

# The Kibbitzer

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## FROM THE RABBI - Rabbi Paul Schreiber, Reb Tuviah

### Dear CBS members and friends,

Shalom, Shalom! I'd like to begin my very first message for *The Kibbitzer* newsletter with a note of thanksgiving and gratefulness.

From the very moment my wife Nancy and I stepped onto the property of Congregation Beth Shalom back in March, we were afforded a welcome we never could have imagined. The smiles, the kind words, and the encouraging remarks all made this first visit a remarkable experience. The members of the selection committee made sure we both had everything we needed prior to, and the day of, our arrival.

Their attention to detail was very much appreciated and helped make the interview process run smoothly for everyone involved. As the congregational members began to file in that Friday evening for the Erev Shabbat service, each and every person gifted us with smiles filled with love. I cannot emphasize enough the effect your acts had on us. This was a conscious decision you made to behave in such a manner. You could have chosen to say a quick hello, offer a cursory glance of welcome, or simply say nothing. But you chose none of the above. Instead, you demonstrated such chesed, such kindness, that our hearts were filled and we knew this was a most special family.

Since this is my introduction to all of you in written form, I feel it is of import to share some of my thoughts, my ideas, and my hopes for the future as your rabbi. I envision Congregation Beth Shalom as a place that can offer so much to each and every soul. At its core, it should be a place where worship flows freely, where the ruach, the spirit, can move and touch each person in just the manner in which that person needs most. Shabbat comes once a week, so perhaps we can see the temple as a type of fueling station, a place where we can come and fill our tanks after a long week. What can we fill it with? Well, first and foremost, we can mine the vast resource we, the Jewish people, have been gifted with: the very words of Torah and all its commentaries. Through weekly messages, liturgical practices, and education classes for adults and children, the learning is an endless path of discovery. With these holy words seeping out of our pores, just think of the impact we can make on the world!

Lastly, we should rejoice with the beautiful children who are such an integral part of our family. L'dor v'dor, from generation to generation, is the method in which Judaism has survived and thrived for thousands of years. It must be the goal of this temple to continue this tradition, sharing the splendor of our heritage and the beauty of our traditions with our precious little ones.

So, there it is, a brief glimpse into just a few of my thoughts. Rather than write a novel, I will simply share my ideas over future newsletters. I thank you for taking the time to read this and I'd like to leave you with one final, and extremely topical thought ...

During these past few months, the world has been dealing with immense challenges relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. CBS has proven Judaism can survive despite the odds by maintaining a consistent service schedule, albeit virtually. Looking back throughout our history, when our ancestors had to deal with a multitude of atrocities and often with no immediate hope for their temple or synagogue's restoration, they forged ahead, keeping Judaism alive. That is exactly what you have done at CBS, and for that you should be very proud. The reality is this: you have responded to the closure of the temple in ways truly reminiscent to that of our ancestors. I very much look forward to meeting each and every one of you and the ability for all of us to gather in our sanctuary. I am quite hopeful it can happen in the not-so-distant future, but one thing I know for sure: we, as a family of faith, continue to make our holy ancestors proud!

*L'Shalom, Reb Tuviah, aka Rabbi Paul Schreiber*



## FROM THE PRESIDENT - Steve Slavkin

Thank you for being a member of Congregation Beth Shalom over the past year. You are a valuable member of our community, and I am looking forward to working with you as the new president of CBS.

The past months have been challenging for everyone, including our CBS community. Sheltering in place is a vital way to prevent the spread of disease and enact our Jewish values of communal care and preserving life, but it also has meant social isolation and missing our CBS family. I hope everyone will find ways in the next few months to connect with CBS and friends and family at CBS in ways that are meaningful and spiritually nurturing.

I do not know what the future holds in terms of the public health response to COVID-19, but I do know we have an exciting year in front of us at CBS. In June, we said goodbye to Rabbi Mann. It has been a real pleasure to be Rabbi Mann's first congregation after his rabbinic ordination. I know we all have special memories with Rabbi Bryan and wish him the best in his professional future.

This month, we are welcoming Rabbi Paul Schreiber, who invites us to address him as Reb Tuviah, as the new full-time rabbi at CBS. Many of you met Reb Tuviah during the interview weekend in mid-March and were delighted by his energy and the music he brought to the celebration of Shabbat. I am very excited to welcome Reb Tuviah to CBS. We will announce a series of virtual and socially distanced activities for you and other congregants to connect with Reb Tuviah in the weeks leading up to the High Holy Days this year.

I feel confident this year will be an important year for our community. Among the many accomplishments of the past year, we have a new roof that will keep our facility dry and protected for years to come. Replacing the roof is an important milestone we can celebrate together!

Please help me maintain the warm, friendly atmosphere that has always been the hallmark quality of Congregation Beth Shalom. We must remember the qualities of gentleness and compassion with each other, so we can show all of our members and potential members the kind of caring community we are. Then those who visit our community will want to join us.

Thank you for being a member of our community and thank you for your continued commitment to membership in CBS. Membership is the backbone of our community, and I appreciate your participation. As your membership renews, I invite you to renew your commitment to CBS. In addition to membership, what can you do this year to enhance the CBS community? Can you volunteer for an important project at CBS? Can you commit to encouraging one new family to join our community? Will you support us with an additional gift of any size during the High Holy Day appeal? There are many ways that individuals and families can help to build CBS. Think about what you might do this year to strengthen our community. By working together, we can grow a more

vibrant and connected community.

Thank you again for your continued membership in and commitment to CBS. I am looking forward to my first year as the president of CBS. I know it will be a great year and I will share updates with you as the year unfolds.



**Congregation Beth Shalom provides a meaningful spiritual home for people of all ages and levels of knowledge, a place to learn and to question, a place to worship and to celebrate, and a place to find a community that cares.**

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- ☆ **Complete B'nai Mitzvah preparation**
- ☆ **Youth group programming**
- ☆ **Adult Education classes**
- ☆ **Community-wide events, including Mitzvah Day**

## Upcoming Dates To Remember

- **Tuesday, July 14, 6:30 p.m.:** Ladies Night Out tentatively scheduled. Please see the eblast for more information as the date approaches.
- **Monday, July 20, 7 p.m.:** Page Turners. More information on page 4.
- **Saturday, July 25, 5:30 p.m.:** Dinner With The Tribe. Information on page 4.
- **Sunday, Aug. 9, 10 a.m.:** Congregation Beth Shalom Open House—A Meet & Greet. More details on pages 5 and 8.
- **Sunday, Aug 16, 9:30 a.m.:** First day of religious school. Information about enrollment can be found on page 7.



*Religious Education Calendar, page 7;  
Full calendar, page 15*

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## July Oneg Schedule

*There can be no joy without food and drink. — Talmud, Mo'ed Katan*

We hope you and your family are doing well.

The Oneg Committee has not scheduled oneg hosts for the month of July.

Since the temple has been closed for more than three months, we are waiting for our executive board to notify us as soon as they are able to determine at which time they feel it is safe to re-open the synagogue.

Once we have been given the heads up, we will contact the oneg hosts, who so generously offered to take a date in April, May and June, to see if they are available for a future date.

If you have any questions or are interested in hosting an oneg, please contact us (Judith 856-816-2174, and Anna 707-628-5399).

*Anna Feldman & Judith Pliner*

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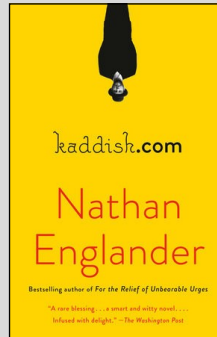
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## PAGE TURNERS

**Monday, July 20, at 7 p.m.**, please join us as Page Turners discusses *Kaddish.com*, by Nathan Englander

Larry is the secular son in a family of Orthodox Brooklyn Jews. When his father dies, it's his responsibility to recite the Kaddish every day for eleven months. To the horror and dismay of his sister, Larry, an atheist, refuses — imperiling the fate of his father's soul. To appease her, Larry hatches an ingenious if cynical plan, hiring a stranger through a website called kaddish.com to recite the prayer and shepherd his father's soul safely to rest but complications arise. This is a satire that touches lightly and with humor on the conflict between the religious and secular worlds. It is a novel about atonement, spiritual redemption and the temptations of the internet.



## DINNER WITH THE TRIBE — Anita Clifford



Please save the date for our next get together. It will be Saturday, July 25, at 5:30 p.m., nearly two months away as I write this. If I see that COVID-19 numbers in this area go up, we'll postpone the dinner. But, meanwhile, it will be something to look forward to. Just keep an eye on the eblast for the latest information about Dinner With The Tribe.

Stay healthy and safe,  
Anita  
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## CBS FINANCIALS

In an effort to be transparent to all of our congregants, Congregation Beth Shalom will be publishing its monthly financials for all to see, and they can be found in the link below.

<https://bethshalom-brandon.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/173/2020/06/CBS-2000.5.31-PL-vs-Budget-Kibbitzer.pdf>

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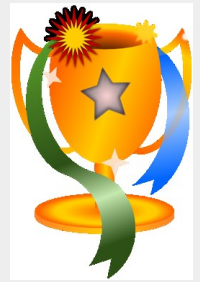
Jenny Allen

**Kudos & Mazels**

**Join with CBS in offering congratulations and recognition to the following members on their accomplishments:**

**KUDOS**

▪ Kudos to our **facilities and security committee** for their heroic effort to clean up the building after the recent roof replacement project: **Chairperson Gabe Lifschitz; members Mitch and Suzie Baylis, Dave and Carol Anne Friedman, Michael and Cheryl Lubin, Judy Lubin, Sheryl and Mark Finke, Vicki** (a family member of the Finkes), **and Barbra and Rebecca** (sister and niece of Suzie Baylis.)



**MAZELS**

▪ Mazel Tov to our new board members: **Membership Co-chairs Sandee Pelk and Lea Garbett; Social Action Chair Lauren Fleischman; and Long-Term Planning Chair Stephen Feldman.**

▪ Mazel tov to **David and Rudina Richter** on the arrival of their new grandbaby and first child for their son and daughter-in-law, **Ari Richter and Irin Carmon.** This is the David and Rudina's 3rd grandchild and first granddaughter.

*Do you know a CBS member who should be congratulated for a special accomplishment? If so, email the name and accomplishment to [cbs-admin@hotmail.com](mailto:cbs-admin@hotmail.com).*

**Torah Readers Needed**

There has been a changing of the guard ...

With the recent temple election, Steve Slavkin has been named president of the congregation. As such, he has stepped down as chair of the Ritual Committee, after serving for almost 5 years in that capacity. He did an amazing job during that time.



Sheila Fishman has now been appointed chair of that committee. Several members of that committee continue to serve, but we have so much work ahead of us. We need to address the departure of Rabbi Bryan, who has served us well for the past two years, plan for the arrival of Reb Tuviah on July 1, and begin the work of orchestrating the High Holy Day services. All of these tasks

take time and the help of many congregants. Additionally, we must learn to provide services and programming in a new environment. We must learn to work with new technologies as we determine how and when to reopen our temple in this new world.

We are also hoping that our previous Torah readers for the High Holy Days will, again read their portions with the upcoming holidays. However, we need additional readers. Whether you have done this in the past or wish to do so for the first time, we have a program in place to receive a small Torah portion and to study with Michael Lubin, one of our religious school teachers and Haftarah reader in advance of the High Holy Days.

If you are interested in serving on the Ritual Committee or to become a Torah reader, please contact Sheila Fishman at 813-833-7843, or [gold17@verizon.net](mailto:gold17@verizon.net).

**MEMBERSHIP**

We are thrilled to be the new chairs of the membership committee. We look forward to working with Judith Pliner as her role as membership retention.

This year we are changing our regular congregation open house event to be more of a "Meet & Greet" welcome for our new rabbi, Reb Tuviah.

The event will be Sunday, Aug. 9, from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Please see page 10 for a schedule of events and more details about this event.

We look forward to seeing all of our members and friends there! Be sure to wear your mask!

– Sandee Pelk and Lea Garbett

## LIFELONG LEARNING — Janice Perelman

### What We Learned During Our Unplanned Staycation



Even when our synagogue had no classes or discussion groups, we learned a great deal this spring.

We learned losing access to our total freedom is tantamount to losing a dear friend. We learned the emotional impact of loss of freedom parallels the grieving process following a death. First there is denial, refusal to believe this is really happening.

We all had a life "before." We had plans, expectations, responsibilities, jobs, pleasures, exercise, shopping, social gatherings. And in a few moments, everything was suspended. A state of disbelief prevailed. Then came sadness and anger, intermingled. We may have raged overtly or silently, but the feeling was the same. We missed our friends, our outings. We vocally rebelled at what we could not have or do now, at this moment. Uncertainty as to when it would all end loomed over the world. We learned to Zoom with one another. And then there was the fear, fear of an unseen virus, fear of touching anyone and anything not in our home. We learned to arm ourselves with unusual weaponry--gloves, masks, bleach, anti-bacterial wipes, and we learned fortifying our isolation with toilet tissue somehow made us feel more secure. But

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the worst knowledge of all was the loss of life of more than 100,000 Americans as if in one blow. We eventually learned to accept the difficult situation, and we learned that so many people really came forward courageously and helped others when there was a need. We learned to be proud of them all, especially those on the front lines who served as first responders and medical providers.

One thing I want to learn still, and that is: when we return to whatever the new normalcy will be, I want to learn then to appreciate my life and not take anything for granted. And I hope we will be able to gather in groups again in our synagogue to learn together as we did in the past.

#### CBS Adult Education

### Are You Smarter Than a Hebrew Schooler Level 1, 2, and 3?

This 8-week course is only \$18!

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## EDUCATION— Sheila Fishman

The Congregation Beth Shalom Open House—A Meet & Greet is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 9, from 10 a.m.— 11:30 a.m. As is our custom, this will be the time to learn more about our religious school. Our religious school classes are designed to meet the educational needs of children pre-kindergarten through confirmation. We are continuing our cutting-edge religious school curriculum which has been specifically developed for Congregation Beth Shalom. During the event, you will have an opportunity to preview the curriculum, review the text books, meet with our returning teachers, and enroll your children in classes.

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We are continuing with a once-a-week program beginning with Sunday, Aug. 16, for all grades, and we hope to open onsite employing all safe-guards to protect the health and well-being of our students and teachers. For grades 2-7, school hours continue to be 9:30 a.m. until noon, but our day begins with our worship service at 9:30 a.m. The service is followed by a one-hour Hebrew class and one-hour Judaica class. For students in pre-kindergarten through 1st grade, following the worship service, these children will engage in diverse activities taking in to account their younger needs. A calendar of classes will be available at the open house.

### **Important Dates**

- **Aug. 9, 10 a.m.:** CBS Open House —A Meet & Greet
- **Aug 16, 9:30 a.m.:** First day of religious school

Religious school fees will remain the same for grades 2-7. The fee is \$325. However, we are offering an early bird price of \$295 if you pay the fee in full no later than Aug. 9. Last year, we re-introduced our Chai Membership, which afforded young families, with children ages 3 to 5, a full membership for \$360, a savings of 80% off standard family dues. It also provides an opportunity for each child in that household to attend religious school for \$100 in the first year. With the subsequent year, the younger children in our pre-kindergarten to 1st grade, fees return to \$200 for the year (and early bird price of \$170) while older grade students revert to the cost reflected above. However, please note, if you find that your family is facing financial difficulties, confidential arrangements can be made to assist with the school fees. We do not want any child left behind in their Jewish journey.

In catering to the needs of our diverse community we continuing “L’Dor Vador” program for students age 11 - 16 who have not had any training and or have not been Bar or Bat Mitzvah. It is our goal to pass on our traditions from generation to generation. This will be a special two-year program culminating with the B’Nai Mitzvah. These students will be meeting during regular religious school hours. With the final 9-months of the program, the students will also be at-

## CONFIRMATION

**Calling all teens who want to continue to explore his/her growth and knowledge of Judaism, Jewish thought, and Jewish life!**

Plans are now under way with Reb Tuviah to meet with our confirmation students, youth group members, and any interested teens ages 13 - 16 effective with the 2020-21 school year. We are considering meeting monthly, but no specific dates have been identified.



Topics being considered for these meetings could include:

- how to address modern issues within the text of Jewish law,
- ethical practices,
- the place of Israel in our lives,
- anti-Semitism and racism, and
- other religions.

However, we welcome any suggestions from our youth or their parents.

With your help, the curriculum can be exciting and interesting –and we hope to provide further conversations within families about Judaism and Jewish life.

If you have any suggestions for this program, please reach out to Reb Tuviah at [rebtuviah@gmail.com](mailto:rebtuviah@gmail.com) or Sheila Fishman, youth education administrator, at [gold17@verizon.net](mailto:gold17@verizon.net).

tending private tutoring to specifically prepare for their B’Nai Mitzvah. Attendance in this program requires membership at Congregation Beth Shalom. The cost of this program is \$325 annually. There will also be a B’Nai Mitzvah fee prior to beginning the 9-month tutoring program. We believe every child should be afforded the Jewish experience despite any circumstances. We look forward in working with the family to encourage this significant life goal.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Sheila Fishman, religious school administrator, at [gold17@verizon.net](mailto:gold17@verizon.net), or call at 813-833-7843. We are looking forward to seeing you at our Open House—A Meet & Greet on Aug. 9, and having a fun-filled school year at Congregation Beth Shalom.

# Please Wear A Mask

## Congregation Beth Shalom

# Open House Meet & Greet

Sunday, August 9  
10am - 11:30am



Reb Tuviah will share his love of music

Join us outside as we welcome Reb Tuviah to the CBS community. Explore the many committees & social groups CBS offers; families will have the opportunity to register for religious school.

### Welcome

- 10:15 Reb Tuviah, rabbi
- 10:30 Sheila Fishman, religious school director
- 10:45 Steve Slavkin, president

Schedule subject to change

Congregation Beth Shalom invites you to attend an outdoor "Open House Meet & Greet" to learn about the congregation and meet the new rabbi. To remain COVID-19 compliant, we kindly ask that you wear a mask and practice social distancing. The building is currently closed, but we still look forward to meeting you. Please note, the Meet & Greet is subject to change based on COVID-19 updates.

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# Ladies Night Out

2nd Tuesday of each month  
6:30pm

Enjoy a night out with the ladies of CBS!

We will dine at local restaurants, attend cooking demos, get creative with art/craft classes, play bunco, enjoy pot luck dinners, and more!

*Ladies Night Out is on hold until further notice.*

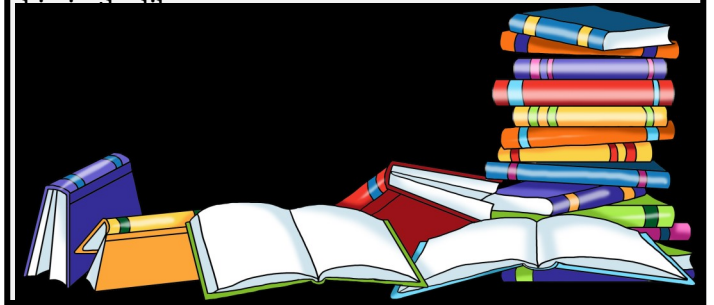
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## THE LIBRARY CORNER — Sandy Saviet & David Richter

Once a month, our religious school students visit the library and learn about the various books we have available (based on their interests) for them to take home and read. Cooking, music and the Holocaust are very popular subjects. Did you know that we have in our library a children's Chanukah counting book that is printed in English, Hebrew & Yiddish?

If you are doing some spring cleaning, we welcome donations of books. Just place them in the donation bin.



### A Note About Pastoral Care

Reb Tuviah wants to know when congregants are in need of pastoral care.

This includes but is not limited to: when our congregants or their family members are in the hospital, recently lost a loved one, or otherwise may need his support.



If you hear about a congregant in need, please contact Reb Tuviah directly at [rebtuviah@gmail.com](mailto:rebtuviah@gmail.com)



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## CONGREGATION WISH LIST

Financially supporting the synagogue is the responsibility of the entire Jewish community so that it can continue to exist and grow for everyone, both now and in the future. Items are often "wished" for to add to our spiritual home. Below are a few of our most frequently requested items that, while not deemed necessary, would certainly enhance our environment:

While monetary donations are welcomed, encouraged, and needed and can be used where the temple needs it most, we know sometimes people prefer concrete gifts and look for opportunities to provide in other ways. We hope this list is helpful. Before making an in-kind contribution, due to limited storage space, please contact the temple first to be sure the item is still on the list.

### Interior wish list:

- Large print copies of Mishkan HaNefesh
- two 4-foot tall bookcases for classrooms
- 60 wine glasses and water glasses (plain not decorative)
- 8 white large round table cloths
- 3 large round tables (to replace the broken ones)
- 10 deadbolt door locks
- School supplies and crafts

### Exterior wish list:

- 40 bags of red mulch
- Pavers for the path to the fire pit
- Awnings for office entrance

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## DONATIONS

Congregation Beth Shalom accepts donations for many purposes, with a variety of opportunities for donors to support the good works of the Temple. You may contact the office either by phone or email to make a contribution, or head to our website to make a secure online payment through a PayPal account or by using a credit card.

### Funds:

- **General Fund** (unrestricted): An unrestricted gift to the General Fund allows the temple to use those funds wherever they may be needed most. This fund incorporates contributions received from our High Holy Day Appeal, Yahrzeit donations, Bricklets, Adopt-A-Book, Tree of Life (unless otherwise indicated) and other non-restricted gifts.
- **Building Fund:** A fund to ensure the continuing physical growth of our spiritual home. Intended for capital improvements and major building repairs.
- **Endowment Fund:** Gifts to this fund are placed in an investment account and temporarily restricted or can be defined/restricted by the donor. This fund ensures the future of our temple.
- **Religious School Scholarship Fund:** These funds will be made available to Religious School students who are in need of tuition assistance, as determined confidentially by the Treasurer.
- **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:** a fund for assistance to families in need, scholarship assistance, interfaith council, Holocaust museum and other endeavors at the Rabbi's discretion.
- **Youth Group Fund:** a fund that supports the ongoing engagement of post b'nai mitzvah youth, providing meaningful and fun experiences for our teens, and keeping them connected to their Jewish community.

*If you wish to designate a gift to a particular purpose, for example, Food Bank, Choir, Oneg, Social Action, etc., you may do so by noting as such on your payment method or with an accompanying note; otherwise, your gift will be used where it is needed most.*

### Opportunities:

- **Adopt-A-Book:** A dedication label will be placed in one of our prayer books, to commemorate a simcha or in honor or memory of a loved one for just \$54.
- **Bricklets:** For as little as \$9 you can send a Bricklet Card instead of buying a card for birthdays, condolences, etc. A Bricklet Card in your name will be sent to the person you wish stating that a donation has been made in his or her name to Beth Shalom to honor the occasion.
- **Tree of Life:** The Tree of Life is on the back wall of our Sanctuary. An engraved leaf or stone can commemorate many simchas, b'nai mitzvah, wedding, birth, graduations, etc. Leaves are \$180, and stones are \$1800.
- **Yahrzeit Plaque:** To honor the death of a loved one, you may purchase a plaque that will be cared for in perpetuity for \$350. The name of the deceased along with their date of death is included on the plaque.

*Unless otherwise noted by you, your gift will be acknowledged in The Kibbitzer the month following its receipt.  
If your donation is incorrectly listed or omitted, please notify the temple office immediately.*

**Donations listed below were received between May 16 and June 15.**

### GENERAL FUND

**In Loving Memory of Ruth Lubin**  
Michael, Cheryl and Judy Lubin

**In Loving Memory of Jack Lubin**  
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**In Loving Memory of Alan J. Friedman**  
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**In Loving Memory of Rose Friedman**  
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### YAHRZEIT PLAQUE

**In Loving Memory of Bree Phoenix**  
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### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

#### Donation

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## Birthdays

- 7/1 Natalia Carmona
- 7/3 Rebekah Anne Dugan
- 7/3 Murray Dimant
- 7/4 Benjamin Miller
- 7/4 Benjamin Sperry
- 7/6 Natalie Carmona
- 7/10 Lauren Fleischman
- 7/11 Toby Koch
- 7/12 Anita Clifford
- 7/14 Rudina Richter
- 7/16 Janet Kavesh
- 7/19 Michael Barnett
- 7/19 Maya Wyatt
- 7/20 Lynn Kaler
- 7/20 Janice Sperry
- 7/23 Alicia Jacobson
- 7/24 Jeffrey Jacob
- 7/27 David Ellis

## Anniversaries



- 7/2 Michael & Virginia Barnett
- 7/4 Seth & Paige Dugan
- 7/5 Lisa & Paul Cantrell
- 7/10 Mark & Sheryl Finke
- 7/24 Carol & Steven Hindin



## Yahrzeits

7/3	Rose	Billet	Grandmother	of	Nancy	Landfish
7/3	Rosalie	Goldstein	Mother	of	Cynthia	Goldstein
7/4	Mary	Glover	Mother	of	Robert	Northrup
7/6	Gertrude	Siegel	Grandmother	of	Eric	Miller
7/7	May	Licht	Mother	of	Janet	Kavesh
7/7	Iris	Prager	Sister	of	Marcia	Weiner
7/7	Mimi	Evans	Aunt	of	Alan	Weiss
7/8	Esther	Lubonne	Mother	of	Carole	Plesur
7/10	Earl M.	Zander	Father	of	Diane	Jacobson
7/10	Deborah	Glickman	Mother	of	Betsy	Glickman
7/10	Phyllis	Linden	Mother	of	Ron	Boyar
7/11	Minnie (Mina)	Spaier	Mother	of	Michael	Spaier
7/11	Harry	Goldstein	Father	of	Cynthia	Goldstein
7/14	Jack	Spaier	Father	of	Michael	Spaier
7/14	Phil	Brenner	Husband	of	Sophia	Brenner
7/19	Sally	Rubin	Mother	of	Stan	Rubin
7/21	Joseph	Gaba	Grandfather	of	Leslie	Boyar
7/22	Sandor	Winter	Grandfather	of	Gary	Ronay
7/24	Lia	Lifschitz	Mother	of	Gabriel	Lifschitz
7/28	Charlotte	Winter	Grandmother	of	Gary	Ronay

## Simchat Shabbat!

Come celebrate your birthday or anniversary with us! A special Shabbat service is held every month to honor all our joys for that month. For this month it will be:

**July 24**

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The dates listed for the Yahrzeits are adjusted yearly according to the Jewish Calendar and may not necessarily coincide with the common date of death. Names are read for Kaddish at the Shabbat before the actual date. If you would like to have the common date listed, please contact the temple office.

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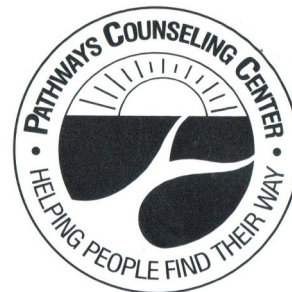
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			1 1	2	3 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service	4
5	6	7 PM Board Meeting	8 7:30 Ritual Mtg.	9 6:30 PM Fundraising Mtg	10 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service Kibbitzer Deadline	11
12	13	6:30 PM Ladies Night Out (tentative)	15	16	17 7:30 PM Shabbat Service	18
19	20 7 PM Page Turners	21	22 7:30 Ritual Mtg.	23	24 7:30 PM Simcha Shabbat Service	25
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