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Dear Friends – Shalom Chaverim,

I hope you are having a joyous Hanukkah with family and friends. As we now end our calendar year and begin 2022, I want to share this beautiful rendering of the Aleinu prayer, for inspiration:



This poem/prayer is a modern interpretation, but it reflects an ancient tradition. 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 loving-kindness and
by compassion.

~Hagiga 12a

Hallowing

*It is up to us
to hallow Creation,
to respond to Life
with the fullness of our lives.
It is up to us
to meet the World,
to embrace the Whole
even as we wrestle
with its parts.
It is up to us
to repair the World
and to bind our lives to Truth.
So shake off the stiffness that keeps you
from the subtle
graces of Life
and the supple
gestures of Love.
With reverence
and thanksgiving
accept your destiny
and set for yourself
the task of redemption.*

~Rabbi Rami Shapiro

The Talmudic Rabbis saw these as attributes and abilities of God, but we, too, can live them as a way to create the world we wish to see.

I'd like to invite you to get involved at CBE. There are so many ways to do it: come back to shul for services when we're in the Temple each month; lead a prayer or give a Shabbat morning Devar Torah; help with a program or fundraising activity; join the choir; volunteer to help with Religious School; and many, many more. For a small congregation, we do a lot, and we would love to have even more people get involved! I promise, you will be rewarded with warm friendships and a deep sense of purpose and meaning. Plus, you will be working toward answering the noble challenges of the beautiful teachings above. I look forward to seeing each of you, on Zoom or in person, at our upcoming events.

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Minutes of CBE board meetings are available upon request.

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And speaking of getting involved...Do you have a Hebrew name? Do you remember it? If you'd like a Hebrew name, now is the time! We'll be starting the second book of the Torah, Exodus, with parsha "Shemot" ("Names"), toward the end of December, so now is an appropriate time to get an official Hebrew name if you don't have one. Please let me know, and I will help you pick out a beautiful name!

Shalom and be well!
Rabbi Michele ("Michal"!) Paskow

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Presidential Ponderings



Shalom CBE Family and Friends,

This is the time when most of us reflect on the events of the past year and what may be in store for next year. To say we have returned to normalcy is not even close. COVID-19, Year

Two, has been as disruptive to our daily lives as COVID-19, Year One. Who would have ever thought that a tiny, little, microscopic organism could play such havoc with our lives and the world around us in this, the 21st Century?

In spite of the limitations Congregation B'nai Emet has had to endure, we have continued to be a viable representative of the local Jewish Community. Although not running at 100% capacity, the Temple has been able to resume some live activities, albeit limiting the number of attendees, and requiring masks and vaccinations. This was true for the lovely High Holy Days services at Mt. Sinai, and for some Friday and Saturday morning Shabbat services in our own sanctuary. We also slipped in three Shabbat Under the Stars services on our beautiful patio. We did build our Sukkah once again. Families enjoyed participating with individual meals instead of sharing pot luck style. For those who were unable to attend live services, or were simply not comfortable with in-person gatherings, we raised over \$10,000 through our "Buy A Cam" campaign, organized by VP of Fundraising Brian Marcus. This allowed us to purchase the equipment necessary to simultaneously provide participatory Zoom access to all the live events mentioned above. All the accolades for getting (and keeping) everything up and running go to our Dream Team, our very own "Geek" squad: Steve Rossman, Max Patera, Ken Bahr, and Michael Hollander.

What we have *not* been able to do is hold live fundraising events: wine tasting and charcuterie, a talent show where members strut their stuff, a New Year's Eve banquet with silent auctions, and movie days with popcorn and drinks. I know we are all looking forward to a return to the "old" days, when we can feel comfortable in groups, not wearing masks, and not worrying about current and future variants of COVID.

Even with the uncertainty of not knowing when we will be able to resume live fundraisers, our financial committee has succeeded in staying within the confines of our very conservative budget. Over the past two years, we have weathered fairly well financially, keeping fine watch on our income versus expenses. Thanks to good, solid financial planning, we have met our fiduciary responsibilities.

As we come to the close of this year, some of our senior members, aged 70½, will be required to take an RMD, a Required Minimum Distribution from their traditional IRAs or other retirement accounts. Please consider making a direct distribution from your brokerage or bank account to CBE. There are two benefits to this type of withdrawal from your account. Benefit (1), you will not be taxed on your withdrawal by the Federal government, if your annual distribution is made directly by the custodian of your account to CBE. Benefit (2), CBE will receive a very-much-needed donation. (Note: this distribution does not apply to Roth IRAs or any other Roth retirement accounts.)

For you youngsters less than age 70½, if you feel you are financially fortunate to be able to make a year-end donation to CBE, please, please, please, do so. As you have heard me say so many times, no donation is too small but the bigger the better. May I suggest multiples of Chai: \$18, \$36, \$54, \$72, \$90, \$108...I could go on and on, the sky's the limit, but I am only asking for what is in your comfort zone.

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Women of CBE

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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.

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Hanukkah sameach!

Les A. Sutton, DDS

President, Congregation B'nai Emet

Sisterhood Happenings

The Women of CBE have been keeping busy as usual in the waning months of 2021. We had an in-person visit to Rabbi Michele's lovely sukkah, a delightful membership lunch in October, and in November a Zoom "Get Ready for Hanukkah" program.

We had profitable fundraisers at restaurants like Yolanda's and kept up with the news from the Women of Reform Judaism, our umbrella organization. Our Hanukkah Boutique was back, in-person, and was a big hit with both shoppers and vendors!

In keeping with our tradition of giving, we made generous donations to the temple, including one for re-stripping the parking lot, another providing the religious school with Hanukkah goodies, and additional contributions to CBE Social Action projects and Feed the Needy.

We have monthly programs planned for December and the start of 2022. Flyers on the next page give information on the ones for December, January, and February, and of course you can always check our calendar page for more, at <https://www.cbesimi.org/sisterhood-calendar>.

All women are welcome at our programs, and we need you! Members will be called in January about serving on the Board. Please consider giving some of your time and effort to our worthy endeavors.

We have a weekly email newsletter that goes out on Fridays. If you're not already on the list, please contact Meridith at mspatera@earthlink.net for news, events, articles of interest to Jewish women, and a Sabbath message from WRJ.

In sisterhood,
Meridith Patera
RuthAnn Rossman
Co-Presidents, WCBE

Need a Card? Make it a Donation!

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Women of CBE



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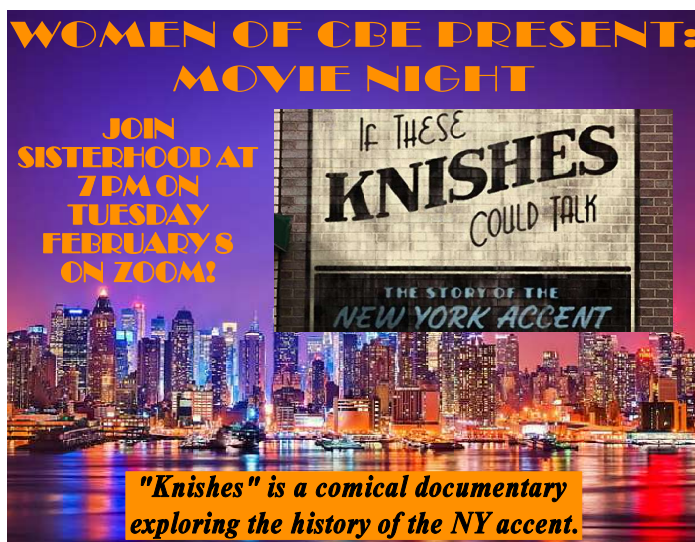
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Sukkot Celebration

The Religious School students made hand-crafted decorations, and harvested fruit from CBE's own orchard, to provide the Temple sukkah with festive flair!



Right: Enrique Fuentes, Abby Berezowski, Ben Bahr, Arielle Sofer, Dante Kritzer, and Eva Bahr.

Left: Paige Esqueda

Below right: Zoey Adams



Below: Rabbi Michele displays the COVID-compliant snacks, while the kids show off their handiwork. From left: Eva Bahr, Ben Bahr, Abby Berezowski, Dante Kritzer, Cody Eglick, Zoey Adams, Enrique and Luis Fuentes, Oren and Arielle Sofer.





Clockwise from top left: Dante Kritzer, Enrique Fuentes, Jacob Esqueda, Cody Eglick





Above: CBE's October mitzvah collection of new and partially-used toiletries for donation to the Samaritan Center had members cleaning out their bathroom cabinets for a worthy cause: providing those in need with the dignity of basic hygiene supplies.

Below: Shay and Paige Esqueda get busy writing their cards to the troops on Mitzvah Day.

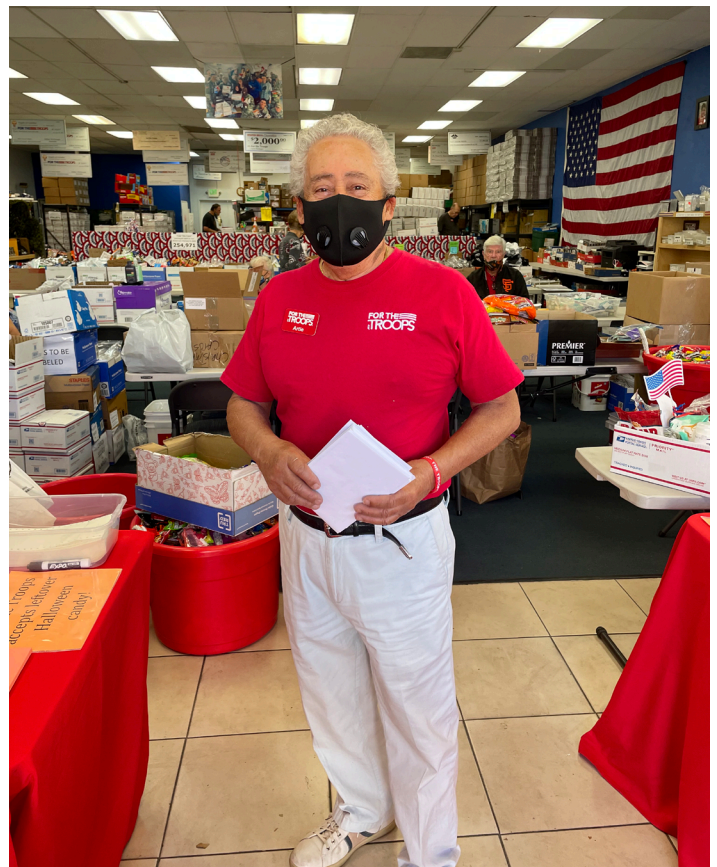


On Mitzvah Day, Sandy Miller (at right coaching Jacob Esqueda) exhorted everyone to write holiday cards to both U.S. and Israeli warfighters, in gratitude for their sacrifices.



Left: Rabbi Michele puts in a few words.

Below: For the Troops receives the greeting cards from Mitzvah Day for U.S. forces. Hanukkah cards were sent to Friends of the IDF for distribution.



High Holy Days



A BIG THANK YOU to the volunteers that helped to make our High Holy Days Services run so smoothly. The following people arrived early and stayed late at Mt. Sinai, and/or assisted remotely with the Zoom Service. Their contributions included assistance with parking; mask distribution; vaccination verification; crowd control; check-in; pledge card and prayer book distribution; schlepping, setup, and strike; and live streaming and photography.

Steve & Ruth Ann Rossman	Michael Mutal
Ken & Frieda Bahr	Cynthia Nath
Geri Brandler	Max Patera
Connie & Joseph Davidhoff	Meridith Patera
Louise & Mel Edelson	Tamara Patera
Judy Epstein	Tami & Ellie Plotkin
Michael Hollander	The Richmond Family
Cathy Holst	Ronnye Sacks
Gabe & Jill Katell	Les Sutton
Isaac Levy	Amy & Brandon
Andrew & Suzanne Mahler	Tellio
Alan Mann	Franklin Tessel
Brian Marcus	Rachel Utiger
Sandy Miller	

Special thanks as always to Women of CBE for providing their impressive oneg spreads, despite the added restrictions and complications this year due to COVID.

Special thanks also to Frieda Bahr, for providing a children's High Holy Days program that proved popular and successful.

If we have left any of our generous volunteers off this list, we apologize profusely! We literally could not have these services if it weren't for the people willing to contribute their time and talents, and we are profoundly grateful to each and every one of you!

Above left: Alice Fiducia and Judy Epstein open the ark.

Above right and right: Steve Rossman, Max Doepping, and President Dr. Les Sutton show off CBE's beautifully dressed Torahs.



Recent Events



Above: Cantor Michael Russ blows the shofar, while Rabbi Michele Paskow calls out the notes.



Above: Emily Doepping, Minnie Anzo-Ackerman, Kathy Smith, Dan and Geri Brandler, Tami Finkbeiner, Eva Bahr and others find places to perch in the plein aire sanctuary space. Hope you're wearing sunscreen, folks!



Right: Max Patera works to troubleshoot sound issues and get the outdoor portion of the service to those Zooming in from home.

CBE was grateful to be able to hold in-person High Holy Days services at Mt. Sinai again this year, while being mindful of ongoing COVID safety measures. Masks were required both indoors and out, and attendees had their vaccine cards checked at the doors. As an extra precaution, the congregation moved outside for the sounding of the shofar—we want to spread the call of the ram's horn, not the virus!



Right: Lauren Ranelletti and Tami Plotkin snag spots in the shade, while Ronnye Sacks and others practice social distancing in the sunshine.

Taschlich



Above: Tami Plotkin, Alice Fiducia, Kathy Smith and granddaughter Sydney, Cathy Holst, and others gather to hear the Rabbi speak.

Right: Eva and Edith Bahr share a sisterly moment. Awww!

COVID couldn't put a damper on the annual Tashlich ceremony, which is always outdoors, but other changes were afoot. The park administration had placed a moratorium on feeding the fowl at the duck pond, due to concerns about nutrition and the harmful buildup of uneaten feed, which can harbor parasites and bacteria. That just meant that Tashlich was even more metaphorical than usual this year, as congregants had to imagine casting their sins on the water, rather than embodying them in grain. Everyone took it in stride, knowing the importance of helping to keep this lovely public space and its inhabitants healthy!



Above: Rabbi Michele Paskow gives her spiel, with a little help from the rabbinical canine. Cantor Michael Russ waits for his cue, iconic shofar at the ready.

Below: A rare glimpse of the industrious Steve Rossman at rest. He deserves it!



Recent Events



Above: Tami Plotkin, Steve Rossman, and Sandy Miller start scrolling, the old-fashioned way!

Below: Judy Epstein, and Rabbi Michele join Tami and Steve at the Torah table.

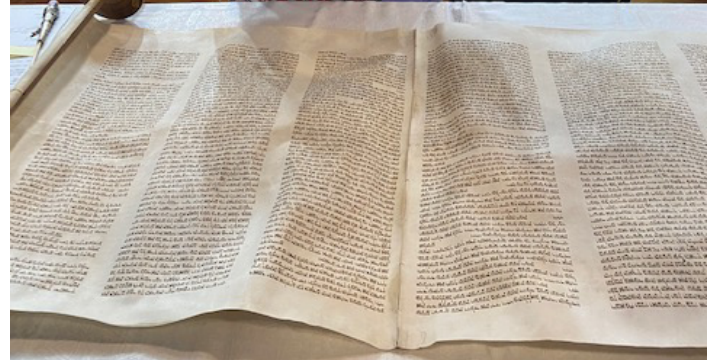
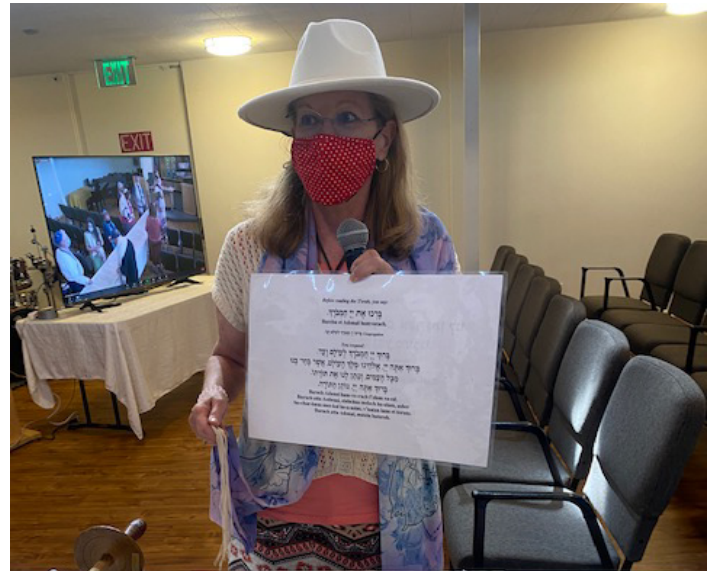
Right: Rabbi Michele holds up the Torah blessings. In the background, the Zoom tech is in use, though not yet installed in its final configuration.

Below right: Merle Russ shows how she rolls.



Shabbat Bereisheet & Simchat Torah

October's First Saturdays in-person Shabbat morning service was dedicated to new beginnings and a celebration of the Torah. CBE's tradition is to "unroll the scroll" in preparation for the re-start of the annual cycle of readings.



Recent Events



Above: Someone wants Merle's attention...

Left: Kaitlyn Richmond poses with a pup...who has spotted something out of frame that's a lot more interesting than the camera!



Shabbark Shalom

CBE's "punny" annual tribute to the animals with whom we share our lives was a big hit with everyone, whether on two legs or four! A discussion of the significance of animals, and their humane treatment, in the Jewish tradition was followed by Havdalah.



Recent Events



From top: Lois Friedman touts the benefits of Mary Kay to Abby Berezowski; Mother and daughter Cynthia Nath and Frieda Bahr team up to take on the gift-wrapping table; Cantor Michael and Merle Russ peruse the offerings.

Hanukkah Boutique

Below: Chaan Gorke, of Angels and Anchors, hosts a customer at her booth; Amy Schneider chats with a fellow vendor; Ben Bahr buys mom a Hanukkah present from The Everyday Eccentric (AKA Tamara Patera).



Upcoming Events

Schedule of Shabbat Services, Candle Lightings, & Torah Portions

All Shabbat services will continue to be available via Zoom. Zoom links are sent out in the CBE Weekly News E-mail on Wednesday, and again on Friday mornings. Whether to hold in-person services on any given date will be determined based on the COVID-19 situation shortly before the event.

Date	Candle Lighting	Service	Torah Portion
12/1 (27 Kislev)	5:13	Hanukkah: 4 Candles	
12/2 (28 Kislev)	5:13	Hanukkah: 5 Candles	
12/3 (29 Kislev)	4:26	First Fridays In-Person Shabbat Service, 7 pm <i>Hanukkah: 6 Candles</i>	Miketz (Genesis 41:1-44:17)
12/4 (30 Kislev)	5:35	First Saturdays In-Person Shabbat Service, 3 pm <i>NOTE special time, for Amanda Rozdial's Bat Mitzvah</i> <i>Hanukkah: 7 Candles</i>	
12/5 (1 Tevet)	5:13	Hanukkah: 8 Candles	
12/10 (6 Tevet)	4:27	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Vayigash (Genesis 44:18-47:27)
12/17 (13 Tevet)	4:29	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Vayechi (Genesis 47:28-50:26)
12/24 (20 Tevet)	4:33	Shabbat Service, 5 pm <i>NOTE special time</i>	Shemot (Exodus 1:1-6:1)
12/31 (27 Tevet)	4:37	Shabbat Service, 5 pm <i>NOTE special time</i>	Vaera (Exodus 6:2-9:35)
1/1 (28 Tevet)		New Year's Day: No Service	
1/7 (5 Sh'vat)	4:43	First Fridays In-Person Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Bo (Exodus 10:1-13:16)
1/8 (6 Sh'vat)		First Saturdays In-Person Shabbat Service, TBD	
1/14 (12 Sh'vat)	4:49	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Beshalach (Exodus 13:17-17:16)
1/17 (15 Sh'vat)		Tu BiShevat	
1/21 (19 Sh'vat)	4:56	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Yitro (Exodus 18:1-20:23)
1/28 (26 Sh'vat)	5:03	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Mishpatim (Exodus 21:1-24:18)
2/4 (3 Adar-I)	5:10	First Fridays In-Person Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Terumah (Exodus 25:1-27:19)
2/5 (4 Adar-I)		First Saturdays In-Person Shabbat Service, 10 am	
2/11 (10 Adar-I)	5:17	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Tetzaveh (Exodus 27:20-30:10)
2/18 (17 Adar-I)	5:23	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Ki Tisa (Exodus 30:11-34:35)
2/25 (24 Adar-I)	5:29	Shabbat Service, 7 pm	Vayakhel (Exodus 35:1-38:20)

Upcoming Events

Community Menorah Lighting
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**Wed Dec 1st
6:30pm**

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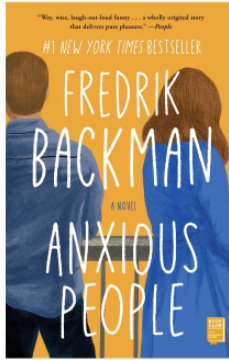
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Seating is limited; to guarantee a seat, bring your own.
All county health and safety guidelines will be followed.

Books AND Bagels


Jan. 9th, on Zoom (time TBD)

Anxious People
by Fredrik Backman



An apartment open house becomes a life-or-death situation when a failed bank robber bursts in and takes a group of strangers hostage. Each carries a lifetime of grievances, secrets, and passions that are ready to boil over. None of them is entirely who they appear to be. And all of them – the bank robber included – desperately crave some sort of rescue.

The Washington Post says this darkly comic novel "captures the messy essence of being human...It's clever and affecting". NPR calls it "The perfect balance of heartwarming and heart-wrenching."



Battle of the Bands!

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Tu BiShevat: The New Year for Trees

This year, Tu BiShevat will be celebrated on January 17th. It may be a "minor" holiday, but 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.

Watch the CBE Weekly News Email and cbesimi.org for forthcoming details about the Tu BiShevat hike!

~Rabbi Michele

Anniversaries

Miko & Bobbie Sion	12/18	43rd
Mark & Belinda Geiger	1/1	27th
Keith & Lynne Kelly	1/4	47th
Michael & Marilyn Hollander	1/25	35th
Benni & Ruth Freund	2/10	60th
Harry & Patricia Schned	2/13	34th
Daniel & Dawn Rozdial	2/20	17th

Birthdays

Julie Bienenfeld-Mutal	12/2	
Sharlene Pass	12/6	
Spencer Mahler	12/8	4th
Brian Marcus	12/8	
Kaitlyn Richmond	12/9	16th
Dr. Andrew Mahler	12/10	
Cantor Michael Russ	12/10	
Sanford Starman	12/11	

The Man Who Plants a Tree

*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.*

~Richard J. Dorer

Dr. Daryl Sutton	12/15	
Kimberly Fuentes	12/18	
Amanda Rozdial	12/26	13th
Stephen Grosslight	1/3	
Laura Kritzer	1/8	
David Shabah	1/8	
Marla Grosslight	1/9	
Joyce Forster	1/12	21st
Kenneth Bahr	1/13	
Marilyn Hollander	1/16	
Fredyce Holland	1/19	
Jack Rozdial	1/22	10th
Oren Sofer	1/25	11th
Alice Fiducia	1/27	
Oliver Mahler	1/27	2nd
Emily Richmond	2/1	
Ron Mittelman	2/2	
Jan Auerbach	2/4	
Mark Geiger	2/5	
Rachel Esqueda	2/5	
Elan Sofer	2/7	6th
Ronald Schneeberger	2/8	
Lois Friedman	2/11	
Suzanne Epstein	2/13	
Cindy Shilkoff	2/16	
Evan Davidhoff	2/18	
Eva Bahr	2/19	13th
Lindy Schneider	2/20	
Dr. Ronald Forster	2/22	
Lauren Ranelletti	2/23	18th
Zoe Denila Venhuizen	2/26	
Lillian Knecht	2/27	24th
Cynthia Nath	2/27	

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AED: Automated External Defibrillator

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Feed the Needy Fund

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Audio/Visual Equipment Fund

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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, I'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.

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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.

Melissa Bernstein-Schoen	12/1	Kislev 27
Samuel Minor	12/1	
Sanford Shilkoff	12/2	Kislev 28
Morris Orloff	12/4	Kislev 30
Vicki Cohen	12/5	Tevet 1
Mitzie Friedman	12/5	Tevet 1
Marsha Evans	12/6	Tevet 2
Lois Wellen	12/6	Tevet 2
Abraham Katell	12/7	Tevet 3
Barbara Claire Sweet	12/7	Tevet 3
Dora Yaskiel	12/7	Tevet 3
Erna Handler	12/8	
Kitty Rozdial	12/8	
David Ehrlich	12/9	Tevet 5
Libbie Chait	12/10	Tevet 6
Louis Cohen	12/10	Tevet 6
James Silver	12/10	Tevet 6
Milton Charnick	12/11	

Faye Isbey	12/11	Tevet 7
Bertram Bergmann	12/12	
Bryan Sandoval	12/13	Tevet 9
Else Feingold	12/14	Tevet 10
Joseph Feingold	12/14	Tevet 10
Stuart Keimon	12/14	Tevet 10
Marvin Ackerman	12/15	Tevet 11
Eda Satin	12/15	Tevet 11
Max Epstein	12/16	Tevet 12
Irvin "Bud" Greenberg	12/16	Tevet 12
Ida Greenstein	12/16	Tevet 12
Rhoda Russ	12/17	Tevet 13
Harvey Kritzer	12/18	
Zelig Daniel Leibl	12/19	Tevet 15
Barbara Schwartz	12/19	Tevet 15
Minerva Lefton	12/20	Tevet 16
Clara Gordon	12/21	Tevet 17
Jacob Mann	12/21	
Sheila Mae Ross	12/21	
Earl Ely Friedman	12/22	
Anna Leader	12/22	Tevet 18
Gene Alfred	12/24	
Joseph Bailey	12/24	Tevet 20
Leonard Schwartz	12/25	Tevet 21
Israel Tepper	12/25	Tevet 21
Sylvia Huttas	12/26	Tevet 22
Leon Luger	12/27	
Mildred Plotkin	12/28	Tevet 24
William Lee Smith	12/28	
Fannie Woodrow	12/28	Tevet 24
Max Rabin	12/29	Tevet 25
Joe Frolove	12/30	Tevet 26
Rodman Turner	12/30	
Benjamin Wiseman	12/30	
Patricia Geiger	12/31	Tevet 27
Herbert Glick	12/31	Tevet 27
Dr. Michael Dunn	1/1	

Richard Levy	1/1	Tevet 28
Abraham Sutton	1/1	
Robert S Gorelick	1/2	
Edith Greenberg	1/2	Tevet 29
George Liebmann	1/2	Tevet 29
Morton Auerbach	1/3	
Richard Schatz	1/3	Shevat 1
Sam Sonders	1/3	Shevat 1
Irving Brody	1/4	
Martin Richter	1/4	Shevat 2
Charles Stein	1/4	Shevat 2
Florence Howard	1/5	
Steven Sacks	1/5	
Morris Winner	1/5	Shevat 3
Robert Gurstein	1/6	Shevat 4
Willard Levin	1/6	Shevat 4
Alex Leyton	1/6	Shevat 4
Bobette Karoff	1/7	
Rochelle (Shelly) Richter	1/7	Shevat 5
Abraham Mitchel	1/8	
Darrius Eugene Simpson-Menke	1/8	Shevat 6
Elizabeth Turner	1/8	
Dolf Keller	1/10	Shevat 8
Dorothy Zager	1/11	
Sylvia Brody	1/12	Shevat 10
Helen Blecher Katzman	1/12	Shevat 10
Harry Luger	1/12	
Sidney Scheinert	1/14	
David Silversher	1/14	Shevat 12
Sophie Toni Shain	1/15	Shevat 13
Sybil Kaplan	1/16	Shevat 14
Alvin Kaufman	1/16	Shevat 14
Claire Silversher	1/16	Shevat 14
Emily Rosado	1/17	
Barbara Siegel	1/18	Shevat 16
Barbara Lester Silverstone	1/18	
Dorothy Barasch Weiss	1/18	Shevat 16

Dora York	1/18	Shevat 16
Mariel Graflund	1/19	Shevat 17
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Alan Weiss	1/19	Shevat 17
Stella Zaltzman	1/19	Shevat 17
Gertrude Miller	1/21	
Jack Miller	1/21	
David Singer	1/22	Shevat 20
Gloria Goodman	1/24	Shevat 22
Arthur Leon	1/24	Shevat 22
Marian Levin	1/24	Shevat 22
Nathan Brownstein	1/25	Shevat 23
Steven Richter	1/27	Shevat 25
Bernard Schwartz	1/27	Shevat 25
Julius Zager	1/27	
Joseph Hananel	1/28	Shevat 26
Nettie Riff	1/28	Shevat 26
Jay A. Keimon	1/30	Shevat 28
Eileene Winters	1/30	Shevat 28
Edna Barasch	1/31	Shevat 29
Bob Boyd	1/31	
Bennett Krakauer	1/31	Shevat 29
David Bloch	2/1	
Doris Holzberg Baum	2/1	Shevat 30
David Schranze	2/3	Adar-I 2
Shirley Tepfer	2/3	Adar-I 2
Ruth Wilkerson	2/3	Adar-I 2
Alex Edward Mann	2/4	
Beverly Pedowitz	2/4	
Mollie Winner	2/4	Adar-I 3
Adele Ila Gould	2/6	
Benjamin Zimmerman	2/6	Adar-I 5
Marilyn Kaufman	2/7	Adar-I 6
Mildred Keller	2/7	Adar-I 6
Robyn Libitsky	2/7	Adar-I 6
Max Perlson	2/7	Adar-I 6
Harvey Golison	2/8	

Ruth Kaye	2/8	
Alan Leon	2/8	Adar-I 7
Leonard Salberg	2/8	Adar-I 7
Jack Trachtenberg	2/8	Adar-I 7
Herbert Davidhoff	2/9	Adar-I 8
Abraham Shain	2/9	Adar-I 8
Nathan Hentell	2/10	
Dorothy A. Rabin	2/10	Adar-I 9
Isadore Sharapan	2/10	Adar-I 9
Joan Nadler	2/11	
Ruth Truskin	2/11	Adar-I 10
Fritzie Gilson	2/13	Adar-I 12
Jack Shuster	2/13	Adar-I 12
Lillian Hentell	2/14	
Arthur "Archie" Kracow	2/14	
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Alvin Pass	2/20	Adar-I 19
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