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From Rabbi Cohen

Several months ago, our family announced with excitement and some trepidation that we will be going to Jerusalem for a six-month sabbatical starting at the end of December. I shared my hope that this period will offer our community, as well as my family and myself, meaningful opportunities for reflection, learning, and growth.

I am pleased that our professional team, board of directors, and countless volunteers were inspired by this challenge. During the past few months, we worked hard to develop a though vision and plan. In this column, I will share just a few of the initiatives that will be launched in my absence.

On the educational front, a strong lineup of *shul* volunteers (such as Dr. Deena Aranoff, Dr. Bernie Steinberg, R. Eliyahu Klein, and R. Zac Kamenetz), local scholars (such as Rachel Brodie and Prof. Daniel Matt), and national lecturers (such as Alan Morinis of The Mussar Institute, Dina and R. Naftali Brawer, and R. Jason Weiner) will enrich our learning in the coming months. Maharat Victoria Sutton's *Tanach* and *Beit Midrash* classes will continue as well. Please make sure to consult our calendar and weekly bulletin for descriptions of these weekly classes or Shabbat scholar-in-residence programs.

Shabbat morning sermons will be offered by Maharat Victoria Sutton once a month, as is our general current practice. In addition sermons will be given by visiting scholars as well as by scholars and educators within our community. The remaining twenty sermons will provide opportunities for our CBI Family to hear Torah from members of our beloved *shul*.

On the pastoral front, a core group of volunteers, headed by Carol Cunradi and Maharat Victoria Sutton, together with a few others, developed a thorough vision and plan for a revitalized *Chesed* and *Bikkur Cholim* team (the Chesed Chevre). This group of volunteers will support the pastoral work of Maharat Victoria Sutton and will help ensure that members of our community are regularly visited and receive care from our CBI Family. In case of need, members of our shul are advised to contact Maharat Victoria Sutton who will serve as the first point of contact.

In addition, in January our community will launch a process group on "Aging with Grace and Wisdom." Facilitated by R. Mimi Weisel and R. SaraLeya Schley, like-minded journeyers will join together on a monthly basis to share experiences of growing older within the Jewish community through the lens of our tradition. The initial group will be limited to 8 participants and more details are contained within this issue of *Chailights*.

Also on the pastoral front, we have a strong and

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From the President

December is usually a quiet time of year at the shul. As the days darken, Shabbat comes in early and ends early. The hustle and bustle of the fall *chagim* is over, the secular Thanksgiving celebrations are complete, and we can look forward to the placement of *chanukiot* in our windows.

But this year, it's a little different at CBI. Behind the scenes, November and December have been a very busy time, as Rabbi Cohen, Maharat Sutton, Joelle Yzquierdo and I plan for the Cohen family's upcoming sabbatical. On Sunday, December 4, CBI's Board met for an extended half-day retreat, and discussed ways that we can be most effective during the sabbatical. Exciting plans are underway for a series of classes to be offered in R. Cohen's absence, scholars-in-residence *shabbatot*, a newly-forming *bikur cholim* committee, and holiday celebrations. In fact, our calendar is pretty much mapped out for the next six months!

What does this mean for members of the shul? It offers an opportunity for continued engagement with the aspects of CBI that nurture and feed our souls. We look forward to classes taught by community members and visiting scholars, an upcoming *malavah malkah,* community-wide lunches, and moments of spiritual reflection in both our Women's Tefillah group and in our ongoing services led by our dedicated *shlichey tsibur* and Torah readers.

Looking past the sabbatical six-month period, we are already planning for next year's *Yamim Noraim.* Several community members have been using R. Jonathan Sacks's new Koren Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur *machzor*, and have raised the possibility of replacing our Birnbaum editions with this new translation. After a thoughtful discussion with our board and consultation with R. Cohen and Maharat Sutton, we concluded

that the time is right for this transition. Thankfully, we now have the opportunity to do this, and anticipate these machzorim being available for wide use next fall.

To facilitate the transition from the Birbaum *machzor* to the Koren edition, Rabbi Cohen and Maharat Sutton will be teaching from the Koren *machzor* late next summer. Thus, when we gather together next Rosh Hashanah, we will have had a sneak preview with some of the ways it is organized, and will have some familiarity with it. As those of us who use the Koren Shabbat *siddur* can attest, R. Sacks packs his editions with incredible translations, commentary, and readings that allow for deep engagement with the Hebrew text. And of course, we will continue to have some of the familiar red Birnbaum *machzorim* on hand for those who still prefer this edition.

At this time, I wish for all of you that the light and brightness of our lit *chanukiot* will carry us through these dark winter days.

Leslie Valas, President

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committed team of anonymous *Chevra Kaddisha* volunteers, headed by Preston Grant and Juliet Stamperdahl. In case of a death in the family Maharat Victoria Sutton will be our community's first point of contact.

On the ritual front, our community will continue to rely on the devoted work of Joel Resnikoff in recruiting Torah readers and Judy Massarano in signing up *Megillah* readers. For Shabbat mornings, different community members have been asked to announce page numbers at services, with a guiding principle that one individual will carry on this task for an entire month in order to establish a sense of flow and continuity. Benjamin Epstein has taken on the task of coordinating this group of volunteers.The weekly bulletin will include the name of each month leader, with the title *sha" daf* (short for *shaliach daf*, ie., page announcer).

In addition, Issy Kipnis will be sending out a weekly reminder for community members to attend weekday *Mincha* and *Maariv* services (at *shul* or a *shiva*) in order to encourage attendance. At weekday services, Avraham Burrell and Maharat Victoria Sutton will serve as the point persons, ensuring adherence to *shul* established customs and practices.

On the *halakhic* front, Maharat Victoria Sutton, as well as R. Gershon Albert of Congregation Beth Jacob and R. Ferris of East Bay Chabad are readily available by email or by phone to offer guidance or *Psak* (legal ruling).

As I had mentioned months ago, during my sabbatical I will continue to be available on a need be basis to Joelle Yzquierdo, Leslie Valas, and Maharat Victoria Sutton. My work with each of them over the years gives me absolute confidence that I leave our *shul* in good and trusted hands.

At this time, I wanted to once again encourage all members of our CBI Family to roll up our sleeves and get involved. With your help and passion, I know we will keep our *shul's* momentum going.

On the personal front, I am extremely excited to use this time to rest and learn, gain perspective and draw new inspiration. While I have offers to join the learning at several *Batey Midrash* in Jerusalem, I am holding back from finalizing these plans until our family is fully settled into our new life. With the help of several rabbis and mentors, I have developed a list of topics and areas of study I hope to tackle in my learning during this six-month break. I look forward to sharing my learning with our community upon our family's return to Berkeley and CBI.

Finally, I would like to thank all of you for making this important opportunity available to me and my family. I also offer my deep gratitude to Frayda for encouraging me to take this step (and guiding me towards it for several years now) and, as always, for joining me as well.

Next year in Jerusalem and after that in Berkeley once again!

R. Yonatan Cohen

Gan Shalom Announcement

Dear CBI and Gan Shalom Family,

We are writing to announce that after 10 years as our beloved director of Gan Shalom, Laura Lipman will be retiring at the end of June 2017. For the last ten years, she has put all her energy into the love and care of our children and families as they navigate this wonderful stage of life. During her tenure at Gan Shalom, Laura helped maintain and re-envision the Gan's uniquely Jewish program, including creating a brand new 2-year old program. Laura oversaw the rebuilding of the Gan, the transition of operations into the CBI facility and subsequent return to the new Gan building. She will leave behind a strong and vibrant Gan Shalom.

Our CBI and Gan Shalom Family owes Laura a profound debt of gratitude and we look forward to marking this significant transition with her towards the end of the school year.

In conjunction with CBI's president, Leslie Valas and Rabbi Cohen, we are embarking on a search to identify and hire a new director. Josh Ladon and Rachel Heitler, both current Gan parents and CBI members, will be heading the search team. Laura will also remain on hand to help manage a smooth transition for the new director and teachers, and to oversee continuity of the Gan Shalom program we proudly offer our children and families.

Gan Shalom is blessed with a strong and experienced faculty, as well a nuanced Jewish early childhood education vision and programs that were developed over 20 years. Gan Shalom is also deeply enriched by its continued strong ties with alumni and current families. These points of strength will guide our team as we select our new director.

We look forward to sharing updates with our community as we move forward with the search.

CBI Board of Directors

From Laura Lipman

I am writing to announce that after 10 wonderful years as the director of Gan Shalom, I will be retiring at the end of June 2017. Being the director wasn't just a job for me, it was a chance to serve and be part of the Gan and CBI communities that I love, part of a community that changed the direction of my life and has meant so much to me and my family.

I have only deep appreciation for the great friendships I have made in my 10 years as director at Gan, for the teachers I have worked with, the parents I have come to know and of course the children I have had the privilege to spend time with. I will miss a job that challenged me to be my best self, as we say at Gan Shalom, but most of all, I will miss working with the most creative, inspiring, devoted, and hard-working staff I've ever known.

In addition, I would like to acknowledge the spirit of generosity and giving on the part of everyone involved in Gan Shalom over the years and particularly the incredible work done during the Gan Shalom rebuild project. There were so many of you--parents, teachers, lay leaders, administrators, and financial supporters who generously gave to make the new building a reality. Due to your efforts, Gan Shalom has an amazing home that will continue to serve our community and be a legacy for years to come.

Leaving will be bittersweet. I will have more time with my grandchildren, and look forward with some trepidation, to a semi-retired life. But I will dearly miss being at Gan day to day, and I hope to continue to be helpful and available in some capacity, to teachers, parents and children in the future. I am confident that I am leaving a strong and vibrant Gan Shalom community. In conjunction with CBI's president, Leslie Valas and Rabbi Cohen, we are embarking on a search to identify and hire a new director for our preschool. We are confidant that our next director will continue to guide Gan Shalom's mission of providing outstanding education to our children, instilling the values of torah and mitzvot and nurturing our thriving community. I want to assure everyone that I will be involved in making the transition to a new director as smooth as possible.

My fondest regards,
Laura

As a Parent at Gan Shalom...

By Nimrod Elias

As a parent of a child at Gan Shalom, I have had the privilege of joining Shabbat Circle a number of times this year. Shabbat Circle occurs every Friday. It begins with the children dancing to Lecha Dodi while holding and waving colored handkerchiefs. The children dance and twirl around the carpet until the final verse, when they turn towards the door and bow, symbolically welcoming the Shabbat bride. Then they all hold hands and dance in a circle to Shabbat songs, first in one direction, then the other direction, and finally inwards and back out.

After the dancing is done, everyone sits in a circle on the carpet and listens to one of the teachers tell a story from the week's Torah portion. Using props, music, and creative flair, the children sit enraptured as one of the biblical stories comes to life. This week was the story of Noah and the flood. Using dolls representing Noah and his family, the teacher described what God asked of Noah and she simulated his building an ark (a large wooden toy boat) and bringing on each pair of animals two at a time (represented by little animal figurines). As the rains began, we listened to a CD of steadily increasing rain punctuated by cracking thunder. The teacher began slowly covering everything with blue silk to show the children how the flood would have unfolded. Eventually the ark was propped high on a box while the sea of blue, representing the flooded world, rested underneath it.

As the story continued, the children passed around a twig from an olive branch, the first sign of a recovering world brought back to the ark by the dove. Eventually Noah and his family rebuilt humanity under a beautiful rainbow, the visual symbol of God's promise to never destroy the earth again. Two dozen preschoolers sat almost perfectly still for 20 minutes as this multi-dimensional, visually stimulating, and interactive retelling of the story of the flood allowed them to learn using nearly all of their senses. And throughout the story, the teacher asked thoughtful questions designed to help the children absorb the moral lesson that we must be kind and good to one another.

After the story, two children who have been designated as the Shabbat helpers for the week help lead the class through the rituals of Shabbat. First, the helpers circle the classroom with a tzedaka box and some coins. One helper gives each child a coin, and the other helper holds the tzedaka box and allows each child to deposit their coin in it. This week, the giving of tzedaka is preceded by a discussion of the ways in which we can all give non-monetary forms of tzedaka. The children come up with many examples, including giving toys, food, clothes, warm greetings, and, best of all, smiles. Next, the two Shabbat helpers light the Shabbat candles, waving in the warmth of the light and saying the *bracha* (blessing) over lighting the candles. Once the candles are lit, the children greet each other, and their teachers, with Shabbat Shalom.

After lighting candles, the teachers lead the children in the blessing for Torah study while the helpers circle the room with toy Torahs. Each child kisses the Torah as it goes by. The entire group then says Kiddush over grape juice, performs the ritual handwashing, and recites the blessings over handwashing and then challah. As each child receives a piece of challah, the teachers sing "Shabbat Shalom to [the child's name]," individually wishing each and every child a peaceful Shabbat. It is truly moving to witness how deeply the teachers and children cherish these rituals. Shabbat Circle is a very special part of Gan Shalom.

POSITIVE DISCIPLINE PARENTING CLASS

By Nimrod Elias

Gan parent Piera Willner (Judah's mom) developed and has been leading a positive discipline parenting class for Gan parents. I strongly encourage all Gan parents to come. Aliza and I have both attended the first two sessions (a slightly unconventional date night!) and we have found the classes to be very informative, engaging, and rewarding. Piera is a gifted teacher/facilitator, and the exercises and group discussions have been really insightful. And most importantly, we both feel that we have concrete takeaways from each class that are improving our interactions with our children. So please consider joining us!

Our last Positive Discipline Parent Study Group met Sunday, December 11 from 7:00-9:00 PM at CBI. We looked deeply into our children's mistaken goals, which lead to misbehavior and struggles. We'll also continue to support each other in problem solving and taking care of ourselves. The first step is to be the model of composure we want our children to emulate and repair when we "miss the mark."

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OHDS News: Workshop-Based Beit Midrash inspires students' Jewish learning

By Bat Sheva Miller, Director of Judaic Studies

Three years ago, Oakland Hebrew Day School was granted the Jewish Education Innovation Challenge award, funded by the Mayberg Foundation, for its Workshop-Based Beit Midrash (WBBM) program. Our WBBM is a pedagogic approach where students are encouraged to take ownership of their Torah learning through self-directed study and individualized learning portfolios. In the WBBM, middle school students learn collaboratively, across grades, in small groups, and in chevruta, supported and mentored by Judaic studies faculty members. Through this learning environment, students build Hebrew and text skills, engage in student-driven inquiry and research, integrate an array of communication and presentation modalities, and learn how to collaborate and self-reflect. Students enjoy planning their schedule, choosing their courses and defining their independent projects. For their final assessments, students explore a variety of tools through which they can convey their learning. The goals of the WBBM are to give students the skills necessary to continue their Jewish education after 8th grade, as well as cultivate the students' own points of contact with Torah, Hebrew, Israel and Judaism altogether.

The WBBM was created by a shared desire among educational leadership team members to find innovative ways to inspire genuine love of learning and meaningful connections to our heritage. The WBBM seeks to reclaim the strengths of the traditional approach to Torah learning: a deeply engaging, collaborative, interdisciplinary experience through which learners develop a wide range of skills and deep internal motivation to deepen their learning - for the sake of learning.

We are excited to offer students a range of choice over their Judaic Studies courses, based on their input and interests. The classes offered this quarter, for example, explore the rich character of the city of Jerusalem; the origin of some our Tefillot in the Tanakh; the historical context of the First and Second Batei Mikdash (Temples); parashat Beresheet and how the consequences suffered by the personalities in the text relate to the mistakes committed; Gemara Sanhedrin, and how the Jewish court functioned in the days of the Beit HaMikdash and after its destruction; the relationship between parents and children in the Chumash; and the historical context in which the story of Chanukah took place as well as the halakhot of these days of celebration. The classes build on the students' text and chevrutah skills, developing their critical thinking and their ability to inquire, challenge and wrestle with a text, as well as stretching their creativity, and their ability to engage in a discussion with peers and faculty members.

In addition, students dedicate part of their time in the WBBM to Independent Projects, diving into topics of interest, learning with a chevrutah, and developing their own final assessments. This quarter, some of the independent study topics include the building of the Mishkan, the history of Israel aliyot, and a close reading of Sefer Yehoshua. The students present their findings and projects to the whole middle school at the end of the quarter. The different skills developed throughout the courses are also applied to the study of Parashat HaShavuah. Students and faculty dedicate time to learning the weekly Torah portion during a Presentation block by engaging in a discussion facilitated by WBBM faculty, in response to student driven questions on the text.

We invite you to visit our student-written blog to enjoy what the students are learning about in the WBBM: http://ohdsbeitmidrash.blogspot.com. Please email me with any questions you may have: bmiller@ohds.org. For a personal tour of our campus, please email our Admissions Director, Philippa Lichterman: plichterman@ohds.org.

CBI Camp Scholarship Fund

We are pleased to remind you that an anonymous donor made a generous gift to our community to offer scholarships for CBI children who wish to attend Jewish sleep-away summer camps. Scholarships will be made available to every CBI family that applies with a special focus on first time camp participants. Please contact M. Sutton directly for scholarship information or if your family wishes to learn more about options for Jewish Summer Camps.

Our CBI Family has always focused on passing along a rich sense of Jewish connection, commitment, and level of engagement to the next generation. We do so every day through our support of our beloved Gan Shalom, our Jewish Day Schools and High School, afternoon programs, NCSY, and Midrasha, along with our robust Shabbat youth programming at the shul.

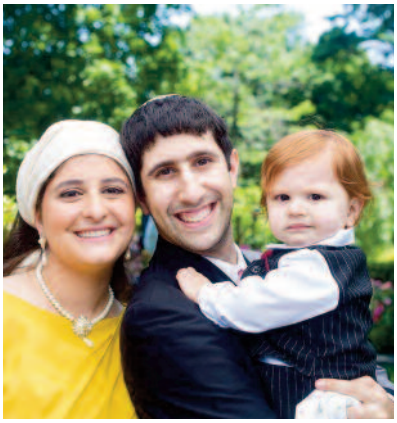
Jewish summer camps offer fully immersive educational experiences. According to a 2010 study by the Foundation for Jewish Camp, Camp Works: The Long Term Impact of Jewish Overnight Camp, there is compelling evidence that overnight Jewish camp is a proven means of building Jewish identity, community, and leadership. In an article titled The Secret Ingredient of Summer Camp Magic, Benjamin Kramarz argues that Jewish camps "effectively harnesses what anthropologists call 'liminality,' the state of being in transition, the middle stage between one place and the next. [...] Take transitional people in transitional time, put them in a transitional place, add a generous portion of positive communal intention and you have a recipe for magic."

We have contacted several Jewish immersive summer camps and we were assured that additional scholarships are readily available for children in our community.

Feel free to contact M. Sutton with any questions as we are eager to help more children in our community benefit from the gift of Jewish summer camps. Our deep gratitude to our anonymous donor for this meaningful and impactful gift. May our community's children benefit from it for many years to come.

New Member • Meena Viswanath & Jamie Conway

By Katrin Arefy



For Meena Viswanath and Jamie Conway, Berkeley is their most urban experience, and they are really enjoying the "city life" here in Berkeley.

Meena, a civil engineer, and Jamie, a mathematician, met in Cambridge, UK, and moved to Berkeley this past summer so that Jamie could pursue postdoctoral work in mathematics at UC-Berkeley.

Raised in Canada and Belgium, Jamie speaks French and Dutch, in addition to Yiddish. Meena grew up in New Jersey, speaking Tamil and Yiddish at home. They are raising their son, Psakhye, with Yiddish as his primary language, which is the language they speak in their home. The eighteen-month-old boy goes to a Spanish daycare and is exposed to English only on weekends.

One can imagine that this young family's bookshelf is filled with dictionaries in many languages. That is in fact true, and their collection includes a dictionary that was started by Meena's grandfather and finished by her mother, Gitl Viswanath. The English-Yiddish dictionary was published this past summer by Indiana University Press and is available at Afikomen

You can recognize Meena at shul in her colorful Salwar Kameez, which she chooses as her Shabbat outfit. It is a clothing style of South Asia and India, the part of the world from which her father hails.

Besides enjoying the warmth of the community, Meena enjoys the woman's Mincha services and is looking forward to reading at a few bat mitzvahs this summer. She is interested in finding ways to integrate women into the rituals. The fact that each member at the shul can volunteer to pitch in and play a role in running the community behind the scenes or in front of the crowd is something this young couple had experienced in suburban area of Atlanta and is glad to find here at CBI.

Meena and Jamie plan to stay in Berkeley for at least three years. As a geotechnical engineer, Meena can find a job anywhere because, as she puts it, "there is dirt everywhere!" What comes next depends on the academic setting in which Jaimie finds a job.

New Member • Ariel & Aron Wolgel

By Ronna Kabatznick

In August 2016, Aron Wolgel arrived in Berkeley along with his wife Ariel and 16 month old-born twins (son, Betzalel, and daughter, Maayan). They moved from Southfield, Michigan so Aron could join the faculty at the Jewish Community High School where he is Co-Dean of Jewish Life and Student Life. During their seven years in the Midwest, Aron taught at the Frankel Jewish Academy while Ariel taught at the Hillel Day School.

Both Aron (in Chicago then Orlando) and Ariel (in Kansas City) were raised in traditional Jewish homes with strong connections to Shabbat and Kashrut. Their lives intersected when they met in the Pardes Educators Program in 2006. They married in 2008.

As an educator, Aron aims to "help students articulate their values and further their explorations of their Jewish identities" both in and out of the classroom. In recent years, Aron has increased his focus on experiential education in order to strengthen the learning that comes from classroom instruction.

Cherishing the idea that learning happens in multiple arenas, he engages his students in life lessons through coaching the cross country and basketball teams.

Aron has always had a passion for sports. One of his highlights was serving as a captain of the Israeli National Ultimate Frisbee team. Beyond sports, Aron is an avid lover of chicken soup, and he's been known to eat an entire tureen in one sitting!

Aron especially enjoys the welcoming environment of CBI, both socially and spiritually. He remarked that while leading musaf on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, "I felt that the congregation was propelling me as much as I was guiding the congregation." At CBI, that feeling of warmth and engagement is exhilarating for Aron. Moreover, "The degree of thoughtful intentionality that surrounds the community and communal norms is very inspiring." Says Aron, "Acceptance of all members regardless of their backgrounds, women's involvement in synagogue rituals, and various other sensitivities that guide policies and behaviors help bring purpose, meaning, and depth to our shul experience."

Review of Laws of Chanukah & Lighting Your Chanukia

General Guidelines

SATURDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 24-SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

Chanukah begins on the evening of 25 Kislev, and lasts for eight days.

For the entire eight days of Chanukah it is forbidden to fast or to eulogize.

During morning prayers, Shacharit, one should recite the full Hallel every day.

"Al hanissim" the special paragraph of prayers for Chanukah is added in the silent prayers, Shmoneh Esreh and also in Grace after meals. If one forgot to say this addition, one should not repeat either Shmoneh Esreh or Grace.

PREPARING THE CHANUKIA

If a number of people are lighting in one household they should make a slight separation between their Chanukias so that there is no confusion to the observer as to the number of candles.

Ideally, the Chanukia should be placed outside the house to the left of the entrance. Since anti-Semitism was so common throughout Jewish history it became customary among many communities to place the Chanukia inside the house, near the entrance or on the table. In many families it is the custom to place the Chanukia in a window facing the public, especially where many people share one entrance (e.g., apartment building).

The Chanukia should be no lower than three tfachim from the floor (approx. 10.5 inches) and should be no higher than 20 amot from ground level (35.5 ft). Ideally, it should be about 10 tfachim high (40 inches).

The Chanukia should have all the candles or wicks on the same level, none higher or lower than the others.

It is customary to have an additional candle (the shamash) with which to light the other candles and in order to use its light. The shamash should be placed in a way that shows that it is not one of the Chanukah candles.

It is preferable to have the candles in a straight line, and not in a semi-circle, however it is permitted to have them in a semi-circle providing each candle is clearly separated from the others.

It is prohibited to light the shamash from the Chanukah candles.

It is obligatory to light candles, and one should even borrow money to fulfill this mitzvah. If a poor person needs money for Chanukah candles the community is obligated to provide for him.

The minimum obligation is that every household should have one candle burning every night. It is customary to be scrupulous regarding this mitzvah: to have one candle on the first night and an additional candle every night (1-8), and for everyone in the house as well.

Any type of oil is acceptable for use in the Chanukia, however, it is best to use olive oil.

Wax candles are also acceptable, providing they have a single wick.

Place first candle on the extreme right of the Chanukia. On the second night add a candle on the left. Light the newest candle first and proceed to the right.

There are different customs regarding the placement of the candles, some follow the right and left of the observer from outside, some follow the right and left of the person lighting inside.

ORDER OF BLESSINGS AND SONGS
On the first night three brachot, blessings are recited. "Lehadlik ner shel Chanukah", "Sheasa nissim" and "Shehecheyanu." Page 709 in the Birnbaum Siddur, page 782 in the Artscroll Siddur, or page 897 in the Koren Siddur.

On the other nights only the first two blessings are said.

All the blessings should be recited before actually lighting the candles. First light the Shamash before the blessings to avoid delay. It is forbidden to speak between the recitation of the blessings and the completion of candle lighting.

“Haneirot Halalu” is recited either during or after the lighting of the additional candles.

“Maoz tsur yeshuaty” is then sung.

NOW THAT IT’S LIT…
The Chanukia should not be moved after is has been lit.

If the Chanukia was lit in accordance with the requirements of Jewish law and it was extinguished, one is not obligated to relight it, but one may relight it without reciting a blessing.

If the Chanukia was not lit properly in the first place, or was lit in a windy place and blew out then one is obligated to relight if it went out within 1/2 hour after nightfall.

It is permitted to work; however it is customary for women not to do any work for the entire time that the candles are burning.

It is forbidden to derive benefit from the light of the Chanukia just as it was forbidden to derive benefit from the Menorah in the Temple, and also in order to show that the purpose of the Chanukia is for a Mitzvah, and not for illumination.

WHEN TO LIGHT
There are different customs as to the lighting of the Chanukia. Some light at sunset. Some light about ten minutes after sunset and some at nightfall. Here in Berkeley one should try to light as soon as possible after 5:27 p.m. (except for Shabbat, see below).

It is obligatory to put in enough oil, or a long enough candle to burn for at least 1/2 hour after nightfall (i.e. the ap-

pearance of three medium size stars).

In exceptional circumstances one may light one and a quarter hours before sunset with a blessing. However one should be careful to put in more oil or to use longer candles. If possible it is better to appoint an agent to light candles at the correct time, than to light early.

If one forgot or was not able to light at the correct time, one may light as long as people are still awake in the house in which one is lighting.

It is best to light in the presence of many people in order to publicize the miracle.

If one is a guest at someone's house (and staying there), one should give the owner a small amount of money to buy a portion in their candles and one may fulfill the obligation through the owner. Alternatively the guest may light his own Chanukia.

If one is eating out then one should light the Chanukia at their place of residence.

CHANUKAH & SHABBAT
On Friday afternoon, Chanukah candles should be lit before the Shabbat candle-lighting time (if one accepted Shabbat early, it's forbidden to light Chanukah candles). Mincha should be said before lighting, if possible.

Remember to put in more oil or bigger candles on Friday, so that they burn 1/2 hour after nightfall. Try to light just before the Shabbat candles (without of course delaying the lighting of the Shabbat candles).

After Shabbat one should first recite Havdalah at home and only then light the Chanukah candles. One may not use the Chanukiah as the candle for Havadalah.

Warm *brachot* for a joyous and safe Chanukah!
Adapted from the laws of Chanukah by Rabbi Mordechai Beche

Bella Barany Kreima at 80

I turned 80 years old on October 17, 2016. Where did all the years go? Every decade brought big landmarks.

Age 10 in 1946:
ALIVE IN AMSTERDAM! I discover oranges from Jaffa, Israel and learn swimming and bicycle riding; we move from Diemen, East Amsterdam, to the center of town where my father works in the Amsterdam Harbor. One week after my 11th birthday, I join a scout troupe.

Age 20 in 1956:
I work as a nanny for one year in Hindhead, Surrey, England and learn to speak English, then enter nursing school in Amsterdam the following year.

Age 30 in 1966:
Acquired an American husband, Ron Barany; together we have eventually four children and live in Oakland. We are the first members of Temple Beth Abraham. The children enroll in Hillel Academy from which Teyiha came and later OHDS.

Age 40 in 1976:
Twins Sylvia Vered and David become bat and bar mitzvahs; college tuitions are looming on the horizon and I go back to work nightshifts as an RN at the Alameda hospital.

Age 50 in 1986:
A parachute jump out of an airplane fulfills a lifelong wish.
Keeping track of family in different time zones:
Oakland-Minneapolis: 2 hours difference. *(David marries Melissa from Camp Arazim)*
Oakland-Miami Beach: 3 hours difference. *(Ron's father still lives there)*
Oakland-Maidstone, Surrey, U.K.: 8 hours difference. *(My sister Amanda's home with family)*
Oakland-Amsterdam, the Netherlands: 9 hours difference. *(My stepmother Marian Kreima still lives there)*
Oakland-Israel: 10 hours difference. *(Sylvia Vered emigrates)*
Oakland-Jedda, Saudi Arabia: 11 hours difference.
(Ron with his group of engineers from Bechtel builds an airport there)

Age 60 in 1996:
Ron and I become grandparents! David & Melissa have a son, Avi, Micah and Debby a son, Yona.

Age 70 in 2006:
I am now retired. All 4 children are married, we have 8 grandchildren.
We celebrate on the Oregon Coast with a bonfire, roasting marshmallows.

Age 80 today!
I am alive and sane; Ron and I became great-grandparents last year through our daughter. I am now looking forward to at least 4 more decades of growth. God willing, if Moshe could do it, I am going to give it a serious try and do it too! Only drawback, I have to remember to get to 120 years and live for 40 years more to do this: say 350 days a year (yes, I do take vacations), 100 leg lifts a day, and 100 crunches a day – a total of 1 million 400 thousand situps and leg lifts. Now, that's work!!!

Beth Israel Classes

SUNDAY

THE ZOHAR ON SHABBAT WITH REB ELIAHU KLEIN

The most influential mystical text in the history of Judaism is without a doubt the Zohar. We will study the Zohar with the translation of Rabbi Yehudah Ashlag who composed the first complete Hebrew translation of the Zohar in the 1950's.The goal of the course is to show the profound influence of the Zohar on all aspects of our practice of Shabbat.
R. Eliahu Klein — Every other Sunday Morning • January 8, 15, 29, February 12, 26 and ongoing • 9:00-10:00 am

POSITIVE DISCIPLINE PARENTING CLASS

Gan parent, Piera Willner developed and has been leading a positive discipline parenting class open for Gan parents, which will meet at CBI. Contact: Pierra Willner at piera.slp@gmail.com.
Piera Willner — Sundays • January 8, February 12, March 19 and May 7 • 7-9 pm

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.
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.
Starbucks, 2128 Oxford Street • Berkeley
Mondays • 7:30-8:30 pm

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 — Wednesdays • 4:15-5:45 pm

INTRO TO KABBALAH WITH DANIEL MATT

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Daniel Matt — Wednesdays • January 11, 18, 25 • 7:00-8:30 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. Savor the Soup of the Week as you learn. Want to study with a partner, and not sure where to begin? Contact Maharat Victoria Sutton maharatvictoria@gmail.com with any questions, and we will help you find a partner and get started! A Beit Midrash is a welcoming space to learn and discuss Jewish texts. Looking forward to learning together!
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

Beth Israel Classes

FRIDAY

TALMUDIC WISDOM

Join us for a weekly class that explores key *sugyot* (talmudic units) that discuss major Jewish questions of practice & thought.

R. Zac Kamenetz — Fridays • January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17 • 9:00 am
M. Victoria Sutton — Fridays • February 24, March 3, 10, May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 9, 16 • 9:00 am
Dr. Deena Aranoff — Fridays • March 17, 24, 31 • 9:00 am

SATURDAY

ZEMIROT OF SHABBAT WITH R. DAVID RUE - SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Each Shabbat we will study one Zemer (Shabbat Song), learn the tune, study the text and ask some questions for further thought. Class will meet in the beit midrash during seudah shlishit. R. David Rue has been a Dayan from 1989, Rosh Beit Din from 2000. He has taught extensively in Yeshivot Bnei Akiva, the premier religious Zionist education network in Israel with over 75 schools and 24,000 students. He is a close student of Rav Druckman.

Class will not meet December 31.
R. David Rue — Saturdays during seudah shlishit

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JEWISH PHILOSPHERS WITH MUNI SCHWEIG

By Allen Mayer

The Levinas Class is not about Levinas, nor is it a class.
It is a discussion group/a group-reading get-together, and it has morphed
from Levinas through Rosenzweig through Berkovitz and to, currently, David Hartman.
The official name is now "Jewish Philosophers".
But the initial name and classification has stuck, and this anomaly is somehow appropriate,
because what is common to all the discussions is paradox, open-endedness,
challenge, and the multi-faceted nature of Judaism. If that sounds too high-falutin',
the Schweigs offer a good cup of tea amidst good camaraderie.

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The new year is a good time to thank all of you who support the shul by participating in the Scrip program.
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Afikomen, Berkeley Bowl, CVS, Walgreens, Peets, Starbucks, Barnes and Noble,
REI, Oakland Kosher, Ross, Bed, Bath and Beyond, Old Navy/Gap/Banana Republic
(a whopping 19% profit for us at this last one)

Questions? Contact Naomi Stamper or Ruth Wittman • nstamper@sbcglobal.net • rhwitt72@aol.com

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL SERIES

RABBA SARA HURWITZ

IS THERE EVER A TIME WHERE BEING RIGHT IS ACTUALLY WRONG?
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3 • 7:30-8:30 PM

Join Rabba Sara Hurwitz, Dean of Yeshivat Maharat, to explore our Torah's perspective on Justice and Righteousness.

Rabba Sara Hurwitz, co-founder and Dean of Yeshivat Maharat, the first Orthodox yeshiva to ordain women as clergy, also serves on the Rabbinic staff at the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale.

Rabba Hurwitz completed Drisha's three-year Scholars Circle Program, an advanced intensive program of study for Jewish women training to become scholars, educators and community leaders. After another five years of study under the auspices of Rabbi Avi Weiss, she was ordained by Rabbi Weiss and Rabbi Daniel Sperber in 2009.

DANIEL MATT

INTRO TO KABBALAH
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 18, 25 • 7:00–8:30 pm

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BERNIE STEINBERG

MAIMONIDES AND MODERNITY
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 14, 21, 28 • 7:30–9:00 pm

Halakhist, philosopher, court physician, local and world Jewish communal leader, the Rambam (Moses Maimonides, 1138-1204) inhabits diverse intellectual, social and political spaces. His teaching is particularly relevant to the modern condition when Jews move between a multiplicity of worlds, when they reject simplistic views of God, ethics, and politics yet seek a life of purpose, and when the ancient aspiration of Jewish sovereignty has been actualized in unanticipated and complex ways.

During these sessions, we shall explore the relevance of Maimonides' thought to pressing themes of the modern condition: The problem of modern identity; the relationship between theology and ethics; the tension between faith and politics.

Bernie Steinberg, Director Emeritus, Harvard Hillel, teaches at the Graduate Theological Union, and Kevah in Berkeley, and M2 The Institute for Experiential Jewish Education, based in Chicago. He recently wrote an essay on Maimonides for Oxford University Press Bibliographies.

RACHEL BRODIE

LAND MINE: NATIONALISM & OTHER UNNATURAL DISASTERS
IN THE POETRY OF YEHUDA AMICHAI
TUESDAY, MAY 2, 9, 16, 23 • 7:30–9:00 pm

Israeli poet Yehuda Amichai 's (1924-2000) extensive explorations of land and landscape in their material and metaphorical states are permeated with explosive matters and subversive ideological positions. Join us for a close look at some of Amichai's poems and a discussion of what happens to an Amichai poem about Jerusalem when it is read in San Francisco or an Amichai poem about San Francisco when it is read in San Francisco.

Rachel Brodie is a Jewish educator who works primarily with adult learners and specializes in designing and facilitating professional development opportunities for other Jewish educators. From 2011 to 2016 she served as the Chief Jewish Officer of the JCC of San Francisco. Prior to that Rachel was the co-founder and Executive Director of Jewish Milestones—a not-for-profit, educational resource for Jewish life cycle ceremonies. Currently, Rachel teaches Jewish literature, history, and ethics at a wide variety of Bay Area institutions and as a scholar-in-residence around the country.

UPCOMING SHABBAT SHALEM

SHABBAT SHALEM WITH ALAN MORINIS

JANUARY 6-7
FRIDAY, JANUARY 6
Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat: 4:50 pm
Shabbat Dinner: 6:00 pm
Talk with Alan Morinis: 7:00 pm
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7
Sermon by Alan Morinis: 11:00 am
Seudah Shelishit Learning: 4:30 pm

Alan Morinis is the founder and Dean of The Mussar Institute and an active interpreter of the teachings and practices of the Mussar tradition, about which he regularly gives lectures and workshops. Born and raised in a culturally Jewish but non-observant home, he studied anthropology at Oxford University on a Rhodes Scholarship. For the past sixteen years, the nearly-lost Jewish spiritual discipline of Mussar has been his passion, a journey recorded in the book Climbing Jacob's Ladder (Broadway 2002). His guide to Mussar practice, entitled Everyday Holiness: The Jewish Spiritual Path of Mussar, was published in May 2007. His newest book on Mussar, With Heart in Mind, was published in August 2014.

SHABBAT SHALEM WITH DINA AND R. NAFTALI BRAWER

FEBRUARY 17-18
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17
Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:35 pm
Shabbat Dinner: 6:35 pm
Talk with Dina and R. Naftali Brawer: 7:30 pm
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18
Sermon by Dina and R. Naftali Brawer: 11:00 am
Seudah Shelishit Learning: 5:15 pm

Dina Brawer holds a BA in Hebrew and Jewish studies from London School of Jewish Studies and an MA in Education (Psychology) from the Institute of Education. For close to fifteen years she has worked alongside her husband, a congregational rabbi, and in that capacity she taught numerous kallahs, ran adult education programs, led strategic community development among other roles. Dina has recently been appointed as JOFA's UK ambassador and in this role she is seeking to amplify the voices of Orthodox feminists and create a movement for positive change.

Rabbi Naftali Brawer is a values theorist, ordained Orthodox rabbi and Chief Executive of Spiritual Capital Foundation, an organization that is dedicated to instilling values and purpose in the workplace. Naftali Brawer was ordained as an Orthodox Rabbi at the age of twenty two and has ministered to two London congregations over the course of fifteen years. He holds a PhD in Hebrew and Jewish studies and is a published author, columnist and broadcaster. He has written and lectured widely on theology and Jewish mysticism.

SHABBAT SHALEM WITH R. JASON WEINER

MAY 19-21
Details of Friday Dinner & Learnings to come

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
An opportunity to learn about advanced medical directives from the perspective of Jewish Law with practical guidance from R. Jason Weiner.

Rabbi Jason Weiner, BCC, serves as the senior rabbi and manager of the Spiritual Care Department, where he is responsible for the chaplaincy team and all aspects of spiritual care at Cedars-Sinai. Rabbi Weiner is the president-elect of the Southern California Board of Rabbis and has been honored with Rabbinic Leadership Awards from the Orthodox Union and Chai Lifeline. He is a member of the Cedars-Sinai End of Life Committee, the Organ Donor Council and the Bioethics Committee, for which he serves on the internal advisory board. Rabbi Weiner is also the rabbi of Knesset Israel Synagogue of Beverlywood, he teaches a Talmud class at Shalhevet High School, and he frequently serves as a scholar-in-residence at conferences and synagogues throughout the nation on topics related to Jewish medical ethics, pastoral care, health and wellness. He is the author of Guide to Observance of Jewish Law in a Hospital (Kodesh Press) and has published more than two dozen scholarly articles and book chapters, as well as a number of "popular" pieces.

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM PARSHAT VAYEISHEV
Friday night & Saturday, December 23 & 24
Candle Lighting .....4:37 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:40 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....12:40 pm
Seudah Shelishit .....4:40 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah* & Shabbat ends after .....5:39 pm
**At shul, the recital of the three blessings for the first night of Chanukah and the lighting of the Chanukah candle, occur prior to Havdalah. In contract, at home, Havdalah is recited first, followed by the lighting of the Chanukiah. One may not use the Chanukia as the candle for Havdalah.*

CHANUKAH
25 Kislev-Tevet 2
December 24 – January 1
Throughout the week, candles should be lit after 5:27 pm except for Friday and the conclusion of Shabbat (see below).

CBI CHANUKAH GAME PARTY &
2nd Great Berkeley Bake-Off
Sunday, Dec 25th 5-7:30
Get in the Maccabi Spirit with Games for grown-ups (families welcome as well)! We will also hold our 2nd Great Berkeley Bake-Off. Contestants can show of their sufganiyot skills for a taste test - and everybody wins! If you want to try your hand, we have 3-4 slots, or if you would like to host a game table, please be in touch with Maharat Victoria Sutton.

OFFICE CLOSED
December 26

ROSH CHODESH TEVET
Th. night & Fri, December 29 & 30
Shacharit .....6:30 am

SHABBAT CHANUKAH PARSHAT MIKETZ
Friday night & Saturday, December 30 & 31
Chanukah Candle Lighting before* .....4:42 pm
Shabbat Candle Lighting .....4:42 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....4:45 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....12:40 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....4:45 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends .....5:44 pm
Chanukah Candle Lighting after** .....5:44 pm
** Remember to put in more oil or use bigger candles on Friday, so that they burn 1/2 hour after nightfall. Try to light just before the Shabbat candles (without of course delaying the lighting of the Shabbat candles).*
*** After Shabbat one should first recite Havdalah at home, then light the Chanukah candles. One may not use the Chanukia as the candle for Havdalah.*

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYIGASH
SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE ALAN MORINIS
Friday night & Saturday, January 6 & 7
Candle Lighting .....4:48 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat. .....4:50 pm
Communal Shabbat Dinner .....6:00 pm
Learning with Alan Morinis .....7:00 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Learning with Alan Morinis .....11:00 am
Shabbat Mincha. .....12:45 pm
Seudah Shlishit & Learning with Alan Morinis.....4:30 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after. .....5:49 pm
Mishmash .....6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

FAST OF TEVET
Sunday, January 8
Fast begins ..... 5:58 am
Shacharit .....6:30 am
Mincha @CBI .....4:35 pm
Fast ends .....5:38 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYECHI
Friday night & Saturday, January 13 & 14
Candle Lighting .....4:54 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat. .....5:00 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha. .....12:45 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:00 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after. .....5:56 pm

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY
Monday, January 16
Office Closed
Shacharit .....8:00 am

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM PARSHAT SHEMOT
Friday night & Saturday, January 20 & 21
Candle Lighting .....5:02 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat. .....5:05 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha. .....12:45 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:05 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after .....6:03 pm
Mishmash .....6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAEIRAH
ROSH CHODESH SHEVAT
Friday night & Saturday, January 27 & 28
Candle Lighting .....5:10 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....5:15 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha. .....12:50 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:10 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after .....6:10 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT BO
Friday night & Saturday, February 3 & 4
Candle Lighting .....5:17 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....5:20 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....12:50 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:15 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after .....6:17 pm
Mishmash .....6:45 pm - 7:45 pm

SHABBAT SHIRAH PARSHAT BESHALACH TU B'SHEVAT
Friday night & Saturday, February 10 & 11
Candle Lighting .....5:25 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....5:30 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....12:50 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:25 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after .....6:24 pm

SHABBAT PARSHAT YITRO
SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE DINA BRAWER & R. NAFTALI BRAWER
Friday night & Saturday, February 17 & 18
Candle Lighting .....5:33 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....5:35 pm
Communal Shabbat Dinner .....6:35 pm
Learning with scholars-in-residence.....7:30 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Learning with scholars-in-residence.....11:00 am
Shabbat Mincha .....12:50 pm
Seudah Shlishit
& Learning with scholars-in-residence .....5:15 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after .....6:31 pm
Mishmash .....6:45 pm - 8:45 pm

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM MISHPATIM PARSHAT SHEKALIM
Friday night & Saturday, February 24 & 25
Candle Lighting .....5:40 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....5:45 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....12:50 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:40 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after .....6:38 pm

ROSH CHODESH ADAR
Sat. night, Sun. & Mon., Feb. 25 – 27
Shacharit Sunday.....8:00 am
Shacharit Monday .....6:30 am

SHABBAT PARSHAT TERUMAH
Friday night & Saturday, March 3 & 4
Candle Lighting .....5:47 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....5:50 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....5:20 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:40 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends after .....6:45 pm
Mishmash Siyum.....7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

FAST OF ESTHER – TA'ANIT ESTHER
Thursday, March 9
Fast begins .....5:08 am
Morning Service .....6:30 am
Fast Day Mincha .....5:30 pm
Fast ends .....6:39 pm

SHABBAT ZACHOR PARSHAT TETZAVEH
Friday night & Saturday March 10 & 11
Candle Lighting .....5:54 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....6:00 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....5:35 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....5:55 pm
Shabbat ends .....6:52 pm
Ma'ariv, Megillah reading, & Havdalah .....7:30 pm

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
Saturday night, March 11
Remember we move our clocks one hour forward

PURIM
Saturday night, March 11 & Sunday, March 12
Shacharit .....8:00 am
Megillah reading .....8:30 am
Women's only Megillah reading .....12:00 pm
Festive Purim BBQ Meal @ CBI .....3:00 pm
Mincha & Ma'ariv .....6:45 pm

SHUSHAN PURIM
Sunday night, March 12 & Monday, March 13
Shacharit .....6:30 am

SHABBAT PARAH PARSHAT KI TISA
Friday & Saturday, March 17 & 18
Candle Lighting .....7:01 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....7:05 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....6:45 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....7:05 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends .....7:58 pm

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM VAYAKHEL-PEKUDEI, PARASHAT HACHODESH
Friday & Saturday, March 24 & 25
Candle Lighting .....7:07 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....7:10 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha .....6:50 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....7:10 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends .....8:05 pm

ROSH CHODESH NISSAN
Monday night & Tuesday, February 27 & 28
Shacharit .....6:30 am

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYIKRAH
Friday, March 31 & Saturday, April 1
Candle Lighting .....7:13 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat .....7:15 pm
Morning Service .....9:15 am
Childcare .....9:15 am
Formal Group Time .....10:30 am
Mincha .....6:55 pm
Seudah Shlishit .....7:15 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends .....8:12 pm

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Mar 4, Siyum! 7-8 pm

THE CBI GEMACH IS HERE TO MEET YOUR NEEDS!

We offer a variety of items for newborn babies and simcha events. To learn more, contact gemach@cbiberkeley.org.

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
5 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	Dec. 24	Dec. 31	Jan. 7	Jan. 14	Jan. 21	Jan. 28
Alot Ha'Shachar Dawn	6:11 AM	6:13 AM	6:13 AM	6:12 AM	6:09 AM	6:04 AM
Neitz-Sunrise	7:23 AM	7:25 AM	7:25 AM	7:24 AM	7:21 AM	7:16 AM
Latest ideal time for the morning *Sh'ma*	9:46 AM	9:49 AM	9:50 AM	9:51 AM	9:51 AM	9:49 AM
Latest time for prayer *Tefilah*	10:34 AM	10:37 AM	10:38 AM	10:40 AM	10:41 AM	10:40 AM
Mincha Gedolah Earliest time for Mincha	12:33 PM	12:36 PM	12:40 PM	12:43 PM	12:46 PM	12:48 PM
Sh'kia Sunset	4:55 PM	4:00 PM	5:06 PM	5:13 PM	521 PM	5:28 PM
Tzeit Ha'kochavim Nightfall	5:37 PM	5:42 PM	5:48 PM	5:55 PM	6:03 PM	6:10 PM

Week of	Feb. 4	Feb. 11	Feb. 18	Feb. 4	Feb. 11	Feb. 18
Alot Ha'Shachar Dawn	5:58 AM	5:51 AM	5:43 AM	5:58 AM	5:51 AM	5:43 AM
Neitz-Sunrise	7:10 AM	7:03 AM	6:55 AM	7:10 AM	7:03 AM	6:55 AM
Latest ideal time for the morning *Sh'ma*	9:47 AM	9:43 AM	9:39 AM	9:47 AM	9:43 AM	9:39 AM
Latest time for prayer *Tefilah*	10:39 AM	10:37 AM	10:34 AM	10:39 AM	10:37 AM	10:34 AM
Mincha Gedolah Earliest time for Mincha	12:49 PM	12:50 PM	12:51 PM	12:49 PM	12:50 PM	12:51 PM
Sh'kia - Sunset	5:36 PM	5:44 PM	5:52 PM	5:36 PM	5:44 PM	5:52 PM
Tzeit Ha'kochavim Nightfall	6:18 PM	6:26 PM	6:34 PM	6:18 PM	6:26 PM	6:34 PM

Week of	Feb. 25	March 4	March 11	March 18	March 25
Alot Ha'Shachar Dawn	5:34 AM	5:24 AM	6:14 AM	6:03 AM	5:52 AM
Neitz-Sunrise	6:46 AM	6:36 AM	7:26 AM	7:15 AM	7:04 AM
Latest ideal time for the morning *Sh'ma*	9:34 AM	9:28 AM	10:22 AM	10:16 AM	10:10 AM
Latest time for prayer *Tefilah*	10:30 AM	10:26 AM	11:21 AM	10:17 AM	10:12 AM

UPCOMING EVENTS

CBI CHANUKA GAME NIGHT & 2ND GREAT BERKELEY BAKE-OFF

Sunday, Decembr 25th • 5:30-7:30 pm

Get in the Maccabi Spirit with Games for grown-ups and families! We will also hold our 2nd Great Berkeley Bake-Off. Contestants can show of their sufganiyot skills for a taste test - and everybody wins!

5:30 pm - Menorah Lighting and Singing
6:00 pm - Games & Savory Delights in the spirit of Chanukah
7:00 pm - Sufganiyot Tasting: Contestants can show off their sufganiyot skills for a taste test

If you would like to host a game table, participate in the sufganiyot bake-off or help setup/cleanup please be in touch with Maharat Victoria Sutton.

ASARAH B'TEVET SERVICES & LEARNING, AND THE BACKPACK PROJECT

Sunday, January 8 • 9:00 am -1:00 pm

We will mark Asarah B'Tevet through communal fast and *gemilut chasadim* (acts of kindness). We will delve into the meaning of the day through learning, followed by creating resources for those who are most vulnerable in our Berkeley community.

8:00 am - Shacharit
9:00-10:00 am - Learning with Eliav Goldberg, R. Eliahu Klein and M. Victoria Sutton
10:00 am-1:00 pm - The Backpack Project: Assemble and distribute backpacks with essential supplies to homeless individuals in Berkeley

Sign up to shop for items, help assemble backpacks or distribute backpacks with Maharat Victoria Sutton.
Cost of each assembled backpack is approx. $20. To sponsor a backpack, or a few backpacks, please contact the CBI office.
http://www.homelessbackpack.net/images/davids-backpack.jpg

AGING WITH GRACE AND WISDOM

January 10, February 28, March 21

How do we harvest a lifetime of living? Conscious eldering is an ongoing opportunity for inner growth and exploration of our values. We can transform the changes that the years bring to our bodies and minds into openings to ever-deepening meaning, and even delight – and certainly not stagnation.

Join a group of like-minded journeyers to share and expand our experience of growing older within Jewish community and informed by Jewish values. Our goal is to create a place of safety for personal exploration and growth, and study. The initial group will be limited to 8 participants.

We will meet monthly from 11:30-3 PM including a sharing lunch. We ask for a commitment to show up for 4 sessions and to engage in homework in between. The groups will be facilitated by Rabbi Mimi Weisel and/or Rabbi SaraLeya Schley.

KABBALAT SHABBAT & DINNER FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

January 20 & February 24

Families are invited to welcome Shabbat together with song and prayer, followed by a kid-friendly Shabbat dinner. Geared to families with tots and young elementary school age children.

January 20
Tot Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:00 pm
Dinner: 5:45 pm

February 24
Tot Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:45 pm
Dinner: 6:30 pm

Dinner will have meat and vegetarian options
Payment can be made through the CBI Office. $15 for adults, $10 for children, maximum $50 per family. Register by the Tuesday night before each dinner to reserve your spot.

COMMUNAL TU B'SHVAT SEDER

February 10

The CBI community is warmly invited to a T'u B'Shevat Shabbat Dinner and Seder. Immerse yourself in the flavors and song of the Land of Israel through a Tu B'Shvat themed dinner and traditional seder.

5:30 pm Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat
6:15 pm - Tu B'Shvat Dinner and Seder

Register for the Tu B'Shvat Dinner and Seder with the CBI office. $10 per child, student, & young professional, $18 per adult, $50 maximum per family. RSVP by Tuesday night, February 7 to reserve your spot.

PURIM

Saturday night & Sunday, March 11 & 12
BBQ AT 3:30
SHAMATI 4-6:45 pm

Shamati, a favorite of the CBI community, is a local band of versatile artists who can play Bluegrass, Motown, Classic Rock, Hora, Latin, Oldies and just about everything in between. Their spiritual core is to put a modern twist on traditional Jewish dance tunes.

WOMEN'S TEFILLAH

Women's Mincha and Seudah Shelishit

January 21, 4:00 pm
February 11, 4:00 pm
May 13, 5:00 pm

Join us for our monthly women's tefilla meeting, including Shabbat Mincha with Torah reading, followed by women's seudah shelishit and learning. All are welcome to stay for ma'ariv and havdallah at the conclusion of Shabbat.

Save The Date

CBI's Annual Phonathon

JANUARY 29, 2017
10:00 AM-12 NOON

Our team of dedicated volunteers invite your participation in this important fundraising drive. The January phonathon raises needed funds to keep CBI thriving. Dislike phone interruptions?

Join us early and give now by donating online (https://www.cbiberkeley.org/connect/giving/) or sending a check to the shul office.

Please ensure your donation is marked as 2017 Phonathon.

The Stitch Group of Congregation Beth Israel's Sisterhood

By Rose Ginsburg

The Stitch Group has been the home for all needlework enthusiasts of knitting, crocheting, embroidery, quilting, weaving and other textile activities for the last 10 years or so; we meet monthly or bi-monthly at member's houses from 10am to 1pm, for ages 18 on up. If there is enough interest for an evening group or a children's group, we would be happy to make that available. We welcome everyone from complete beginners to advanced artists and can supply materials if needed.

Last year, we offered a workshop on embroidery techniques to make a challah cover. We can also teach individuals how to crochet a kippah or do other textile techniques, whatever people are interested in making. We are planning a workshop on more difficult embroidery stitches and a review of the basic stitches soon.

Our most recent project was making baby blankets for the neonatal unit of Alta Bates Summit Hospital. The project was sponsored by Stone Mountain and Daughter Fabric Store in Berkeley, which supplied the flannel blankets. We appliquéd and embroidered them. Debbie Lesser found the project for us.

CBI members might be interested in the Pomegranate Guild of Jewish Needlework, a US and Canadian group which has conferences every two years. The next one will be in Atlanta, GA in May 2017. I went last year and learned many new techniques. I was warmly welcomed and you would be as well. Their conventions have kosher food, and don't schedule classes on Shabbat.

For More Information: Contact Rose Ginsburg 510-525-3906 or rosegins@gmail.com

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.
Please consider joining us.**

***For more information or to join the Society please contact:
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Memorial Plaques

To memorialize your loved one, you may wish to purchase a memorial plaque to be placed on the memorial board in the sanctuary.

Besides ensuring that Kaddish will be recited perpetually in the name of your beloved deceased, you will receive a notice annually of the date of the yahrzeit and the date the yahrzeit will be observed by the recitation of Kaddish.

The cost of a memorial plaque is $360

To purchase contact
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Contact our wonderful Kiddush Coordinator
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Avraham will let you know the available dates and will help you with all details such as what to buy, where to shop, how the setup works, and any other questions you may have.

Kiddush is where community happens. Sponsoring a kiddush helps us build and sustain community.

Kiddush Sponsors

June 25: The Schubert Family in honor of the bat mitzvah of Gabrielle Schubert

July 2: The Kipnis Family in honor of the Aufruf of Abe Fine and his upcoming wedding to Gabriela Kipnis. Rose and Sam Ginsburg in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary and Rose's upcoming 80th birthday.

July 9: Linda Diamond: in honor of Rav Cohen and Frayda Gonshor Cohen; in honor of the 4th of July; in memory of Leslie Ann Provence; in memory of Richard Diamond; Nae Golomb: in memory of her father Joel Simon Golomb; in memory of Leslie Ann Provence; in honor of the 4th of July; Gladys & Phil Leider: in memory of Margaret and Jack Weiss, and Shirley Leider

July 16: With love and appreciation for the Toaff Rosenstein and Zinn families as they embark on the next chapters of their lives. The CBI family will forever miss your warmth, hospitality, friendship, and leadership: Yaakov & Tali Albietz; Adam Brelow & M. Victoria Sutton; R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen; Benjamin & Sara Darmoni; Avraham & Laura Davis; Nimrod & Aliza Elias; Eliav & Ofra Goldberg; Jacob and Rachel Heitler; Zac & Jennifer Kamenetz; Jesse Kellerman & Gabriella Rosen Kellerman; Derek & Maureen Krantz; Natan & Lili Kuchar; Yael Krieger & Joshua Ladon; Nadav & Nechama Rappoport; Joel & Irene Resnikoff; Raphael & Jeanette Rosen; Alan Finkelstein and Leslie Valas; Kenny & Aliza Weiss; Ben Zeitlin & Jo-Ellen Pozner Zeitlin

July 23: The Millers, The Yudenfreunds, and the Zedecks, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries.

July 30: in honor of Sondra & Ed Epstein -- Hope and Noah Alper, Rivka Amado and Malcolm Feeley, Judith Bloom, Barbara and Bobby Budnitz, Sara and Marvin Engel, Candace Falk, Jane Falk, Rose and Sam Ginsburg, Sam Haber, Rita Kohl and Steve Silberblatt, Deborah and Michael Lesser, Aaron Marcus, Sondra Markowitz, Phyllis and Ed Miller, Irene and Joel Resnikoff, Barbara and Sheldon Rothblatt, Joan Sopher, Naomi and Bob Stamper, Maxine and Marvin Winer, Lois and Joseph Wolf, Marti and Shelly Zedeck, and others.

August 6: Asaf Shor in honor of Hilla Abel's birthday; Sanne Dewitt: in memory if my beloved father, Dr. Samuel Kalter, and in memory of our wonderful and beautiful daughter, Laila Ruth DeWitt; Glenn and Judy Massarano: in honor of the yahrzeit of HaRav Moshe Eliezer ben David Eliyahu u'Fayga Nechama, Rabbi Moshe Rubinstein, father of Judy Massarano, marked on Monday night and Tuesday. May his memory be for a blessing, as he continues to inspire me lil'mod ul'lamed lishma. The following sponsors in honor of Avraham Burrell's "social security birthday" and in recognition of all that he does for the community: SerachBracha and Paul Albert, Carol and Jim Cunradi, Sara and Benni Darmoni, Jane Falk, Malcolm Feeley and Rivka Amado, Matan and Nadav Gilbert, Sam and Rose Ginsburg, Preston and Anya Grant, Dan Lewis, Lois and Gary Marcus, Judy and Glenn Massarano, Batya Schick, Hiram Simon, David Spieler, Justin and Sheba Sweet, Rona and Eli Teitelman, Ruth and Fried Wittman, Joelle Yzquierdo

August 13: Paul & SerachBracha Albert; Bella & Ron Barany; Adam Brelow & M. Victoria Sutton; Jim & Carol Cunradi; Jane Falk; Rena & Yakov Harari; Alan & Elissa Kittner; Derek & Maureen Krantz; Gladys & Phil Leider; Laura Lipman; Judy & Glenn Massarano; Jonathan Purcell; Eric & Rachel Seder; Deborah Shaw; Henry & Violette Sibony; Avi Zinn & Cory Isaacson; Stanley Wulf & Linda Press Wulf; Marti & Shelley Zedeck

August 20: Molly Nadav and Eli Silins with thanks and gratitude to the CBI community and our visiting family in honor of our wedding; Jessica and Michael Klass in memory of Jessica's mother, Anne S. Dantzig, Chana bat Itzchak Meyer v' Leah on her 10th Yahrzeit.

August 27: The Bamberger Family in celebration of Max becoming a bar mitzvah; Brinah Krelstein in loving memory of her husband Murray Krelstein, father of Michael Krelstein and Mara Herman, grandfather of 5 beautiful and wonderful grandchildren. He is dearly missed; Batya Shick In memory of her father Martin ben Victor on his 18th yarzheit.

September 3: Miriam Petruck; Jen Kamenetz in honor of the 22nd anniversary of Zac's bar mitzvah; Guy and Melissa Harrel in honor of their wedding anniversary; Jory Gessow in honor of Rosh Chodesh; Ilene Lee in honor of my grand-children Addison Jacob and his new baby sister, Lillian Jane Metter-Lee.

September 10: The following families in honor of Dean & Lauren Robinson on their last Shabbat in Berkeley. Thank you for being an integral part of the daily of the Beth Israel family. Best of luck in Cincinnati. Adam Brelow & M. Victoria Su□on; Avraham Burrell; R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen; Benjamin Epstein; Jory & Lisa Gessow; Leah Kahn & Darrell Cohn; Meechal & Na'aman Kam; Amalya Lehmann; Daniel Lewis; Lois & Gary Marcus; Nadav & Nechama Rappoport; Rena & Mordy Rosen; Rav David Rue; Ehudi Tsivion; Ari Weber; Liora Brosbe & R. Daniel Isaacson; Brinah Krelstein in memory of her mother Holly Judith Howard's yahrzeit.

September 17: Bella and Ron Barany. The following families are proud to have been members of Congregation Beth Israel since the 1960's – and proud to have been here with the first Rabbi, Rabbi Saul and his wife Shellee Berman. We deeply appreciated the leadership of Rabbi Yair Silverman & Ilana Fodiman Silverman and are proud to celebrate the 10th year of the tenure of Rabbi Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen: Sondra and Jonah Markowitz, Barbara and Bob Budnitz, Seth and Lauren Greenberg, Judith Bloom, Yvette Hoffer, June and Bob Safran, Bernice Bradley, Joan Brunswick, Sara and Marv Engel, Irene and Joel Resnikoff, Yakov and Rena Harari, Marilyn Markowitz, Joan Sopher, Lois & Joseph Wolf, Sam Haber.

September 24: Carol & Jim Cunradi; Mazal tov to Benjamin Epstein, 2017 Siebel Scholar: Paul & SerachBracha Albert; Adam Brelow & M. Victoria Sutton; Ruchama & Avraham Burrell; R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen; Jamie Conway & Meena Viswanath; Simcha De Leve; Yoshi and Claire Fenton; Eden Gerson and Chanan Zupnick; David Held; Ronna Kabatznick & Peter Dale Scott; Doni Katz & Stephanie Shelan Katz; Alan & Elissa Kittner; Amalya Lehmann; Glenn & Judy Massarano; Rona Rothenberg & Yehuda Ben-Israel; Asaf Shor & Hilla Abel; Rona Teitelman.

October 1: Toby Hendon and Denise Resnikoff in celebration of Ezra's 80th and Lenny's 70th birthdays, and the marriage in September of Akiva and Elannah Resnikoff; Aliza, Nava, and Maya Elias: to Nimrod, in honor of his birthday, with love.

Rosh Hashanah Day 1, October 3: Oded & Rebecca Angel in honor of Rabbi Cohen, Frayda and the Cohen Family and in honor of CBI — Shanah Metukah v Hatimah Tovah; Judith Bloom; Tony & Kathleen Bloom; Malcom Feeley and Rivka Amado; Deb Fink & Aaron Katler; Elissa & Alan Kittner in thankfulness for the CBI community; Gladys & Phil Leider in memory of Margaret and Jack Weiss and Shirley Leider; Sarit & Udi Oster; Mordy & Rena Rosen; Philip & Sherrin Rosenthal in honor of our double chai wedding anniversary and Phil's Sukkot birthday; Batya Schick; Henry & Violette Sibony; Jeff & Doreet Stein; Leslie Valas & Alan Finkelstein; Piera & Josh Willner in celebration of our 5th wedding anniversary and Judah's 3rd birthday; Marvin & Maxine Winer; Marti & Shelley Zedeck in honor Molly Zedeck becoming a bat mitzvah in Los Angeles.

Rosh Hashanah Day 2, October 4: Irene Unterberger, marking the 37th yahrzeit for my father S. Herbert Unterberger (PhD); Jonathan Astmann & Beth Oelberger; Tony & Kathleen Bloom; Malcolm Feeley & Rivka Amado; Deb Fink & Aaron Katler; Elissa & Alan Kittner in thankfulness for the CBI community; Mordy & Rena Rosen; Philip & Sherrin Rosenthal in honor of our double chai wedding anniversary and Phil's Sukkot birthday; Batya Schick; Jeff & Doreet Stein; Leslie Valas & Alan Finkelstein; Piera & Josh Willner in celebration of our 5th wedding anniversary and Judah's 3rd birthday; Marti & Shelly Zedeck in honor of Molly Zedeck's birthday.

October 8: In honor of Justin & Sheba Sweet: Noah & Hope Alper; Paul & SerachBracha Albert; R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen; Benjamin Epstein; Malcolm Feeley & Rivka Amado; Jory & Lisa Gessow;

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Iris Greenberg-Smith & Jeremy Smith; Sam Haber; Toby & Ezra Hendon; Isaac Kaplan; Gladys & Phil Leider; Gary & Lois Marcus; Jonah & Sondra Markowitz; John Pilkington & Linda Levy; Denise Resnikoff and Lenny Kristal ; Mordy & Rena Rosen; Bob & June Safran (it's also Bob's birthday); Batya Schick; Lou Schubert; Tania & Muni Schweig; Steve Silberblatt & Rita Kohl; David Spieler & Rachel Schorr; Jennie Stone; Maxine & Marvin Winer; The Morning Minyan: Avraham Burrell, Udi Tsivion, Gary Marcus.

October 12, Yom Kippur Break Fast: Jory and Lisa Gessow; Chaim and Nell Maghel-Friedman; Dorothy and Harry Rubin; Joan Sopher; Bob and Naomi Stamper; Jeff and Doreet Stein; Wulf Family

October 15: The Schweig Family in honor of the bar mitzvah of Raanan Schweig

Sukkot Day 1, October 17: Ron & Bella Barany; Judy and Bob Albietz, and Susan Jacobson in honor of Bella Barany's 80th birthday today; Ronna Kabatznick & Peter Dale Scott in memory of Jeffrey Kabatznick, Norman Kabatznick, and Joan Kabatznick

Sukkot Day 2, October 18: Nae Golomb; Isaac Kaplan; Oded & Rebecca Angel in Honor of Marie Angel's 31st birthday; Rona Rothenberg & Yehuda Ben Israel, wishing a happy birthday to Judy Massarano

October 22: Rona Rothenberg & Yehuda Ben Israel in honor of the wedding of David Ben-Israel and Jamie Rosen; Yael Kirsch: in honor of Andrea Brott, Jory and Lisa Gessow and Avraham and Ruchama Burrell

Shemini Atzeret, October 24: Tony & Kathleen Bloom; Elissa & Alan Kittner in thankfulness for the CBI community; Philip & Sherrin Rosenthal in honor of our double chai wedding anniversary and Phil's Sukkot birthday; Batya Schick; Piera & Josh Willner in gratitude to the entire CBI Staff during the holiday season

Erev Simchat Torah, October 24: Klein-Scheinberg family in honor of Eliahu's birthday and the holiday; Leora Lawton; Judy and Glenn Massarano in honor of Judy's birthday; David & BatSheva Miller Family; Lou Schubert and family

Simchat Torah, October 25: Miriam Barrere; Tony & Kathleen Bloom; Alisa Einwohner in memory of my mother Hadassah bat Avraham v'Bryna; Alison Jordan in honor of Congregation Beth Israel; Elissa & Alan Kittner in thankfulness for the CBI community; Linda Marcus in honor of Liz Creditor and Family; Jonathan Purcell; Philip & Sherrin Rosenthal in honor of our double chai wedding anniversary and Phil's Sukkot birthday; Batya Schick; Piera & Josh Willner in gratitude to the entire CBI Staff during the holiday season

October 29: In honor of June & Bob Safran, Celebrating our Newly Fixed Sefer Torah -- Shalom & Shoshana Bochner; Bernice Bradley; R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen; Carol & Jim Cunradi; Sara & Benni Darmoni; Jane Falk; Lisa & Jory Gessow; Terry & Olga Gordon; Hank Hanig; Ronna Kabatznick & Peter Dale Scott; Jen & Zac Kamenetz; Ray Lifchez; Laura Lipman; Miriam R L Petruck, also honoring her father's life of Torah; Batya Schick; Mimi Weisel & Paul Hamburg; and Congregation Beth Israel.

November 5: Alperin Family in honor of Yonatan Alperin's Bar Mitzvah; Dan Lewis to honor the memory of my beloved father, Dr. Edward Raoul Lewis of blessed memory, to whom, as his second yahrzeit approaches, I dedicate my chanting of haftarah this Shabbat; and to honor the memory of my beloved mother, Dr. Hilda Frances Present Lewis hareini kaporas mishkovah, on her recent passing; Jeff and Jodie Morgan to acknowledge Jeff's long-anticipated Bar Mitzvah at age 63, with special thanks to Na'aman Kam for his support, guidance, and friendship.

November 12: Noah and Hope Alper in honor of Hope reaching the age of Medicare, Noah the age of "wisdom", and our 30th anniversary; Lisa and Jory Gessow in memory of the second yahrzeit of Lisa's mother, Velma Galblum ((Fruma bat Moshe).

November 19: Linda Diamond and Lisa Cohen in honor of our beloved father and Danielle Diamond and Rebecca Cohen in honor of their beloved grandfather Yisrael Menachem Munich z"l on his first yahrzeit;

Darrell Cohn: in honor of Leah Kahn, for being one of the 2016 recipients of the Covenant Foundation's Pomegranate Prize (and for the Cubs winning the World Series).

November 26: Bathea and Sam James in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary; Sheila & Marvin Yudenfreund and Paul & SerachBracha Albert in honor of Bathea & Sam James's 40th anniversary; Tamar and Avram Davis; Miranda Family in honor of Rav Cohen and Maharat Sutton.

December 3: Fran Alexander in memory of Ernie Alexander and in celebration of her 96th birthday

December 10: Honoring the devotion, commitment and service of Natan & Lili Kuchar to the children of the CBI community: Jonathan Astmann & Beth Oelberger Astmann, Yehonadav Bekenstein & Merav Heshin-Bekenstein, Adam Brelow & M. Victoria Sutton, R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen, Jamie Conway & Meena Viswanath, Joshua & Claire Fenton, Eliav & Ofra Goldberg, Jacob & Rachel Heitler, Naaman Kam & Meechal Greenblum, Wendy Kenin, Josh & Jenny Kirsch, Maureen Krantz & family, Joshua Ladon & Yael Krieger, Laura Lipman, Mordechai & Chaya Esther Miranda, Adam & Elana Naftalin-Kelman, Zev Neumeier & Tamara Beliak, Nadav & Nechama Rappoport, Raphael Rosen& Jeanette Wickelgren, Muni & Tania Schweig, Asaf Shor& Hilla Abel, Abraham & Laila Stone, Philip Tendler & Delphine Sherman, Aron & Ariel Wolgel, Ben & Jo-Ellen Zeitlin. Thank you to our Shabbat youth education team (Suelao Barajas, Veronica Gonzales, Chani Levenberg, Ari Weber and Hadassa Zenou) for your dedication in caring for our community's children; in honor of Oded's birthday and their anniversary: Rebecca & Oded Angel

December 17: The CBI Board of Directors welcoming and honoring our New Members and Newcomers

SHEVA BRACHOT

June 25: In honor of Zvi Rosen & Matty Lichtenstein, SerachBracha & Paul Albert, R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen, Jory & Lisa Gessow, Yonit Hochberg & Eric Kuflik, Shivaram Lingamneni, Lois & Gary Marcus, Susie Marcus & Ari Libenson, Zeev Neumeier & Tamara Beliak, Dean & Lauren Robinson, M. Victoria Sutton & Adam Brelow.

SEUDAH SHELISHIT

August 20: Rona Rothenberg & Yehuda Ben-Israel in memory of Selma Rothenberg on her first yahrzeit

September 3: Eliahu Klein & Cynthia Scheinberg on the shloshim of Goldie Klein**December 3:** Honoring the Life and Works of Leonard Cohen, z"l, Ronna Kabatznick and Peter Dale Scott

December 10: In Honor of R. Yonatan Cohen, Frayda Gonshor Cohen and Maharat Victoria Sutton, SerachBracha & Paul Albert

Hachnassat Orchim

Shabbat Lunch Hospitality • In Appreciation

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Tania & Muni Schweig
Doreet & Jeff Stein
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Leslie Valas & Alan Finkelstein

Mazal Tov

ENGAGEMENTS & WEDDINGS

To **Zusha Leeds and SaraLeya Schley** on the wedding of SaraLeya's son Joshua Schley Harrrington to Jessica Gaiptman that took place on August 21 in Strathcona, Canada.

To **Patricia & Issy Kipnis and to Robin & Neil Goldberg** on the wedding of their children Amira Kipnis to Adam Goldberg that took place in Philadelphia on August 21.

To **Aron & Anna Gonshor and to Jacques & Henriette Bohbot** on the wedding of their children Robert Bohbot & Yona Gonshor (Frayda's beloved sister) that took place in Montreal on August 21.

To **Hiram Simon, Susan Stanfield and to Rivka & Yaakov Gruber** of Monsey, New York on the engagement of their children Rivkah Simon & Yehuda Gruber.

To **Lisa & Brian Blumenband** on their wedding on September 4.

To **Denise Resnikoff & Lenny Kristal and Felice Dunas** on the wedding on September 25 of Elannah Cramer and Akiva Resnikoff.

To **Olga & Terry Gordon and Leslie & Barbara Rubin** on the engagement of their children Kevin Gordon and Laila Rubin.

May the couples build homes filled with the light of Torah and mitzvoth. May their families and our community have many more occasions to celebrate in simchah together.

BIRTHS

To grandparents **Miriam & Robi Cohen and to parents Alex Malayev & Maya Cohen-Malayev** (R. Cohen's beloved sister) and to siblings Yoav, Talya, and Avner on the birth of a baby boy in Israel on August 24.

To grandparents **Malcom Feeley & Rivka Amado and Margo Feeley** and to parents Jacob Feeley and Elana Bailes on the birth on September 11 of a baby boy.

To the entire **Davis Family** and to first time parents **Andrea Davis and Joseph Davis**, son of Ljuba Davis and Leo Davis, z"l on the birth on September 10 of a baby girl, Amelia Bella Davis

To **Hilla Abel & Asaf Shor** and big brother Stav on the birth of a baby boy, Ravid on September 11.

To parents **Linda Lantos and Josh Reich**, and big brother Noam on the birth of a baby girl, Niva.

May these children's lives be filled with the insights of Torah, the warm and supportive love of family and community, and the blessing of good deeds. Mazal tov!

BAR/BAT MITZVAH

To the **Schweig Family** as their son Raanan was called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Parshat Ha'azinu, October 15.
To the **Alperin Family** as their son Yonatan was called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Parshat Noach, November 5.

Baruch Dayan Emet Condolences

We deeply regret to inform you of the passing of:

Yoshua Ben Naftali ve Rachel, z"l, beloved father of Issy Kipnis and father–in–law of Patricia Kipnis, in Mexico City. He is survived by his wife, Sima Kipnis, his daughters Sandra Zukerman and Ana Tanur, seven grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Hilda Frances Lewis, (Hilna Feigle bas Yente Leah and Louis), beloved mother of Dan Lewis, David, Jon and Rachel on October 6; grandmother to Aaron, Akiva, Levi, Sarah, Adam; and five great-grandchildren.

Ida Cunradi, beloved mother of Jim Cunradi and mother in law of Carol Cunradi.

Jonathan Bernbaum, beloved son of Diane and Ed Bernbaum and brother of David. Jonathan is also survived by his grandmother, Miriam Lowe, and his aunts, uncles and cousins.

HaMakom Yenacheim Et'chem Betoch She'ar Aveilei Tziyon VeYerushalayim.

May God comfort the families and all others who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

Birthdays

Judah Ariel Biton-Harel, December 1, 2nd
Ayala Pearl Felson, December 4, 7th
Jenny Kirsch, December 4
Jeremy Smith, December 4
Ezre Goldberg, December 5, 2nd
Fanya Fenton, December 6, 11th
Yaakov Koby" Fenton", December 6, 11th
Levi Bolton, December 7, 18th
Molly Kinstle, December 7, 13th
Ory Sandel, December 7
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Ezra Studley, December 7, 6th
Jamie Conway, December 8
Racheli Perl, December 8
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Nogah Riva-Leah Felson, December 12, 4th
Derek Krantz, December 12
Daniel Simon, December 17, 7th
Noah Alper, December 18
Batyah Menuchah Jasper, December 18, 14th
Doreet Stein, December 18
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Roni Rappoport, December 22, 5th
Shai Jonah Steinman, December 22, 12th
Maureen Krantz, December 24
Jonathan Lyon, December 25
Yael Solomon, December 25, 1st
Yaakov Yosef Miranda, December 26, 6th
Louis Schubert, December 26
Gary Boland, December 27
Ethan Seder, December 30, 18th
Fran Alexander, December 31
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Steven Ominsky, January 1
Sarah Jasper, January 2
Craig Rudnick, January 3
Irene Smith, January 3
Samuel Lawrence Tendler, January 3, 6th
Elisha Sherman Tendler, January 4, 4th
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Menashe Kirsch, January 7, 7th
Margaret Stone, January 7, 8th
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Pierra Willner, January 12
Sam James, January 13
Gary Katz, January 13
Barbara Schick, January 13
Henry Sibony, January 15
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Mira Kittner, January 18, 17th
Stav Shor, January 18, 5th
Hodayah Tal Miller, January 20, 17th
Gideon Gray Zeitlin, January 20, 4th
Masha Rose Kellerman, January 21, 1st
Carmel Bekenstein, January 22, 2nd
Amarya Cohen, January 22, 2nd
Gabriel Simon, January 23, 3rd
Judah Tendler, January 25, 2nd
Rebecca Landes, January 27
Allen Mayer, January 27
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Leah Kahn, January 31
Iris Greenberg-Smith, February 2
Rena Harari, February 2
Linda Levy, February 2
Matan Gilbert, February 3
Janice Mac Millan, February 5
William Solomon Rosen, February 6, 1st
Hiram Simon, February 7
Phyllis Miller, February 8
Darrell Cohn, February 11
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Isaac Kenin, February 14, 18th
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Asa Kittner, February 14, 15th
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Judah Isaacson, February 27, 2nd
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Mark & Susan Schickman, December 25, 37th anniversary
Adam Brelow & Victoria Sutton, January 5, 3rd anniversary
Kenny & Aliza Weiss, January 5, 12th anniversary
Jeff & Jodie Morgan, January 9, 29th anniversary
Harry & Dorothy Rubin, January 14, 65th anniversary
Roger Studley & Chai Levy, January 14, 10th anniversary
Joshua Ladon & Yael Krieger, January 17, 7th anniversary
David & Bat Sheva Miller, January 22, 26th anniversary
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Sagar Pilania & Naomi Kincler, February 14, 3rd anniversary
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Jacob & Rena Harari, March 28, 58th anniversary
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Sasi Oz: We enjoyed the high holidays with your community
Batya Schick: in honor of Harry Rubin's birthday; in memory of Fred Engel; in memory of Arthur Alexander
Jeff & Doreet Stein: in honor of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah's of Max Bamberger, Raanan Schweig, and Gabrielle Schubert

GENERAL FUND
Scott & Turi Adams: Shanah tova!
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Doreen Alper & Bob Klein: in honor of Sheila & Marvin Yudenfreund's 50th anniversary
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Dina Betser: to the Young Professionals programming in honor of Maharat Victoria Sutton
Robert Bohbot & Yona Gonshor: in honor of Elissa & Alan Kittner for their hospitality, friendship and kindness; and in honor of R. Cohen and Frayda Gonshor Cohen and all they have succeeded in and accomplished
Sandee Brawarsky: in honor of Juliet & Birger Stamperdahl
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Robi & Miriam Cohen: in honor of Raanan Schweig's bar mitzvah
Jim & Carol Cunradi: for reading kohelet; in celebration of the wedding of Jamie Rosen and David Ben Israel; in honor of the 50th wedding anniversaries of the Millers, the Yudenfreunds, and the Zedecks; in memory of Carl Buchin, z"l; in honor of the engagement of Kevin Gordon & Laila Rubin; wishing a happy birthday to Judy Massarano; in honor of Fran Alexander's birthday, and in memory of Ernie Alexander, z"l; in memory of Leonard Cohen, z"l and giving thanks to Ronna Kabatznick and Peter Dale Scott
Abraham Dachman & Yisraela Marshall: for aliya
Jane Falk: in honor of the 90th birthday of Harry Rubin; in honor of Debbie and Michael Lesser and Sarah Lesser Shavit and Yochai Shavit on the birth of Yaelle Ma'ayan Shavit; in memory of Chava Golda Bas Rachel Leah, mother of R. Eliahu Klein; in memory of Prof. Hilda Frances Lewis, mother of Dan Lewis; wishing mazal tov to Sheba & Justin in their new digs
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Reuven & Yehudit Goldfarb: My wife and I visit the Berkeley-Oakland area each summer. Each time we visit, we make a point of davening at CBI. We are grateful for the many opportunities we have had in your warm, welcoming shul to worship, to learn, to meet friends, and to celebrate Shabbat and the Holy Days. Each time we come, we are newly impressed with the remarkable people, the communal cohesion, and the beautiful venue. This donation is a token of our appreciation.
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Irene Kaplow: I have spent a few Shabbat and holidays in Berkeley this year and attended a couple services at CBI. Everyone has been extremely welcoming. I hope that I will have more opportunities to spend Shabbat and chaggim with your community. Thank you!
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Hank Hanig: in honor of 10 years of R. Yonatan Cohen and Frayda's leadership and service
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Zev Laderman: in loving memory of my father: Rabbi Paul S. Laderman for his first year yahrzeit; and to thank you for the wonderful visit I had with you and the shul in the last day of Pesach
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