillary and Michael. Happy Birthday to my grandson Steven and great nephew Mason. Thanks to all the wonderful women of our sisterhood for sharing their stories.

Cheryl Hirsch: In honor of my cousin Vella Bass 96th birthday. In honor of Meridith Patera for the wonderful and inspirational Shabbat Service in October. Happy Thanksgiving to all the Women of CBE Sisterhood. Happy Anniversary to Gabe and Jill Katell.

December 2010 Simchas

Carole Picker: I want to thank Geri for the Hanukkah party. Get well to Lynne Kelly with a speedy recovery. Get well to my daughter, Francine, on her surgery in December. Thanks Bobbie for being so wonderful.

Valerie Singh: Thanks to Geri, our hostess, for opening her home to us. Happy Anniversary to my husband for many years of marriage.

Meridith Patera: Thanks, Geri Brandler, and Phyllis Crugnale, for the Sisterhood Hanukkah party. Congratulations to all the adults who participated in the play. Congratulations to the kids who participated, too. Best get well wishes to Lynne Kelly and Deborah Bass. Congratulations to Jennifer Rosenstein for the Hanukkah party.

Bobbie Sion: Thank you, Geri, for hosting the sisterhood Hanukkah party. Congratulations to Ariella for being hired permanently by Technicolor. Congratulations to Jessie on her promotion at ABC. Congratulations to Mike on his permanent job, too. Happy 32nd anniversary to Miko! And here's to you, Jackie,...just because I love you!

Barb Poehls: Thank you, Geri. Good Luck, Lynne. I am rooting for you!

Judy Epstein: To Lynne Kelly - Wishing you a speedy recovery. Wishing Carole Picker's daughter, Francine, a speedy recovery. Thank you, Geri, for opening up your lovely home to us for the Hanukkah party.

Marion Leon Doten: In honor of my mother, Dorothy Leon, on the first year yahrzeit.

Ruth Ann Rossman: A quick and full recovery for Lynne Kelly. Congratulations to all the actors in both plays, which were terrific. Thank you, Jennifer, for organizing a great CBE Hanukkah party. Thank you, Geri, for sharing your home for the sisterhood Hanukkah party. Thank you, Alice, for always acting for the good of the temple and sisterhood. Your hard work on the Macys fundraiser was commendable.

Carla Shaw: Thanks to Geri for having us here, and by the way, it was my idea to have it at your house.

Ronnve Sacks: Thanks to Phyllis and Meridith for planning our lovely Hanukkah party. Thanks, Geri, for stepping in and inviting us into your home. Congratulations to my nephew and his wife on expecting their first child. All good thoughts to Lynne Kelly for a complete recovery.

Janine Enright: Thank you to Geri for hosting the sisterhood Hanukkah party! Thank you for a wonderful first sisterhood party. I'm happy to be a part of the group!

Phyllis Crugnale: Thank you to Dawn Ringer for being my wonderful daughter. Thanks for a wonderful Hanukkah party.

Tami Plotkin: I am thrilled my Eliana has her cast off and is doing better. Wishing Lynne Kelly and Deborah Bass a complete return to good health. Thanks to the author and cast of our play. Thanks to Geri for your house.

Alice Fiducia: Happy to have such wonderful CBE sisters. Thanks to Geri for having our wonderful party at her house. Happy New Year to All!

Penny Neugroschl: Thanks to Phyllis for handling the food for the party. Thanks to Geri for hosting our party. Best wishes for Francine's recovery. Feel better to my daughter-in-law, Sue.

Cheryl Hirsch: Thank you Geri for opening your house for our Hanukkah party. Happy 12th birthday to my great niece Alex. Happy Hanukkah and healthy New Year to CBE sisterhood. Get well and best wishes to Lynne Kelly. Healthy and speedy recovery to Francine DeFazio. Mazel Tov to "CBE" on its official ownership.

Cathy Holst: Thank you Meridith, cast, and Erwin for a wonderful CBE Hanukkah show. Get well to Lynne Kelly and Deborah Bass. Congratulations on our CBE synagogue ownership.



Preschool Shabbat, November 5
Nirit Levy leads a Shabbat song

Women of CBE

November and December were two of our busiest months ever! At our November meeting, Kathy Smith hosted as Meridith Patera explained “The Talmud according to the Simpsons”. It was an enjoyable and educational evening with many attending.

Our Hanukkah Boutique was a delight on November 14. We had a lot of new vendors and the buyers were very happy with their lovely purchases. Thanks to Meridith and all the other women who worked so hard to make the Boutique successful.



I hosted the Hanukkah Party in my home on December 7 for a lot of veteran and new members. The gift theme this year seemed to be items for the home. Thanks to Phyllis Crugnale for all her hard work getting the food there.

Among our contributions to the temple, we purchased *gelt* and *dreidels* for all the Religious School students and bought a full page ad in the CBE Hanukkah Party ad book.

At our January meeting we will have a Krav Maga - Israeli martial arts - demonstration and lesson at the temple courtesy of Jeremy & Julie Stafford's Simi Valley Krav Maga. How exciting!

Please check out the flyers elsewhere in this issue or contact me for more information on the way to bring fun and meaning to your life through sisterhood!

Gerri Brandler, President
Women of CBE




Women of CBE

invite you to our next general meeting featuring

KRAV MAGA

**ISRAELI MARTIAL ARTS
Demonstration & lesson
Courtesy of
Jeremy & Julie Stafford's
Simi Valley Krav Maga**

www.SimiValleyKravMaga.com



**Tuesday, January 11, 2011
7 PM
at the temple
9 West Bonita
Simi Valley**

RSVP to Meridith mspatera@earthlink.net
or Phyllis - 805.526.7105

Save the Dates

Friday January 28, 2011 – Pot-luck dairy/ vegetarian Shabbat dinner, 6:30 pm.

Sunday January 30 – PET-PARADE! Join us at 12:15 at our Religious School site with Pet Trainer Jody Epstein. Bring your pet and some human food for lunch (pot-luck – no meat). You'll have a chance to introduce your pet and learn new tricks and games for motivation and better behavior. (rain postpones)

Friday February 4 – K-4th graders will sing at the Family Shabbat service.

Friday March 4 – Shabbat Across America & Family Shabbat, 6:00 kiddush and Pot-luck hors d'oeuvres

Friday March 18, - PURIM service, 7 pm. Wear a costume (win a prize!), watch the Purim story pantomimed by the 6th grade students- guest starring Haman, Esther, and King Ahasueros!

Sunday March 20 – Purim carnival



Students from CBE Religious School presented "Hanukkah Night Football" at the temple Hanukkah party on Dec. 5 at Valley View Middle School.



Carla Shaw leads the Religious School students in grades Kindergarten - Fourth in song at the Hanukkah/Shabbat Service.



Temple President Michael Hollander greeted guests at the party



Students present Hanukkah songs



The CBE Adult Players, accompanied by the Alteh Rockers, presented "Once upon a Hanukkah" at the temple Hanukkah party on Dec. 5.



Oneg Sponsors

October 29, 2010

Peppi Lamm in memory of her parents & brothers
RuthAnn Rossman

November 5, 2010

CBE Preschool

November 12, 2010

CBE Men's Club

Gary Spike in honor of the landscapers who are working
this Saturday

The Rosenstein family in honor of Ryan's birthday

Miriam Hintz in memory of Aaron Chusid

Deborah Bass in honor of her birthday

Doris Bass Foster in honor of Deborah's birthday

November 19, 2010

The York family in memory of Gerald York

Gabe & Jill Katell in honor of their 22nd anniversary

Penny Neugroschl in memory of her mother Leona
Edelstein

Michael Mutal in honor of Julie singing with the choir
tonight

November 26, 2010

The Protter family in memory of Ami Brown

Deborah Bass in memory of her grandfather Ben
Herskowitz

The Ribstein family in honor of Ryan's 28th birthday

December 3, 2010

The families of Mrs. Brandler's and Ms. Shaw's religious
school classes

The Nadler family in honor of Rhonda's birthday

Irwin Cohen in memory of Vicki Cohen

Carla Shaw & Geri Brandler in honor of their wonderful
classes

December 10

Julie Bienenfeld in honor of Michael's stunning
performance as the emotionally complex
Bob Kaplan in our temple's Hanukkah
play. This sponsorship is being made in
lieu of purchase of a box of matches.

December 17, 2010

Ronnye Sacks in memory of Steven Sacks & Florence
Howard

December 24, 2010

Valerie Singh in memory of Leonard Schwartz

Recent Donations

Building Fund

Ronnye Sacks – in memory of Steven Sacks and Florence
Howard

Mount Sinai Memorial Parks and Mortuary

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

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Mitzvah

Religious School Fund

Greg and Francine Tabak

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David Glazer – in memory of Michael Glazer

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Pichkhadze

Marion Pfefer – in memory of Rose Schwartz

Teresa Picker – in memory of Curtis Picker

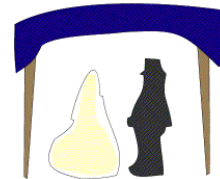
Robert and Tami Finkbeiner – in memory of Joe and
Ruetta Orloff, Fritz Finkbeiner, Benjamin
and Shirley Zimmerman, William Finkbeiner,
Bennie and Nettie Riff, Samuel and Rosa
Zimmerman, Morris Orloff

General Donations

Peter and Jennifer Rosenstein

Jerry Clebanoff – "Best Wishes in the New Year."





Birthdays

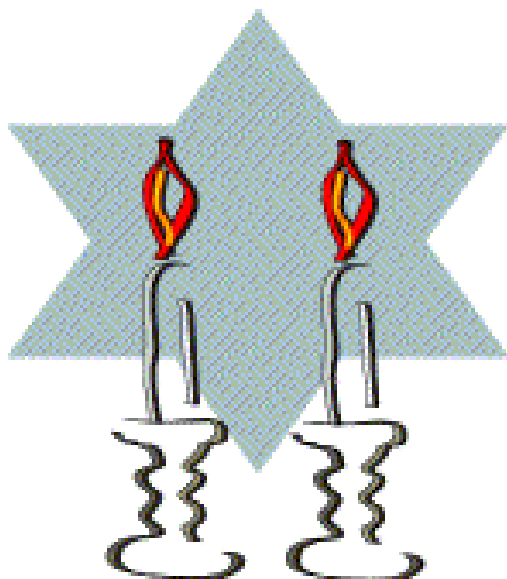
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Jan 03 Jason Nadler
Jan 04 David James Rossman
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Jan 06 Ann Bellenson
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Jan 11 Joyce Forster
Jan 11 Laura Tepfer
Jan 13 Kenneth Bahr
Jan 16 Marilyn Hollander
Jan 16 Joshua Katell
Jan 16 Daniel Avram Sternberg
Jan 18 Aaron Cohen
Jan 18 Jeff Schleien
Jan 20 Evan Gering
Jan 20 Steven Richter
Jan 21 Lucas Cohen
Jan 21 Eric Leon
Jan 23 Alisa Kaminsky

Jan 25 David Samuel Friedman
Jan 27 Anne Levy
Jan 28 Stephen Epstein
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Jan 30 Morgan Horowitz
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Feb 04 Jan Auerbach
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Feb 08 Susan Spike
Feb 09 Jay Schoen
Feb 10 Tyler Wohlner
Feb 11 Lois Friedman
Feb 12 Emily Richmond
Feb 13 Suzanne Epstein
Feb 13 Alex Green
Feb 14 Craig Foster

Feb 14 Lynn Salberg
Feb 19 Eva Bahr
Feb 20 Lindy Schneider
Feb 21 Sandy Fisher
Feb 21 Ronald Schneidereit
Feb 22 Ronald Forster
Feb 23 Lauren Ranelletti
Feb 24 Sara Moss
Feb 26 Laura Luskin
Feb 27 Lillian Knecht
Feb 27 Jack Stafford

Anniversaries

Jan 04 Keith and Lynne Kelly
Jan 04 Al and Nirit Levy
Jan 23 Anthony and Laura Luskin
Jan 25 Michael and Marilyn Hollander



POTLUCK DINNER



Join us on January 28 at 6:30 PM at the temple for a pot-luck dinner. Dinner will be followed by an 8 PM Shabbat service.

Please bring, according to the initial of your last name:

A-K : desserts

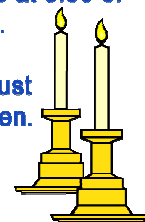
L-P : salads and side dishes

R--Z: main dish

Please bring enough to serve 8.

Please let us know if you can help set-up at 5:30 or help with the clean-up at 7:30.

Please remember, everything must be parve or dairy, no meat/chicken.



Please RSVP to jenrosenstein@sbcglobal.net or call (805) 581-3723.

Yahrzeits

Jan 01	Max Rabin	Tevet 25	Feb 01	Alex Edward Mann	Shevat 27
Jan 01	Paul Sytten	Tevet 25	Feb 02	"Harold ""Heshy"" Grossman"	
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Call Michael Hollander with any questions regarding Yahrzeit data.

Thank you.

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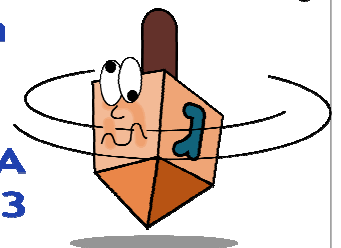
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Jan. 7/3 Sh'vat	4:43 PM	Family Service 7 PM	Bo—Ex. 10:1-13:16
Jan. 14/10 Sh'vat	4:49 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Beshalach—Ex. 13:17-17:16
15 of Sh'vat		Tu B'Shvat	
Jan. 21/17 Sh'vat	4:56 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Yitro—Ex. 18:1-20:23
Jan. 28/24 Sh'vat	5:03 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Mishpatim—Ex. 21:1-24:18
Feb. 4/1 Adar I	5:10 PM	Family Service 7 PM	Terumah—Ex. 25:1-27:19
Feb. 11/8 Adar I	5:17 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Tetzaveh—Ex. 27:20-30:10
Feb. 18/15 Adar I	5:23 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Ki Tisa—Ex. 30:11-34:35
Feb. 25/22 Adar I	5:29 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Vayakhel—Ex. 35:1-38:20

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