

THANKS FROM OUR SHUL ADMINISTRATOR

The June 2 Gala was incredibly fun, an "only in Beth Israel" event. The talent, the wit, the generosity and the hard work of so many people came together for one of those perfect evenings I will personally cherish for the rest of my days. All praise goes to the Gala organizers and volunteers who worked tirelessly at making everything look effortless, and beautiful. I don't think I have laughed this much as I did during the Broadway play, and we all enjoyed goose bump moments from the music and singing from some very talented members. I hope we will see many more in future galas!

Thank you to everyone for your kind and thoughtful words in the tribute booklet. The honor was unexpected, and I was incredibly touched. I am a sort of Cat in the Hat in the office, balancing a plate and a book, an umbrella and a fish bowl all at once. Like the Cat, I enjoy rising to the challenge. Like the Cat, I occasionally drop a plate (more often when things are quiet than hectic for some reason!) but you are always patient and kind to me, and I am very grateful for your willingness to let me make things right, always.

I wanted to tell each and every one of you that I am blessed to be the one charged with carrying out the daily tasks and looking after the needs of this community. At the Gala, Rabbi Cohen said: "Everyone marches to the beat of their own drum, but what is important is that everyone goes in one direction." Community building is hard work. We may not hear someone else's drum, or we may not like their beat. Community building is sensitive work, it calls for heart, intelligence, generosity, confidence, discretion and vision, it calls for selflessness. You have all that in the amazingly self-effacing Lois Marcus and in every president, treasurer and board member and volunteer I have known, in Laura Lipman at Gan Shalom and its wonderful staff. You have it in remarkable abundance in R. Cohen, who leads by listening to each and every one of you and weaves the voice of Torah skillfully and faithfully in his every action.

The rewards of community building are more evident at Beth Israel than most: the bonds of friendship and love shine. You have maintained a community since the 1920's through thick and thin; you built a new home in 2005. You built an eruv. You are building a new youth center and accommodating the growth of the shul. You welcome people from all walks of life and treasure their individuality. You do it within the means of a fairly small community with impeccable fiscal integrity. From birth to death, from raising children to looking after those in need, and building the strongest Morasha/Legacy core of any synagogue (making sure you don't just leave your children money or property, but you also leave them a community), the vision of Beth Israel is renewed with creative passion and personal commitments by all of you. My very lucky job is to execute your vision, keep it on track and protect its integrity.

I can say with all my heart, I am very proud of my shul!

Joelle Yzquierdo

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LAWS AND CUSTOMS OF THE THREE WEEKS AND THE NINE DAYS

The 17th of Tammuz, commemorating the fall of Jerusalem prior to the destruction of the Temple, marks the beginning of a 3-week national period of mourning culminating with the 9th of Av. Our rabbis referred to the time period between the 17th of Tammuz and the 9th of Av as 'Bein Hamitzarim,' between the straits, based on the verse: "All her oppressors have overtaken her within the straits" (Lamentations 1:3). On Shabbat during the Three Weeks, the Haftorot focus upon the Temple's destruction and the exile of the Jewish people.

The five events which we mourn on the 17th of Tammuz are:

- 1. Moshe broke the tablets at Mount Sinai in response to the sin of the Golden Calf.
- 2. The daily offerings in the First Temple were suspended during the siege of Jerusalem, after the Kohanim could no longer obtain animals.
- 3. Jerusalem's walls were breached, prior to the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE.
- 4. Prior to the Great Revolt, the Roman general Apostamos burned a Torah scroll setting a precedent for the burning of Jewish books throughout the centuries.
- 5. An idolatrous image was placed in the Sanctuary of the Temple.

ASPECTS OF MOURNING DURING THE THREE WEEKS

- 1. We do not get married. However, one may get engaged.
- 2. We avoid public celebrations -- especially those which involve singing, dancing, and musical accompaniment.
- 3. We do not enjoy live music. This prohibition however does not apply if you make your living as a musician or teacher, or if you are a student practicing, but not performing.
- 4. We do not get haircuts. A person who usually shaves daily and would suffer business or financial loss by not shaving, may continue to do so.

ASPECTS OF MOURNING DURING THE NINE DAYS

- The period commencing with Rosh Chodesh Av is called the 'Nine Days.' During this time, a stricter level of mourning is observed, in accordance with the Talmudic dictum: "When the month of Av begins, we reduce our joy." (BT Taanit 26)
- 1. We don't eat meat (including poultry) or drink wine. These foods are symbolic of the Temple service, and are generally expressions of celebration and joy.

On Shabbat, meat and wine are permitted. This applies also to any other seudat mitzvah -- for example, at a Brit Milah, Simchat Bat, or at the completion of a tractate of Talmud.

- 2. We do not bathe for pleasure. However for daily hygiene one should continue to bathe but in a manner that is somewhat less enjoyable. Those taking swim lessons or who swim for medical reasons may continue to do so.
- 3. We avoid purchasing any items that bring great joy. However, one may buy things if they will be difficult to find after the 9th of Av, or even if they will be more expensive later, but if possible should refrain from using or wearing them until after this period. Purchases necessary for one's livelihood are permitted.
- 4. We do not say the blessing She-hechiyanu on new food or clothes, except on Shabbat.
- 5. We postpone starting home improvements, or the planting of trees and flowers, until after the 9th of Av, as it would seem inconsistent to focus upon our home decor as we mourn the destruction of God's house.
- 6. If one has the option, it is preferable to refrain from wearing newly laundered exterior garments (except on Shabbat) If the "freshness" has been taken out of a garment prior to the Nine Days (by having worn it for even a few moments) it may be worn. It is in fact advisable before the Nine Days to start to put on for a few moments any exterior garments you wish to wear in the coming days.

The clothing of small children, which get soiled frequently, may be laundered and worn during the Nine Days.

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THE NINTH OF AV: HISTORY AND LAWS

On the 9th of Av we remember and mourn tragedies which occurred to our people throughout our history. The following events are said to have transpired or started on this very day:

- 1. The sin of the spies caused God to decree that the Children of Israel who left Egypt would not be permitted to enter the land of Israel.
- 2. The first Temple was destroyed.
- 3. The second Temple was destroyed.
- 4. Betar, the last fortress to hold out against the Romans during the Bar Kochba revolt in the year 135, fell, sealing the fate of the Jewish people.
- 5. One year after the fall of Betar, the Temple area was plowed.
- 6. In 1492, King Ferdinand of Spain issued the expulsion decree, setting the 9th of Av as the final date by which not a single Jew would be allowed on Spanish soil.
- 7. World War I, which began the downward slide to the Holocaust began on the 9th of Av. The central component of the day however is not only sadness and loss but also the hope for teshuva and the betterment of ourselves.
- There are five major prohibitions (all of which are rabbinically ordained) that help create as well as reflect our sense of loss and introspection.
- 1. We do not Eat or Drink on the 9th of Av (individuals who are ill or pregnant or nursing should in no way harm themselves. For further guidance please contact Rabbi Cohen.)
- 2. We do not Bathe even parts of our body on the 9th of Av. If part of the body becomes soiled one may wash that area. After using the restroom and after waking up one washes his/her hands up to the knuckles.
- 3. We do not anoint our bodies with Oils on the 9th of Av, this include creams, cosmetics, cologne and perfume.
- 4. We do not wear Leather Shoes on the 9th of Av.
- 5. Marital Relations are prohibited on the 9th of Av.

Other traditions include:

Greeting: We do not greet each other by saying "hello" or "how are you doing" on the 9th of Av. One should be careful not to offend another person who may be unaware of this law. There is an added custom to minimize speech in general on the 9th of Av at least until the midday (chatzot- precisely between sunrise neitz and sunset shkia- see the zmanim chart for details).

Torah Study: We do not study Torah as it is the greatest joy. However elements dealing with the destruction of the Temple, or the laws of mourning should be studied.

Sitting on the Floor: We sit on the floor or on a low chair until chatzot of the 9th of Av. One may also stand or lie down. There is an added custom to remove a pillow from one's bed or to place a stone beneath the pillow.

Tallit and Tefilin: Are not worn in the morning, but are worn for mincha. Our tradition teaches that the process of redemption will also begin on the 9th of Av.

> May we merit to see the rebuilding of Yerushalayim filled with peace and unity speedily in our days, R. Yonatan Cohen

NEW MEMBER PROFILE • DEBORAH PEARL

By Elissa Kittner

Deborah joined CBI about a year and a half ago and feels enormously welcomed by the community. Deborah was drawn to the "spirit of CBI's services and the serious praying/davening that happens in the shul." Deborah is a Bay Area native who was born in San Rafael and raised in San Jose. She grew up in an observant Conservative family that was proudly Zionist. Deborah spent a year studying at Hebrew University in Jerusalem during her junior year of college, and then attended UC Berkeley where she received her PhD in Russian History. She also spent a year living in Russia in the late 1970s. She and her late ex-husband moved to Ohio shortly after she completed her doctorate degree. She spent nearly 25 years working at Cleveland State University where she taught Russian history, Eastern European History, and Western Civilization courses and oversaw the students in the masters degree program. She also taught at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and was an adjunct professor at Sonoma State University. Her interest in the field continues, and Deborah is currently doing research and writing a book on "Workers in the Russian Revolutionary Movement." Deborah and her teenage daughter Susanna returned to the Bay Area in 2008 settling in the North Bay. Tragically, Susanna died suddenly and unexpectedly in the fall of 2012. Deborah commented that she felt "eternally grateful for the outpouring of support she received from the CBI family and Rabbi and Frayda during this very difficult time." Deborah continues to feel welcomed by CBI and is enjoying meeting new people and taking Rabbi Cohen's evening classes.



NEW MEMBER PROFILE • EHUD & EFRAT TSIVION

By Elissa Kittner

Ehud and Efrat are new CBI members who recently relocated to Berkeley from Israel while Ehud does post-doctoral work in Theoretical Chemistry at UC Berkeley for the next few years. They live in Albany with their two children Dvir (2.5 years old) and Yotam (6 months old). Efrat has a master's degree in social work and had previously worked for the Jerusalem Ministry of Social Welfare with children and adults with special needs. Efrat has served in the IDF as a teacher and has worked with children and families of new Ethopian Olim. After she was released from duty, she lived in the U.S. for a year when she served as a shlichah at SAR High School in New York. Efrat also studied at "Migdal Oz" and "Beit Morasha." Ehud served as an officer for several years in the IDF, starting his military service as a tank commander and later becoming a developer of advanced defense systems. He's now serving as an ordinance officer in the military reserve. Ehud and Efrat met at the "Havruta" beit midrash at the Mt. Scopus campus of the Hebrew University. They are still getting to know the East Bay and larger San Francisco Bay Area, but have been struck by the area's beauty and how "calm and quiet it is here". They commented that CBI is a "lovely and welcoming shul" and that the community has been very warm, accepting and welcoming of them.



NEW MEMBER PROFILE • CYNTHIA SAMUELS & RICHARD ATKINS

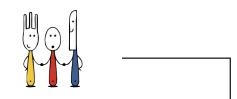
By Elissa Kittner

Cynthia Samuels and Richard Atkins are new CBI members who recently relocated to the Bay Area from Washington, DC. They had attended Reform synagogues when they lived in Los Angeles and Manhattan, but about ten years ago, when they first moved to Washington, DC, they "stumbled upon" an Orthodox synagogue (Ohev Sholom: The National Synagogue) and became active, engaged members there, learning with "many great teachers over the years." In 2012, they decided to move to the Bay Area to be closer to their two adult sons (both of whom are video game designers) and their families and have settled in San Francisco.

Cindy and Richard currently run a communications and consulting business, The Cobblestone Team LLC, which offers consulting services on social media, editorial focus, strategy and content, and political communication as well as health policy. Cindy has spent her career working in online and broadcast news with a focus on politics and content for women, parents and families. She has worked for a wide range of compa-



nies including iVillage, Jim Henson Interactive, Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble.com, National Public Radio, NBC's Today Show and Channel One. Richard is a doctor, who after many years as a professor of child psychiatry and pediatrics, served as Deputy Commissioner of Health for New York City and later spent many years leading health advocacy venture non-profits. He also recently completed his JD at Georgetown and is currently working on a book about the cultures and family backgrounds of the early Jewish Supreme Court Justices. In looking for a shul in the Bay Area, friends on the east coast who were familiar with our community referred them to CBI, thinking it would be a great fit and "they were right." Cindy says, "I am very moved by the spirituality of the service and the fact there is almost no talking. I like the way the service is led and love the involvement of lay leaders. Rabbi Cohen's sermons are excellent and provide real spiritual guidance." Richard adds, "We are so delighted to be in a place that is as established and grounded as CBI. We are grateful for the welcome we have received – from the community and the Rabbi and look forward to getting more integrated into the community."



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 —

I usually start articles about scrip explaining what scrip is (gift certificates used in place of money) and which are the stores that do scrip (Berkeley Bowl, Peets, CVS, Afikomen, etc.) and how much money CBI makes (we recently gave \$10,000 to the general fund). This article will be different. I very much want to thank those members of our shul community who consistently buy scrip and use it when they shop. It is because of their participation in the scrip program that we are so successful. Look for your name below and if it is not there please speak to someone whose name is there and perhaps they can raise your scrip awareness. If you purchase scrip occasionally we thank you and

would love to have you become a regular participant. So big thanks go to the following members/families:

J. Bloom, Brosbe, Burrell, Budnitz, Elias, Gessow, Grant, Falk, Haber, MacMillian, Massarano, P. Miller, Polak, Safran, Scheinberg, Shivel, H. Simon, Stamperdahl, Turbiner, Valas-Finkelstein, Wulf, Yudenfreund, and Zeitlin.

GAN SHALOM UPDATE

By Laura Lipman

Dear Friends,

Many people have been asking me about the Gan Shalom Rebuild. Thankfully, there are many talented and capable people involved in this project. There are the people doing the actual hammering and building, other people doing the actual fundraising and counting money. But I am involved in planning and licensing a preschool to be located at Beth Israel, starting in June. This is an exciting and challenging process for Gan Shalom and for Beth Israel. I am not a contractor or a fundraiser, but I am passionate about creating a wonderful environment for young children to flourish in a play-based, creative Jewish preschool.

That will happen with your patience, help and cooperation. You will see some new items in the shul and out on the patio cubbies, a sandbox, baskets of toys. They are only there for less than a year, and, as in the story of the man with a small house who goes to the Rabbi, who tells him to fill his house with chickens, a cow, a goat and a horse—and then when he thinks he can't take it any more, they leave one by one and his house looks bigger than ever before. This will be our situation also; when Gan is back in our new building, our beautiful shul will look bigger and better than ever.

You won't actually see Gan Shalom in real time on Shabbat or Yom Tov. What you will see is our comet trail, some small traces. I'm hoping what you will see is evidence of healthy and happy children, their deep joy, their pride in their knowledge of holiday songs and blessings over food. I hope that when you see a box of toys, or a stray stuffed animal, you will see what I seefamilies who are both members of Beth Israel and of other synagogues, who all send their children to Gan Shalom and share a vision for the future. The traces of their presence will hopefully remind you of what these precious children represent our hopes and dreams for our community. At Gan Shalom we always try to be our best selves—here is some pertinent advice:

How will you be your best self?

Akiva J.: Not throw toys. Listen to the teachers. Raizel: Help people who are hurt and share with my brother. Aholiav: Put it in the box right now when it's clean up. Yehoshua: Play nice with your friends. Hoshaya: Say, "Are you okay?" if your friend got a boo-boo. Akiva D.: Be kind to animals and share toys. Ezra: I'm sharing the Torah. Halel: Me going to say, "Sorry!"

With this advice, we will all get along. We all have a stake in Gan Shalom. The success of this project will affect all of us for years to come. This is the first step in continuing to create and recreate a vibrant community of which young children are such an important part. They are our legacy and our heritage, and they are truly the key to the health and longevity of our shul.





BERKELEY MIDRASHA UPDATE

By Diane Bernbaum

I may be writing this at the start of summer, but my mind is already wrapped around the excitement about the upcoming Midrasha school year, which begins on Sunday, September 8 at 9:30 am at Beth El. Here's a rundown of the fall semester.

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 the faculty this year, Yaeli Bronstein, who was a Near Eastern and Judaic Studies major at Brandeis University and a Fellow with Avodah: The Jewish Service Corps, will teach the eleventh and twelfth grade core, "The American Jewish Experience." Also a calligrapher, Yaeli will teach an elective in Hebrew calligraphy and another on "Race, Racism and Jewish Identity." Also 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. 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. Don't forget that our Monday class with David Henkin, a twenty-six year veteran of the Midrasha faculty, begins at Beth Israel at 4:15 pm 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.

Orientation for new teens AND parents will be Wednesday, August 28 at 7:30 pm at Beth El. 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 all grades, 8th-12th grade.

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 & Elisa 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

For more information or to join the Society please contact Noah Alper at noahalper@gmail.com or Rena Rosen at t.rosenfamily@comcast.net.





SHABBAT SUMMER LEARNING AT CBI SCHOLARS IN RESIDENCE

RABBI DOV LINZER

Rosh HaYeshiva, Yeshivat Chovevei Torah, New York SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 6

Rabbi Dov Linzer is the Rosh HaYeshiva and Dean of Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School. He studied for many years at Yeshivat Har Etzion, was a member of Yeshiva University's Gruss Kollel Elyon, and received his ordination from the Israeli Rabbinate. He is a recipient of the Javits Graduate fellowship, and a doctoral candidate in Religion at Columbia University. Rabbi Linzer headed the Boca Raton Kollel for the first two-and-a-half years of its existence, giving classes to the rabbis of the Kollel, and lecturing throughout the South Florida communities. He has published halakha and machshava articles in Torah journals and lectures widely at synagogues and conferences on topics relating to halakha, Orthodoxy, and modernity. Rabbi Linzer spearheaded the development of the YCT Rabbinical School curriculum into an innovative semikha program which provides its students with rigorous halakhic study and sophisticated professional training in the context of a religious atmosphere which cultivates openness and inclusiveness. In addition



to overseeing the Yeshiva's Torah curriculum, he teaches advanced halakha in a broad range of areas across all four sections of the Shulchan Aruch. Rabbi Linzer teaches advanced classes in Talmud and a year-long class in Contemporary Challenges of Modern Orthodoxy.

R. Linzer is joining our community as part of his family's summer vacation, however he kindly agreed to share Torah during our Shababt morning services.

RABBI YOSEF CARMEL

Av Beit Din (Head Rabbinic Judge) of the Beit Din, Eretz Hemdah – Gazit, Jerusalem FRIDAY & SATURDAY, AUGUST 9-10

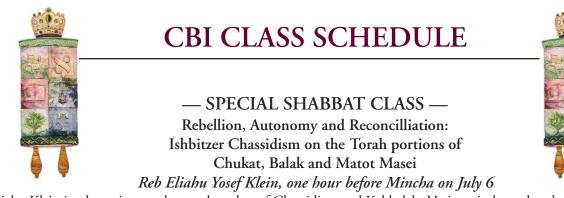
Rav Yosef Gershon Carmel is the Av Beit Din of the Beit Din, "Eretz Hemdah - Gazit", as well as the Rabbinical Dean of the Eretz Hemdah, Institute for advanced Jewish studies in Jerusalem. In 1987, with the partnership of Rav Moshe Ehrenreich and under the Presidency of HaGaon Maran Israeli z"l, they founded the Eretz Hemdah Institute. Rav Yosef Carmel is a graduate of the Nir Kiryat Arba Hesder Yeshiva and was Rosh Metivta there for more than ten years. Rav Carmel was Rosh Yeshiva at "Machon Meir" during 1985 - 1986 and is a senior lecturer at Jerusalem College for Tanach since 1985. Rav Carmel heads the 'Ask the Rabbi' program which provides Halachic answers in English to questioners from around the world. To date, more than 15,000 replies have been sent out. He is the author of many articles on Tanach and Halacha and of the book Tsofenat Eliyahu a commentary on the Vilna Gaon's commentary on the Shulchan Aruch Hoshen Mishpat, laws of financial damages and seven volumes of "Reponsa B'mareh Habazak."



RABBI DANIEL KOHN FRIDAY & SATURDAY, AUGUST 16-17

Rabbi Daniel Kohn, Rav of Yishuv Bat Ayin, holds a BA in Comparative Religion from Columbia University, and moved to Israel after finishing his undergraduate degree. Rav Daniel is known for his profound integrative teaching and group facilitation, which bring mysticism and Chassidut together with grounded human insight and a deep awareness of psychological processes. A musmach of the Chief Rabbinate of Israel, Rav Daniel spent many years in yeshivot Merkaz Harav Kook, Netzach Yisrael and Har Etzyon. He co-founded the Bat Ayin Yeshiva, where he also served as co-Rosh Yeshiva for nine years, and he is a sought after teacher in Gush Etzion, Jerusalem, and in the Diaspora. He also counsels using a unique combination of spiritual and therapeutic techniques. His unique teachings and techniques for focused, deep prayer have impacted and inspired hundreds of people who have participated in his long and short term trainings and programs.







Reb Eliahu Klein is a long time student and teacher of Chassidism and Kabbalah. He is an independent lecturer at San Francisco State University, Institute of Transpersonal Psychology, UC Berkeley, Chochmat Halev and many Jewish communities in the US. He is also the author of *Meetings With Remarkable Souls: Legends of the Baal Shem Tov, Kabbalah of Creation: Isaac Luria's Early Mysticsm and A Mystical Haggadah: Teachings, Meditations and Tales on Passover.* He is currently working on a novel about his experiences as a prison rabbi for the Department of Corrections. He is also the founder of a startup called Matir: Reaching Out to Jews in Prison and Hospitals.

- 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. *R. Gabriel Greenberg - Sunday, 9-10 am*

— MONDAY —

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 pm

— WEDNESDAY —

Jewish Renewal in the Land of Milk and Honey: Visions of a Jewish State

Before the State of Israel was established, the Jewish people engaged in a rich conversation about the purpose of the new venture. A number of these voices, from both "secular" and "religious" mouths, called for the creation of something new and vibrant, imagining a laboratory for Jewish existence. In this 4 part series, we will explore a number of different visions for the Jewish State and how the Jews could improve on the nation state. This conversation will ultimately touch on larger questions such as: What does a spiritual life mean?

How do we understand religious creativity?

And, What is the role of diaspora Jewry in this renewal? *R. Joshua Ladon, 7:30 pm, Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24.*

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 Wednesday, 8:00 pm



- 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 | July 6 | July 13 | July 20 | July 27 | August 3 |
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| <i>Alot Ha'Shachar</i> Dawn | 4:41 am | 4:46 am | 4:51 am | 4:56 am | 5:02 am |
| <i>Neitz</i> -Sunrise | 5:53 am | 5:58 am | 6:03 am | 6:08 am | 6:14 am |
| Latest ideal time for the morning <i>Sh'ma</i> | 9:34 am | 9:36 am | 9:39 am | 9:42 am | 9:45 am |
| Latest time for prayer <i>Tefilah</i> | 10:47 am | 10:49 am | 10:51 am | 10:53 am | 10:55 am |
| <i>Mincha Gedolah</i> Earliest time for Mincha | 1:51 pm | 1:51 pm | 1:51 pm | 1:51 pm | 1:50 pm |
| <i>Sh'kia</i> Sunset | 8:34 pm | 8:32 pm | 8:28 pm | 8:22 pm | 8:16 pm |
| <i>Tzeit Ha'kochavim</i> Nightfall | 9:16 pm | 9:14 pm | 9:10 pm | 9:04 pm | 8:58 pm |

| Week of | August 10 | August 17 | August 24 | August 31 | September 7 |
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| <i>Alot Ha'Shachar</i> Dawn | 5:08 am | 5:14 am | 5:21 am | 5:26 am | 5:32 am |
| <i>Neitz</i> -Sunrise | 6:20 am | 6:26 am | 6:33 am | 6:38 am | 6:44 am |
| Latest ideal time for the morning <i>Sh'ma</i> | 9:47 am | 9:50 am | 9:52 am | 9:54 am | 9:56 am |
| Latest time for prayer <i>Tefilah</i> | 10:56 am | 10:57 am | 10:58 am | 10:59 am | 10:59 am |
| <i>Mincha Gedolah</i> Earliest time for Mincha | 1:49 pm | 1:47 pm | 1:44 pm | 1:41 pm | 1:38 pm |
| <i>Sh'kia</i> Sunset | 8:08 pm | 7:59 pm | 7:49 pm | 7:39 pm | 7:29 pm |
| <i>Tzeit Ha'kochavim</i> Nightfall | 8:50 pm | 8:41 pm | 8:31 pm | 8:21 pm | 8:11 pm |

CALENDAR

INDEPENDENCE DAY

| Thursday, July 4th | |
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| Shacharit | 8:00 am |

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM PARSHAT MATOT-MASEI

| Friday & Saturday, July 5th – 6th | |
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| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
| Candle Lighting | 8:16 pm |
| Morning Service | 9:15 am |
| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
| Mincha | 7:55 pm |
| Seudah Shlishit | 8:15 pm |
| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | 9:21 pm |

ROSH CHODESH AV

| Sun. night | & Mon., July 7th – 8th |
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| Shacharit | |

SHABBAT CHAZON PARSHAT DEVARIM

Friday & Saturday, July 12th – 13th

| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
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| Candle Lighting | 8:14 pm |
| Morning Service | |
| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
| Mincha | |
| Seudah Shlishit | |
| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | |

FAST OF TISHA B'AV

Mon. night & Tues., July 15th – 16th For full details of the laws of Tisha B'Av and the Week that precedes it, please see pages 2-3.

Monday night, July 15th

| Fast Begins | ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••• | 8:26 | pm |
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| Ma'ariv & Eicha | | .8:35 | pm |

Tuesday, July 16th

| Shacharit for Tisha B'Av | 8:00 am |
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| Kinnot | 9:00 am |
| Special Tisha B'Av community learning | 10:00 am |
| Chatzot (midday) | 1:14 pm |
| Mincha with Tallit & Tefilin | 8:00 pm |
| Maariv & Fast ends | 9:05 pm |
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SHABBAT NACHAMU PARSHAT VAETCHANAN

Friday & Saturday, July 19th – 20th

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| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
| Candle Lighting | |
| Morning Service | 9:15 am |
| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
| Mincha | |
| Seudah Shlishit | 8:10 pm |
| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | 9:12 pm |
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TU B'AV

Sun. night & Mon, July 21st – 22nd

SHABBAT PARSHAT EIKEV

| Friday & Saturday, July 26th – 27th | |
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| <i>Friday & Saturday, July 26th − 27th</i> Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
| Candle Lighting | |
| Morning Service | |
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SHABBAT MEVARCHIM PARSHAT RE'EI

| Friday & Saturday, August 2nd – 3rd | |
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| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
| Candle Lighting | |
| Morning Service | 9:15 am |
| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
| Mincha | |
| Seudah Shlishit | 7:55 pm |
| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | |

OFFICE VACATION • AUGUST 5-20

ROSH CHODESH ELUL

| Mon. nigh | t, Tues. & Wed., August 5th – 7th | |
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| | 6:30 at | m |

SHABBAT PARSHAT SHOFTIM

| Friday & Saturday, August 9th – 10th | |
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| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
| Candle Lighting | |
| Morning Service | 9:15 am |
| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
| Mincha | |
| Seudah Shlishit | |
| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | |
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SHABBAT PARSHAT KI TEITZEI

| Friday night & Saturday, August 16th – 17 | |
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| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | |
| Candle Lighting | 7:42 pm |
| Morning Service | |
| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
| Mincha | |
| Seudah Shlishit | |
| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | |
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SHABBAT PARSHAT KI TAVO

| Friday & Saturday, August 23rd – 24th | |
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| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
| Candle Lighting | 7:33 pm |
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| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
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| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | 8:30 pm |
| Morning Šervice Educational Childcare Mincha Seudah Shlishit Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after | 9:15 am 10:30 am 7:10 pm 7:30 pm |

SHABBAT SELICHOT PARSHAT NITZAVIM-VAYEILECH

| Friday & Saturday, August 30th - 31s | t |
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| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | |

| Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat | 7:00 pm |
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| Candle Lighting | |
| Morning Service | |
| Educational Childcare | 10:30 am |
| Mincha | |
| Seudah Shlishit | 7:20 pm |
| Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after . | 8:19 pm |
| Pre-Selichot Community Learning | 8:30 pm |
| Selichot services | |
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- A NIGHT OF - FORGIVENESS

The *Selichot* Service begins our process of *teshuva* and self reflection.

JOIN US AS WE PREPARE THROUGH SONG & STUDY 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



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> TUESDAY JULY 16

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— BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES —

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Evyatar Wiener Dow, July 3, 5th birthday Nava Elias, July 5, 3rd birthday Niva Bamberger, July 5, 7th birthday Emunah Jasper, July 5, 8th birthday Irene Resnikoff, July 5 Ilana Andermann, July 6, 3rd birthday Uriel Sudikoff, July 6 Aaron Kenin, July 8 Kate Haber, July 9 David Kenin, July 9, 7th birthday Judy Albietz, July 11 Rona Teitelman, July 12 Aholiav Yadgar, July 12, 4th birthday Simon Zeitlin, July 12, 3rd birthday Rami Landes, July 13, 14th birthday Yonim Schweig, July 14, 14th birthday Rona Rothenberg, July 15 Leslie Becker, July 16 Chaim Spivak, July 17, 4th birthday Hannah Turbiner Lyon, July 18, 13th birthday Jo-Ellen Zeitlin, July 18 Shemaya Albietz, July 22, 3rd birthday Benjy Reissberg, July 23, 17th birthday Roger Studley, July 23 Yaakov Albietz, July 25 Gina Yoffe, July 25 Ramona Rubin, July 26 Gabrielle Koppelman, July 30, 17th birthday Talya Brott, July 31 Julie Seltzer, July 31 Marvin Winer, August 3 Denise Resnikoff, August 4 Rachel Schorr, August 4 Ronna Bach, August 6 Marielle Boland, August 7, 16th birthday Maerav Rosenblatt, August 7, 1st birthday Michael Steinman, August 7 Naomi Lipman, August 9, 11th birthday Hannah Feiner, August 10, 16th birthday Noah Katler, August 10, 4th birthday Jennifer Shy, August 10 Juliet Stamperdahl, August 12 Darya Yadgar, August 12, 2nd birthday Ruth Morris, August 13

Daniel Isaacson, August 14 Simone Schubert, August 16, 7th birthday Boaz Haberman, August 18 Stephen Knaster, August 18 Gavriel Cohen, August 23, 2nd birthday Alan Kittner, August 23 Hilla Grembek, August 24, 5th birthday Rose Ginsburg, August 25 Asher Isaacson, August 25, 3rd birthday Chanah Kenin, August 26, 6th birthday Sam Clark, August 28, 18th birthday Yifat Wiener Dow, August 28, 11th birthday Akiva Jasper, August 30, 5th birthday

ANNIVERSARIES

Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen, July 4, 8th anniversary Daniel Isaacson & Liora Brosbe, July 4, 9th anniversary Jesse Kellerman & Gabriella Rosen Kellerman, July 4, 9th anniversary Avi & Cory Zinn, July 5, 3rd anniversary Gregg & Ruth Morris, July 17, 36th anniversary Marvin & Sara Engel, July 24, 46th anniversary Ben Rose & Rebecca Landes, July 29, 6th anniversary Robert & Barbara Budnitz, July 30, 52nd anniversary Nimrod & Aliza Elias, August 5, 6th anniversary Lev & Sarah Jasper, August 5, 12th anniversary Gary & Ilene Katz, August 7, 53rd anniversary Issy & Patricia Kipnis, August 11, 34th anniversary Ron Reissberg & Janice Mac Millan, August 18, 21st anniversary Ross Libenson & Susie Marcus, August 19, 23rd anniversary Scott & Turi Adams, August 20, 18th anniversary

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— MAZAL TOV! —

To Cory Isaacson & Avi Zinn on the birth of their baby girl, Leah Hinda. To Rachel Toaff-Rosenstein, Arye Rosenstein, Matan and Gefen on the birth of a baby boy, Naveh Hillel.

To Abby Streusand and R. Gabriel Greenberg on the birth of a baby girl, Adra Simone.

To Beth Oelberger Astmann & Jonathan Astmann on the birth of a baby boy, Anshel Lazar.

To new parents Stephanie Shelan Katz & Doni Katz on the birth of a baby girl, Viola Sofia.

To great-grandparents Simchah & Margie Green on the birth of a greatgrandson, Shalom Dov Bear Korf.

To Lenny Kristal and Denise Resnikoff on the birth of a grandson to Lenny's son Doron and wife Laura.

To Danielle Liana Diamond, beloved daughter of Linda Diamond and Richard Diamond of blessed memory, on her engagement to Ilan Bongard of Zichron Yaakov, Israel.

To R. Yonatan Cohen on graduating on July 7th from the Shalom Hartman Institute's Rabbinic Leadership Initiative program. The intensive Rabbinic Leadership Initiative's three-year program immerses an elite cadre of North American rabbis in the highest levels of Jewish study.

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 -

We regret to inform you of the passing in New York of **Mordechai Parnes**, beloved stepfather of Kenny Weiss (and Aliza and Matthew). He is survived by his wife Bella Parnes, his two daughters' families, Faigy and Simcha Singer, and Ruchie and Dov Dembitzer, and Kenny's brothers Jamie and Ari (and Sara) Weiss.

We regret to inform you of the passing of Karl Lyon, Klonumus Ben Aharon Halevi, beloved father of Jonathan Lyon, father-in-law of Jane Turbiner. He is survived by his wife, Gloria Hollander Lyon, and Jonathan's brother and sister-in-law, David and Iris Lyon and his many beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

We regret to inform you of the passing of **Bert Bradley**, **Dov Baer ben Yaakov**, beloved husband for 46 years of Bernice Bradley, brother in law of Elaine Kleinman, and uncle to Sharon Kleinman.

We regret to inform you of passing of **David Valas**, beloved husband of Suzi Valas and father of Ruben Valas, beloved brother of CBI members Leslie Valas and brother in law of Alan Finkelstein, and uncle of R. Aaron, Rachel (and Jacob Heitler), and Ari Finkelstein

We regret to inform you of the passing of our long term member Eva Caro May the Holy One comfort the families, together with all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem. HaMakom Yenacheim Etchem Betoch Shear Aveilei Tziyon VeYerushalayim.

— HACHNASSAT ORCHIM —

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-- The cost of a memorial plaque is \$360 --To find out how to purchase one, contact John Pilkington at jpilk@aol.com or the CBI office at (510) 843-5246, office@cbiberkeley.org



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- March 26: Ron & Bella Barany, celebrating Bella's 43rd bat mitzvah anniversary
- March 27: SaraLeya Schley, in memory of her father's second yahrzeit; Russell Kassman, in memory of his father's yahrzeit
- March 30: Benjamin & Sara Darmoni in honor of their 1st anniversary and Sara's birthday; Jeff & Doreet Stein in honor of their 18th anniversary, Jeff's birthday and Gili's 9th birthday
- April 6: Ron & Barbara Ashkenas with thanks to the community for so warmly welcoming us; Jonah Markowitz in honor of our recent re-liberation, and our freedom to celebrate Shabbat and the continuing count of the Omer
- April 13: Richard Atkins & Cynthia Samuels to thank everyone for welcoming us into our new relationship with CBI; Tony & Kathleen Bloom and family; Alan & Elissa Kittner in honor of all of CBI's new members – new joined and new born.
- April 20: Tony & Kathleen Bloom family; Jeff & Doreet Stein family; Greenwald-Bach family; Shira Wakschlag & Eli Rosenblatt in honor of the 5th yahrzeit of Shira's grandmother, Lila Weinzweig (Yenta Leah Bat Bayla) for whom Maerav Lila is named; Judith Bloom in honor of the yahrzeit of her beloved son, James
- April 27: Tony & Kathleen Bloom family; Richard Atkins & Cynthia Samuels thanking everyone for welcoming us into our new relationship with CBI
- May 4: Ron & Bella Barany in honor of the liberation of Amsterdam; and in honor of Rabbi Cohen's birthday; Nell, Chaim, Bear & Raizel Mahgel-Friedman is honor of Raizel Amidah's 5th birthday!
- May 11: Roz and Bernie Steinberg in honor of the community and all the people who have made us feel welcome; Jonah Markowitz in honor of Daniel Markowitz's

50th birthday; in memory of my grandmother Rose's 20th yahrzeit; and in honor of the graduating students from UC Berkeley and other colleges; Sara and Marv Engel in honor of Marv's birthday

- May 15: Amelia, Joshua and Chaim Fischel Spivak, in honor of our son and big brother Shalom Alter who was born 8 years ago on the first day of Shavuot
- May 16: Laura Lipman on the 13th yahrzeit of Ken & Laura's mother, Frieda Schechter Lipman; Rona Rothenberg in honor of reading Ruth on Shavuot 5773; Leora Lawton in honor of Rabbi Cohen and Frayda Gonshor Cohen; Jane Falk; Dan Lewis
- May 18: The Zeitlin family in honor of Gideon's arrival and Jo-Ellen's 40th birthday
- May 25: Congregation Beth Israel honors the teens who supervise, lead and run Shabbat programming in Gan: Sarah Bloom, Hannah Feiner, Roni Greenberg, Gavi Klein, Hannah Lyon, Hodi Miller, Nava Schweig, Ethan Seder, and Ami Stein. It's an opportunity for the whole community to appreciate the love, time and effort that they put into their work at Gan.
- June 1: The Shannon-Panish Family in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Anya Shannon
- June 9: The Schweig Family in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Nava Achsa Schweig

June 15: Families of this year's graduates — Robbie Alper; Ezra Bamberger; Sarah Bloom; Shyenne Burrell; Clara Cunradi; Simcha Fenton; Eliana Greenberg; Eliza Smith; Yaron Greenwald; Celia Haber; Samuel Levi; Hannah Rose Kabella; Jay Kaplan; Asa Kittner; Jonah Koppelman; Aya Krantz; Kochava Rose Krieger; Rami Landes; Jake Libenson; Raizel Amidah Mahgel Friedman; Sa'adia Massarano; Eliyahu Quastler; Ari Resnikoff; David Ben-Israel; Nathaniel Lesser; Ricky Safran; Talya Sandel; Liberty Schubert; Barbara Schubert; Yonim Schweig; Ethan Seder; Naomi Stamper; Leif Stamperdahl; Ami Stein; Adira Tharan; Evyatar Wiener-Dow; Shiraz Wiener-Dow

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