



Weekday Services April 19-23

Sun. 9:15 am • M-Th 6:30 am

Sun, Mo, Tu, Th 7:35 pm • W 7:20 pm

Friday, March 17th

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat @ CBI 7:00 pm
North Berkeley Minyan 7:00 pm
1209 Shattuck Ave (east side of street, past Oak Park, near Eunice)
Candle Lighting..... 7:29 pm

Saturday, March 18th

Morning Service 9:15 am
Torah Readers: **Glenn Massarano**
Haftarah Reader: **Bob Budnitz**
Educational program 11:00 am
Yeladim: **Ellen Winnick**
Talmidim Aleph: **David Hartman**
Talmidim Bet: **Maharat Victoria Sutton**
Sermon by R. Cohen: Reflections on Yom HaAtzmaut
Mincha 7:10 pm
Seudah Shlishit 7:35 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends 8:28 pm

Kiddush in honor of Yom Ha'Atzmaut

Congregation Beth Israel, Rhoda Agin, Rebecca & Oded Angel, Gilad Buchman & Racheli Perl, R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen, Deb Fink & Aaron Katler, Seymour Kessler, Jessica & Michael Klass in memory of Jessica's father's 10th yahrzeit **George B. Dantzig (Tsvi ben Tuviah), Rebecca Landes & Ben Rose, Joan Sopher, Rachel Schorr & Tania & Muni Schweig, David Spieler, David & Rikki Sudikoff, Linda and Stanley Wulf, Shelley & Marti Zedeck**

Hachnassat Orchim

Tania & Muni Schweig

ROSH CHODESH IYAR

Saturday night, Sunday & Monday, April 18th – 20th

Shacharit Sunday..... 8:00 am
Shacharit Monday 6:30 am

YOM HAZIKARON/DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ISRAELI SOLDIERS

Tuesday night & Wednesday, April 21st – 22nd

Shacharit 6:30 am

YOM HA'ATZMA'UT/INDEPENDENCE DAY

Wednesday night, April 22nd

Join us as we mark the transition from commemorating Yom Ha'Zikaron, Memorial Day, to celebrating Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Independence Day. We will honor the memories of those who have fallen this year, followed by a celebration of Israel including Hallel, food and song

Mincha 7:20 pm
Tekes Ma'avar..... 7:45 pm
followed by Celebratory Ma'ariv and Hallel
(additional Ma'ariv directly following Mincha in the Gan)

Thursday, April 23rd

Celebratory Shacharit w/Hallel 6:30 am

Beth Israel Classes

MONTHLY ON SUNDAYS & MONDAYS

Practical Issues in Contemporary Halakah: Join us for a monthly class that explores specific topics in contemporary Halakah. Each class is offered during the day and nighttime to allow for greater participation.

Topics:

Is the Use of Timers Permitted on Shabbat? (**Sunday May 10 at 8 pm or Monday May 11 at 11 am**)

Blessings and Altered States: Powerbars, Soups, and Mashed Foods (**Sunday June 14 at 8 pm or Monday June 15 at 11 am**)

R. Yonatan Cohen

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! **2nd & 4th Mondays @ 8:00 pm**

TUESDAY

Humility and Bold Creativity – Unique Voices of Religious Zionism
Rav Shagar (1949-2007) and Rav Menachem Froman (1945-2013), two seminal national-religious figures, boldly challenged their camps by insisting on both humility and bold creativity. In this session, we will examine several excerpts from their writings with a special focus on responses to the disengagement from Gaza. Together we will reflect on the varied ways in which these texts model tolerance and humility as well as the ways that they inspire new thinking, especially in light of the recent war in Gaza.

R. Yonatan Cohen – Tuesdays, April 14 & 21, 8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Book of Jeremiah with Maharat Victoria Sutton: Jeremiah's prophetic career spanned over thirty years and succession of several kings, through the Babylonian's conquest of Israel and ultimate destruction of the First Temple. The prophet risks his life to bring truth to Jerusalem and provide guidance to leaders and the nation. At times despondent, the book beautifully depicts the inner life of Jeremiah and his mission. Together, we will study the text and themes of the Book of Jeremiah. **Class resumes Wednesday, April 29 .**

Maharat Victoria Sutton — Wednesdays @ 11:00 am

THURSDAY

Open Sources: Beit Midrash

Co-sponsored by Congregation Beth Israel and Kevah Community Learning of Megillat Ruth

We invite the community to learn Megillat Ruth in preparation for Shavuot. Each week, we will learn one chapter, culminating in a siyum on Shavuot. Attend the weekly class by Maharat Victoria or learn with a hevruta (study partner) at the beit midrash. Please contact maharatvictoria@gmail.com if you are looking for a study partner.

April 23 - Ruth Chapter 1
April 30 - Ruth Chapter 2
May 7 - Lag Ba'Omer
May 14 - Ruth Chapter 3
May 21 - Ruth Chapter 4

Please refrain from wearing perfumes or scented products as there are congregants for whom these products are an irritant due to allergies or as a result of chemotherapy or other medical treatment. Thank you.

Class resumes April 23.
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. **Class is on hiatus and resumes May 8.**

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

EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Beth Israel

Please see R.Cohen's article in the J. Weekly: "[Sound of Silence is a gift that lets us tune in to the Divine.](#)"

Baruch Dayan Emet (Condolences): We deeply regret to inform you of the passing of Harriet Fields (Miriam Chaya), daughter of Irving & Shirley Fields, beloved wife of the late Bernie Freedman, a former president of CBI, and mother of Juliet and Claudia Herman. Shiva information to follow.

Wednesday, April 29 5-7:45—CBI Cooks at Berkeley Men's Shelter, 1931 Center Street: With your help, we will prepare and serve dinner to more than 50 clients at the Berkeley Men's Homeless Shelter on Wednesday, April 29. Please come cook, serve or clean up. To sign up for one of the volunteer shifts below, please contact Maharat Victoria Sutton at maharatvictoria@gmail.com or see the CBI website.
5-6:30 - Cooking Shift
6:30-7:45 Serve and Clean-Up Shift

Donate your car/boat/vehicle to Beth Israel/Midrasha. Full tax write off. Beth Israel/Midrasha share proceeds from sale. Contact David: 510-849-0961 or Midrasha: 510-843-4667.

SCRIP: Oakland Kosher scrip is available now. You can pick it up at the office or get it delivered to you by Ruth Wittman or Naomi Stamper. You can email nstamper@sbcglobe.com with questions and orders. Shop now or later, but shop with scrip.

In the Community

New Hours for Amba: Please note Amba is open Sunday through Thursday from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm and from 5 pm to 9 pm. On Fridays, Amba is open from 11:30 am to 3 pm.

IZZY SHER Garden Art Sale—Preview for Members of CBI. Outdoor metal sculpture of our beloved late member, whose work is owned by the Oakland Museum, will be offered for sale on Sunday, April 19th. \$25 and up. 1312 Virginia St.. For more info, see http://izzysher.com/?page_id=9

Zalman Sher said he knows his father would want Beth Israelites to have first choice, so he will do a **preview sale for us on April 12th from 3:00-5:00.** Or, people can stop by at their convenience whenever. In either case, call him first: 812-9878.

"Yes, We Sang!" — A Musical Tribute to the victims of the holocaust, concert, and sing along, Sunday, April 19, 4pm

JCC East Bay, 1414 Walnut Street, Berkeley

Join us as we remember the music of communities lost in the Holocaust. Our three choirs will sing for you and with you, as we recall their songs in Yiddish, Ladino and Hebrew. Lyrics will be provided for the

community sing-along. Participating Choirs: Kol Truah Jewish Choir of the East Bay, Nigunim Community Folk Chorus, The Jewish Folk Chorus of San Francisco, In partnership with the JCC East Bay
General Admission \$10, Seniors and Children FREE

NCSY Final Event!!! 6 Flags April 25-26
5th-8th Grade. Sign up at norcal.ncsy.org

Reflections on the Legacy of Nuremberg: the 70th Anniversary of the Nuremberg Trials International Conference at UC Berkeley April 27-28, 2015

The conference will start off on April 27th with a film screening of Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today and conversation with filmmaker Sandra Schulberg and Professor of Law Richard Buxbaum, and continue on the 28th with several panels, including a Keynote with Canadian Supreme Court Justice Rosalie Abella.
http://jewishfed.org/sites/default/files/Signature_img/calendar.png

Berkeley Midrasha's 2015 7th-8th Grade Open House Event! May 3, 2015, 10:00am-12:30pm, 1301 Oxford Street, Berkeley
Inviting any and all 7th-8th grade Jewish teens (and their parents) to join us to experience Midrasha, our community wide Jewish teen learning experience, as it actually happens! We'll start at 10:00 am with a light breakfast. Please contact RabbiJen@Midrasha.org with any additional questions.

**Israel in our Hearts
A Family Celebration
May 3, 2015, 11:00 am—2:00 pm**

It will be a day for families to celebrate Israel, have fun, and learn about the our community's important work to advance a shared society in Israel. The annual Israel in our Hearts Awards will be presented to members of our community who have shown outstanding commitment to Israel engagement and advocacy. Tickets purchased by April 30, \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 4-14) include lunch, all-day admission to the San Francisco Zoo, and admission to the Playfield Lawn for special event activities.

Tikkun Leyl Shavuot - Saturday, May 23rd - Sunday, May 24th, from 6:00 pm 'til dawn

@ JCC East Bay, 1414 Walnut St, Berkeley 94709

A unique community-wide celebration and night of learning, a spiritual journey bringing together people of all varied perspectives and affiliations. Stay for an hour—or stay until dawn! We will be led in study by teachers from our diverse Bay Area Jewish community. calendars now! More info at <http://www.limmudbayarea.org/>
Volunteer Request: We are looking for volunteers for this year's Tikkun Leyl Shavuot! Whether you have volunteered in the past or are new to the Tikkun, there are so many opportunities, from food prep to greeting to clean up, at all times throughout the day and night. Please contact Lauren Greis at tikkun@jccastbay.org or 847-606-0744. Join us in celebrating Shavuot!

Kosher Sandwiches @ UC Berkeley: Freshly made kosher sandwiches will be available at 11:30 am Monday through Fridays at the following locations: Crossroads at the Den (Channing & Bowditch), Golden Bear Cafe, and Cafe Ramona. Choices available: one meat, one poultry, and an egg salad. For any questions, contact Avraham Burrell avraham@mindspring.com.