



# Daf Hashavuah

Shabbat Mevarchim Shekalim  
Parashat Mishpatim  
Bar Mitzvah of Nilo Nube  
February 17-18, 2023

## This Shabbat

Friday, February 17

Scholar-in-Residence Dr. Michal Raucher



Join us for Friday night dinner and a lecture with Dr. Michal Raucher

Dr. Michal Raucher is an associate professor of Jewish Studies at Rutgers University. Her research lies at the intersection of the anthropology of women in Judaism, reproductive ethics, and religious authority. Her first book is titled *Conceiving Agency: Reproductive Authority Among Haredi Women*. Her second book will be titled "The New Rabbis" and is based on five years of research with women who have been ordained as Orthodox rabbis in America. Dr. Raucher has also published on Jewish pronatalism, the study of Orthodox Judaism, sexuality and gender in Judaism, religion and bioethics, abortion legislation in Israel, and female religious advisors on the Internet.

6:45AM // Shacharit @ CBI

9AM // Talmudic Wisdom: Tractate Sotah with R. Yonatan Cohen

5:30PM // Northside Minyan at Sudikoff Home

1209 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley

5:32PM // Candle Lighting

5:35PM // Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat @ CBI

6:30PM // Shabbat Dinner @ CBI (**registration is closed**)

After dinner, Dr. Raucher will speak on the topic of, "**Books and babies: Reproductive Authority among Haredi Women in Jerusalem.**"

Saturday, February 18 - Bar Mitzvah of Nilo Nube

7:30AM // Hashkama (Early Services)

9AM // Morning Services @ CBI

Greeters:

9-10AM: Rona Teitelman

11AM-12PM: Josh Kirsch

9-11:15AM // Shabbat Youth Programming

Ages 0-3 @ CBI loft space // 10:40AM parent-and-me tot Shabbat circle

Age 3 -2nd graders @ Gan Shalom // 9AM drop off, 10AM program

3rd and 4th graders @ Gan Shalom // 10:00AM drop off at stairs inside Gan gate

Sermon by Nilo Nube: "Good Judgment"

Mazal tov to **Amanda Nube** and family on **Nilo's bar mitzvah!** The CBI community is warmly invited to join in celebrating at CBI. A kiddush lunch will follow services. Please sign up at the following link to help us plan accordingly: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4cadaf2fa2f58-nilo#/>

We expect services and lunch to be high density events. Note that masks are not required. If you are uncomfortable with a non-masked event, we understand. We also ask that anyone feeling ill please exercise good judgment and consideration for the health of the community. If for any reason you can't make it, don't worry! We'll look forward to celebrating with you in the near future.

**5:30PM // Shabbat Mincha, followed by learning with Rabbanit Meira, "An Eye for a Literal Eye"**

**6:31PM // Maariv, Havdallah, & Shabbat ends**

**PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING A KIDDUSH SPONSOR FOR:**

**March 4 (Chevra Kadisha Kiddush)**

**March 18 (Vayakhel-Pekudei)**

**April 1 (Tzav Shabbat HaGadol)**

**April 8 (Shabbat Pesach)**

**April 15 (Shemini)**

**April 22 (Tazria-Metzorah)**

**April 29 (Acharei-Kedoshim)**

**Pesach**

**April 6 (Pesach I)**

**April 7 (Pesach II)**

**April 13 (Pesach VIII)**

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## This Week

**Sunday, February 19**

**8AM // Shacharit @ CBI**

**5:35PM // Mincha/Ma'ariv @ CBI**

**Monday, February 20 – President's Day**

**8AM // Shacharit @ CBI**

**5:35PM // Mincha/Ma'ariv @ CBI**

**Monday night-Wednesday, February 20-22**

**Rosh Chodesh Adar**

**Tuesday-Thursday, February 21-23**

**6:45AM // Shacharit @ CBI**

**5:35PM // Mincha/Ma'ariv**

Thursday, February 23 // 12:00PM on CBI Zoom



**May a Megillah be Written in English? A Story of Tradition, Innovation and Access**  
February 23 // 12:00pm

*Rabbanit Devorah Zlochower and Netanel Linzer*

Friday, February 24  
6:45AM // Shacharit @ CBI

## Weekly Classes & Events

**Daf Yomi Learning // in person @ CBI**  
8AM // Shabbat morning  
7AM // Sunday  
7:45AM // Monday-Friday (after Shacharit)

**Tuesdays // 12PM // in person @ CBI**  
**Topics in Talmud: Baba Kamma, Perek HaChovel**  
**Rabbanit Meira Wolkenfeld**

The eighth chapter of tractate Baba Kamma deals with compensation for personal injury. It begins with a discourse on the verse “an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth” which the rabbis of the Talmud interpret as referring to the requirement of monetary compensation. They struggle with whether their interpretations of the verse are convincing, providing a model for thinking about difficult biblical passages. The chapter deals with topics relevant to creating a just society in the modern world, including retributive versus restorative justice, and how to conceptualize and calculate compensation for shame.

**Tuesdays // 1PM // in person @ CBI**  
**CBI's Mah Jongg group** meets weekly and is open to players that know how to play and already have their National Mah Jongg Play Card. Beginners are welcome to join as well, Marti Zedeck will be teaching every Tuesday. To join, please be in touch with Marti.

**Fridays // 9AM // in person @ CBI**  
**Talmudic Wisdom: Tractate Sotah**  
**Rabbi Yonatan Cohen**

Tractate Sotah primarily explains the ritual of the bitter water, a trial by ordeal of a woman suspected of adultery by providing close Halakhic readings of biblical verses. Rich in Aggadic references, Sotah also includes material relating to central biblical figures and events. Time and time again, talmudic discussions offer a lens into the rabbis' views on religious, moral, and theological questions, delving into major themes, such as the futility of sinning in secret, the harmfulness of pride, the evil of flattery, divine retribution, and the superiority of the service of God from love over the service from fear. What starts as an analysis of marital infidelity ultimately turns into a profound reflection on Israel's own infidelity and the state of deterioration into which the Jewish people sank in the period immediately before and after the fall of the Temple.

## Upcoming Events

**February 25 // Mishmash**  
30 minutes after the end of Shabbat  
Mishmash offers CBI's parents and children in grades K through 8th an opportunity to study in pairs in a beit midrash atmosphere.

### Shabbat Honoring CBI'S Chevra Kadisha (March 3-4)

The 7th of Adar, which this year fell on Tuesday Feb. 28, is the birthday and yahrzeit of Moshe Rabbeinu, and has traditionally been a date for members of a Chevra Kadisha to join together to honor as well as reflect upon the group's holy work. As in past years, our Shabbat services will be dedicated in honor of CBI's Chevra and in memory of Elizabeth Laurie Zedeck z"l. Please consider making a donation in honor of this special occasion or sponsoring this kiddush.

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This year we are also seeking to recruit new members to our Chevra. If you are interested in learning more please contact Juliet Stamperdah at [juliet125@gmail.com](mailto:juliet125@gmail.com)

A colorful poster for a Purim party. The background is white with a large yellow circle in the center. The text 'CBI PURIM PARTY' is written in large, bold, purple letters. Below it, in blue letters, are the activities: 'LIVE MUSIC BY SHAMATI, MEAT MEAL, BUBBLE SHOW, PHOTO BOOTH, & MORE'. To the left of the yellow circle are three yellow starburst shapes. At the bottom left, a light blue circle contains the date and time: 'TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 3:30-6:00 PM @ CBI'. At the bottom right is a black and white logo of a synagogue building with a Star of David above the entrance, and the text 'Congregation Beth Israel' below it.

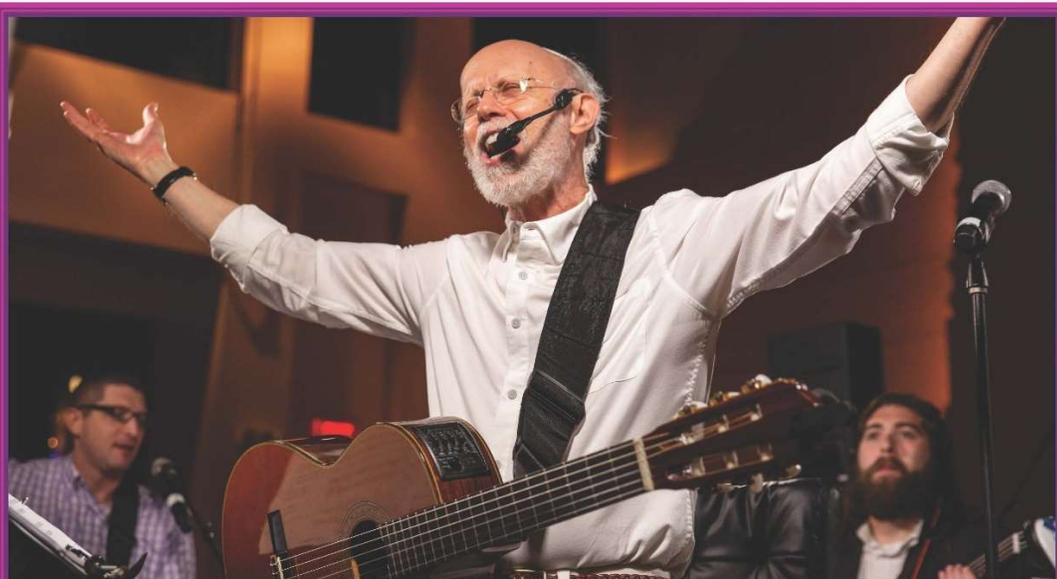
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Join us for a

## **Musical Shabbat with Dr. Elli Kranzler** **March 10-11, 2023**

### **Spirited Kabbalat Shabbat**

**Followed by dinner with singing and divrei Torah**

**Friday, March 10**

**5:53pm Candle Lighting // 5:55pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat // 7:00pm Dinner**

Dinner is \$25 Adults // \$18 Students & Young Professionals & Children (to 12)  
\$75 maximum per family

### **Musical Melaveh Malka**

**Featuring Dr. Elli Kranzler and community musicians**

**Saturday, March 11 // 7:30pm**

Elli Kranzler M.D. is a practicing psychiatrist in New York and former faculty at Columbia University School of Medicine. He is the Shliach Tzibbur at the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale. Elli has recorded albums with Dveykus and Journeys and with his daughter Ravital the recording "Ki Ata Imadi" — "Because You Are With Me." He has performed and been a scholar in residence in communities throughout the United States and beyond.



### **Shabbat Honoring Joelle Yzquierdo (March 18)**

Join us for a special kiddush honoring our beloved administrator Joelle Yzquierdo for her incredible 18 years of service and celebrating her upcoming retirement. Joelle helped lead our community with steadfastness, dedication, and wisdom through important transitions and years of significant growth.

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### **Please join us Wednesday March 29th @ 7:30 PM at CBI for the launch of the Ethical Wills Workshop**

*"Ethical wills, sometimes called spiritual or legacy letters, are resources Jews have used for centuries to articulate and pass on deeply held values and beliefs."*

Rabbanit Meira Wolkenfeld will launch this series with an informative talk about the history of Jewish ethical wills and why they are relevant today.

The informational session will launch a six to eight session workshop (we'll have a doodle poll available at the launch to find the best time for meeting) where we explore how to articulate our values and the moral legacies we want to leave. The program is for people of all ages to think about, navigate, and articulate what they want to share of their lives with their families, friends or communities.

The workshops will be facilitated by Desmid Lyon and Susan Berrin. Each session will create a safe space and provide appropriate prompts to explore how we tell our stories, histories & life lessons. We welcome anyone who wants to engage in this effort. We recognize that grappling with emotional and spiritual issues can be difficult, and we plan to provide an environment of trust, with opportunities to share the writing process for those so inclined. Feel free to reach out to [Susan](#) or [Desmid](#) with any questions.

## NCSY

**Norcal Skibaton, February 24-26** Grades 9-12

Guest Speakers: R. Akiva Naiman and R. Israel Lashak.

Schedule and registration: [norcal.ncsy.org/skibaton](http://norcal.ncsy.org/skibaton)

\$475 (scholarships available).

## General Community Announcements

**JFCS East Bay warmly invites you to our 16th annual Art of Living gala benefit, featuring The Braid, a Los Angeles based theater group, performing True Colors.**

**Sunday, March 12, 2023, 5:30pm**

**Temple Isaiah, Lafayette**

TRUE COLORS is a funny, poignant, and deeply inspiring collection of stories featuring Jews of Color yearning for belonging and the rich and complicated question that is identity.

In person reception features Hors d'oeuvres by Hugh Groman Catering with kosher options available.

BUY TICKETS NOW <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/e/Q31V7w?vid=x1hg5>

**Vehicle Donation to CBI:** Donating your car, truck or boat is easy; any assets are welcome (jewelry, coins, etc.). We'll provide free pick-up, and your gift is tax-deductible and will benefit Gan Shalom's Scholarship Fund. We will provide release of liability, DMV and IRS documents, and handle any title, or ticket issues. Call Morton Thomas Rand at (650) 629-4000 or email [mtrans25@yahoo.com](mailto:mtrans25@yahoo.com).

**CBI AT THE SHELTER:** CBI has been making regular donations in lieu of meals. Please donate to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and indicate "shelter dinner".

**The Berkeley Eruv:** Berkeley's Eruv status is posted every Friday generally by 1:30PM. For the Eruv's map and more information, please consult <https://www.berkeleyeruv.org/>

## Stay Connected

**CBI Connected Families**

To join a WhatsApp group sharing ideas for caring and creative parenting please contact the **CBI office**.