



# CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

## DAF HASHAVUAH

# SHABBAT MEVARCHIM VAYAKHEL-PEKUDEI, PARASHAT HACHODESH

MARCH 25, 2017 / ADAR 27, 5777

### Weekday Morning and Evening Services — March 26-30

Morning: Sun 8:00 am • M-F 6:30 am

Evening: Sun-Th 7:10 pm

#### **Friday night, March 24**

Northside Minyan @ Sudikoff home..... 7:00 pm

1209 Shattuck Ave (east side of street, past Oak Park, near Eunice)

Shabbat Candle Lighting ..... 7:07 pm

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat ..... 7:10 pm

#### **Saturday, March 25**

Morning Service ..... 9:15 am

Childcare ..... 9:15 am

Torah Reader: **Na'aman Kam**

Haftorah Reader: **Raphael Rosen**

Sha'daf - Service Page Caller: **Benjamin Epstein**

Formal Group Time: ..... 10:30 am

Kedma (3-5 years old): **Natan Kuchar**

Tzafona (K-2): **Chani Levenberg and Hadassah Zenou**

Negba (3rd-5th): **M. Victoria Sutton**

Parent Supervisors: **Chaya Ryvka Diehl**

Board Representative: **Leslie Valas**

Sermon by **Kathleen Bloom: Building the Mishkan Reveals**

**a Blueprint for Life** ..... 11:00 am

Shabbat Mincha ..... 6:50 pm

Seudah Shlishit ..... 7:10 pm

Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends ..... 8:05 pm

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#### HACHNASSAT ORCHIM

Yoni & Laya Cooperman

#### ROSH CHODESH NISSAN

Monday night & Tuesday, February 27 & 28

Shacharit ..... 6:30 am

### Beth Israel Classes

#### MONDAY

**Daniel & Ezra with M. Victoria Sutton:** These narratives tell the story of the Jewish people between the First and Second Temples. From the writing on the wall to the lion's den, we will explore the life and times of the prophet Daniel in the Babylonian court. Next, we turn to Ezra haSofer, the pivotal figure in returning the people, and Torah, from the Babylonian exile to Jerusalem. As we journey through this critical time in Jewish history, we will learn about these amazing figures, their challenges and choices, and how they can inform our own experiences both in the Diaspora and in

Israel. On hiatus until April 24.

M. Victoria Sutton — Mondays @ 12:00 pm.

**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.

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

#### WEDNESDAY

**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.

**Mickey Davis • Wednesday • 4:15-5:45 pm**

**Open Sources - Beit Midrash:** Learn independently with a *hevruta* (study partner) OR study the weekly Torah portion with Maharat Victoria Sutton Learners of all levels welcome. Want to study with a partner, and not sure where to begin? Contact M. Victoria Sutton ([maharatvictoria@gmail.com](mailto:maharatvictoria@gmail.com)) with any questions, and we will help you find a partner and get started! On hiatus until April 26.

**Maharat Victoria Sutton — Wednesdays, 7:30—9:00 pm**

**Jewish philosophers:** The class is currently reading "A Living Covenant: The Innovative Spirit in Traditional Judaism" by world-renowned philosopher and social activist, Dr. David Hartman (z"l), the founder of the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem.

**Muni Schweig — Wednesdays @ 8:00 pm @ the Schweig home**

#### FRIDAY

**Talmudic Wisdom @ 9:00 AM:** Join us for a weekly class that explores key *sugyot* (talmudic units) on major Jewish questions of practice and thought.

**Dr. Deena Aranoff • March 31 • 9:00 am, then on hiatus until May 5**

#### SATURDAY

**Mishmash:** A one-on-one parent-child learning program. Children in grades 1-8 and their parents are invited to participate. Guidance available in choosing learning materials best suited to each individual need.

Mishmash meets twice a month through March, on Motzei Shabbat, 45 minutes after Shabbat ends.

**Mar 26 Siyum! 5-6 pm**

**Saturday Night Live With Chassidic Masters, as taught by Rabbi Eliahu**

**Klein:** Master seminar group text study with the Ishbitzer Rebbah and Rabbi Levi Yitzchak of Berditchev. Meets at R. Klein's home. Stay tuned for Pre-Pesach class details.

**R. Eliahu Klein • Saturday @ 8:00 pm, April 1**

### EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### In Beth Israel

**SCRIP:** CBI has \$3,000 of Oakland Kosher Foods scrip in the denomination of \$25. When you buy the scrip from CBI the shul makes 5%. Last year we ran out well before the holiday began so please contact Naomi Stamper or

*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.*

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THIS SHEET FROM THE BUILDING ON SHABBAT

Ruth Wittman and let us know how much you wish to purchase. We can also easily provide you with Berkeley Bowl, Afikomen and Safeway scrip. Happy cleaning and happy shopping! **Please note: Scrip will be available at the Wine Tasting on Sunday, April 2. Make sure to bring your checkbooks!**

#### **CBI SISTERHOOD:**

**Book Club:** We will meet at CBI on **Sunday, March 26, at 10:30 a.m.** to discuss *The Best Place on Earth*, a book of short stories by Ayelet Tsabari.

#### **Great Grapes! Wine Tasting, Art & Music Sunday, April 2 • 2-5 pm • \$10**

Artists works will be on display. Live Music & More!  
Sample delectable Kosher for Passover wines! Orders placed at event.  
Wine pick-up at CBI April 9, 10-12 pm.  
Wine provided by Hiram Simon, WineWise

#### **CBI Film, Sunday, March 26 at 4:30 pm- 7pm @ Dan & Robinn Magid**

**home:** Not quite ready to start the next step of Pesach planning? Join us for the third & final CBI Film! We will be watching "The Flat", a 2011 documentary film in partnership with Israeli and German film crews, it is described by one, as a "true-life detective story that uncovers much more than the tangled roots of its maker's family tree." We follow the Goldfinger family as they sort family belongings in their recently deceased grandmother's Tel Aviv apartment, and then uncover strange memorabilia which leads them on several excursions to Germany while they attempt to learn the truth about their grandparent's WWII past. (1 hr 37 min)

To learn more about the film visit: <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/10/19/movies/the-flat-a-jewish-family-history-in-a-documentary.html>

Depending on interest, we may lead a short discussion on the film. The Magid's will provide light, dairy/pareve hors d'oeuvres. We look forward to seeing you there! RSVP to Miriam: [Barrerem@gmail.com](mailto:Barrerem@gmail.com) (strongly encouraged, but not needed to attend)

#### **Middle-school Games with Bnot Sherut @ CBI, Sunday, April 2nd from**

**10:00 AM - 11:30 PM:** Our beloved Bnot Sheirut Chani and Hadassa will be leading a fun morning program of games and snacks in preparation for Pesach. All Beth Israel, Beth Jacob, and OHDS middle schoolers are invited to attend! Please RSVP to [chanilev7@gmail.com](mailto:chanilev7@gmail.com) by Friday, March 31. This will be the second of four Middle-school events led by our Bnot Sheirut that will rotate between the Beth Israel and Beth Jacob communities. Please save the following dates throughout the rest of the year:

Sunday, May 7th at Beth Jacob Congregation

Sunday, June 4th at CBI.

For more questions, please contact [rabbialbert@bethjacoboakland.org](mailto:rabbialbert@bethjacoboakland.org) and [maharatvictoria@gmail.com](mailto:maharatvictoria@gmail.com).

**Donate your car/boat/vehicle** to Beth Israel. Full tax write off. Proceeds benefit Gan Shalom Preschool Scholarship Fund. Contact David Spieler: 510-849-0961.

### **In The Community**

**Shmura Matzahs are Here!** Pick-Up your Beautiful Round Handmade Shmura Matzah for Passover at Afikomen Judaica

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Matzah-Orders

**Afikomen Judaica 3042 Claremont Ave. Berkeley CA 94702**

#### **Parent Ed workshop at OHDS: Sleep in children - is it an oxymoron? March 30, 7:00 p.m.**

Please join Shelley Zak and OHDS for an informative workshop about sleep and children. Shelley is an attending physician at the UCSF/Mt. Zion Sleep Disorders Clinic and has been working in sleep medicine for the past 20 years. The workshop will cover theories about why we sleep, different stages of sleep (you do NOT have to be quiet around babies), some recommendations for helping children to sleep, and answer any questions you might have. She will also emphasize some sleep-related mindfulness techniques along with a discussion of the neurobiology that underlies them. Please email Philippa Lichterman to register (no fee): [plichterman@ohds.org](mailto:plichterman@ohds.org)

#### **City of Berkeley 15th Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Honoring Yakov Harari**

**Sunday, April 23d, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM**

Magnes Collection, 2121 Allston Way—Public parking garage on Kittredge, exit on Allston

Refreshments will be served

### **Israel Focus**

#### **For your interest, information, protest, or counter-protest**

*Israel Focus is designed to inform our members about a broad range of local area events concerning Israel. It is expected that you will find events that you would support and others that you would not, yet we trust that they will all inform. Beth Israel does not necessarily endorse any particular event.*

**Israel Educational and Advocacy Organization StandwithUs** is taking applications for High School interns. If you know a student who loves Israel and might be interested in this opportunity, please refer them to this website: <https://www.standwithus.com/aboutus/hsinternship/>

*We invite you to submit announcements for inclusion in Israel Focus to the office at [office@cbiberkeley.org](mailto:office@cbiberkeley.org). Announcements will be edited for length and content to comply with the Announce List Guidelines.*

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