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& SYNAGOGUE EVENTS LISTED

Congregation
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קהילת בני ישראל

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SHAVUOT 5772

Celebrate Revelation at CBI!

Saturday, May 26, 2012:

6:45 PM: Minha

8:30 PM: Ma'ariv and Havdallah

9:00 PM – Midnight: Tikkun L'eil Shavuot and Dessert

- First Commandment: I am the Lord Your God...What does this mean?
Is this a command? Led by Rabbi Spitz

- Shakespeare and the Ten Commandments: Lear and the Fifth Commandment.
Led by Professors Julia Lupton and Ken Reinhard

- Participation of Non-Jews on the Bima: A Reading of Responsa of the
Conservative Movement. Led by Cantor Tilchin

Sunday, May 27, 2012:

9:30 AM: Shavuot Service followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Monday, May 28, 2012:

9:30 AM: Shavuot Service with Yizkor and the chanting of The Book of Ruth followed by a
Kiddush luncheon.



Join us this year in celebrating God's love-letter to the Jewish people!

It's Finally Here!

A Presentation of the Roz Baim Distinguished Speakers Series

An Evening with Alan Dershowitz

Sunday, May 6 at 7:00 PM at Congregation B'nai Israel

Reserve Your Tickets Now:

\$20/Student; \$36/Unreserved; \$50/Reserved;

\$75/Reserved with Dessert Reception

Contact the CBI Office for Reservations

This Event

is sponsored and underwritten by the

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Barbara and Joseph Baim



Music with Dale Schatz!

Friday, June 22
at 6:00 PM
in the Sanctuary

Saturday, June 23
at 9:45 AM
in the Family
Life Center

Express the Joy of Shabbat through Music



The CBI Enrichment Fund Presents:
A Workshop with

Dr. Doreen Seidler-Feller!

Tuesday, May 22 at 7:30 PM

Jews, Jewish Tradition and Sex Therapy

\$10/Participant

No Charge for 5772 Enrichment Fund
Annual Benefactors:

Contact the CBI Office for Reservations

Join us for an Insightful and Thoughtful Evening!



Rabbi's Message

Rabbi Elie Spitz



TRANSFORMATIVE CONVERSATIONS.

Recently, on a religious school field trip, second graders were seated on the floor of my book-lined office.

"Do you have any questions?" I asked.

"Yes," a boy said with hand aloft, "which is your favorite book?"

"Each book," I replied, "is a conversation. Looking at all these books, I see hundreds of people standing in this room, each waiting a turn to speak. I gain so much from time with each one. Yet, the book that I spend the most time with is the Torah. We Jews call it "a love letter from God." I re-read it each week and it continues to surprise me each time with new ideas. Yes, the Torah is my favorite book."

On Shavuot, we will gather in synagogue to celebrate the gift of Torah. On that date specifically, the rabbis teach, the Jewish people entered into covenant with God. The Ten Commandments served, if you will, as the wedding contract, the ketubah. But it is the whole Torah that has served as our collective account of relationship with God and that endures as the primary bond between us as a people and offers a mandate: "And you shall be a holy people, because I am the Lord your God am holy" (Leviticus 19:1). To celebrate our challenge to live up to those expectations and our love of the study of Torah, please join us on Friday night, May 26th. The Cantor and I will teach and we will be joined

by Professors Julia Lupton (UCI) and Ken Reinhard (UCLA), who will present on Shakespeare and the Ten Commandments.

Alan Dershowitz is one of those authors with multiple books on my shelves. **Please prioritize Sunday, May 6th at 7:00 PM at CBI** to share in a public conversation with Professor Dershowitz. I have known Alan for over 30 years. My cousin, Marcus, and Alan opened a kosher delicatessen in Harvard Square. For years before the much-publicized grand opening, we would gather as they discussed what made for a great pastrami sandwich. Let's just say that running a restaurant failed to play to the strengths of these two great lawyers. What does endure is Alan's commitment to perpetuating Jewish pride and belonging. He is widely known and beloved as lead defense counsel for Israel in public forum.

Professor Dershowitz has spent most of his career at Harvard Law School where in 1967, at the age of 28, he became the youngest full professor of law in its history. He has held the Felix Frankfurter professorship there since 1993. He has published close to 30 books, including two novels and *Chutzpah* (1991); *Reasonable Doubts: The Criminal Justice System and the O.J. Simpson Case* (1996); *The Case for Israel* (2003); *Rights From Wrongs: A Secular Theory of the Origins of Rights* (2004) and *The Case for Peace* (2005). He is consistently a compelling speaker. The last time I had the honor to interview him was at UCI before a gathering of a thousand during which he took questions from Moslem Student Union attendees and showed that he is a master defender of the State of Israel.

DON'T MISS IT!

2012 Israeli Expo: Coming Together for Peace

Work the CBI Booth

Sunday, May 20

1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Samueli Jewish Campus

1 Federation Way, Irvine

Attractions; Live Entertainment;
Shopping; Jerusalem Day
Celebration; Israeli Food!

There's Something for Everyone!

With important cases pending before the Supreme Court and an election year, my questions and yours will surely enable Professor Dershowitz to leave us with much to discuss among ourselves (the true test of an outstanding presenter).

I hope to see you on **Sunday, May 6th for a conversation with Professor Dershowitz**. Please call the office to buy tickets and tell your friends. ☆

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL PROUDLY PRESENTS
THE ROZ BAIM DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS SERIES

An Evening with Alan Dershowitz

Sunday, May 6th

7:00pm

**Congregation B'nai Israel
2111 Bryan Avenue
Tustin**



TICKETS:

**\$20 Students • \$36 Unreserved • \$50 Reserved
\$75 Reserved with Dessert Reception**

RESERVE NOW: CALL 714-730-9693

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Cantor's Notes

Cantor Marcia Tilchin



A WORD OF THANKS

I still remember the night that Marcia told me that she wanted to speak with CBI's search committee. "There are Jews in Orange County, California?" I said with skepticism and fear. For me, leaving Manhattan, where I had spent my formative 20's, was going to be hard enough. But moving across the country to a world I only knew through John Cheever and David Hockney was—I thought—going to be like moving to another planet. Had I known then what I know now: that CBI was going to truly become our home, a community in which we could grow professionally, Jewishly, as parents, and in countless other ways, I wouldn't have hesitated in the slightest. Marcia and I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone connected to CBI for being part of this great adventure.

The Gala in our honor was like a dream. We are grateful to so many people: Those who organized the evening and worked tirelessly to put it all together; those who took out ads in the program to support the synagogue and share sweet messages with us; those who were able to celebrate in person; those who wanted to come but couldn't be there,

and who gave us warm wishes and heartfelt congratulations in writing or in person. All of you mean so much to us, and we feel blessed to have been led to this holy place with such a dynamic, caring community of Jews. Sitting together at the Gala dinner, surrounded by our friends and family, watching our beautiful children who have been raised in these environs perform for their community with ease and comfort because you all are their family, was a moment that will we will never forget. We know how lucky we are to be embraced by CBI, and it is our humble hope that Marcia's unique brand of spiritual leadership and my volunteer work with the children return but a fraction of what we have received in fullness from all of you.

We both are deeply indebted to our rabbi, friend and teacher, Elie Spitz, for his love mentoring and support. He has been there for our children and for us in times of joy and strife. The entire CBI staff—Sandy, Helene, Lisa, Barbara, James, Debbie and Robin have been anchors in different and essential ways and we love you all. As we enter this period of counting the *omer*, seeking the true liberation that was only ours when we finally stood at the foot of Sinai as a united people (*klal Yisrael*) accepting God's wisdom and guidance for all time, I am reminded of the enduring power of that experience and see myself as a direct beneficiary. I believe our authoritative ancestors and the rabbis who massaged the message over the millennia had the vision that centuries down the road, Cincinnati born Scotty Spitzer would one day marry a woman whose love for Judaism and belief in God could be an inspiration to others and together they would raise their Jewish family in Tustin, California in the 21st century. Every time Jews gather to read Torah, just before the first *aliyah*, the entire congregation is supposed to recite these words from Deuteronomy: *V'atem had'veikim b'Adonai Eloheikhem, hayim kulkhem hayom*—You who have clung to the Lord your God have been sustained until this day. **So true! ☆**

The President's Corner

Joel Kuperberg



I prepare this article almost three weeks after our annual Gala, with two seders and countless matzah balls intervening, but still glowing from that wonderful event honoring Cantor Marcia Tilchin and Dr. Scott Spitzer. Those of us fortunate to attend the sold-out event will agree it was a fabulous evening, appropriately short on speeches, long on music and song, good food and drink, and—last but certainly not least—a communal outpouring of love and affection for our honorees. The Gala was a smashing success in fulfilling its critical role to help raise budgeted revenues and fund our programs and services. But the Gala also succeeded as our classy but joyous social event of the year, affording the opportunity to connect and re-connect with congregants and friends. We thank not only Marcia and Scott for allowing us to honor them, but also CBI's Gala Committee, led by Johanna Rose, Heather Katz, Beth Elster and Miriam Ninyo, for their creativity, skill and hard work that showed in every aspect of the Gala. Thank you also to everyone who attended, and to the many congregants who contributed to the shul through their auction purchases.

In my last *Shofar* article, I highlighted our Enrichment program. This program brings world-class speakers and artists to our community throughout the year, and allows CBI to have Dale Schatz leading a musical Shabbat service almost every

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month. The Enrichment program is made possible by the generosity of our Patrons, who, in addition to their other membership contributions, each make a \$500 annual Enrichment program sponsorship. The Enrichment program is currently soliciting Patrons for the upcoming 2012-2013 fiscal year. As an added inducement to those who sign up now to be an Enrichment Patron this coming fiscal year, you have the opportunity to attend two special "members only" events. Those who sign up to be Patrons will be able to attend a special private dinner and musical salon on May 12 with Neshama Carlbach, who is returning to our community just for this event. And our new and returning Patrons will be able to share in a special private Shabbat dinner and music program with Dale Schatz on June 22. We hope that you will consider supporting this important CBI program, and take advantage of these special events by signing up now. If you are interested in committing to be an Enrichment Patron for the upcoming year, contact CBI's Immediate Past President Hal Hurwitz, or call the synagogue office. ☆

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 Clergy and our comfort committee will contact you. Our comfort committee is expanding. Please consider letting us know if you would like to participate.

Check out our web page:
www.cbi18.org

Religious School

*Robin Hoffman,
Education Director
Francine Wenhardt & Susan Don,
VPs*



WITH GRATITUDE

Our school year is coming to an end and it is always a bittersweet time. We wish our graduating seniors well as they venture off to college! We congratulate all of our middle school students on becoming B'nai Mitzvot and welcome them to Hebrew High! We look forward to seeing our current first grade students at Hebrew School next year. It is a time for change and growth and looking forward.

I have learned a great deal this year and I am already looking forward to discovering new ways to engage our students in the year to come. I'm excited to find out how we can bring technology to our classrooms. I'm thrilled to work with the BJE on a new program for our 8th graders. I'm happy for our Madrikhim who have learned so much and will be stepping up into leadership roles next year. There is much to look forward to.

I am grateful for the tremendous support I received this year. I am honored to be part of the team that includes Rabbi Spitz and Cantor Tilchin! They have both taught me so much about our CBI community. I am grateful to the rest of the CBI staff: Lisa, Sandy, Debbie, Helene, and Barbara for welcoming me. I am especially thankful to my VP's of Education: Susan Don and Francine Wenhardt for their support and time as we worked together through the

year. I am also thankful to the rest of the Education Committee for their time and valuable insight: Marissa Waldman, Eddie Kotkin, Michael Adler, Howard Mirowitz, Debbie Horn, Robin Steinmetz, Meredith Stewart, Nancy Letson and Alyssa Goldin. Your efforts are so valuable and each of you are instrumental to the success of our program! Todah Rabah!

Without the efforts of our teachers, nothing would happen in our school! Thank you Sharon, Karen, Natalie, Devorah, Shari, Mindy, Esther, Carl, Isa, and Dan for your creativity and caring.

I will be working throughout the summer developing new curriculum and ideas for our classrooms. I am very excited to attend the New Directors Institute, sponsored by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, in Baltimore this June. I will bring back many new ideas and strategies to continue to make CBI's religious school one that we can all be proud of!

Finally, thank you to all of our parents for continuing to bring your children, and thank you to the children, for your thirst for Judaic understanding and willingness to open your hearts and minds to all that Judaism can bring to your lives. ☆

DON'T FORGET THESE IMPORTANT DATES!

Friday, May 11 at 6:00 PM:
K-1st Grade Dinner & Advancement Ceremony

Wednesday, May 16 at 6:00 PM:
10th and 12th Grade Dinner, Confirmation & Graduation Celebration

Friday, May 18 at 6:00 PM:
7th Grade Service, Dinner and Advancement Ceremony

Come join us and give our students that sense of community that is so important!



Child Development

Lisa Heller - Director, Certified
Parent Coach
Scott Cross & Wendy Kottmeier, VPs



PASSOVER AT THE PRESCHOOL:

The children participated in an interactive Passover Experience. They learned the story as they went from one area to the next, meeting the Princess with Baby Moses, through the plagues and finally having Moses help them ask the Pharaoh to let them go. They crossed the sea and danced with Miriam. A week later they had their own Seder, where they sang and ate Passover food. ☆



Preschool children at Passover Experience

Youth News

Barbara Sherman - Youth Director
Annie Shugarman &
Terry Ginsburg, VPs



It's Back by Popular Demand! Camp B'nai Ruach ~ 5 Weeks of Fun!

- **Week 1 - July 9-13:** Disneyland - Opening Day Comedy Juggling, Magic Show - Cereal Drive - Best Ever Hat - Sock Day.
- **Week 2 - July 16-20:** Knotts Berry Farm - Booger Wars, Laser Tag - Food Drive - Color Wars.
- **Week 3 - July 23-27:** California Adventure - Cookies, Milk & Karate - Toy Drive.
- **Week 4 - July 30 - Aug. 3:** Soak City - Skatedogs Show - Book Drive - Sports Mania.
- **Week 5 - Aug. 6 - Aug. 10:** Disneyland - Talent Show & Smoothies / Funnel Cake - Tooth Paste Drive - PJ Day.
- **All This and More!**
Arts & Crafts, Cooking, Farming, Bowling, Skating, Arcades, Inflatables, Water Slides, Lanyards, Gaga and Swimming.

Register by May 25th
and receive the
Early Bird Discount! ☆



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 outside the USY Lounge!

Support Your Fellow Congregants in Need by Donating to the CBI Membership Support Fund

Hard economic times have made it difficult for many congregants to pay for membership. Our Membership Support Fund helps with that.

Donations can be made by contacting the CBI Office.

Perform the mitzvah of giving to others in their time of need.

It's an investment that will pay off again and again!

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 6
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

in the Family Life Center

\$10/Family covers materials and a snack

Contact the CBI Office if interested



Sisterhood Says...

Esther Dosick & Ingrid Gallin,
Co-Presidents

SISTERHOOD EVENTS THAT ARE NOT TO BE MISSED!

Z'havah Breakfast Meeting

For all our younger sisters, please join us for a Breakfast Meeting at Brigitte Frankel's home on Sunday, May 20th at 9:30 AM. Rabbi Ilana Gringlat, author of *Blessings and Baby Steps-The Spiritual Path to Parenting*, will be our guest speaker. Please RSVP by May 14 ~ event is free of charge!

A Mah Jongg Tournament

Come join us on Sunday, June 24, from 1:00-5:00 PM. Prizes, Refreshments, FUN! \$25/person; \$20/person if you RSVP by June 10th to the CBI Office.

Women's League of Conservative Judaism ~ Pacific Southwest Region Conference

*Held in Irvine, Sunday and
Monday, May 6 and 7*

Come see several of our CBI sisters in action, including the honoring of our chapter for 25 years of affiliation! Join us also in welcoming Region President, Renee Ravich and Conference Chair, Jina Rezvanpour at Shabbat Services at CBI on Saturday, May 5. ☆

Social Action

Marla Nathan &
Michelle Madick, VPs

JOIN US FOR SUPPER!

Sunday Supper is an ongoing program that helps feed the needy.

**Join us the 2nd Sunday
of each month:
May 13 & June 10**

Give a 2-hour commitment which will leave memories for a lifetime! ☆

Membership Moments

Daveen Meyers &
Nanci Patchen, VPs

Special Interest Groups are among the programs that make CBI special. Newcomers are always welcome. I want to thank all the coordinators who keep these programs going:

Mah Jongg on Wednesday nights
at 7:00 PM:

Thank you, Roz Baron!

Israeli Dance on Tuesday nights
at 6:30 PM:

Thank you, Ann Bendroff!

Poker Game on Fourth Sunday/
month at 7:00 PM:

Thank you, Ron Horn!

Choir on Tuesday nights at 7:15 PM:

Thank you, Judy Fenton!

Yiddish Club on every other
Sunday at 11:00 AM:

Thank you, Michael Palmer!

Book Club on Second Thursday/
month at 7:30 PM:

Thank you, Judy Bernstein!

Mark your calendar for the Israel
Expo on Sunday, May 20th from
noon-6PM on the Federation
Campus!

Save the date for our annual
Membership Appreciation event
Sunday, August 26th at 4:00 PM!

AND THAT'S NOT ALL

We welcome our newest members,
Jamie and Melissa Chisick
and family! ☆

Der Yidishe Vinkle

Club Yiddish Carl Bendroff

OY VEY! WHO KNEW THIS COULD BE SO MUCH FUN?

Join Us for Yiddish Club
**Sunday, May 13, June 10 & 24
at 11:00 AM**

Until then, *zei gezunt* (be well)! ☆

Men's Club

Ron Horn, President

**Poker, Baseball...Does it get any
better than this?**

**The only one who's missing is YOU!!
Come Join Us!**

Men's Club Poker Nights at CBI:
May 20 & June 24 at 7:00 PM

Men's Club Angels Baseball Game:
June 3 at 12:35 PM at Anaheim
Stadium

**Share Your Ideas with Us: Men's
Club Meeting:** May 20 & June 10 at
10:15 AM. ☆



It's Easy to be a Hero!

**Donate Blood on
Monday, June 11
1:00 - 7:00 PM
CBI Social Hall**

You may sign up at
www.givelife.org and use
Sponsor code **bnai** OR
contact **Marla Nathan** at
mnathan@gr8law.com
for an appointment

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

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.

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

JUNIOR CONGREGATION IS ALWAYS A HIT AT CBI: Every Shabbat morning from 10:30 – 11:45 AM in the Family Life Center. Led by Carl Cedar, and Scott Spitzer, this musical, interactive service is specifically designed for children ages 6 – 11.

TOT SHABBAT FOR OUR LITTLEST CONGREGANTS: Every Shabbat morning from 11:50 – 12:15 PM. Singing, dancing, and so much more! Let your little ones share the beauty of Shabbat within the warm embrace of community! Come join us in the Family Life Center!

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

CHOIR IS NOW IN SESSION: Every Tuesday at 7:15 PM in the Family Life Center.

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.

FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER: Friday, May 4 and June 1 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 2 and 30, respectively. \$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.

IT'S LITTLE SHUL: Sunday, May 6 from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM in the Family Life Center: 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.

AN EVENING WITH ALAN DERSHOWITZ: Sunday, May 6 at 7:00 PM. Reserve your tickets: \$20/Students, \$36/Unreserved, \$50/Reserved and \$75/Reserved with Reception.

EXPERIENTIAL PRAYER AND TEXT STUDY WITH DAN KAIMAN: Saturday morning, May 12 at 10:30 AM: Come join us in the Bet Midrash!

TEEN SEUDAH SH'LISHIT AND LEARNING WITH RABBINIC INTERN, DAN KAIMAN: Saturday, May 12 AT 6:30 PM in the Social

Hall. These amazing discussions are 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.

YIDDISH CLUB MEETS Sunday, May 13 & June 10 & 24 in the Bet Midrash. Come learn and laugh amongst friends!

SUNDAY SUPPER, AN INTERFAITH EFFORT (and perfect Mitzvah Project too!): Sunday, May 13 & June 10 at 4:00 - 7:00 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.

SISTERHOOD'S BOOK CLUB: Thursday, May 17 and June 14 at 7:30 PM. We are discussing, *Farewell to Arms* by Ernest Hemingway for May and *The Invisible Wall* by Harry Bernstein in June. Come and lend your insights to our discussion! **FYI: MEN ARE INVITED TO JOIN BOOKCLUB, TOO!**

ADDITIONAL SHABBAT SERVICE: The third Friday of every month at 8:00 PM: May 18 and June 15: 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.

SISTERHOOD Z'HAVAH BREAKFAST MEETING: Sunday, May 20 at 9:30 AM at the home of Brigitte Frankel. Rabbi Ilana Gringlat, author of *Blessings and Baby Steps - The Spiritual Path to Parenting*, will be our guest speaker. Please RSVP by May 14; event is free of charge.

WORKSHOP WITH DOREEN SEIDLER-FELLER, Ph.D: Tuesday, May 22 at 7:30 PM: *Jews, Jewish Tradition and Sex Therapy*. Come here what kinds of problems are brought into therapy by Jews today and how Jewish Law, tradition, and how this applies to Jews' situations in America today. \$10/workshop; adults only. No charge for 5772 CBI Enrichment Fund Annual Benefactors.

SHAVUOT 5772 Begins Saturday, May 26: Please see the front cover of this edition for details.

BLOOD DRIVE AT CBI: Monday, June 11 from 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. You may sign up at www.givelife.org and use sponsor code:bnai or contact Marla Nathan for an appointment. It's easy to be a hero!

MUSICAL EXPERIENCE WITH DALE SHATZ: Friday, June 22 at 6:00 PM. Experience an uplifting evening of music and song!

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE WITH DALE SHATZ: Saturday, June 23 at 9:45 AM in the Family Life Center. Come join us!

SISTERHOOD MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT: Sunday, June 24 from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. Rise to the challenge and join us!

Todah Rabah and Mazal Tov!!

Mazal Tov to USY's SA/TO (Social Action/Tikkun Olam) committee for raising \$36.28 through donations and recycling! Their ongoing goal is to raise \$1,000 to establish a game room for children in one of Orange County's homeless or abused women's shelters.



Mazal Tov to CBI Sisterhood for achieving 25 years of affiliation with the Women's League of Conservative Judaism. We share in your pride at being honored for this milestone at the Pacific Region Conference in Irvine on Sunday, May 6!



Mazal Tov to CBI's Teens 4 H.E.A.L. (Teens for Helping to Educate, Advocate, and Love) for raising \$100 in the sales of handmade jewelry and art during the Jewish World Watch O.C. walk to end Genocide and for getting a spot in the O.C. Register as well!



Todah Rabah to Sam Zicarelli for representing CBI in leading Jewish World Watch's Community Art Project at the O.C. walk to end Genocide.



Todah Rabah to Ilya Gittelson for filming Jewish World Watch's walk to end Genocide~ your videography skills are exemplary!

Todah Rabah to the Gala Committee from Beth Krom:

*I do not believe anywhere t'would be found
A group such as this who are worth, pound for pound
More than rubies and jewels; for it truly is rare;
That through personal time with attention and care
An event could be staged, planned and perfectly set~
Every detail considered , every appetite whet;
By a volunteer group who bring talent, but more~
Who appreciate what they're all doing this for;
No glory or fame ; no prizes or bling;
The rewards for success is a personal thing.
Part of the spirit that makes our shul thrive
Keeping culture, community and yiddishkeit alive.
An amazing committee a fabulous theme;
Great talent performed you bring life to a dream;
Many hands played their part, volunteers of all ages
Keeping everyone focused through all of the stages
And after the room has been fully restored;
Decorations packed up, rentals shlepped out the door;
What will be left are memories grand
Of a wonderful evening that was perfectly planned
In less than a year you'll be back in demand
For the brisket, decorations, the auctions, the band;
Raising funds that sustain us and help us expand
On a special red carpet in hearts you will stand
Stand up, take a bow give yourselves a big hand
For a wonderful evening that was perfectly planned!
I was honored to be a part of it...*

May Perek Yomi readings

II CHRONICLES		GENESIS		GENESIS	
May	Chapter	May	Chapter	May	Chapter
1	36	11	10	22	21
GENESIS		12	11	23	22
2	1	13	12	24	23
3	2	14	13	25	24
4	3	15	14	26	25
5	4	16	15	27	26
6	5	17	16	28	27
7	6	18	17	29	28
8	7	19	18	30	29
9	8	20	19	31	30
10	9	21	20		

June Perek Yomi readings

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

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Schedule of Services for June

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

5:30 PM Family Service & Dinner
 6:00 PM Service – USY Shabbat Club

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

9:30 AM Service
 PARASHAT: NASO
 Torah: Numbers 5:11 – 6:27
 Haftarah: Judges 13:2 – 25

FRIDAY, JUNE 8

6:00 PM Anniversary Service

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

9:30 AM Service
 PARASHAT: B'HA'ALOTEKHA
 Torah: Numbers 9:15 – 10:34
 Haftarah: Zekhariah 2:14 – 4:7

FRIDAY, JUNE 15

6:00 PM Service
 8:00 PM Service

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

9:30 AM Service
 PARASHAT: SHELAH - LEKHA
 Torah: Numbers 14: 8 – 15:7
 Haftarah: Joshua 2:1 – 24

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

6:00 PM Musical Service
 with Dale Shatz

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

9:30 AM Service
 PARASHAT: KORAH
 9:45 AM Dale Shatz Service in
 Family Life Center
 Torah: Numbers 16:1 – 18:32
 Haftarah: I Samuel 11:14 – 12:22

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

6:00 PM Service

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

9:30 AM Service
 PARASHAT: HUKKAT
 Torah: Numbers 19:1 – 20:21
 Haftarah: Judges 11: 1 – 33

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- **Tot Shabbat** for Pre-schoolers and parents begins at 11:50 AM in the Family Life Center



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May 2012

9 Iyar 5772 - 10 Sivan 5772

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6 Pesach Sheini 9:00am 5th Grade Family Art Program 11:30am Little Shul in FLC 12:30pm USY Elections - USY/Machar/Kadima Event 7:00pm Speaker: Alan Dershowitz	7 5:57AM/7:41PM	8 5:57AM/7:42PM 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:15pm Choir	9 5:56AM/7:43PM 6:00pm Mercatz Hadracha 7:00pm Mah Jongg	10 5:55AM/7:44PM Lag B'Omer 4:15pm Membership Meeting	11 5:54AM/7:44PM 6:00pm Anniversary Service K-1st Grade Service & Dinner	12 5:53AM/7:45PM 9:30am Service 10:30am Experiential Prayer & Text Study 6:30pm Seudat Shishti
13 No Mercatz Limmud Mother's Day 11:00am Yiddish Club 4:00pm Sunday Supper	14 5:53AM/7:46PM 15 Iyar/30 L'Omer	15 5:51AM/7:47PM 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:15pm Choir	16 5:50AM/7:48PM Hebrew High Confirmation/Graduation Dinner 7:00pm Mah Jongg	17 5:50AM/7:49PM 2:00pm Staff Mtg. 7:30pm Book Club 7:30pm Executive Board Meeting (Budget)	18 5:49AM/7:50PM 6:00pm Service 7th Grade Service, Dinner & Advancement Ceremony 8:00pm Additional Service	19 5:48AM/7:50PM 9:30am Service 11:50am PJ Library
20 Yom Yerushalayim Last Day of Mercatz Limmud 9:30am Sisterhood Event in private home 10:15am Men's Club 1:00-6:00pm Israeli Expo at Federation Campus 7:00pm Men's Club Poker Night	21 5:47AM/7:52PM 7:30pm Rosh Chodesh	22 5:47AM/7:52PM Rosh Hodesh 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:30pm Doreen Seidler-Feller	23 5:46AM/7:53PM 7:00pm Mah Jongg	24 5:46AM/7:54PM 6:30pm Youth Committee Mtg. 7:30pm Congregational & General Board Mtg.	25 5:45AM/7:55PM 6:00pm Service	26 5:45AM/7:55PM 9:30am Service 6:45pm Mincha 7:30pm Shavuot Seder 8:30pm Ma'ariv & Havdalah 9:00pm Tikkun Leil Shavuot
27 Shavuot 9:30am Service	28 5:44AM/7:57PM Shavuot II (Yizkor) 9:30am Service Memorial Day Office & CDC Closed	29 5:44AM/7:57PM 6:30pm Israeli Dance 7:15pm Choir	30 5:43AM/7:58PM 7:00pm Mah Jongg 6:00pm Faith & Youth Summit w/Dinner	31 5:43AM/7:58PM	4 Sivan/48 L'Omer	5 Sivan/49 L'Omer
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June 2012

11 Sivan 5772 - 10 Tammuz 5772

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Schedule of Services for May

Friday, May 4

5:30 PM Family Service and Dinner
6:00 PM Service – USY Club

Saturday, May 5

9:30 AM Service
PARASHAT: AHAREY
MOT-KEDOSHIM
Torah: Leviticus 17:1 – 18:30
Haftarah: Amos 9:7 - 15

Friday, May 11

6:00 PM Anniversary Service
K-1st Grade Service

Saturday, May 12

9:30 AM Service
PARASHAT: EMOR
Torah: Leviticus 22:17 – 23:22
Haftarah: Ezekiel 44: 15 - 31



Friday, May 18

6:00 PM Service
8:00 PM Service

Saturday, May 19

Birkat Hahodesh
9:30 AM Service
PARASHAT: B'HAR-B-HUKOTAI
Torah: Leviticus 25:29 – 26:2
Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19 -17:14

Friday, May 25

6:00 PM Service

Saturday, May 26

Erev Shavuot
9:30 AM Service:
PARASHAT: B'MIDBAR
Torah: Numbers 2:1 – 3:13
Haftarah: Hosea 2:1 – 22
For Shavuot services see front cover of this edition



Sunday, May 27

Shavuot
9:30 AM Service
Torah: Exodus 19:1 – 20:26
Maftir: Numbers 28:26 – 31
Haftarah: Ezekiel 1:1 – 28:12

Monday, May 28

Shavuot with Yizkor
9:30 AM Service
Torah: Deuteronomy 15:19 – 16:17
Maftir: Numbers 28:26 – 31
Haftarah: Habakuk 2: 20 – 3:19



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