



Official Newsletter of Congregation B'nai Israel

# SHOFAR

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*Everybody Loves a Celebration  
and what a Celebration it is ~*

## Yom Ha'atzma'ut!

Sunday, May 15 ~ 12:30 – 3:00 PM

The Festivities Go On and On:  
Israeli Lunch, Moroccan and Bedouin Foods!  
Wine Tasting! • Kvod the Magician!  
Israeli Singing and Dancing!  
Rock-Climbing just like the rocks at Ein-Gedi!  
Laying T'felin! • Write Notes to be sent to the Kotel!  
Kibbutz Life! • An Archeology Dig! • Raffle prizes!

\$5/Person, Children 3 years and under Free  
*RSVP to the CBI Office by May 9th*



**Celebrate Yom Ha'atzma'ut with Rabbi Miri Gold  
of Kehilat Birkat Shalom, Kibbutz Gezer, Israel!**

**Monday, May 9 at 7:00 PM**

**8:15 PM: Short Mincha Service**

*Dessert and Coffee Immediately Following Service*

Rabbi Gold will present a section of the Israel Declaration of Independence and discuss how it relates to Modern-Day Israel and its challenges of human and civil rights, and religious pluralism.



**Yom Ha'atzma'ut ~ Shacharit Service**

**Tuesday, May 10 ~ 7:30 AM**

Please RSVP to the CBI Office

**'Twas the Night before Shavuot and all through the Shul,  
everyone was studying and learning – it was so very cool!**

Come join Rabbi Spitz and Cantor Tilchin along with other community scholars for CBI's annual Tikkun L'eil Shavuot:

**Tuesday, June 7: 8:25 PM – Midnight**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Tikkun L'eil Shavuot** is preceded by Ma'ariv Service at 8:00 PM

**ALSO PLEASE NOTE:**

**Shavuot Schacharit Services** on Wednesday and Thursday,  
June 8 and 9 at 9:30 AM

Celebrate Rosh Chodesh Sivan  
with **Sisterhood**

**Thursday, June 2 at 7:30 PM**

**Ingrid Gallin is speaking:  
"Growing Up in Shanghai"**

*An event not to be missed!*

**CBI Presents~**

**Artist in Residence  
Edna Miron-Wapner**

**Sunday, May 15**

**3:00 – 5:00 PM**

in the Family Life Center

Come Experience  
Expressive Kavannah, a  
Technique of Expressive Arts  
Therapy for those drawn to  
their Jewish Identity!  
This workshop relates  
to the weekly

**Parashat of Bahar~**

Come explore your Creativity  
within a supportive group!

\$10/person

RSVP to the CBI Office

## Rabbi's Message

Rabbi Elie Spitz



### Shavuot: A celebration of God, Torah, and Spiritual Genius.

God wrote  $E=MC^2$ .

"Einstein," you say.

"Yes, him too."

I once asked my teacher and the editor of the *Etz Hayim* Bible, "Who wrote the Bible?"

"People," he replied.

"And what was the place of God?" I persisted.

"God enables genius, whether in Shakespeare, Mozart, or a great scientist. The Torah is a work of spiritual genius."

My teachers in Rabbinical School shared the modern perspective that ideas have a history. They taught that the Torah unfolded over time and emerged from specific historical settings. During the exile in Babylonia, they taught, Jews began to weave oral traditions together into a magnificent, written tapestry. This description of the Torah's origins conflicted with my childhood teachers who instructed me that God had dictated the words to Moses letter by letter. If people wrote the Torah, I was left to wonder, in what sense is our Torah worth building a life on?

Among my favorite Bible scholars is Professor Jacob Milgrom. After serving as a Conservative Rabbi for twenty years, he taught at the University of California at Berkeley for thirty years. Among his achievements was a three-volume work on Leviticus, later condensed into a more accessible 300-page book. I read this commentary alongside our weekly

readings a couple of years ago. What fascinated me was both how much the Israelites shared in common with their surrounding neighbors- such as slavery, polygamy, and the sacrificial form of worship- and even more so, what was unique to the Torah. Only the Torah, for instance, forbade the eating of blood. The underlying reason was to express that God ultimately controls life. As blood is identified with life, it belongs only to God.

On a stroll with Professor Milgrom, I asked him, "Why did you spend over twenty years researching the details of the Levitical laws?"

"The laws of the Torah," he responded, "are vessels for values. To understand the details of ritual laws is to uncover the contours and content of enduring values. Ideas are intellectually known, but each time we perform a ritual we relive, re-express, and rediscover those values with our whole body."

The Torah contains many distinctive laws and rituals, such as demanding that one day a week we refrain from work and commerce. The value conveyed by Shabbat is that God is in charge and that we need to prioritize time to forge relationships with those around us and with God. Our Torah demanded that landowners were to provide for the poor, pieces of social legislation that were radical for the ancient world and persist as a challenge of hope making and justice in our own day. When the Torah states, "And God spoke to Moses saying" (the Torah's most often repeated phrase), it signifies that what follows is our people's best understanding of God's will and values.

Human understanding is continuously unfolding by responding to changing conditions and adding new insights. Einstein's analysis depended on a strong foundation of scientific learning, and yet his insights also emerged intuitively. In his words, "There is no logical way to the discovery of these elemental laws. There is only the way of intuition, which is helped by a feeling for the order lying behind the appearance." His creativity was linked as well to a sense of wonder, "The most beautiful

thing we can experience is the mysterious. It is the source of all true art and science."

On Shavuot, we celebrate the gift of the Torah and the mystery of revelation. For our people, the Torah is a love letter from God. Yes, people wrote it, but the wisdom of Torah emerged intuitively from our reaching beyond ourselves and hearing a still, silent voice calling us toward justice and love. The Torah is our Jewish foundation for growing lives of meaning, belonging, and fulfillment. I read the Torah as a modern person, aware of the limitations of the past and the enduring richness of our people's spiritual genius.

- I am a Conservative Jew because I live with the tension between tradition and change, like a musical string pulled in two opposite directions that enables a melodic, stirring note;
- I am a Conservative Jew because I believe that people can be God's vessels, both in hearing a transcendent call and as God's eyes, ears, hands, and feet to effect healing in God's creation;
- I am a Conservative Jew because I believe that the Torah is God's sacred revelation, but not God's last word;
- I am a Conservative Jew because the Torah challenges and uplifts us- and in parts, repels us too- calling us toward humbly honoring the past, living more wholly in the present, and trusting that we will encounter additional wisdom ahead;
- I am a Conservative Jew because I believe that the mitzvot of the Torah require interpretation and form a system of values that strengthens our bonds to the world around us and evokes the best in us;
- I am a Conservative Jew because the Torah testifies to an enduring, expansive, evolving Awareness, beckoning us into relationship, "You shall be holy for I the Lord am Holy."

May this Shavuot lead us further up the mountain of learning toward God's presence and mystery. And may we embrace the Divine gift of Torah with curiosity, commitment, and creativity. ☆





## Meet the Old Torah Reader

There are so many ways that Torah touches our lives. Its wisdom is woven throughout our prayers. It is our guide to ethical living. It is our pathway to know the many faces of God. Torah's miraculous essence is revealed week after week as we study the *parshiot* and extract new insights every time.

Another way to know Torah is to recite it. The Jewish people have been chanting our sacred texts for thousands of years and the fact that we render it in the 21st century as we did through the millennia is astonishing. I was in my early thirties the first time I read from the Torah. Already in cantorial school, I put in hours of practice and had my friend Deborah Togut, z"l, listen to me countless times to correct my grammar and help me perfect my musicality. When I actually stood up to read on Shabbat, my hand was shaking so uncontrollably that I could barely hold the *yad* (pointer). It was as if my body knew viscerally its proximity to something awesome and was quaking with joy and fear at once.

Learning to chant Torah is a skill anyone who is dedicated to the task

can master. I am delighted to share that I will be offering an introductory class on Torah reading four Sunday mornings this summer – July 10, 17, 24 and August 7 at 10:30 AM. Details will be posted in the next issue of the "Shofar" and in upcoming email announcements. If you have ever thought about taking the plunge into the magical world of *laining* (the art of scriptural chant), please consider embarking on this journey with me.

As one becomes adept at *laining*, the intricacies of biblical Hebrew grammar start to become apparent, prompting questions like: Why are some words accented on the final syllable while others are not? Why is there a "*sh'va*" under an opening "*vav*" instead of a "*patah*"? These are the kinds of details upon which some of our most famous *midrashim* are built. There are several congregants at CBI who read Torah with this degree of sophistication. I encourage those of you at this stage of your learning to go onto the CBI website to read some excellent essays on the finer points of Torah reading and grammar from a master of the art known to us only as "The Old Torah Reader". [Click on "Clergy and Leadership", then "Cantor Tilchin", then "Torah Corner" and you will find "The Old Torah Reader"]. These are beautifully crafted articles designed to help reduce common chanting errors made even by those with experience.

You can write to "The Old Torah Reader" with questions and comments that will, if all goes well, lead to new insights and to further questions. As we approach Shavuot – *zeman matan Torateinu* - there is no finer moment to dedicate ourselves to becoming novice or more expert Torah readers. No matter where you are on your journey towards this essential synagogue skill, revelation awaits you. ☆

## JEWISH WORLD WATCH WALK TO END GENOCIDE



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JOIN THE SUNDAY  
MINYAN ANY SUNDAY  
AT 9:10 AM IN  
THE BET MIDRASH



## The President's Corner

Joel Kuperberg



### Thanksgiving

*"Silent gratitude isn't much use to anyone."* - (G. B. Stern)

No, I'm not confusing spring with autumn, and this is not a contemporary riff on Pesach. Rather, in the afterglow of two incredible events at our shul, it seems only natural that we take a moment to appreciate those who made them possible.

In March, through the generosity of Joe and Barbara Baim, we had the privilege of hosting CBI's first event as part of the Roz Baim Distinguished Artist series. The "Jewish Tenors" concert was an awe-inspiring performance of cantorial and operatic pieces by some of the greatest hazzans alive today, backed by a pianist and orchestral accompaniment. In addition to expressing our gratitude to Joe and Barbara for sponsoring the concert, and Rabbi Spitz and Cantor Tilchen for their invaluable assistance, we also acknowledge Sandy Klein, Helene Coulter and Debbie Hebron, as well as Batia Swed, Muriel Ullman and all of our other congregant volunteers, who helped with pre-concert logistics, ticket sales and distribution, converting our sanctuary into a concert hall for the evening, and all of the other work that allowed us all to enjoy this wonderful performance. It was a musical treat that we will long remember.

Just a few weeks later, CBI had the opportunity to honor our original

Project Genesis visionaries —Andy Bernstein, Mark Cross, Hal Hurwitz, Ron Morrison, Michael Schneider, Bob Sklar, Ralph Stern and Jay Witzling—who came together twenty-five years ago to conceptualize, design and implement the development of our current home on Bryan Avenue. Our sold out 2011 Gala was a spectacular event featuring fine food and drink, schmoozing and dancing, as we celebrated Project Genesis and the growth of B'nai Israel. Past CBI president Brigitte Frankel served masterfully as our emcee and auctioneer, assisted by Allison Katz, Jonathan Fine, Mike Lefkowitz, Dan Schwartz, David Krebs and Sandy Goodman. This celebration could not have occurred without the dedication and hard work of our Gala Committee, chaired by Beth Elster, Heather Katz, Miriam Ninyo and Johanna Rose, as well as Committee members Beth Adler, Helene Coulter, Esther Dosick, Cindy Furst, Michelle Ginsburg, Debbie Hebron, Leslie Kaufman, Sandy Klein, Michelle Madick, Maura Malloy, Francine Morrison, Marla Nathan, Melanie Pollack, Shawna Schwartz, Sandy Stein, and Michael and Natalie Vishny.

The Jewish Tenors Concert and our 2011 Gala were wonderful, memorable events in significant part because of the commitment of time, resources and energy by so many of our congregants.

Their efforts are a reminder of one of the best features of Congregation B'nai Israel—our lay volunteers. So, when you next come in contact with any of these dedicated members of our shul, please take the time to thank them for enriching our lives and synagogue community. ☆

### Celebratory Shabbat Worship with Dale Schatz!

Friday, June 17  
at 8:00 PM  
Saturday, June 25  
at 9:45 AM  
in the Family  
Life Center

*Come Join Us!*



When you hear of a lifecycle event in our CBI community (whether simcha, illness or a death), or if you have something which you wish the Cantor to be aware of, please notify the CBI office.

Call (714) 730-9693 or  
e-mail [cbi18@cbi18.org](mailto:cbi18@cbi18.org).



### CBI Gift Shop

Come in and  
browse the shop - we  
have great new items!

Gift Shop regular hours  
are during Hebrew School  
or by appointment  
by calling the office



### Leftover Kipot?

**Bring them to the  
Sisterhood gift shop**

*where they will be re-created into Works of art  
to either be resold or worn for a lifetime!*

**All proceeds will benefit the gift shop that  
directly supports CBI's educational program.**

*Drop by the gift shop and talk to Sam  
about designs and ideas.  
Let your creativity soar!*



## Religious School

Alan Rusonik,  
Director, Lifelong Learning  
Dan Koblin and Francine Wenhardt,  
VPs



I regret to inform you that I will not be continuing in my position at Congregation B'nai Israel at the conclusion of my contract which expires June 30, 2011.

I came to this decision after much deliberation. My departure is due entirely to personal issues; it is not a reflection on the congregation. I valued my brief period of time at CBI and enjoyed getting to know the various members of the community. I have benefitted from working with the clergy, the teachers, and many families. Most of all, I have enjoyed working with the children of CBI. The young people at CBI are truly wonderful, and it has been my honor and pleasure to get to know them, to visit their classes, and to share a story or a lesson with them. I will definitely miss the children most of all.

We have made some changes to the school this year that have been successful and the hope is to continue those changes in the future. Specifically, the curricular changes with regard to Hebrew and Tefillah have been very successful and will continue. We have been working all year to develop a scope and sequence to the other aspects of the curriculum, and recently developed benchmarks for each grade level. Finally, with regard to *Mercaz Hadracha* (Hebrew High), we have developed a good formula for success and the hope is to maintain the current structure and continue to attract dynamic and exciting teachers and programs.

Please know that I will cooperate and assist the congregation in all ways possible for my remaining weeks at CBI. My goal is to leave the program organized and well planned out so that all transitions will be smooth and seamless. May CBI continue to grow from strength to greater strength.

**Zembrosky Art Fund** - Last December, the 8th & 9th grade students from our Hebrew High had the opportunity to work with renowned mosaic artist Irina Charny on a large mosaic project for the synagogue. On Wednesday, February 23, the completed mosaic was presented and hanged in the Family Life Center. If you have not been upstairs in the Family Life Center, I encourage you to visit this special mosaic which represents Tikkun Olam or our responsibility as Jews to repair our broken world. Coming in May, our Hebrew High juniors and seniors will be working on the next project, which will be an art weave project. In addition to creating a

beautiful piece of art, the students will learn about the long history and connection of the Jewish people to textile and the garment industry.

These projects have been made possible by the Zembrosky Art Fund, a fund established at the synagogue by Alan and Bev Zembrosky in memory of their son, Dan Zembrosky. These exciting new experiences for our program are a way for our students to express themselves artistically as well as help beautify our synagogue. ☆



## PLEASE NOTE THESE IMPORTANT DATES FOR MERCAZ LIMMUD AND MERCAZ HADRACHA

(formerly Religious School and Hebrew High)

### May and June

#### MAY

**Sunday, May 1**

Regular Classes  
7th Grade Family Education Program

**Sunday, May 8**

No School: Mother's Day

**Sunday, May 15**

Regular Classes

**Wednesday, May 18**

Last Session of *Mercaz Hadracha*

**Sunday, May 22**

Regular Classes  
7th Grade Field Trip – Museum of Tolerance

**Sunday, May 29**

No School: Memorial Day

**Tuesday, May 31**

Last Tuesday Session of *Mercaz Limmud*

#### JUNE

**Wednesday, June 1**

Last Wednesday Session of *Mercaz Limmud*

**Thursday, June 2**

Last Thursday Session of *Mercaz Limmud*

**Friday, June 3**

7th Grade Service and Program

**Sunday, June 5**

Regular Classes  
7th Grade Family Education Program  
Last Day of *Mercaz Limmud*  
Teacher Appreciation

**Wednesday, June 8**

Shavuot  
10th Grade Confirmation & 12th Grade Graduation



# USY Seudah Sh'lshit and Learning



Don't miss the last Seudah Sh'lshit of the year with Rabbinic Intern Adam Greenwald. We will meet on Saturday evening, May 7 at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. We will meet to learn together, while sharing a light meal and USY-style Havdallah.

All teens are welcome—come share your insights with us!

**THERE IS NO COST  
TO ATTEND ☆**

## Experiential Prayer & Text Study

Come Learn with

**Adam Greenwald**

10:30 AM

in the Bet Midrash

**May 7**

## THE BIGGEST QUESTIONS

***What Really Matters Most?***

***What Can Judaism Teach Us?***

***Asking the Most Important  
Questions***

Join us for our final learning  
session together

## Membership Moments

Mike Mymon and  
Daveen Meyers, VPs

As you read this article, the Membership Committee continues to prepare for the Israeli Yom Ha'atzma'ut (Independence Day) celebration at CBI. This year, we are bringing ***The Magic of Israel*** to CBI on Sunday, May 15th, 12:30-3:00 pm (immediately following the *Mercatz Limmud* session).

The plans include Israeli food and wine-tasting, a magician, a balloon artist, an archeological dig, a rock climbing wall in *Ein-Gedi*, a Moroccan booth with couscous and Henna tattoos, a Bedouin tent with a "real" Bedouin serving coffee and sharing stories of the desert, a "*Kotel*" where you can write a note to G-d (we have made arrangements with a Rabbi in

Israel to transfer the notes to the *Kotel* in Jerusalem), an informational booth about Israel and its people, singing, dancing and much more. Please call the CBI office to RSVP as we need to plan food accordingly.

On Sunday, May 22nd, Membership will oversee the CBI booth at the Israel Expo on the grounds of the JCC in Irvine. It is a wonderful opportunity to bring CBI to the larger Jewish community of Orange County. Please consider attending and if you do, stop by the CBI booth to help greet our guests and visitors. We have heard many times from prospective members

and guests of CBI that they felt the warmth and friendliness of our members during their visit. The CBI booth at the Israel Expo is another opportunity to showcase our synagogue, its programs, and its people. ☆



Our  
Gala  
Honorees



## Child Development

Lisa Heller - Director, Certified  
Parent Coach  
Michael Adler and  
Scott Cross, VPs



### **What do we want children to think about?**

### **What do we want children to learn?**

In our preschool, learning happens in a supportive, enriching atmosphere based on the interests of the children. How do we get them to ask questions and learn? How do we teach a concept of life in another country to our preschoolers? How do we give them the sense of love and beauty in the small country of Israel, which is the size of New Jersey?

The teachers set up provocations within the classrooms and outdoor environments. An authentic item is placed in the environment, a book is read, music is played, a unique plant is ready for the children to place in the garden, a cooking experience using specific food items occurs, all which spark & create opportunities for the children to think and ask questions. In order to develop an effective way of establishing a meaningful relationship with Israel, a place of pride for our homeland, we in the preschool each year kick off the Israel connection during the celebration of *Yom Ha'Atzma'ut!* This begins the year-long experience of Israel at the preschool.

We go all out! Of course, it helps to have children and adults

of Israeli-born families and children in our classrooms who visit Israel each year.

### **We ask them:**

What does Israel look like? What does it smell like? What does it sound like? Is it different at the beach in Israel than Newport Beach? Is the desert like Palm Springs? Does Jerusalem or Tel Aviv look like LA or New York? Are the mountains in Israel like Big Bear? Are the fruit and vegetable fields like Tanaka Strawberry Farms? Is there a forest of trees, an orchard of oranges, lemons, avocados or figs? Do they eat bagels, pita bread, hummus or olives? Is McDonalds or Starbucks in Israel?

What do their grandparents' homes look like? Do their cousins speak Hebrew and English? Do they go to preschool or camp? Do they ride bikes or scooters?

Of course, it helps to cook foods typical of what their families eat in Israel in our classrooms. Our children love falafel and cucumbers with yogurt.

It helps for the children to listen to the music, dance, and enjoy the colors of Israel. They love to bake a blue and white birthday cake and sing Happy Birthday, *Yom Huledet Sameach* to Israel.

We speak and sing to the children in Hebrew. We look at pictures, books and live videos of Israel on the computer. We build a *Kotel* out of shoe boxes, blocks or clay, and visit the web site, [www.kotel.com](http://www.kotel.com) and see people davening. The children write notes to God and place their private message in the cracks of their Kotel. There is always a family traveling to Israel that will take their notes to the real Kotel.

We work hard to stay connected to Israel all year long. The older children Skype or write notes and draw pictures to families and friends in Israel. We plant trees, flowers, seeds and vegetables on Tu B'Shevat and with each seasonal change. We have animals inside our classrooms and in the outdoor environment we have feeders for



*The "Israel" Connection.*

*It isn't just for big kids anymore!*

### **Join us for LITTLE SHUL**

A program designed to prepare  
your little one for the "big" shul!  
For children ages infant thru Pre -K

**Sunday, May 15 and June 5**

**11:30 AM – 12:30 PM  
in the Bet Midrash**

\$10/Family covers materials and a snack

*Contact the CBI Office if interested*

the birds and special plants for the butterflies. We teach kindness and respect, we are truly a Jewish Preschool each and every day.

That's how we structure the environment in our classrooms. That's how the children learn and begin to understand the importance of the state of Israel and the love and strong connection important for us as Jews. All of the children from ages 8 weeks old to 5 years old have experienced the smells and life in Israel without having to take the long trip over there.

Come into our classrooms and outdoor environments and visit everything in action! ☆



## Youth News

Barbara Sherman - Youth Director  
Annie Shugarman and  
Marcy Shapiro, VPs



Can you smell the sunscreen yet? Can you feel the heat? Can you taste the ice cream, can you hear the laughter? It is inching closer: the intensity, excitement and momentum are building! Get out your orange stuff! From hair bands to shoes, backpacks to hats, our wardrobes will soon be orange! Yes...Camp Bnai Ruach 2011 is fast approaching. This will surely be another memorable summer not to be missed. It is a time when kids from all around Orange County gather for once-in-a-lifetime experiences. This is where friends are made, connections formed and the lazy days of summer make the child in all of us come out. We go to major theme parks, swimming, dig in the sand, play Gaga, eat popsicles, do crafts, sing, and enjoy everything from the air conditioning to the bus rides. This is all under the eyes of a watchful loving staff. Our Counselors are the most loving, experienced and talented group that can be found. The safety and happiness of our kids is the primary goal. As exhausting as camp is it is the reason your child should be a part of it. Tremendous effort goes into making each camper's day the best it can be. It is much easier to take on a new challenge like swimming, a roller coaster or a bus ride when you are in the arms of your favorite counselor. Counselors thrive and adore camp as much as the kids do. Camp Bnai Ruach is an experience, not just a place to go. We have 5

one-week sessions available to you. Each are filled with a wide variety of things to keep you busy and engaged. Most of all, Barbs is right there with you, always making sure you drink water, put on sunscreen, get a hug and have a great day. By the end of the summer unbreakable bonds will be formed, memories etched in your child's mind and a deep sadness that camp is over for another year.

Camp is just one part of the hustle and bustle going on at this time. We are wrapping up the USY program year, gearing up for Regional Convention and electing our next board. June 3, 2011 will be our family dinner and Shabbat Services where everyone is invited to come help us celebrate our year. Kadima and Machar have also had some fun highlights like the outing to the candy shop, the making of our own music video and cheering the Angels on to a victory.

There is nothing more fulfilling than watching our kids experience life. And, if the road gets a little bumpy we know just how to smooth it out. We experience all of life together, we laugh, we cry, we freeze, we sweat, but most of all we care and we love. Please join in on the journey with us: Get ready for the orange! Opening day is July 5, 2011. ☆

*Happy Mother's Day  
Sunday, May 8, 2011*

## My CBI Story

Esther Dosick

Andy and I met the first day of college in September of 1965. He grew up on Chicago's South Side, and I grew up on the North Side. We dated and married in 1968. Our older daughter, Michelle, was born in 1969, and our younger daughter, Sari, was born in 1972. We moved from Chicago to San Diego to Phoenix, arriving in Orange County in 1981. Synagogue membership and active participation in the Jewish community was always important to us.

While our girls were students at JSI Day School, Michelle became a Bat Mitzvah at Beth Emet in November of 1982. We were also Associate Members of CBI. When our girls started public school, we joined CBI as full members, and I carpooled to Hebrew School. CBI was a small, close congregation, meeting in two storefronts at Packer Square. Andy worked Bingo on a weekly basis. That was our big fundraiser! He was also a 16-year player on the CBI Sunday morning softball team. Our girls were involved in Hebrew School, Hebrew High, USY and Camp Ramah. Sari had her Bat Mitzvah in our B Street location. At that time, we had two of the oldest CBI children.

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### BACK BY VERY POPULAR DEMAND!!!

**CBI'S Camp B'nai Ruach is now enrolling for summer 2011**

**Camp  
B'nai  
Ruach  
2011**



Week 1: July 5 – 8

Week 2: July 11 – 15

Week 3: July 18 – 22

Week 4: July 25 – 29

Week 5: August 1 – 5

For Campers entering grades K – 6;  
Counselors-in-Training (CIT's): Grades 7 – 8;  
Jr. Counselors: Entering Grade 9

Enrollment by the week to accommodate all schedules!

Director: Barbara Sherman; Assistant Director: Molly Shapiro  
Disneyland, Wild Rivers, Skating, Gaga, Art, Cooking...all with friends and mentors...

**What could be better?**

Interested? Call the CBI Youth Department or check us out  
on our new youth department website: <http://www.cbityouthdpt.com>

## *It's all about Ritual*

Phyllis Abrams and  
Bonnie Widerman, VPs

### **Lag Ba'Omer**

Written by Terry Ginsburg

This year on May 22, 2011 (18th of Iyar), the Jewish community will celebrate the minor festival of *Lag Ba'Omer*. The festival falls on the 33rd day of the *sefirah ha-omer* ("the counting of the omer"), a seven-week period commencing on the 2nd day of Passover and lasting until Shavuot. For traditional Jews, the sefirah days are considered to be a semi-mourning period during which no joyous celebrations are to take place, such as weddings. However, on Lag Ba'Omer--the numerical value of the Hebrew word "*lag*" being 33-- the customs of mourning are suspended and weddings and other joyous occasions are permitted.

The precise origins of the festival are unclear; however, our tradition provides several interesting explanations as to the importance of this day. One explanation is that on the 18th of Iyar, manna began to fall from heaven, thus providing sustenance to the Children of Israel during their wanderings in the desert. According to the Talmud, this was also the day on which a mysterious plague, which killed 25,000 of Rabbi Akiva's students, came to an abrupt end. More importantly, for Jews in Israel, this is the day to celebrate the *yarzeit* of the famous 2nd century kabbalist, Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai, who is believed to be the author of the fundamental kabbalistic text, the *Sefer Ha Zohar* (Book of Splendor).

In the wake of the Bar Kochba revolt against the Roman authorities in Palestine, Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai and his son, Elazar, hid themselves in a cave in the mountains for 17 years. During that time they were able to sustain themselves by eating from a carob tree and drinking from a fresh-water spring, both of which miraculously appeared at the mouth of

the cave. Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai's students would visit him, disguising themselves as hunters equipped with bows and arrows in order to trick the Romans. This is one reason why children traditionally play with bows and arrows on *Lag Ba'Omer*. Another explanation is that the bow, which shares the same Hebrew word as "rainbow," is a symbol of the rainbow, and that Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai's merit was so great that no rainbows ever appeared during his lifetime. While living in the cave, Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai wrote the Zohar (The book was eventually published in 1290 by Rabbi Moshe de Leon in Spain). According to Rabbi Moshe Chaim Luzatto: "After the 17 years he spent in the cave, the Gates of Wisdom were opened for him, in order to provide light for all Israel, until the end of time" (*Adir Bamarom*). Before he died, he told his followers to celebrate rather than mourn his death.

To this day, hundreds of thousands of Jews gather on Mount Meron on *Lag Ba'Omer* to honor the memory of Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai by joining in the *hillula de Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai*. This celebration is punctuated by lighting bonfires and singing and dancing near the tomb of this great sage. To appreciate the sheer spectacle of this joyous event, one need only go to YouTube and type in the words, "*Lag Ba'Omer*." Jews in the diaspora observe this special day by picnics, weddings, parties and getting haircuts.

Although most American Jews do not typically celebrate this festival with the same intensity and gaiety as do our fellow Jews in Israel, it still holds a special place for us not only in the flow of religious life that is determined by the Jewish calendar, but also in our shared tradition, extending back for centuries to the distant past. ☆

**Happy Father's Day**  
**Sunday,**  
**June 19, 2011**

MY STORY, cont. from page 8

I have been involved in Women's League (Sisterhood) with an emphasis on Torah Fund as well as a member of the Gala Committee. Our daughter, Sari and our two oldest grandchildren, Harper (age 13) and Greyson (age 11) live in Scottsdale, Arizona. Our daughter, Michelle, who is married to Terry Ginsburg, along with their triplets, Jordana, Lila and Max (age 10), returned to Southern California several years ago. Our grandchildren "graduated" from CBI Child Development Center – and their entire family has continued our family's commitment through Sisterhood and Board participation, Ritual Vice-Presidency, Minyan leadership as well as Camp B'nai Ruach and now USY – third generation!!! Almost three years ago we sold our home in Orange, and we bought a home together with the Ginsburg Family, only a couple of miles from CBI!

Our family has been a part of CBI for about 28 years, making lifelong friends and treasuring our "home away from home". We feel very lucky to be part of such a loving, supportive community during the simchas and the sadness that life brings. The shul has continued to play an important role in the lives of all three generations . . . ☆

### **DRUM ROLL PLEASE!!!**

**INTRODUCING THE YOUTH  
DEPARTMENT'S NEW WEBSITE:**  
**<http://www.cbiyouthdpt.com>**

Get the Latest and Greatest News  
on all that's happening  
with CBI's youth!

### **DON'T MISS MEN'S CLUB!**

***We will be meeting on:***  
**Sunday, May 15**  
**& June 12**  
***Come Join Us!***



My **baleepteh** (beloved) readers, last time I wrote that Coach Klowksi was **farmisht** (confused) because he **getrackht** (thought) I'd choose the Jocks for my basketball team. **Ober** (but) I didn't choose **eyner** (any) of those **voiler yung** (rough necks). And they sure were **baroykt** (relieved).

After every **schiler** (student) was chosen, they gathered around their captains.

My team looked like a gang of geeks. **Yederer** (everyone) was **hoyst un beyner** (skin and bones), **veis vi kalech** (pale as a sheet), and **tsiterndik** (trembling).

The other teams' players looked like super heroes. But my team had our school's one and only **Shpin Mahn** (Spider Man). His alias was Stan Liebowitz. and he was on heavy medication to combat his fear of **shpinnen** (spiders).

"**Vos hostu gemakht** (What have you done?)" Stan asked, "We won't just lose; we'll be pounced on and pulverized." Then he **spritzt** (squirted) the basketball net with bug repellent. "It looks like a **shpinveb** (spider web)," he said.

I stared into my teammates' **briln** (glasses) and saw my confident reflection. "**Zorgaykh nisht** (stop worrying)," I said. "I just figured out the trick to win. And it's always been right up here." I tapped my temple.

Next time: Will Carl's teammates catch his confidence?

Until then, **zei gezunt** (be well)! ☆



**Next two  
8:00 PM Friday  
Night Services  
May 20  
and  
June 17  
with  
Dale Schatz**

## COMFORT COMMITTEE

### WE WANT TO BE THERE FOR YOU.

If you or a CBI friend have experienced a recent loss, are preparing for surgery, are homebound, recovering from an illness, or expecting a baby, we seek to offer care. Please contact our office (714) 730-9693 or the Cantor and our comfort committee will contact you. Our comfort committee is expanding. Please consider letting us know if you would like to participate.

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Contact the CBI office if interested.

*Celebrate your wedding anniversary at Shabbat services. The second Friday of the month we will give a special honor to those celebrating an anniversary at the 6:00 PM service. We hope to see you there.*

Touch the life of a child...



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## Be a Hero!

### Participate in the CBI Blood Drive

**Monday, June 6**

**1:00 – 7:00 PM**

**CBI Social Hall**

Sign up at [www.givelife.org](http://www.givelife.org)  
and use sponsor code: bnai

OR

Contact Marla Nathan for an appointment

## Yiddish Club is Back!

*Meet with us on:*

**SUNDAY,**

**May 1, 15, & 29;**

**and**

**SUNDAY,**

**June 12 & 26**

**10:30 AM**

**FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

## SHABBAT GREETERS WANTED

"All Call" for Shabbat Greeters.

Contact Joyce Walter, through the CBI office.



## Sisterhood Says...

Michelle Ginsburg &  
Roberta Abramson

On Monday, April 4, Sisterhood's Rosh Chodesh program celebrated the month of Nisan. In addition to the required talking and eating and shmoozing, we regaled each other with favorite moments of Seders past--from the sweet to the silly.

We exchanged recipes for Pesach, spread out the on table (if you use the picture(s)). And then we listened to our member, Rebeca Gilad, as she made us part of her activities in a war-torn El Salvador, and of the efforts of many to contain the spread of the then still-new deadly disease HIV/AIDS. And we were thrilled to learn that women guerrilla leaders and high-ranking army officers later sat together as Congresswomen in a more stable and happier El Salvador. Rebeca answered many questions and enthusiastically added interesting anecdotes to her already fascinating account. Yes, a good time was had by all!

And please mark your calendar – Thursday, June 2, is Rosh Chodesh Sivan, and at this Rosh Chodesh event, Ingrid Gallin will speak about growing up in Shanghai. Hope to see you there! ☆



Left to right: Cheryl Mahru, Shoshanah Montgomery, Marcia Margolis, Jan Shultz (in profile).



Left to right standing: Sandy Goodman, Jan Shultz, Leah Pariser; seated: Rosalie Wattenberg and Shirley Shlachter.



Left to right: Ahuva Ho, Bonnie Kirsch, (my empty chair), Susan Hodes, Rebeca Gilad (speaking), (Irma Minsky in profile).

## Social Action

Joyce Walter & Judith Lipshutz,  
VPs

Ongoing we have our Sunday Suppers which are the 2nd Sunday of every month at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. We would like to thank all those who have participated and to welcome all who are looking forward to working at this meaningful experience. We are in need of **PAPER GOODS, SMALL GROCERIES**, (can of tuna, soups, pasta, cereals) **AND, OF COURSE, CASH DONATIONS** to help pay for the cost of the suppers. There is a carton near the office for your convenience to place your donations.

Please call the CBI office if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

Thank you! ☆

### CANS? BOTTLES? Leave them for USY!

We'll take your cans and plastic water or soda bottles and recycle them! Just leave them in the marked containers left in the Social Hall, Courtyard and USY Lounge!

**Check out our new web page: [www.cbi18.org](http://www.cbi18.org)**

### May Perek Yomi readings

ZECHARIAH		PSALMS		PSALMS	
May	Chapter	May	Chapter	May	Chapter
1	13	10	5	21	16
2	44	11	6	22	17
<b>MALACHI</b>		12	7	23	18
3	1	13	8	24	19
4	2	14	9	25	20
5	3	15	10	26	21
<b>PSALMS</b>		16	11	27	22
6	1	17	12	28	23
7	2	18	13	29	24
8	3	19	14	30	25
9	4	20	15	31	26

### June Perek Yomi readings

PSALMS		PSALMS		PSALMS	
June	Chapter	June	Chapter	June	Chapter
1	27	11	37	21	47
2	28	12	38	22	48
3	29	13	39	23	49
4	30	14	40	24	50
5	31	15	41	25	51
6	32	16	42	26	52
7	33	17	43	27	53
8	34	18	44	28	54
9	35	19	45	29	55
10	36	20	46	30	56



# HAPPENINGS AND POINTS OF INTEREST @ CBI

**CONTINUE TO LEARN ON SHABBAT MORNINGS: Parashat Hashavuah~** Study the week's Torah portion from **8:30 AM – 9:20 AM** every Saturday before services. Then join us for **How to Read Hebrew Scripture with a Modern Lens** after services from **1:15 PM – 2:15 PM** in the Bet Midrash. Come join us!

**DON'T FORGET SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN: 9:10 AM – 10:00 AM** in the Bet Midrash.

**ISRAELI DANCING AT CBI: Israeli dancing continues on every Tuesday, 6:30 – 9:00 PM for all levels.** We will meet in the Social Hall~ wear comfortable shoes! Children 7 – 12 years old must be accompanied by a dancing parent. Cost is free.

**SISTERHOOD'S ONGOING MAH JONGG is every Wednesday night at 7:00 PM.** A \$5 donation is optional and payable to Sisterhood. Please bring your own mah jongg set. RSVP to the CBI office so we know how many to set up for.

**YIDDISH CLUB WILL MEET Sunday May 1, 15, 29 and June 12, 26: 10:30 AM** in the Family Life Center. Come join us for learning and laughter!

**FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER: Friday, May 6 and June 3 at 5:30 PM.** For families with children ages 10 and under. Services begin at 5:30 PM and are immediately followed by dinner. RSVP to CBI by **Wednesday, May 4 for the May 6 dinner and Wednesday, June 1 for the June 3 dinner.** \$10 per member/\$15 per non-member, 12 years of age and over; \$5 per child member/\$7 per child non-member 2-11 years old. Children under 2 are free. Come join us in prayer, song, and stories led by Cantor Tilchin!

**NESHAMA (SOUL) MINYAN: Saturday, May 7 at 9:30–10:35 AM:** A special morning service featuring K'vod Wieder leading the congregation in a high energy traditional service with Carlebach Hassidic, old and new melodies interspersed with reflections on entering prayer. Continuation thereafter of Torah and Musaf services followed by Kiddush luncheon.

**EXPERIENTIAL PRAYER AND TEXT STUDY WITH ADAM GREENWALD: Saturday morning, May 7 at 10:30 AM:** "The Biggest Questions": What really matters most? What can Judaism teach us asking the most important questions? Come join us for our final learning session together! We will meet in the Bet Midrash!

**TEEN SEUDAH SH'LISHIT AND LEARNING WITH RABBINIC INTERN, ADAM GREENWALD: Saturday, May 7 at 7:00 PM** in the Social Hall. This amazing evening of discussion is free. A light meal is provided and followed by a USY-style Havdalah. Share with us your pearls of wisdom; give us your perspective that only a teenager can have. Let us learn from you!

**SUNDAY SUPPER, AN INTERFAITH EFFORT** (and perfect Mitzvah Project too!): **Sunday, May 8 and June 12 at 4:00 PM.** We will need

people to prepare, serve and clean up dinner for needy individuals and families at **St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1221 Wass St., Tustin.** Two hour time slots available. RSVP to CBI office by May 5 and/or June 9, respectively.

**COME CELEBRATE YOM HA'ATZMAUT WITH RABBI MIRI GOLD: Monday, May 9 at 7:00 PM:** Short Mincha Service at 8:15 PM: Followed by celebratory dessert and coffee. No charge to attend; please RSVP to the CBI Office by Monday morning, May 9.

**SHACHARIT SERVICE Tuesday, May 10 at 7:30 AM:** Begin your celebration of Yom Ha'atzmaut with a beautiful worship experience!

**IT'S A WRAP! CELEBRATION OF A SUCCESSFUL YEAR; TGI SHABBAT; Wednesday, May 11 at 7:00 PM:** Whether a host or a guest, come share your stories and give us your feedback about the inaugural year of TGI Shabbat! Those interested in more information or participating next year are also welcome to join us! RSVP to the CBI office.

**SISTERHOOD'S BOOK CLUB: Thursday, May 12 at 7:30 PM.** We are discussing *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, by Rebecca Skloot. Book club for June: **Thursday, June 23 at 7:30 PM:** *Even Silence Has an End* by Ingrid Betancourt. Come and lend your insights to our discussion! **FYI: MEN ARE INVITED TO JOIN BOOKCLUB, TOO!**

**MEN'S CLUB WILL MEET Sunday, May 15 and June 12 at 10:00 AM.** Come join us!

**IT'S LITTLE SHUL: Sunday, May 15 and June 5 from 11:30 am – 12:30 PM** in the Social Hall: Bring your little ones, ages birth thru Pre-K for a fun, hands-on learning experience! Together we explore the holidays of the Jewish calendar, getting your little one ready for his/her future attendance in "big shul." \$10/family covers materials and a snack. Contact the CBI office if you are interested.

**COME EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF ISRAEL~ AYOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATION: Sunday, May 15, 12:30 – 3:00 PM:** Come join us for an incredible, magical experience! Details on the front cover of this edition. RSVP to CBI office by Monday, May 9.

**ARTIST IN RESIDENCE: EDNA MIRON-WAPNER: Sunday, May 15, 3:00 – 5:00 PM:** This workshop will focus on the week's Torah portion, Bahar, using multiple combined modalities of Expressive Arts Therapy. Come explore your creativity in new and marvelous ways! \$10/Person (materials included) RSVP by Monday, May 9 to the CBI Office.

**ADDITIONAL MUSICAL SHABBAT SERVICE: The third Friday of every month at 8:00 PM: May 20 and June 17:** Come join Cantor Tilchin, Carl Cedar, and friends as they celebrate an additional Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv Service the third Friday of every month! A dessert Oneg follows the service. **The June 17 Service will be celebrated with Dale Schatz.**

**BLOOD DRIVE AT CBI: Monday, June 6 from 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM** in the Social Hall. You may sign up at [www.givelife.org](http://www.givelife.org) and use sponsor code bnai or contact Marla Nathan for an appointment. It's easy to be a hero!

**CELEBRATE ROSH CHODESH SIVAN WITH SISTERHOOD: Thursday, June 7 at 7:30 PM.** Come here our speaker, Ingrid Gallin speak on the topic of: "Growing up in Shanghai". An event not to be missed!

**SHAVUOT SERVICES June 7, 8, and 9:** See front cover of this edition for details.

**THE HIKING GROUP IS HIKING PETER'S CANYON (BACK ENTRANCE): Sunday, June 26 at 8:30 AM.** This is approximately two hours in duration. There are two trails: a beginner trail and a moderate trail. The moderate trail is about four miles and a 500 ft. elevation gain. There is no noticeable elevation gain for the beginner trail. Please come 10 minutes early to allow for parking and to stretch your muscles. **Address: 26981 Peters Canyon Rd., Tustin, 29782.** Please note: the occurrence of rain would cancel this hike. Further details provided in the flyers in the synagogue kiosks.

**AMORNING OF CELEBRATORY SHABBAT WORSHIP WITH DALE SCHATZ: Saturday, June 25 at 9:45 AM** in the Family Life Center. Come join us!

### SAVE THE DATE!

**Avi Spitzer-Tilchin's Bar Mitzvah is Sunday, July 3, 2011; Rosh Hodesh Tammuz.** Please mark your calendar to be at services for this simcha that will be shared with the entire CBI community!  
RSVP to: [hschoch@csu.fullerton.edu](mailto:hschoch@csu.fullerton.edu)

**Cantor Tilchin** will be conducting introductory **Torah reading classes: July 10, 17, 24, and August 7.** Mark your calendar!

## IT'S A WRAP!

Come celebrate the conclusion of

## TGI Shabbat

*For Our Inaugural Year, 5771!*

**Wednesday, May 11  
7:00 PM**

CBI Social Hall

Share your feedback and your new ideas!  
For past guests and hosts and those interested in participating next year

All are welcome!  
RSVP to the CBI Office



Guess who's becoming a Bar Mitzvah?

## Avi Spitzer-Tilchin

Sunday, July 3, 2011

9:30 AM

Rosh Hodesh Tammuz

Services and Celebration to Follow  
Come one, Come All!

Help make this simcha even more inclusive.

Remember your last Simcha?

You prayed, you danced, you ate and ate and ate.

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Cantor Tilchin will re-make your lovely  
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for Avi's Bar Mitzvah!

Please deliver to CBI office by June 15

**TODAH RABAH!**

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pay for membership. Our Membership  
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# *In the B'nai Israel Family . . .*



## **Bar Mitzvah of Adam Jacobs**

*May 28, 2011 (24 Iyar)*

Adam attends Tarbut v' Torah day school. His after school activities include piano, volleyball, and football. During the summer, Adam enjoys kayaking at Newport Sea Base and playing golf at Tustin Ranch Golf Club. His mitzvah project included cooking for and serving those less fortunate, and in turn Adam learned a few cooking skills. Last year, Adam took part in an Academic Research Conference on the life of Albert Einstein. Adam loves showing off his Rubik's Cube skills, he can solve one in under 2 minutes. Adam looks forward to welcoming his family from near and far to celebrate his simcha. Mazal Tov! ☆



## **Bat Mitzvah of Alyssa Fine**

*June 11, 2011 (9 Sivan)*

Alyssa Fine is a 7th grade student and her favorite subjects are Math and Social Studies. Alyssa enjoys working out at the gym, painting, and babysitting. Alyssa enjoys spending time with her friends and grandparents, traveling and music. For her mitzvah project, Alyssa participated with CBI volunteers at 'Sunday Supper' that was held monthly at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, where the team prepared and served dinner to homeless and needy people. Alyssa is an active participant in USY and she looks forward to continuing with Hebrew High at CBI next year. Alyssa looks forward to celebrating her Bat Mitzvah with her many friends and family from all parts of the country. Alyssa's parents, Jonathan & Cynthia, and her brother Brandon, are excited about sharing this simcha with their CBI Family. The celebration will continue when Alyssa and her family will join their international family in late-June for a reunion and vacation in Israel. Mazal Tov! ☆



## **Bar Mitzvah of Tyler Berman**

*June 18, 2011 (16 Sivan)*

Tyler Berman will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah at CBI on June 18, 2011. He is a 7th grader at Tarbut V'Torah, where he enjoys taking art classes and Yoga. Tyler's creativity has enabled him to develop art works that have been displayed on the school campus. Outside of school, Tyler has been taking clarinet lessons for three years. He also loves going to theme parks (Disneyland, Sea World), and traveling on cruises with his family. For his Mitzvah Project, once a week during the entire school year, Tyler has been helping younger students after school in the Newspaper Club. There, he uses his experience from several years of writing for the TVT newspaper to help kids learn how to research topics, organize their thoughts, and write articles. During his free time, Tyler enjoys playing video games and building Lego models. He is excited about his Bar Mitzvah, and is looking forward to celebrating with many relatives and friends. Mazel Tov! ☆



## **Bar Mitzvah of Alex Troy**

*June 25, 2011 (23 Sivan)*

Alex is an 7th grader at Don Juan Avila Middle School where he is on the Honor Roll and has received many academic and sports awards including Student of the Month and the Principal's Award. Alex's favorite sports are soccer, basketball, skiing and fishing. He also enjoys traveling, drawing and playing the trumpet, and is an active member of the Orange County Boys Scouts of America. Alex also loves his exciting family trips that have given him so many lasting memories. For his Mitzvah Project, Alex volunteered on weekends at Heritage Pointe for Jewish assisted living in Mission Viejo and worked with the physically challenged in the Rancho Niguel Little League Challenger Division. At Heritage Pointe he played board games with an elderly woman who looked forward to his companionship. In the Challenger

Division, Alex attended practices and helped many of the team members learn the basic skills of baseball. He has really made a difference in the lives of those he has helped! Alex also donated airline miles to help military families in Project Hero. Alex is excited to lead the Shacharit and Torah services and he is confident that his late grandmothers, Marian Troy and Sonia Koff, will be celebrating his Bar Mitzvah in spirit along with his parents, Jeffrey and Laurie Troy, grandfathers Paul Troy and Bernard Koff, brother Jordan as well as aunts, uncles, cousins and friends from the west and east coasts. Mazal Tov! ☆

# Todah Rabah

## Todah Rabah to Sunflour Bakery for donating the delicious hamantashen for our Mishloach Manot baskets!

Todah Rabah and Mazal Tov to **Adam Greenwald**. Mazal Tov on your upcoming Rabbinical ordination on May 16 and Todah Rabah for the rich legacy of learning and community you have given to your CBI family!

Todah Rabah and Mazal Tov to **Courtney Widerman, Sheridan Schwartz, Aria Gittelson, and Caroline Kravitz** for raising hundreds of dollars for Jewish World Watch! The proceeds from the sales of your handmade bracelets will go to a program to benefit women in the Congo.

Todah Rabah to **Sam Zicarelli** for sharing her leadership and talent by undertaking the community activist art project for the OC Jewish World Watch walk. Dozens of people participated in this project thanks to your skillful guidance and encouragement!

Todah Rabah to **Donna Rafael and Emily Soto** for baking dozens of bake sale items that were also used to raise much needed funds at the OC Jewish World Watch Walk!



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Gilat & InJoy Orchestra: 1:00 pm  
Ceremony: 2:00 pm  
The Jewish Unity Parade: 2:30 pm  
The Fishman Family  
All-Community Children's Choir: 2:45 pm  
The Revital Company of Israel in its  
thrilling musical, *Hope (Hallelujah)*: 3:15 pm  
Israeli Dancing with Yoni Cori: 4:15 pm  
Gilat & InJoy Orchestra: 5:00 pm

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Movies & Exhibits  
The Puppets & Players Little Theatre  
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Children's Entertainment & Education  
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# Kiddushes

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 The "5th" Row in honor of Mike Mymon's birthday  
 Shoshanah Montgomery in honor of Mike Mymon's 50th birthday  
 Alan and Beverly Zembrosky in honor of their anniversary  
 Seymour Lampert in honor of his birthday  
 Howard and Ingrid Rosenthal in honor of Keren's birthday  
 Mimi Goldstein in honor of Larry Wayne's birthday  
 Ahuva Ho in honor of Winston's birthday  
 The Kuperberg family in honor of Joel's birthday  
 David Zimmerman in honor of Gabrielle's birthday  
 Djamshid and Sirus Farivar in memory of their father Dr. Moosa Farivar  
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 Rosalie Wattenberg in honor of David's birthday  
 Rosalie Wattenberg in honor of her birthday  
 The Cane, Carmell and Kimeldorf families in honor of Shoshana and Arnie's anniversary  
 The Michaels family in honor of Zachary's birthday  
 Bruce Comings in honor of Audrey's birthday  
 Deborah Gavello in honor of her parents, Freddie and Fanny Johnson's 50th anniversary  
 Fred and Fanny Johnson in honor of their 50th anniversary  
 Nonna and Seth Snyder in honor of their anniversary  
 Andy and Esther Dosick in honor of Esther's birthday  
 Sandy and John Goodman in honor of their anniversary  
 Jeffrey and Hannah Wachs in honor of their anniversary  
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## Schedule of Services for June

### Friday, June 3

*Rosh Hodesh Sivan*

Torah: Num. 28:1 - 15

5:30 PM Family Service and Dinner

6:00 PM Service

### Saturday, June 4

9:30 AM Service

PARASHAT: NASO

Torah: Numbers 4: 21 - 5:10

Haftarah: Judges 13:2 - 25

### Tuesday, June 7

*Erev Shavuot*

8:00 PM Ma'ariv Service

### Wednesday, June 8

*Shavuot*

9:30 AM Service

Torah: Exodus 19:1 - 20:26

Maftir: Numbers 28:26 - 31

Haftarah: Ezekiel 1:1 - 28:3:12

### Thursday, June 9

*Shavuot/Yizkor*

9:30 AM Service

Torah: Deuteronomy 15:19 - 16:17

Maftir: Numbers 28:26 - 31

Haftarah Habakuk 3:1 - 3:19

### Friday, June 10

6:00 PM Anniversary Service

### Saturday, June 11

**Bat Mitzvah of Alyssa Fine**

9:30 AM Service

PARASHAT: B'HA'ALOTEKHA

Torah: Numbers 8:1 - 9:14

Haftarah: Zekhariah:2:14 - 4:7

### Friday, June 17

6:00 PM Service

8:00 PM Service with Dale Schatz

### Saturday, June 18

**Bar Mitzvah of Tyler Berman**

9:30 AM Service

PARASHAT: SHELAH-LEKHA

Torah: Numbers 13:1 - 14:7

Haftarah: Joshua 2:1 - 24

### Friday, June 24

6:00 PM Service

### Saturday, June 25

**Bar Mitzvah of Alex Troy**

Birkat Hahodesh

9:30 AM Service

PARASHAT: KORAH

Torah: Numbers 16:1 - 17:15

Haftarah: 1 Samuel 11:14 - 12:22



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27 Nisan 5771 - 27 Iyar 5771

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<b>1</b> 6:04AM/7:36PM Yom Hashlosh 9:00am 7th Grade Family Ed. 10:30am Yiddish Club 6:00pm USY Board Meeting at Kerner home Men's Club Poker Night	<b>2</b> 6:03AM/7:37PM 11:00am Yom HaAtzmaut Mtg. 5:30pm Preschool Mommy & Me Program 7:00pm Choir Meeting in Beit Midrash	<b>3</b> 6:02AM/7:37PM 6:30pm Israeli Dance	<b>4</b> 6:01AM/7:38PM Rosh Hodesh Mercatz Hadrachia Special Program - Yom Hashlosh 7:00pm Mah Jongg	<b>5</b> 6:00AM/7:39PM Rosh Hodesh	<b>6</b> 5:59AM/7:40PM 5:30pm Family Service & Dinner 6:00pm Service 6:00pm Shabbat Club	<b>7</b> 5:58AM/7:41PM 9:30am Service & Neshama Minyan 10:30am Experiential Prayer & Text Study 7:00pm Teen Talmud
<b>8</b> 5:57AM/7:41PM Yom Hazikaron No Mercatz Limmud Mother's Day 4:00pm Sunday Supper	<b>9</b> 5:56AM/7:42PM Yom HaAtzmaut 7:00pm Guest Speaker: Min Gold	<b>10</b> 5:56AM/7:43PM 7:30am Service Preschool Yom HaAtzmaut Celebration 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:00pm Ed. Committee Mtg. 7:15pm Choir	<b>11</b> 5:55AM/7:44PM 2:00pm Staff Meeting 7:00pm Mah Jongg 7:00pm TGI Shabbat Thank You Dessert Reception	<b>12</b> 5:54AM/7:44PM 7:30pm Book Club	<b>13</b> 5:53AM/7:45PM 6:00pm Anniversary Service 6:00pm K-1st Grade Service and Dinner	<b>14</b> 5:52AM/7:46PM 9:00am CBI Annex - Las Lomas Park 9:30am Service Mercatz Limmud Service in Family Life Ctr. 8:30pm Yom HaAtzmaut Set Up
<b>15</b> 5:52AM/7:47PM 10:00am Men's Club 10:30am Yiddish Club 11:30am Little Shul 12:30 - 3:00pm Yom HaAtzmaut Celebration 3:00pm Guest Speaker: Edna Weppner 4:00pm Sunday Supper	<b>16</b> 5:51AM/7:48PM	<b>17</b> 5:50AM/7:48PM 3:00pm Jacobs Rehearsal 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:00pm Ritual Meeting 7:15pm Choir	<b>18</b> 5:50AM/7:49PM Pesach Steini Mercatz Hadrachia Last Session 7:00pm Mah Jongg	<b>19</b> 5:49AM/7:50PM 7:30pm Executive Board Meeting (Budget)	<b>20</b> 5:48AM/7:50PM 6:00pm Service 8:00pm Service	<b>21</b> 5:48AM/7:51PM 9:30am Service with Beit Tshuva 11:50am Special Tot Shabbat in FLC 9:00pm Teen Beach Party
<b>22</b> 5:47AM/7:52PM Lag B'Omer 1:00 - 6:00pm Israeli Expo 12:30pm USY Elections	<b>23</b> 5:47AM/7:53PM	<b>24</b> 5:46AM/7:53PM 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:15pm Choir	<b>25</b> 5:46AM/7:54PM 7:00pm Mah Jongg	<b>26</b> 5:45AM/7:55PM 7:30pm Congregational (Budget Approval) & General Board Meeting	<b>27</b> 5:45AM/7:55PM 6:00pm Service USY Regional Convention (away) Jacobs Dinner (close wall)	<b>28</b> 5:44AM/7:56PM 9:30am Service Adam Jacobs USY Regional Convention (away)
<b>29</b> 5:44AM/7:57PM No Mercatz Limmud USY Regional Convention (away) 10:30am Yiddish Club	<b>30</b> 5:43AM/7:57PM Memorial Day Office & CDC Closed USY Regional Convention (away) 10:00am Fire Rehearsal	<b>31</b> 5:43AM/7:58PM 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:15pm Choir	<b>21</b> Iyar/29 L'Omer	<b>22</b> Iyar/30 L'Omer	<b>23</b> Iyar/31 L'Omer	<b>24</b> Iyar/32 L'Omer
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# June 2011

28 Iyar 5771 - 28 Sivan 5771

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#### Dated Material

## Schedule of Services for May

### FRIDAY, MAY 6

5:30 PM Family Service and Dinner  
6:00 PM Service

### SATURDAY, MAY 7

9:30 AM Service

PARASHAT: EMOR

Torah: Leviticus 21:1-22:16

Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15 - 31

### MONDAY, MAY 9

8:15 PM Mincha

### TUESDAY, MAY 10

7:30 AM Shacharit Service

### FRIDAY, MAY 13

6:00 PM Anniversary Service

### SATURDAY, MAY 14

9:30 AM Service

PARASHAT: B'HAR

Torah: Leviticus 25:1 - 25:38

Haftarah: Jeremiah 32:6 - 27



### FRIDAY, MAY 20

6:00 PM Service

8:00 PM Service

### SATURDAY, MAY 21

9:30 AM Service

PARASHAT: B'HUKOTAI

Torah: Leviticus 26:3 - 27:15

Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14



### FRIDAY, MAY 27

6:00 PM Service

### SATURDAY, MAY 28

**Bar Mitzvah of Adam Jacobs**

*Birkat Hahodesh*

9:30 AM Service:

PARASHAT: B'MIDBAR

Torah: Numbers 1:1 - 1:54

Haftarah: Hosea 2:1 - 22



## SATURDAYS ONLY

- **Child Care** is available from 10:00 AM until the conclusion of services every week.
- **Junior Congregation** for Grades K through 6 begins at 10:30 AM upstairs in the Family Life Center.
- **Pre-schoolers** and parents are invited to join the Torah return procession and a special Shabbat service that follows in Room 105.



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