



Chai-lights

C O N G R E G A T I O N B E T H I S R A E L • B E R K E L E Y

FROM THE RABBI

The Yom Kippur Mussaf Service offers several inspirational moments that seem to transcend time and space. At one such point, our prayer leader suddenly becomes the High Priest and our entire community joins him at the Holy of Holies where together we re-enact the order of the Yom Kippur Temple Service (*Seder ha'Avodah*). Like the High Priest and the entire congregation gathered at *Beit HaMikdash* (the Holy Temple), we fully prostrate in the presence of the Holy One whose presence is felt in our very midst. In a similar vein, our prayer leader counts out loud the sprinkling of blood just as the High Priest would count as he would sprinkle the blood of the goat eight times between the staves of the ark within a handbreadth of the *kaporet* (the ark's cover): "One. One plus one. One plus two. One plus three, etc." The counting then continued up to eight, as the task was completed with great precision and focus.

Rav Moshe Avigdor Amiel z"l, who served as the chief rabbi of Tel-Aviv from 1936 until his passing from the world in 1949, offers an insightful comment to the High Priest's counting of the sprinkling of the blood. Rav Amiel writes, "If the sprinkling of the blood of oxen and goats requires such focused attention, how much more so must we be attentive when we cast our own blood, for indeed, each and every year, each of us sprinkles away our own blood, our own potential and strength." In the same piece, Rav Amiel urges each person to carefully count each year of their life so as to make sure that every year in a person's life is truly counted. Indeed, Rav Amiel notes, our diligent accounting of time should not only be performed on Rosh HaShanah, but whenever possible, it should be done throughout the year.

Rav Amiel's point is critical - Time is a precious lot. While many of us cannot account for our use of hours, days, months and years on a regular basis, we can certainly strive to do so at least once a year, on Rosh HaShanah and or Yom Kippur. In that spirit, Rav Amiel's image of a time accountant may be relevant and apt for many of us as we strive to do our personal, both spiritual and ethical, accounting (certainly, many of us delay doing our taxes, as well as our *teshuvah* accounting, till the very last possible moment!).

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

"One. One plus one. One plus two. One plus three. ..." In his column, Rabbi Cohen tells us that this is the manner in which the High Priest counted the sprinkling of blood on the altar. Not by counting one, two, three, but always one plus...

This I think is also a wonderful metaphor for how Beth Israel works. The shul is full of talented and committed individuals who one by one by one make up our wonderful CBI community. One becomes we, we become one.

As I conclude my first year as President of CBI, I want you to know that whenever I approached one of our members to assume a leadership role for an activity that would strengthen our shul, I was always met with an enthusiastic yes.

Whether it was to coordinate the kiddushim, to schedule *hachnassot orchim*, to direct our musical, to run the auction, to welcome new members, or the myriad of other tasks that encourage and support community, the answer was always, yes. Yes, I will help. Yes, I want to be involved. Yes, I understand that that needs to be done and I will do it. In all my years of volunteer work, I have never encountered such a response. One yes plus one yes equals more than two. It equals an atmosphere of shared responsibility, of caring and of family. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to be an integral part of this family, knowing that I can always count on each one of you.

Shana tova, a good, happy, healthy New Year.
Lois Marcus

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Indeed, the image of the time accountant helps raise a few central and practical questions. Consider these examples: *Do I have all my receipts (or in other words, do I have a good recollection of all that I've done)? Have I incurred any debt this year (or in other words, am I indebted to any person or do I owe anything to anyone)? Have I spent my resources within my means or in strategic and thoughtful ways (or in other words, what have I done with the time, energy, means, and potential with which I was endowed this past year)? Finally, do I need the service of an accountant (or in other words, do I need the help of a friend or relative, a teacher, a guide, or any other expert, to help me get the books of my life in order)?*

These questions, the same sort of questions we diligently consider as we file our taxes, can be critical in the very weeks and days that lead up to Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Our sages

have noted that the depth of *kedushah* (holiness) must always be measured by the depth of *hachanah* (preparation). Simply put, the more we prepare, the more holiness we get to contain, experience, and generate. In that vein, I hope that this High Holidays we will all come more fully prepared. Let us take Rav Amiel's challenge to heart and make the time before the holidays to pose these very tough questions to ourselves, to our loved ones, and to our community. As we do so, I bless all of us with the High Priest's meditative count: "One. One plus one. One plus two. One plus three, etc." – may each moment count, may each of our actions and interactions count, may each of our *mitzvot* count, may all of our efforts count.

With blessings,
R. Yonatan Cohen

— A NIGHT OF — FORGIVENESS

THE *SELICHOT* SERVICE BEGINS OUR PROCESS OF
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FOR THIS NIGHT OF FORGIVENESS.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 31

**MA'ARIV, HAVDALAH & SHABBAT
ENDS AFTER 8:19 PM**

PRE-SELICHOT COMMUNITY LEARNING

8:30 PM

SELICHOT SERVICES

11:00 PM



CHILDREN'S PROGRAM FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS

The High Holidays are coming soon, and we're very excited to have your children participate in the great High Holidays Programming we have developed at shul. In creating the High Holidays Programming (HHD) for this year, we reflected on feedback from prior years and looked at new creative programming ideas. The result is a full program of HHD child-focused opportunities that are positive, fun, educational and meaningful. See the following programming by age group.

INFANTS UNDER 18 MONTHS OLD

For infants under 18 months old, there will be a designated room in the shul, in which parents can rotate childcare among themselves. There will be no hired staff for this group.

KETANIM (AGES 1.5 - 3 YEARS OLD)

Children of this age will be supervised both by hired childcare staff and parent and teen volunteers. Parents are welcome to stay with their children for as long as it takes for everyone to feel comfortable. Children will alternate between outdoor and indoor play.

YELADIM (PRE-SCHOOL, 3-5 YEARS OLD) + TALMIDIM ALEF (K-2ND GRADE) + TALMIDIM BET (3RD-5TH GRADE)

Experienced volunteer member educators and our teen *madrichim* (counselors), as well as our new *B'not Sherut* will lead these age specific groups. The groups will be structured around three main activities: children's prayers, storytelling/singing, and activities relevant to the High Holidays.

All groups will meet at the Gan Shalom Preschool Building. Snacks will be provided for all the children.

COST

The cost is \$50 per child, with a maximum of \$110 per family, which covers the three days of Yom Tov as well as Kol Nidre and Neilah. These fees cover the cost of snacks, materials and staffing for childcare. No one will be turned away for lack of funds.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS DESIRED

One of the great things about CBI is the enthusiasm and hard work of our many volunteer parents. To that end, we are asking parents to spend a couple of hours helping out with the children's program. We hope that all parents with participating children will contribute some time. We are very flexible with scheduling so that members can volunteer at a convenient time and enjoy the services in the main shul.

NEXT STEPS

To sign up, please send your payment to the CBI office or make your payment here: <http://cbiberkeley.org/community/dues/>. Please note "HHD Child Care" on your check or online payment.

If you have any questions, please contact me at maayanbd@gmail.com or 510-219-0275. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Shana Tova!

Ma'ayan Rabinovich, Youth Director



ROSH HASHANAH FESTIVAL

FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Lots of booths • Practicing the Shofar • Apples & Honey
Thursday, September 5 • First Day of Rosh Hashanah, 12:00-1:30 pm
2230 Jefferson (just up the street from CBI) • Gan Shalom

CHILDREN'S ROSH HASHANAH SEDER

WELCOME THE NEW YEAR WITH YOUR FRIENDS.

Pomegranate Seeds • Apples & Honey • Dates & Carrots
Explore Sefardi customs & Create sweet blessings for yummy local produce.
Friday, September 6 • Second Day of Rosh Hashanah, 12:00 pm • Gan Shalom

SUKKAH DECORATING

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Join us as we prepare decorations for our Beth Israel sukkah as well as our home sukkahs. Get ready to cut, glue, paint, and spray!
Sunday, September 15th, 3:00 – 5:00 pm • CBI

For more details please contact *Ma'ayan Rabinovich*
510-219-0275 • maayanbd@gmail.com



BUILDING A SUKKAH — THE BASICS —

YOU SHALL DWELL IN SUKKOT FOR SEVEN DAYS;
ALL THE COMMUNITY OF ISRAEL SHALL DWELL IN A SUKKAH (VAYIKRA 23:42)

1. The Location

Ensure a site that is opened to the sky, and has nothing hanging above it — i.e., a roof or a tree. The sukkah floor space must be at least 7 *tefachim* by 7 *tefachim* (28 inches by 28 inches), the minimum space considered for most of a person's body to sit with a small table.

2. The Walls

A sukkah needs at least two complete, continuous walls and 1 *tefach* (4 inches) of a third wall. The walls can be of any material, as long as they are sturdy enough to withstand a normal wind. The walls must be at least 10 *tefachim* (40 inches) high, and should not be more than 20 *amot* (30 feet) tall. Any or all of these walls may be permanent pre-existing walls, i.e. the side of your home. If you can find an area that is already enclosed by 2 or 3 walls, then it can make your sukkah building much simpler.

Note: if you are using the side of your home as a wall for your sukkah, ensure that there is no roof overhang greater than 4 *amot* (6 feet). Any cover smaller than that may still allow your sukkah to be okay, but one cannot sit under the covered part to fulfill your mitzvah.

3. The *Schach* or Roof

We cover the sukkah with *schach*. The *schach* must be made from material that grew from the ground, i.e. branches or leaves of any tree are acceptable, as long as they have been completely cut from the ground before they are placed on top of the sukkah. If you choose to collect branches and leaves from around town, you must make sure that you do not inadvertently take (steal) property that is not your own without permission, i.e. that of the city or another private owner. One may not use any material that has been formed by human hands into a vessel or "thing," i.e. wooden blinds as *schach*. However, you can use narrow (less than 1 *tefach*, 4 inches wide) unfinished wood boards as *schach*, as they are not considered a created vessel or thing.

You may purchase a mat composed of stringing together pieces of bamboo or other unfinished wood, but not every mat is constructed according to Halacha, i.e. such that it contains no metal, and was not crafted for some other purpose. You can order kosher *schach* mats online but be sure that it comes with a reputable rabbinic certification.

The *schach* material should only be added after the requisite number of walls are in place. The *schach* may not be nailed down, nor tied down. You may pile pieces of wood that are also valid as *schach* over the *schach* to weigh it down and keep it from blowing away. The *schach* should be sufficiently covered so that it gives more shade than sun during the daytime. Yet it should be sufficiently open so that some stars could be visible through at night.

It is a good custom to hang decorations to beautify your sukkah and add joy to the holiday.

If you have another question regarding your sukkah, please feel free to contact Rabbi Cohen. May we merit God's presence sheltering us in the sukkah, and may we rejoice together as a community.

Chag Sameach!

EXPANDING OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Youth Directors, Rabbinic Intern, and B'not Sherut

As our CBI Family prepares for the High Holidays and the New Year, we are particularly excited to welcome back Ma'ayan and Elishav Rabinovich as our youth directors; to introduce anew our rabbinic intern R. Daniel Millner; and to introduce our Israeli B'not Sherut Renana Vilian and Orly Leiman, who will be in our community for the year.

To begin, we are very blessed to have Ma'ayan and Elishav back with us for one final year. Over the last two years, the Rabinovichs introduced many innovations to our youth programming, opened their hearts and homes to so many in the CBI Family, and brought the warmth of Torah to our lives through classes at CBI and Merkavah. We are truly indebted to their dedicated work and all look forward to joining them in deepening and strengthening their achievements.

Next, we welcome again R. Daniel Millner, fourth-year rabbinical student at Yeshivat Chovevei Torah, who many of us met during this June visit. Like our previous rabbinic interns, R. Millner will join us for approximately ten Shabbatot, as well as holidays, throughout the year. During his visits from NY, R. Millner will mostly shadow R. Cohen from Friday to Sunday as well as offer *drashot* (sermons) and *shiurim* (classes) over the course of his Shabbat visit. This is a unique and wonderful learning opportunity for R. Millner, R. Cohen, and our entire community to better reflect and fine tune our skills as community leaders and teachers of Torah and our community's programs and educational offerings. R. Millner's next visits are set for Shabbat Nitzavim-Vayeilech and Yom Kippur.

Last but not least, we welcome Renana Vilian and Orly Leiman who join our CBI Family for the year as part of the Bnot Sherut (Israeli National Service) program. Renana and Orly will join the staff and faculty of Oakland Hebrew Day School throughout the week while also acting as *Madrichot* (counselors) at CBI, under the guidance and direction of Ma'ayan and Elishav. We are particularly indebted to the Sudikoff family, who will be hosting them for the year. We are also grateful to OHDS for our joint effort and partnership.

As our engagement and leadership team grows, may we also deepen and grow our own commitment and investment in Torah study, in community building and engagement, and in our youth. May our commitments continue to bring us closer to each other and to God.

R. DANIEL MILLNER CBI'S RABBINIC INTERN

R. Daniel Millner is from Glencoe, IL. He graduated from Indiana University in 2008 with a BA in Jewish and Religious Studies. R. Millner then studied for two years at Yeshivat Hamivtar in Efrat, Israel, and during that time, worked as an intern at the Center for Jewish-Christian Understanding and Cooperation. He is currently a fourth-



year rabbinical student at Yeshivat Chovevei Torah, and has served as the rabbinic intern at Congregation Brothers of Joseph in Norwich, CT, as well as the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale. R. Daniel also proudly serves as a Chaplain Candidate in the United States Navy. Rav Daniel is married to Yael Seiffert, a native of Berlin, Germany, and former director of the smicha program for the Rabbinical Seminary of Berlin.

ORLY LEIMAN CBI'S BNOT SHERUT

My name is Orly Leiman and I live in Ramat Gan. I am the youngest daughter of 5 children; 3 boys and 2 girls. I graduated "Haroe" high school in Ramat Gan last year.



This year I did Sherut Leumi (Israeli National Service) in a Children's Home ("Ahuzat Sarah") in B'nei Barak, which is a home for at-risk youth, where I guided a group of ten girls ages 6-9 who reside in the children's home full-time.

During high-school, I took part in the youth movement "B'nei-Akiva," which is a Modern Orthodox Zionist movement. I was a counselor of the oldest age group, running weekly activities, trips and overnight camps, while trying to bequeath Jewish and Zionist values throughout the activities.

In my free time, I like to hike in Israel and watch its beautiful views, to sew and cook.

RENANA VILIAN CBI'S BNOT SHERUT

My name is Renana Vilian and I live in Givat Shmuel. I am the third daughter of 9 children; 5 boys and 4 girls. I graduated from "Haroe" high school in Ramat Gan last year.



This year I did Sherut Leumi (National Service) at the Shalva association, a place for children with special needs in Jerusalem, where I counseled a group of 10 boys aged 10-14. Prior to that, I worked as a Bnei Akiva counselor in Givat Shmuel, leading a group of seventy 12-14 year old girls, that met twice weekly. During weekdays we had all kinds of social activities and during the weekends we met for theoretical and philosophical discussions, with age appropriate issues and themes, such as Zionism, Belief, Social Involvement, and so on. We went together for trips, camps, volunteering in different places like hospitals, homes for the elderly, etc.

In my free time I like running and bicycling, reading books, playing saxophone, cooking, and hanging out with friends and family.

NEW MEMBER PROFILE • SCHULMAN FAMILY

By Elissa Kittner

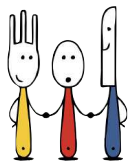
Leonard and Sara Schulman and their two daughters Mira (age 5) and Dalia (age 3) are excited to be back in Berkeley for a sabbatical year. CBI is already near and dear to them as they were members back in 2007 and Mira attended Shabbat services here when she was just a week old! In 2008, when Mira was 7 months old, the Schulmans moved to the Pico-Robertson area of L.A. for two years, and later moved to Pasadena. Leonard is a professor of computer science at Caltech and will be visiting the new Simons Institute at U.C. Berkeley for the year. Sara, who did undergraduate and graduate work in math at U.C. Berkeley, used to work as a journalist, writing about math, computer science and economics, but is hoping to transition to teaching math at the middle or high school level. She plans to do some volunteer work with the math program at Oakland Hebrew Day School while they are here, and also hopes to fit in some Jewish learning. Mira will be in Kindergarten at OHDS and Dalia will attend Gan Shalom Preschool. “We’re looking forward to catching up with old friends, making new ones and most of all, to having our children experience the CBI community. We’re coming from Pasadena, where the observant community is very small, and are really looking forward to our year in Berkeley.”



NEW MEMBER PROFILE • OLGA & TERRY GORDON

By Elissa Kittner

Olga and Terry Gordon recently relocated to the Bay Area from Houston to be closer to their children and first grandchild (Benjamin, age 3), who live in San Francisco. Olga and Terry both grew up in Johannesburg, South Africa where Terry trained as a dentist and Olga as a graphic artist. They moved to the United States in 1977 so that Terry could complete additional specialty training in endodontics at the University of Pennsylvania, and have lived in the U.S. ever since. They spent 1979 to 1984 in San Antonio where Terry was an assistant professor at the University of Texas Health Science Center. In 1984 they moved to Houston where Terry went into private practice, and where they raised their three children, now adults – Byron, Loren and Kevin. Byron currently works in South Africa, and the other two live in San Francisco. Terry and Olga were involved with the United Orthodox Synagogues in Houston, a modern orthodox shul. Olga served on the board and executive committee and was a prior co-president of the Sisterhood. They are currently living in San Francisco, but hope to move to Walnut Creek in the coming months. About CBI they said, “We really like the friendly and relaxed feeling of the shul – people holding their children to listen to the d’var torah through the open windows, kids playing outside, the focused davening, members lingering and visiting with each other over Kiddush, the warmth of the Rabbi and his wife. We think it’s a very special community and are happy to be a part of it.”



SHIFRAH PUAH

Providing a Kosher Meal

We're happy to announce that we've arranged special menus with Oakland Kosher, Amba and Grand Bakery to help make providing a meal even easier.

For menus and directions for ordering go to:
<http://bit.ly/UNN0g0>

— SCRIP NEWS FROM NAOMI STAMPER —

In my job as “the scrip lady,” I am often asked which retail store helps CBI make the most money? The answer is easy: Berkeley Bowl.

We sell about \$5,000 of Berkeley Bowl scrip each month and that brings in \$200.

Now you can figure out that we are only making 4%. How can that be when Peets Coffee scrip is 20% and CVS scrip is 7%, you might wonder. The answer is that as a group we eat far more than we drink or buy medication.

Many of you shop at The Bowl regularly with scrip and we thank you. Others have not yet got into the scrip habit. Please think of making a commitment to help CBI by doing your shopping at Berkeley Bowl with scrip.

Go to the CBI web page for more information on how to purchase CBI scrip or do it the old fashioned way and call Naomi Stamper -525-8259.

GAN SHALOM UPDATE

By Laura Lipman

If you haven't already noticed, Gan Shalom has successfully moved into our new space in the CBI library! I hope everyone has seen our warm, playful, cozy room. We are so grateful to be in such a beautiful space. We love it and are utilizing it to the utmost. We double our classroom space by using the patio as our outdoor classroom. We also love our green space-- but you won't see us in action unless you come during the week when our Lego table, art table, crash pad, tunnels, balls and bubbles are in evidence.

I can't express how grateful I am to be able to spend my time in the most beautiful part of our beautiful synagogue. I am able to deeply appreciate how lovely our synagogue is—everyone one of us should spend an entire day here—with the morning sun shining from the east, and then to sit and eat lunch in the shade of our beautiful fruit trees. It is really a blessing for us to be here, and I am hoping that everyone realizes how thankful and grateful we are to share this space with the CBI community.

Gan Shalom during the summer is a bit different from Gan Shalom during the school year. No holidays for one. Smaller groups of children. A different fun theme each week—Circus, Music, Hula Hoops, Science, Animals, Space. We still make challah and celebrate Shabbat, and being here at CBI makes Shabbat even more special. If you are ever here at shul during the school year, at about 12:15 on Friday, you are welcome to

come and join us for a special Kabbalat Shabbat, Gan Shalom style—just let me know beforehand!

But it is the children themselves who create the space with their imagination and play. A favorite quote of mine that helps explain the importance of play for young children:

“The importance of play lies with developing physical and emotional flexibility (I would add cognitive and intellectual flexibility, too), by rehearsing the actions and emotional aspects of being surprised, temporarily disoriented, or unbalanced. Such uncertain experiences develop behavioral improvisation. Play may exist to maintain the brain's potential for plasticity and openness, rather than close down potentiality through rigid and stereotypical behavior patterns. Play offers a calibrating or mediating mechanism for us to test out new experiences and responses to our environment.”

I feel the children bring a special quality to an already beautiful space at CBI. Their sweetness and innocence fills the library—sometimes I sit there surrounded by the toys and puzzles and the children's simple love and directness, and I feel my own process of tshuvah during this time of year is simultaneously lightened, brightened and deepened because of their presence here at CBI. I hope you feel the same.

Kol tuv, Laura



BERKELEY MIDRASHA UPDATE

By Diane Bernbaum

Midrasha begins on Sunday, September 8 at 9:30 am at Beth El. Here's a rundown of what the fall semester looks like.

Sacha Kopin will be returning for her twenty-second year. She will be teaching the eighth grade core class on Jewish ethics, an elective, Shmirat Ha Guf, relating yoga and meditation to Judaism and a new elective using the TV program "Once Upon a Time" to discuss Jewish values. Back for her second year, Chani Naiman will teach the ninth grade core class on Jewish identity and two sections of a class on relationships based on biblical personalities. Also returning for a second year, Rabbi Akiva Naiman will teach the tenth grade core class on Israel, plus one class of Talmud and another on the Tanach. New to our faculty this year is Mark Deutsch, a former songleader at Camp Newman and Camp Alonim, who has an M.A. from the California Institute of Integral Studies. He will teach both songleading and comparative religions and the 11th and 12th grade core: The American Jewish Experience. Recently arrived from Israel, textile designer Inbal Shalev will teach two art classes; a creative reuse workshop that will combine old and new materials to make art based on Jewish holidays and a second that will use the land, people and culture of Israel to inspire students' art. Efrat Simhi-Aloni, a long-time teacher at Oakland Hebrew Day School, will bring her talents to

Midrasha as our Hebrew instructor. Thirteen-year Midrasha veteran Muni Schweig will continue to provide his "Rabbis, Philosophers, Scientists and Mystics" look at classic Jewish texts. And Rabbi Kahn will teach Beth El's Confirmation class, an in-depth look at Judaism in relation to topics of the class's choice. And don't forget that our mid-week class with David Henkin, a twenty-six year veteran of the Midrasha faculty, begins at Beth Israel at 4:15 p.m. on September 9. This class takes one theme (always a surprise until the first day of class) and carries it through various stories and books of the Tanach. What a great line up of classes. I really wish I could be a Midrasha student!

The Midrasha catalogue and registration forms are on our website: www.midrasha.org.

Please write down the dates of our retreats: November 8-10, 2013, January 31-February 2, April 25-27, 2014. We also have an optional backpacking trip on October 11-13, 2013. Register for that now because sign-ups close on September 23. All trips are for grades 8-12.

May I wish all of you reading this a healthy, peaceful and fulfilling year of 5774.

CBI MORASHA (LEGACY) SOCIETY

Our commitment to our beloved community is evident in everything we do. Now each of us can extend our commitment into the future.

We are profoundly grateful to the inaugural members of the CBI MORASHA (LEGACY) SOCIETY

Anonymous, Fran Alexander, Noah & Hope Alper, Ron and Bella Barany, Judith Bloom, Benjamin & Sara Darmoni, Nimrod and Aliza Elias, Alan Finkelstein & Leslie Valas, Sam Ginsburg, David & Diane Gould, Ezra & Toby Hendon, Gary & Ilene Katz, Seymour Kessler, Alan & Elissa Kittner, Ben Rose & Rebecca Landes, Gary & Lois Marcus, Joel & Irene Resnikoff, Mordy & Rena Rosen, Steve Silberblatt & Rita Kohl, Bob & Naomi Stamper, Linda and Stanley Wulf

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THE PLAY

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THE BUZZ

"Unforgettable...an arresting, deeply affecting triumph."—*Los Angeles Times*

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"Golabek's performances [of Chopin, Debussy, Beethoven, and Grieg] do the work words can't do."—*Boston Globe*



CBI CLASS SCHEDULE



— SUNDAY —

Sunday Morning Talmud Class

A class structured to appeal to Talmud students of all levels, from beginners to more experienced. We are studying the 3rd chapter of Tractate Bava Kamma; come check it out for a morning, no commitment necessary. Resumes October 6.

R. Gabriel Greenberg - Sundays, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

— MONDAY —

Midrasha's Tanach and Talmud (for Teens)

This course is an informal but intensive study group focusing on close thematic readings of the Tanach and Talmud in translation. Resumes September 9.

David Henkin - Mondays, 4:15 - 5:45 p.m.

NCSY LNL - Latte & Learning (for Teens; Grades 9-12)

Latte & Learning brings Judaism to local coffee shops and serves up Torah in a relaxed and fun setting. LNL is the place for teens to ask questions, voice their feelings, and connect with each other.

R. Akiva Naiman • Mondays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. • Starbucks, 2128 Oxford St, Berkeley

Women's Dance Nights at CBI!

Come dance to a blend of world music, jazz, klezmer, hip hop and more.

No moves to remember, no cost either.... Just a chance to let loose and get some good exercise in a fun way!

Second and fourth Mondays • 8:00 p.m.

— TUESDAY —

"Agree to Disagree"

Controversy, dispute, and debate are essential characteristics of Talmudic literature. But why? What does this literary approach suggest? Why does the Talmudic tradition preserve minority opinions? What is the theological and moral meaning of presenting a plurality of answers to a single question? Using classic cases from the Talmud that elucidate the rabbinic approach to makhloket (debate or dispute), we will explore how the rabbinic tradition distinguishes between Ultimate Truth and Public Policy, and how these ancient texts might help guide the way we operate in a contemporary Jewish community.

R. Yonatan Cohen • Tuesdays, Oct. 1, 8, 15, & 22 • 7:30 p.m.

— WEDNESDAY —

Jewish Writings of Emmanuel Levinas

The Levinas Study Group meets at 8 pm every Wednesday at the Schweig home to discuss various essays of the Jewish philosopher Emmanuel Levinas. No background necessary. The class is facilitated by our resident scholar, Muni Schweig.

Muni Schweig - 1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 8:00 p.m.

— THURSDAY —

Mishmar - Learners' Night

Join a Beit Misrash atmosphere for a weekly night of learning at CBI. We will do our best to match you up with a *chevrutah* (study partner) or *chavurah* (a group of learners) for some free wheelin', meaningful and personal text seeking and learning.

Resumes Oct. 3 • Thursdays, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

— FRIDAY —

Talmudic Wisdom

Join us for a weekly class that explores key sugyot (Talmudic units) that discuss major Jewish questions of practice and thought. Resumes October 4.

R. Yonatan Cohen - Fridays, 9:00 a.m.



Lorah Institute for Women

COME JOIN MERKAVAH'S FALL CLASSES
WITH MA'AYAN RABINOVICH

TALMUD

We will study a very provocative chapter of the Talmud dealing with raising rebellious children and the challenge of controlling the strongest primary human drives. Modern lessons from ancient Jewish wisdom.

Babylonian Talmud, Tractate Sanhedrin, chapter 8.

Classes will include chevruta (partner study) and discussion.

Tuesday, 9:30-12:30,
October 8th - December 17th
\$280*

EMOTIONAL WISDOM: LOVE, HATE, JEALOUSY, AND A COUPLE MORE

Bringing the wisdom of Jewish texts from our minds - to our hearts - and into our lives. Learning, struggling, and living with the emotions we deal with every day.

For people who are looking to have a personal connection with meaningful and relevant sources.

Each session will include: learning sources in chevruta, (partner study) group discussion, experiential and personalizing exercises.

Wednesday, 10:00-12:30
October 9th - December 18th
\$210*

* Scholarships available.

NEW! EVENING CLASS LIVING ONE SOULFUL DAY

Have you ever felt that your life is just whizzing by in a blur? Is it possible to become more present and grateful throughout the countless moments of a typical day? How can Jewish wisdom impact and enrich our daily lives?

This series will focus on the classic daily activities that we all share - waking up, morning routine, getting dressed, eating, going outside, and more.

Each session will include: learning sources in chevruta (partner study), group discussion, experiential and personalizing exercises.

Wednesday, 8pm-9:30pm
Every 2nd, 4th, & 5th week of the month
October 2nd - December 18th
\$100*

Classes are for women only. No previous background necessary.

Location: 1630 Bancroft St., Berkeley

For signing up and more information: merkavahberkeley@gmail.com, 510-219-0275



— WEEKDAY SERVICES —

— SHACHARIT —

Monday-Friday, 6:30 am
 Sunday & Legal Holidays • 8:00 am

— MINCHA/MA'ARIV —

Five minutes after candlelighting

— SHABBAT SERVICES —

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat • Five minutes after candlelighting • Morning Service • 9:15 am

— TIMES FOR ACTION —

Many commandments need to be performed during particular times of the day; here is a list of those times
All times are for Berkeley Daylight Savings Time

Week of	SEPTEMBER				OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				
	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
Alot Ha'Shachar Dawn	5:32 am	5:38 am	5:44 am	5:50 am	5:57 am	6:03 am	6:10 am	6:17 am	6:24 am	5:31 am	5:39 am	5:46 am	5:53 am
Neitz Sunrise	6:44 am	6:50 am	6:56 am	7:02 am	7:09 am	7:15 am	7:22 am	7:29 am	7:36 am	6:43 am	6:51 am	6:58 am	7:05 am
Latest ideal time for the morning Sh'ma	9:56 am	9:57 am	9:59 am	10:01 am	10:03 am	10:05 am	10:08 am	10:11 am	10:14 am	9:18 am	9:22 am	9:27 am	9:32 am
Tefilah Latest time for prayer	10:59 am	11:00 am	11:00 am	11:00 am	11:01 am	11:02 am	11:03 am	11:05 am	11:07 am	10:10 pm	10:13 pm	10:16 pm	10:20 pm
Mincha Gedolah Earliest time for Mincha	1:38 pm	1:35 pm	1:32 pm	1:29 pm	1:26 pm	1:24 pm	1:21 pm	1:20 pm	1:19 pm	12:19 pm	12:19 pm	12:20 pm	12:22 pm
Sh'kia Sunset	7:29 pm	7:18 pm	7:07 pm	6:56 pm	6:46 pm	6:35 pm	6:26 pm	6:17 pm	6:09 pm	5:02 pm	4:57 pm	4:53 pm	4:50 pm
Tzeit Ha'kochavim Nightfall	8:11 pm	8:00 pm	7:49 pm	7:38 pm	7:28 pm	7:17 pm	7:08 pm	6:59 pm	6:51 pm	5:44 pm	5:39 pm	5:35 pm	5:32 pm

CALENDAR

SHABBAT SELICHOT PARSHAT NITZAVIM-VAYEILECH

Friday & Saturday, August 30th – 31st

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	7:00 pm
Candle Lighting	7:23 pm
Morning Service	9:15 am
Educational Childcare	10:30 am
Mincha	7:00 pm
Seudah Shlishit	7:20 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after	8:19 pm
Pre-Selichot Community Learning	8:30 pm
Selichot services	11:00 pm

LABOR DAY

Monday, September 1st

Office Closed
Shacharit 8:00 am

WEEKDAY SELICHOT

Monday – Tuesday, September 2nd – 3rd

Selichot	6:15 am
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HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

ROSH HASHANAH

Wed., Thurs. & Fri., September 4th – 6th

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Wednesday, September 4th

Selichot & Shacharit	6:00 am
Annulment of Vows	7:45 am
Mincha & Ma'ariv	7:00 pm
Yom Tov Candle Lighting*	7:15 pm

**Note: Before a Yom Tov leading into Shabbat, we make an eruv tavshilin. Before a two-day Yom Tov, it is advisable to light a 24-hour/ yahrzeit candle or a seven-day candle, so that on the second evening the candles may be lit by transferring the flame from this pre-existing flame.*

1ST DAY ROSH HASHANAH

Thursday, September 5th

Morning Service	8:00 am
Educational Programming	9:00 am – 1:30 pm
Torah Reading	10:00 am
Shofar* not before	10:30 am
Communal Tashlich @ Strawberry Creek: meet in front of CBI at	5:30 pm
Mincha followed by Ma'ariv	7:00 pm
Light candles from pre-existing flame..	after 8:11 pm

**Note: Hearing 30 blasts of the Shofar is a Biblically ordained commandment traditionally fulfilled by both men and women. Those who are within reasonable walking distance and cannot be at CBI and wish to hear the Shofar should contact Rabbi Cohen.*

2ND DAY OF ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, September 6th

Morning Service	8:00 am
Educational Programming	9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Torah Reading	10:00 am
Shofar* not before	10:30 am
Yom Tov Mincha followed by Shabbat Ma'ariv services	7:00 pm

**Note: Hearing 30 blasts of the Shofar is a Biblically ordained commandment traditionally fulfilled by both men and women. Those who are within reasonable walking distance and cannot be at CBI and wish to hear the Shofar should contact Rabbi Cohen.*

SHABBAT SHUVAH PARSHAT HAAZINU

Friday & Saturday, September 6th – 7th

Yom Tov Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	7:00 pm
Candle Lighting	7:12 pm
Morning Service	9:15 am
Educational Programming	10:30 am
R. Cohen's Shabbat Shuvah Drasha will be given following services 11:30 am	
Mincha	6:50 pm
Seudah Shlishit	7:10 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends	8:08 pm

FAST OF GEDALIAH

Sunday, September 8th

Fast begins	5:10 am
Selichot & Morning Service	8:00 am
Mincha w/Torah Reading & Haftorah @Chabad	7:00 pm
Fast ends	7:58 pm

WEEKDAY SELICHOT FOR TEN DAYS OF TESHUVAH

Sunday, September 8

Mon.-Thurs., September 9th –12th.....	6:15 am
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SHABBAT AND YOM KIPPUR

Friday, September 13th

Selichot and Morning Service	6:20 am
Mincha with Viddy	4:00 pm
Candle Lighting	7:01 pm
Fast begins at	7:15 pm
Tefillah Za'aka	7:10 pm
Childcare	7:00-9:30 pm
Kol Nidrei	7:15 pm
Post Ma'ariv Class, 45 min.	

YOM KIPPUR, SHABBAT

Saturday, September 14th

Morning Service.....	8:00 am
Educational Programming	9:00 am - 2:30 pm
Yizkor	11:15 am
Mincha	4:45 pm
Childcare	5:00-8:00 pm
Neilah	6:15 pm
Shofar	7:57 pm
Ma'ariv & Havdalah*	after 7:57 pm

**Note: One is obligated to hear Havdalah after Yom Kippur before eating or drinking.*

SUKKOT

Wednesday, September 18th – Friday, September 27th

EREV SUKKOT

Wednesday, September 18th

Yom Tov Candle Lighting*	6:54 pm
Mincha & Yom Tov Ma'ariv	7:00 pm
Communal Sukkah Meal	7:45 pm

Note: Before a Yom Tov leading into Shabbat, we make an eruv tavshilin. Before a two-day Yom Tov, it is advisable to light a 24-hour/yahrzeit candle or a seven-day candle, so that on the second evening the candles may be lit by transferring fire from this pre-existing flame. Eating on the first two nights of Sukkot a minimum of a portion of bread and reciting the kiddush in the sukkah is a Biblically ordained commandment. If you do not have access to a sukkah, and wish to perform this mitzvah, please contact the CBI office ASAP or join CBI's Sukkah Meal on the first night. (If you have space in your sukkah for guests, kindly let the office know.) Throughout the 7 days of Sukkot please avail yourselves of the CBI sukkah. As always, no home cooked food may be brought into the CBI kitchen, but the sukkah is open to all.

CALENDAR

YOM TOV -1ST DAY OF SUKKOT

Thursday, September 19th

Morning Service..... 9:15 am
Note: Please remember to bring your four species to shul.
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Yom Tov Mincha and Ma'ariv6:50 pm
 Light candles from pre-existing flame after 7:49 pm

YOM TOV- 2ND DAY OF SUKKOT

Friday, September 20th

Morning Service..... 9:15 am
Note: Please remember to bring your four species to shul.
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Yom Tov Mincha followed by Shabbat Ma'ariv services.. 6:50 pm
 Light Shabbat candles from pre-existing flame at 6:51 pm

SHABBAT CHOL HA'MOED SUKKOT

Saturday, September 21st

Morning services9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Kohelet11:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha6:30 pm
 Seudah Shlishit.....6:50 pm
 Ma'ariv & Havdalah & Shabbat ends 7:46 pm

2nd - 4th DAY OF CHOL HA'MOED SUKKOT

Sunday, September 22nd - Tuesday, September 24th

Morning Service Sunday 8:00 am
 Morning Services Monday & Tuesday 6:30 am

HOSHANAH RABBAH

Wednesday, September 25th

Morning Service 6:30-8:00 am
 Hoshanot (willow bundles) will be available for sale @CBI
 Yom Tov Candle Lighting6:43 pm
 Mincha & Yom Tom Ma'ariv.....6:45 pm
Note: Before a Yom Tov leading into Shabbat, we make an eruv tavshilin. Before a two-day Yom Tov, it is advisable to light a 24-hour/ahrzeit candle or a seven-day candle, so that on the second evening the candles may be lit by transferring fire from this pre-existing flame.

SHEMINI ATZERET

Thursday, September 26th

Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Yizkor10:30 am
 Yom Tov Mincha6:45 pm
 Yom Tov Ma'ariv.....7:15 pm
 Light Candles from pre-existing flameafter 7:38 pm
 Light Yom Tov Meal followed by Hakafof @CBI7:40 pm

SIMCHAT TORAH

Thursday night & Friday, September 26th – 27th

Yom Tov Mincha6:45 pm
 Yom Tov Ma'ariv.....7:15 pm
 Light Candles from pre-existing flameafter 7:38 pm
 Light Yom Tov Meal followed by Hakafof @CBI 7:40 pm

Friday, September 27th

Morning service9:15 am
 Hakafof9:45 am
 Multiple Torah readings11:15 am
 Kiddush 11:45 am
 Completion and Beginning of the Torah 12:15 pm

Mussaf12:45 pm
 Yom Tov Mincha1:30 pm
 Light Shabbat candles from pre-existing flame at 6:40 pm

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM PARSHAT BEREISHIT

Friday & Saturday, September 27th – 28th

Light Shabbat candle from pre-existing flame at6:40 pm
 Kabbalat Shabbat..... 6:45 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha6:20 pm
 Seudah Shlishit6:40 pm
 Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after7:35 pm

ROSH CHODESH CHESVAN

Thursday night, Friday & Shabbat, October 3rd - 5th

Shacharit Friday6:30 am

SHABBAT ROSH CHODESH CHESHVAN PARSHAT NOAH

Friday & Saturday, October 4th - 5th

Candle Lighting6:30 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat6:35 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha6:15 pm
 Seudah Shlishit6:35 pm
 Havdalah & Shabbat ends after7:26 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT LECH LECHA

Friday & Saturday, October 11th - 12th

Candle Lighting6:20 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat6:25 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha6:05 pm
 Seudah Shlishit.....6:25 pm
 Havdalah & Shabbat ends after7:16 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYERA

Friday & Saturday, October 18th - 19th

Candle Lighting6:10 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha5:50 pm
 Seudah Shlishit6:10 pm
 Havdalah & Shabbat ends after7:06 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT CHAYEI-SARA

Friday & Saturday, October 25th - 26th

Candle Lighting6:01 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat6:05 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha5:45 pm
 Seudah Shlishit6:05 pm
 Havdalah & Shabbat ends after6:58 pm

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM PARSHAT TOLDOT

Friday & Saturday, November 1st - 2nd

Candle Lighting5:53 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat5:55 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational Programming10:30 am

CALENDAR

Shabbat Mincha5:35 pm
 Seudah Shlishit.....5:55 pm
 Havdalah & Shabbat ends after6:50 pm

ROSH CHODESH KISLEV

Saturday night, Sunday & Monday, November 2nd – 4th

Shacharit Sunday8:00 am

Monday, November 4th

Pacific Standard Time resumes; turn your clocks one hour back

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYEITZEI

Friday and Saturday, November 8th – 9th

Candle Lighting4:46 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat4:50 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational program10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha12:40 pm
 Seudah Shlishit.....4:50 pm
 Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after5:44 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYISHLACH

Friday and Saturday, November 15th – 16th

Candle Lighting4:40 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat4:45 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational program10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha12:40 pm
 Seudah Shlishit.....4:45 pm
 Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after5:39 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYESHEV

Friday and Saturday, November 22nd – 23rd

Candle Lighting4:36 pm
 Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat4:40 pm
 Morning Service9:15 am
 Educational program10:30 am
 Shabbat Mincha12:40 pm
 Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after5:35 pm

CBI AT THE BERKELEY MEN'S HOMELESS SHELTER

By Marvin Yudenfreund

Our wonderful volunteers though small in number, did an outstanding job preparing and serving dinner to our brothers at the Berkeley Men's Homeless Shelter this past July. When you see them, please offer Rivkah Lewis, Preston Grant, Carol Cunradi, Marti Zedeck, Talia Seder, Ronna Bach, Yaakov Harari, Faith and Sara Meltzer, Ron Klein, and Malcolm Feeley a *yasher koach* for helping with this endeavor. A special thanks to Rabbi Green for providing us with a thought-provoking D'var Torah.

Since the fourth Wednesday of September is Erev Shmini Atzeret, I'm checking with the BFHP organization to see whether there might be other opportunities in September for us to perform this *mitzvah*. Stay tuned.





COMMUNAL SUKKAH MEAL

Join us as we fill Beth Isrel's sukkah with love,
warmth, and joy on Erev Sukkot.

We will feast, learn, sing, dance and gaze at
the stars through the sukkah's schach.

—Fleishig with vegetarian options • RSVP by Friday, September 13 —
\$18 Adults • \$7 Children • \$50 Max. per Family
Nobody will be turned away for lack of funds.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 • 7:00 PM

Mincha & Yom Tov Ma'ariv • 7:00 pm
Followed by Communal Sukkah Meal • 7:45 pm

FOLLOW ME THE YONI NETANYAHU STORY

MOVIE NIGHT & PIZZA IN THE CBI SUKKAH **MONDAY EVENING • SEPTEMBER 23**

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sing together in a shabbat mood for 1-2 year olds & younger ones too.



shabbat **October 19th**

11am @ the CBI library
the new Gan Shalom

We will be having a
tot shabbat every
3rd shabbat of the month.

Save the date!

Upcoming tot shabbat
dates will meet on
November 16th & December 21st.

Looking forward to seeing you!



CBI's Bar-Bat Mitzvah Program

The group will meet twice a month:

- Once a month to learn, discuss and explore big questions in an experiential way.

First meeting will take place on **Tuesday, October 1st**, 7:30pm, at CBI.

Next meetings will be on: 11.3, 12.10, 1.15, 2.26, 3.25, 5.12.

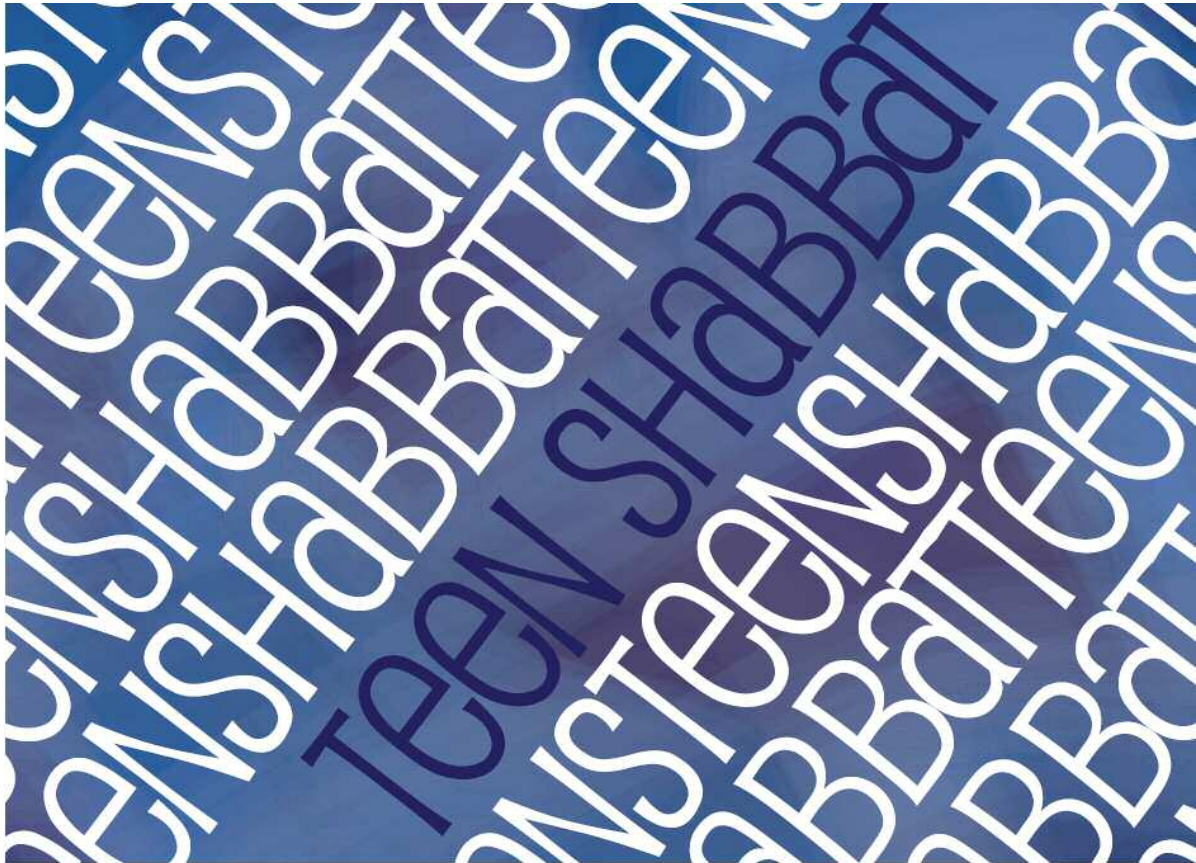
- Once a month we'll meet on Shabbat morning at 9:15- for a full Shabbat services, with parents as well. The second Shabbat of each month will be a Bar-Bat mitzvah Shabbat, an opportunity to join the community and connect to the Tfila, prayer, and Torah-reading. During the sermon the group will join for an activity of their own, led by Ma'ayan Rabinovich. (On weeks of a bar/bat Mitzvah- there will be no activity during the Drash.)

First Bar-Bat Mitzvah Shabbat will be on **October 12th**.

The following will be: 11.9, 12.14, 1.11, 2.8, 3.8, 4.12, 5.10, 6.14.

For questions and more details,

please contact Ma'ayan Rabinovich at 510-219-0275 Maayanbd@gmail.com



Teens Shabbat for 6 -12th graders

Teens Minyan @ CBI - Shabbat morning at 10:00 am

Shabbat meal @ the Rabinoviches - separate meals for middle-school
and high-school students

First Teen Shabbat this year- August 31st

Save the dates- Every first Shabbat of the month will be a Teens Shabbat:
November 2, December 7, January 4, February 1, March 1, May 3 & June 7

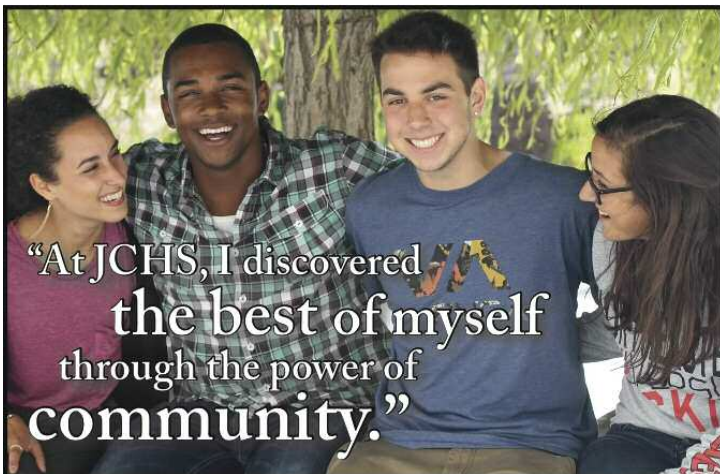


SAVE THE DATE!!
Global Day of Jewish Learning
Sunday November 17, 10:00am
Jewish Community Center of the East Bay, Berkeley Branch

Join the Jewish Community Center of the East Bay for the 4th Annual Global Day of Jewish Learning. Jews around the world come together in their communities, homes and online to celebrate our shared heritage by studying, learning and engaging with each other. People of all faiths and affiliations are welcome to participate in this new tradition. For updates on our local educational day, visit www.jcceastbay.org/events/2013/11/17/jewishlife/global-day-of-jewish-learning/.



For more information or to RSVP, contact Andy Muchin at andym@jcceastbay.org or 510-848-0237 x118.



Jewish Community High School of the Bay

OPEN HOUSE

November 3 & December 8 | 11am - 1:30pm

RSVP at 415.345.9777 x112 or www.jchsofthebay.org

The Open House program is not only intended to introduce individuals to JCHS, but is also to guide both students and parents through the very important process of choosing a high school. Each Open House begins with a brief introduction in our Performing Arts Theater before participating in three classroom experiences including Physics, English and Jewish Studies.



OAKLAND HEBREW DAY SCHOOL

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PRESCHOOL FAMILY SUKKAH EVENT
Monday, September 23rd at 4:30pm

PRESCHOOL FAMILY SCIENCE EVENT
Tuesday, October 22nd at 2:30pm

Please contact Philippa Lichterman with any questions: 510-531-8600 ext. 12 or admissions@ohds.org



A few of the New Faces Around CBI

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— BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES —

BIRTHDAYS

Chloe Zilberstein, September 3, 4th birthday
 Hope Alper, September 6
 Deborah Fink, September 6
 Sarah Bloom, September 7, 18th birthday
 Frayda Gonshor Cohen, September 11
 Aliza Weiss, September 11
 Leonard Schulman, September 14
 Coby Stein, September 15, 16th birthday
 Ezra Hendon, September 15
 Karen Chana Quastler, September 15
 Samuel Gessow, September 19, 16th birthday
 Theresa Kaplan, September 21
 Rachel Gavriella Klein, September 22,
 13th birthday
 Ari Finkelstein, September 23
 Gilad Buchman, September 23
 Raz Tzion Rabinovich, September 24,
 1st birthday
 Philip Tendler, September 24
 S. Shalom Bochner, September 25
 John Pilkington, September 25
 Nimrod Elias, September 27
 Toby Hendon, September 27
 Levi Daniel Steinman, September 29,
 7th birthday
 Isaiah Heitler Bamberger, October 1, 9th
 birthday
 Nevo Naftalin-Kelman, October 2,
 6th birthday
 Doris Leavitt, October 2
 Raanan Schweig, October 3, 10th birthday
 Ashira Bloom, October 3, 12th birthday
 Talia Seder, October 3, 17th birthday
 Anyah Zahara Bracha Schachter-Brooks, Octo-
 ber 3, 2nd birthday
 Dorothy Richman, October 5
 Benjamin Krantz, October 6, 3rd birthday
 Amir Amado Feeley, October 7, 19th birthday
 Nathan Zachary Magid, October 8, 12th
 birthday
 Robert Safran, October 8
 Jonah Koppelman, October 9, 14th birthday
 Clara Cunradi, October 9, 18th birthday
 Walker Koppelman, October 9
 Ezra Gideon Bamberger, October 9,
 5th birthday
 Judith Massarano, October 9
 Eliana Greenberg, October 10
 Miriam Simon, October 12, 6th birthday

Ilene Katz, October 15
 Yishai Samuel Darmoni, October 16,
 1st birthday
 Hillel Kipnis, October 17
 Eidan Schachter-Brooks, October 17,
 8th birthday
 Bella Barany, October 17
 Sara Heitler Bamberger, October 19
 Edward Miller, October 20
 Yehoshua Tzvi Albietz, October 21, 5th birthday
 Lev Jasper, October 21
 Shira Tikofsky, October 22, 16th birthday
 Miriam Etzion, October 24, 6th birthday
 Jacob Bear Mahgel-Friedman, October 24, 8th
 birthday
 Leo Mayer Davis, October 25, 1st birthday
 Avraham (Avrumy) Reissberg, October 25
 Yonatan Alperin, October 26, 10th birthday
 Malachi Yadgar, October 26, 3rd birthday
 Aaron Katler, October 26
 Ami Wulf, October 28
 Zvi Rosen, October 29
 Violette Sibony, October 30
 Sam Markowitz, October 31
 Bob Albietz, November 1
 Mirit Grembek, November 5
 Leif Stamperdahl, November 7, 6th birthday
 Joan Sopher, November 7
 Rebecca Simon, November 8, 17th birthday
 Etai Naftalin-Kelman, November 10, 2nd
 birthday
 Daniel Roi Schweig, November 10,
 7th birthday
 Nina Smith, November 12, 11th birthday
 Jake Libenson, November 12, 15th birthday
 Carol Shivel, November 12
 Sam James, November 13
 David Etzion, November 14, 10th birthday
 Robert Alper, November 14
 Noa Mrejen, November 15, 7th birthday
 Kenny Hendon, November 16
 Dvir Tsivion, November 16, 3rd birthday
 Laura Lipman, November 17
 Evyatar Shalem Kam, November 18,
 1st birthday
 Oree Grembek, November 18, 3rd birthday
 Naomi Etzion, November 18, 8th birthday
 Patricia Kipnis, November 18
 Gregg Morris, November 18
 Dorothy Rubin, November 19

Celia Haber, November 20, 14th birthday
 Susanne DeWitt, November 20
 Shiraz Wiener Dow, November 24,
 14th birthday
 Dalia Schulman, November 25, 4th birthday
 Elissa Kittner, November 25
 SerachBracha Richards, November 25
 Scott Feigelson, November 26
 Wendy Kenin, November 26
 Uri Rabinovich, November 28, 6th birthday
 Yaffa Jelen, November 29, 1st birthday
 Benjamin Feiner, November 29
 Sergio Andermann, November 29
 Rita Kuhn, November 29

ANNIVERSARIES

Robert & June Safran, September 1,
 57th anniversary
 Bob & Judy Albietz, September 2,
 34th anniversary
 Ken & Sara Heitler Bamberger, September 2,
 12th anniversary
 Alan & Elissa Kittner, September 6,
 15th anniversary
 Ezra & Toby Hendon, September 7,
 55th anniversary
 Richard Atkins & Cynthia Samuels, September
 12, 42nd anniversary
 Derek & Maureen Krantz, September 14,
 13th anniversary
 Aaron Katler & Deborah Fink, October 27,
 11th anniversary
 Sergio Andermann & Noemi Yoselevitz,
 October 29, 8th anniversary
 Gabriel Greenberg & Abby Streusand,
 October 30, 2nd anniversary
 Donald & Gina Yoffe, November 10,
 22nd anniversary
 Oded & Rebecca Angel, November 17,
 39th anniversary
 Terry & Olga Gordon, November 20,
 39th anniversary
 Paul & Anna Belle Panish, November 22,
 51st anniversary
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 37th anniversary

— MAZAL TOV! —

Mazal tov to **Ellen Winnick & Sheldon Winnick** on the wedding of their son Daniel Winnick to Stav Raz this summer.

Mazal tov to **R. Yonatan Cohen** on graduating from the Shalom Hartman Institute's Rabbinic Leadership Initiative program. The three-year program immerses an elite cadre of North American rabbis in the highest levels of Jewish study.

Mazal tov to **BatSheva & David Miller and Michael & Deborah Sosebee** (of Oakland) on the wedding of their children, Netzach Miller and Hannah Sosebee in Jerusalem.

Mazal tov to **David and Hannah Hindawi** on the wedding of their son, Orion Hindawi to Jackie Pohl.

Mazal tov to **Mickey Davis and Vanessa Greenfield** on their wedding.

Mazal tov to **Jennifer, Jonathan, and big sister Chloe Zilberstein** on the birth of a baby boy.

Mazal tov to grandparents **Margo Feeley, Malcolm Feeley & Rivka Amado** on the birth of grandson Zev Naftali to Jacob Feeley and Elana Bailes.

May their lives be filled with the insights of Torah, the warm and supportive love of family and community, and the blessing of good deeds.

— BARUCH DAYAN EMET/CONDOLENCES —

It is with great sadness we inform you of passing of long time member, **Eva Caro** this past May. Eva is survived by her children Michael, John, Vincent, Mary, and Conrad, eight grandchildren, and two great-grand children Beywolf and Kaden.

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the passing of **Murray Krelstein**, z"l (Meir Yosaf ben Aharon v'Elishevah), beloved husband of Brinah Krelstein.

May the Holy One comfort the family among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

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June 22: Aron Menda in honor of Rabbi Cohen, the CBI board of directors, Joelle Yzquierdo and the CBI family, and in memory of his father's *yahrzeit*; Ellie Green in honor of his parents' 53rd wedding anniversary on June 19

June 29: Abby Streusand & R. Gabe Greenberg, Cory & Avi Zinn, Rachel Toaff-Rosenstein & Arye Rosenstein, Jo-Ellen & Ben Zeitlin, Beth Oelberger Astmann & Jonathan Astmann, and Stephanie Shelan Katz & Doni Katz, thanking the congregation for all of its support for the spring crop of babies, particularly in providing *shifra puah*.

July 6: Linda Diamond in honor of the CBI congregation; in memory of Richard Diamond and Leslie Anne Provence; in celebration of the engagement of Danielle Diamond to Ilan Bongard; Nae Golomb in memory of her father, Joel S. Golomb and Leslie Anne Provence; Gladys & Phil Leider; Rikki & David Sudikoff in honor of Uriel's 20th birthday

July 13: Naomi & Bob Stamper in honor of their 50th anniversary; the Zeitlin family in honor of Simon and Ben's birthdays

July 20: The Etzion, Wiener Dow, and Yadgar families as a farewell and thank you to the CBI home we are sad to leave.

July 27: Margo Feeley, Malcolm, Rivka and Amir Amado-Feeley in honor of the birth of Maxine Edith to Miriam Feeley Jaffe and Adam Jaffe and in honor of the birth of Elai Benyamin Grundstein to Maytal Bar-Shir and Eyal Grundstein

August 3: Gerard Dahan in honor of his Dad Aaron's 91st birthday

August 10: Bob & June Safran in honor of the community; Rhoda Agin; Judith Bloom in honor of Dan's tenth *yahrzeit*; Tali & Yaakov Albietz in honor of Shemaya's birthday; Jonah Markowitz in memory of his great aunt Evelyn Smuckler's, z"l, 98th birthday; Howard Felson & Efrat Campagnano in honor of his father's birthday and for the community.

August 17: Mickey Davis and Vanessa Greenfield are sponsoring kiddush in honor of their upcoming wedding.

August 24: Faith Meltzer on Ross's first *yahrzeit* and their 28th anniversary; Aron Menda in honor of Lois & Gary Marcus's grandson, Moshe Leib celebrating a *Siyum Mishnayos*

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