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# DAVAR MEGILLAH

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## Pesach Service Schedule



### Erev Pesach - 1<sup>st</sup> Seder:

Mon., Apr 10

**Candlelighting:** 6:57pm

### Pesach I Morning Service:

Tues., Apr. 11, 9:30am

### Community 2nd Seder:

Tues., Apr. 11, 6:00pm

### Pesach II Morning Service:

Wed., Apr. 12, 9:30am

### Pesach Kabbalat Shabbat Service:

Fri., Apr. 14, 6:15pm

### Pesach Shabbat Morning Service:

Sat., Apr. 15, 9:30am (Learners' Shacharit)

10:15am, Shabbat Torah Service

### Pesach VII Morning Service:

Mon., Apr. 17, 9:30am

### Pesach VIII Morning Service/Yizkor:

Tues., Apr. 18, 9:30am

## Searching, Finding

By Rabbi Scott Meltzer

Normally, we open a book to discover what is inside of the book. I want to suggest that each of us should open a book to discover what is inside of ourselves. There are many paths to walk down in search of self-discovery – perhaps the most immediately accessible to us is the path of pen and paper.

There is a long tradition of exploring our inner selves by filling the pages of a journal. The pen becomes an instrument of exploration – as we examine the innermost chambers of our psyche. Writing offers us a straightforward spiritual discipline through which we can gain clarity, awareness and insight. If we take just a few minutes each day to sit, pen in hand, we create the window through which our soul can transcribe its deepest thoughts, wishes, hopes and fears.

When summer draws to an end, we are aware of our need to do *Teshuvah*, to repent. During the days of *Elul* in preparation, and then throughout the Ten Days of Repentance, we metaphorically “clean house” – removing all of the debris that has built up over the previous year.

When we think about spring cleaning, we brace ourselves literally to clean house in preparation for *Pesach* – removing all the *chameitz* that has built up over the previous year. The clearing out of the literal *chameitz* in preparation for *Pesach*

is a wonderful prelude to the deeper cleaning of all of our spiritual *chameitz* during the seven weeks from the second night of *Pesach* and freedom, to *Shavuot* and the standing at *Sinai* to receive *Torah*.

Journaling during these seven weeks creates a wonderful opportunity to discover the *chameitz* that is within us, and to remove it. The *chameitz* that we discover, that we bring out of ourselves and into the light through journaling need not be negative. Only during *Pesach* do we have a negative association with *chameitz* – leavened products.

Outside of the days of *Pesach*, things that are *chameitzdik* can be wonderful – cakes, cookies and more. So too with journaling, some of what we discover is difficult, buried deep, perhaps even painful to acknowledge, but other bits to be discovered are marvelous, joyful and loving. Only through the exploration of journaling can we discover what secrets lie buried within.

During the seven weeks of the *Omer*, there is a Kabbalistic tradition of doing a brief meditation each night based on the *Sefirot*. In Kabbalah, the *Sefirot* are the pathways through which Divine blessing comes into this world. Each one represents a moral attribute that

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Celebrate Pesach at Ohr Shalom's

## Second Seder

Tuesday Evening, April 11 at 6:00pm

You are invited to join us for our traditional Second Seder led by Rabbi Scott Meltzer.

Members: Adults - \$40  
Children - \$20 (5-12yrs.)

Non-Members: Adults - \$50  
Children - \$30 (5-12yrs.)

## Mechirat Chametz (Selling Chametz)

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Please complete the information below to sell all of your *chametz* before *Pesach* and return to Ohr Shalom by Thursday, April 6.

Fax: (619) 231-1494  
Email: rabbi@ohrshalom.org

### The Selling of Chametz

I hereby authorize Rabbi Scott A. Meltzer to serve as my agent in selling all of the *chametz* at the following address(es):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature



## WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

**Ray Sachs**  
President

## RABBINIC INTERN: DIRECTING THE FUTURE OF THE SYNAGOGUE

Dear Congregants,

I'm always thinking about how to make the synagogue better and more appealing to the widest "variety" of people. Every year I solicit suggestions from the board and then work to accomplish as many things as possible in the year to come.

For the upcoming fiscal year, high on my list is to add programming for infants and children, and to further support and expand our youth groups. It's no secret that children and young families are the lifeblood of any synagogue.

We have many ideas on how to create such programming but we need both money and staff to carry out our goals. Raising the money will be the focus of this year's Lights of Ohr Shalom fundraising dinner. By the time you read this, the fundraiser will have already occurred. Was it successful? Did we get what we needed?

Finding the staff for this to happen is the second piece of the puzzle. Rabbinic students in their last year of study are required to do an internship. To that end, we have decided to begin a rabbinic internship program at Ohr Shalom. We think it will bring a fresh dynamic personality and we expect the intern will provide leadership for our new children's programming.

I'm very excited about this new direction of the synagogue. I hope you share the vision of our plans. With your support we will continue to grow and prosper.

Until next month.

## RABBI'S MESSAGE CONT.

affects the nature of the Divine blessing, the flow, that we receive. By meditating each night on different aspects of this energy of blessing, the hope is we can more fully attune our own selves to be in harmony with that life-giving energy.

There are ten *Sefirot*, but we are taught that only the lower seven are accessible to us. During the *Omer*, it is the tradition to create a matrix by assigning each of the seven lower *Sefirot* to a week, and then pairing it with one *Sefirah* for each of the seven nights. So, each night becomes the intersection of two *Sefirot*. So for example, the first night has the quality of "love that is within love." The second night has the quality of "strength that is within love." So each night has a unique quality to it.

I have written writing prompts for each of the forty-nine nights of the *Omer*. I want to invite you to create space in your life for journaling as a spiritual discipline. I want to encourage you that the *Omer* is a wonderful time to begin. I want to offer to send you each week the Kabbalistic journal prompts to help you create this practice.

If you would like to use these prompts, please send me an email ([rabbi@ohrshalom.org](mailto:rabbi@ohrshalom.org)) and each week I will send to you the prompts for that week.

As a special incentive, we have printed up leather journals embossed with the Ohr Shalom logo. If you would like to purchase an Ohr Shalom Journal, they are available from the office for \$5.

As we clean our houses for *Pesah*, let us prepare to search and clean our souls through the spiritual discipline of journaling.

*Chag Pesach kasher v'sameach!*



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Readers are welcome to submit articles, photos, event notices to the Davar. Please e-mail all submissions to: [davar@ohrshalom.org](mailto:davar@ohrshalom.org)

#### Deadline:

- April 5 for May issue
- May 5 for June issue

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# OHR SHALOM SERVICE SCHEDULE

## Kabbalat Shabbat Service Schedule

Friday, April 7th - 7:15pm ("Ask the Rabbi")  
 Friday, April 14th - 6:15pm  
 Friday, April 21st - 6:15pm (Shabbat Kehillatit)  
 Friday, April 28th - 6:15pm (ZAMRU)



## SHULI SHABBAT

**Saturday, April 1, 10:00am**  
 For school-age children up to 5th grade. Children 5 and under need a parent in attendance.



Celebrate Pesach! We can't wait to see you for an interactive service, songs, and crafts followed by a delicious lunch.



## Kabbalat Shabbat Service "Ask the Rabbi"

**Friday, April 7, 7:15pm**  
 Your opportunity to ask the questions you have always wanted to.

## Shabbat Morning Learners' Shacharit

**Saturday, April 15, 9:30am** (followed by Torah Service)  
 Become better acquainted with the morning (*Shacharit*) service, its contents, organization, choreography and meaning. During these 45 minutes we will study the outline of the Morning Service, and highlight the parts of the Morning Service we are "obligated" to say. For those saying Mourners' Kaddish, we will recite Mourners' Kaddish once in the early part of the Learners' Shacharit, and as always, once at the very end of the service.



## Shabbat Kehillatit

**Friday, April 21**

Family-friendly early service: 6:15pm  
 Community Dinner: 7:15pm.  
 RSVP for dinner by April 14

### Members

Adults: \$12  
 Children (5-12yrs): \$5

### Non-members

Adults: \$15  
 Children (5-12yrs): \$8



## ZAMRU "Sing Out" Shabbat

**Friday, April 28, 6:15pm**

6:15pm ~ Kabbalat Shabbat Services  
 Join Yale Strom and Elizabeth Schwartz and celebrate Shabbat through vibrant, musical prayer.



## Shabbat Lunch & Learn

**Saturday, April 29, 12:00pm**

Come for Shabbat services and stay for lunch and study the Torah portion.



## Shabbat Morning Babysitting

Babysitting available. Reservations are strongly recommended.  
 E-mail your reservation to: [office@ohrshalom.org](mailto:office@ohrshalom.org).

## PARSHIYOT & CANDLELIGHTING April 2017



### PARSHAT VAYIKRA

Fri: March 31 6:50PM – 5 Nisan  
 Sat: April 1



Torah: Leviticus 1:1 - 5:26  
 Haft: Isaiah 43:21 - 44:23

### PARSHAT TZAV

Fri: April 7 6:55PM – 12 Nisan  
 Sat: April 8



Torah: Leviticus 6:1 - 8:36  
 Haft: Shabbat HaGadol / Malachi 3:4 - 3:24

### SHABBAT PESACH

Fri: April 14 7:00PM – 19 Nisan  
 Sat: April 15



Torah: Exodus 33:12 - 34:26  
 Maftir: Numbers 28:19 - 25  
 Haft: Ezekiel 37:1 - 37:14

### PARSHAT SHIMINI

Fri: April 21 7:05PM – 26 Nisan  
 Sat: April 22



Torah: Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47  
 Haft: II Samuel 6:1 - 7:17

### PARSHAT TAZRIA-METZORA

Fri: April 28 7:10PM – 3 Iyyar  
 Sat: April 29



Torah: Leviticus 12:1 - 15:33  
 Haft: II Kings 7:3 - 7:20

## Ohr Shalom's Choir!

Our Ohr Shalom Choir is fun and refreshing, and we hope you join us! Everyone is invited – Ohr Shalom members, friends and relatives!

**Come join us on Mondays at 6:30pm. You'll be happy you did!**

**April Dates:  
 April 3  
 April 24**



Follow us on Facebook for the weekly e-Kol, details of upcoming events and pictures of past events.

Go to: [www.facebook.com/ohrshalomsynagogue](http://www.facebook.com/ohrshalomsynagogue)





## ADULT EDUCATION

**Ellen Cobb**  
Adult Education Chair

### Adult Education Class Schedule:

#### **TALMUD: Tuesdays at 5:00pm**

Each week we read excerpts from the Babylonian Talmud. Our studies have taken us from discussions about prayer, dream interpretation, injustice and the world and much more. You need never have studied Talmud before to join us, and all texts are provided in translation.

#### **TANAKH: Wednesdays at 2:00pm**

Please join us as we read together through the Prophet Amos. Be inspired by these nearly 3,000 year old words calling us to create a world of justice for all.

### Women and the Bible

**Tuesday, April 25, 6:30pm**



Please join us for this monthly series reading the stories of Women in the Bible through the lens of feminist literary criticism. Each month we will explore a biblical character or story and discuss its representation of women, femininity, the "other," and much more. For those who are interested, additional scholarly readings will be provided.

### Lunch & Learn

**Saturday, April 29, 12:00pm**

Come for Shabbat services and stay for lunch and study the Torah portion.

### Readings with the Rabbi



**Sunday, May 21, 10:00am - *How Sweet It Is!*  
By Thane Rosenbaum**

Thane Rosenbaum rolls back the clock to 1972 and transports us to the less-than-sweet, unglamorous side of Miami Beach.... Rosenbaum strives to balance moral seriousness with outrageous antic humor.

### Sunday Morning Talk Show



**Sunday, April 30 at 10:00am**

**Rabbi Scott Meltzer** will speak on *Jewish Medical Ethics*

### Caregivers Anonymous

**A new play by Janet S. Tiger**

**Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00pm**

A spotlight on the joys and challenges of caregiving, by a caregiver - for caregivers - and those they help. Everyone is welcome to attend. Admission is free.



For more info: [CaregiversAnon.org](http://CaregiversAnon.org).

Funded by a Creative Catalyst Fellowship Grant from The San Diego Foundation and sponsored by Playwrights Project.

*About the playwright:*

Ohr Shalom member Janet S. Tiger's plays, one-acts and monologues have been performed internationally since 1980 and published in anthologies in the U.S., Canada and U.K.

Tiger is the recipient of an NEA-COMBO Grant, numerous contest awards and multiple commissions - and she is also proud to be a caregiver!

## Ohr Shalom at



**★ Please Join us!! Weekend of May 5-7, 2017.** Experience the beauty of Camp Mountain Chai, and make memories as Ohr Shalom treks up to another weekend at Camp Mountain Chai, 30 minutes from Big Bear in the San Bernardino Mountains. Register yourself, your friends, and your family. Community kosher dining through Sunday breakfast.

**★ ACTIVITIES FOR CAMPERS OF ALL AGES:**  
Celebrate Shabbat | Sing | Dance | Eat | Schmooze | Learn | Play games | Hike | Become a star in the Talent Show | Shoot a bow and arrow | Enjoy the music of a bonfire

**★ CABIN ROOMS:**  
Arranged to accommodate individual and family needs. Generously sized bunk beds, one shared bathroom.  
\$700 Private Room, up to 8 people, \$120 per extra person  
\$400 Shared Room, up to 4 people; \$120 per extra person  
\$150 Shared Room, Individual

For further information, call (619) 231-1456  
**Please RSVP by Friday, April 7, 2017.**

## CELEBRATE SAN DIEGO!

The History & Heritage of San Diego's Jewish Community

There's an exciting new exhibit at the San Diego History Center in Balboa Park this year. *Celebrate San Diego! The History & Heritage of San Diego's Jewish Community* chronicles the history of the Jewish community in San Diego from the 1850s to the present day. Curated by Jewish History Prof. Joellyn Zollman, the exhibition draws heavily on the collections of both the San Diego History Center and the Jewish Historical Society of San Diego, as well as upon private donations.

Isaac Artenstein produced the multi-media component for the exhibit, including a documentary that includes an interview with Rabbi Meltzer, Yale Strom and others. A companion exhibit looks at the art of three Jewish San Diegans: Belle Barancenu, Maurice Braun, and Harry Sternberg.

Be sure to visit this unique exhibit and understand the struggles, triumphs, contributions, and legacy of San Diego's Jewish community. The exhibit runs through January 2018.



## PROGRAMS & EVENTS

**Lynn Mendelsohn**  
Programs/Events Chair

### Many Thank You's!

Many thanks to the dedicated people who have poured their time, creativity and goodwill into making *Lights of Ohr Shalom* on April 2nd a wonderful event! We are especially grateful to the Lights Committee members: Fanny Rosental, Sarita Zands, Evette Weiss, Anita Szmulowicz and Marcia Sachs. High praise also is due to Susie Meltzer and Zeji Ozeri for the stupendous video they have created for the Lights event as a tribute to our honorees: the 14 Past Presidents of Or El, Adat Ami, Beth Tefilah and Ohr Shalom.

### Upcoming Events

Here are the dates and times of upcoming events you will not want to miss:



**Sunday, April 23rd** at 6:45pm in the Social Hall, following daily minyan. As a special commemoration of Yom Hashoah, Ohr Shalom will be honored to present a discussion with Ruth Sax and her daughter Sandy Scheller focused on Ruth's experiences in Theresienstadt and Auschwitz during the Holocaust. Ruth and Sandy have written about these in a recently published book, *Try to Remember, Never Forget*. Copies of the book will be available for purchase. A light dinner will be served.



**Sunday, May 7th** at 2 pm at Copley Symphony Hall. *Ohr Shalom on the Town* will attend the San Diego Symphony's performance of Mahler's 3rd Symphony. A musical prodigy, Mahler (1860-1911) was born into an Orthodox Jewish family in what is now the Czech Republic. Mahler later converted to Christianity, most likely to secure his appointment as Director of the Vienna Opera, but his compositions often embrace Jewish themes and Klezmer melodies. The May 7th concert will be one of the last in San Diego to be conducted by the Symphony's esteemed musical director, Jahja Ling, who will be leaving his position at the end of the season. We have reserved a bank of

group tickets in the rear of the main seating area at a discounted price of \$30 each.



**Thursday, May 18th** at 7 pm at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center. *Ohr Shalom on the Town* will conclude its 2016-17 concert-theater season with the J\*Company Youth Theater's presentation of *Ragtime* (School Edition), a musical about early 20th Century America, portraying life among the American upper crust, African Americans and Jewish immigrants. We have set aside seats in the middle orchestra section at a discounted price of \$16 apiece.

2017 Community Holocaust Commemoration

# Memory & Morality

## COUNTERING INDIFFERENCE

Featuring Keynote Speaker Roberta Grossman  
Producer And Director, *Who Will Write Our History*

"The opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference."  
-Elie Wiesel

**Sunday April 23**  
**1:30 - 3:00 pm**

Lawrence Family JCC  
JACOBS FAMILY CAMPUS  
4126 Executive Drive  
La Jolla, CA 92037

This event is free and open to the public

Jewish Federation OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY



### Special Yom Hashoah Program at Ohr Shalom

**Sunday, April 23, 2017, 6:45 pm,**  
following evening minyan

Our own Ruth Sax and her daughter Sandy Scheller will discuss their recently published book, *Try to Remember, Never Forget*, a memoir of the years Ruth spent as a child in Theresienstadt and Auschwitz.

Copies of *Try to Remember, Never Forget* will be available for purchase.

Ruth plans to bring with her the dress her mother wore while assigned as a cook in the kitchen at Theresienstadt.

A light dinner will be served.



## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

**Ellen Statman**  
Religious School Principal

Spring is here, the flowers are blooming, thanks to the rain all is green, and the Religious School is into the season's festivals and holidays.

Passover is approaching and the children are busy practicing the Four Questions and singing traditional Seder songs. It is our goal to prepare the children so they can participate in your Seder, and parents and grandparents can "shep nachas" from their involvement. We also talk about how fortunate we are to live in a country where we are free to be Jews and we teach empathy for those less fortunate.

Last year, in honor of *Yom Hashoah* (Holocaust Remembrance Day), the children, *madrichim*, and teachers participated in painting beautiful butterflies to memorialize the one million children who perished in the Holocaust. This year *Yom Hashoah* falls on Sunday, April 23, and we will have the opportunity to mount these ceramic butterflies on a wall in the synagogue.



## MOVIE NIGHT

**Al Shelden**  
Imm. Past President/ Administration



### **Bonjour Monsieur Shlomi** Sunday, April 30 at 6:45pm

Join us as we screen this life-affirming Israeli film that was the winner of multiple film festivals and went on to international success. Many consider this family-centered film – a comedy with dramatic issues – to be one of the best Israeli films of all time. The film tells the story of a 17-year-old boy who is the glue that holds his dysfunctional, but loving, family together. Shlomi cleans house, takes care of his aging grandfather, tries to keep his brother out of trouble and cooks gourmet meals for his family. The L.A. Times reviewer said, "Where writer-director Shemi Zarhin excels is in offhanded human comedy – in the craziness that comes with being a teenager in a house full of lunatics to whom

you're related. Zarhin has a fine ear for dialogue with refreshing directness and loud rings of truth, but he also knows when to let looks speak volumes."

When Shlomi's math teacher discovers that Shlomi has a rare mathematical gift, he wants Shlomi to change schools so that he can use his special skill. Since Shlomi does so much for his family, he's not sure he can leave them. And his family isn't sure they want him to go. He's never had much interest or time for his school work and isn't sure he can, or wants to, handle the harder school. Besides he's more preoccupied with his girlfriend and his efforts to move their relationship to the next level. Come see how things get resolved.

The movie is Hebrew and French, with English subtitles. It is suitable for older teens.



## KITCHEN BITES

**Barbara Haislip**  
Kitchen Volunteer

### **Kiwi-Lime-Coconut Fruit Salad**

I made this delightfully refreshing fruit salad two weeks ago and have already made it three times. The combination of ingredients is perfect as is, but you can substitute any fresh fruit you prefer. Don't be afraid of the pinch of cayenne pepper. It kicks the salad up a notch, as Emeril would say. I served it for dinner, Mah Jong, and breakfast. I've even combined it with plain yogurt and a banana. I stored it in a glass container in the fridge. Enjoy.

#### **Kiwi-Lime-Coconut Fruit Salad** Makes 6-8 servings

- 1 medium ripe mango, peeled and cut in slices
- 2 clementines or tangerines, peeled and sectioned
- 2 blood oranges, peeled and sectioned
- 1 pint strawberries, rinsed, hulled, and sliced
- 4 kiwis, peeled and sliced in rounds
- 1/2 C jicama, peeled and cut into 1-inch long pieces
- Juice of 2 limes
- Pinch or two of cayenne pepper
- 1/2 C shredded, unsweetened coconut
- 1/4 C fresh mint, chopped
- Lime zest curls for garnish

Place the fruit in a large bowl and toss gently. Sprinkle with the lime juice and season with cayenne pepper and a little kosher salt, if you like. Taste and adjust seasonings. Place in serving bowl (if using another bowl) and add coconut and mint, tossing gently. Garnish with lime curls if you like. Ready to serve.

Some grocery produce sections have peeled and precut jicama. I got mine at Ralph's. The original recipe calls for one papaya, peeled, seeded, and cut in chunks. I'm not a papaya fan, so I left it out. It holds up for a few days in the fridge.

### **MEN'S CLUB POKER GAME**

Wednesday, April 26 at 7:00pm.

Contact Joe Hartman:

(619) 851-2303.





## SOCIAL ACTION

**Brad Eisenberg**  
Social Action Chair

### Pesach Baskets

Thanks to your generous donations, and the leadership and efforts of Marilyn Shelden and Ruth Levy, Ohr Shalom was again able to donate enough Pesach food to distribute to JFS clients and active-duty members of the military: 10 care packages to military personnel and 15 baskets to the community.

### TAY Academy

March saw the kick-off of Ohr Shalom's project to provide food to at risk youth (ages 14-25) who participate in programs offered by The TAY (Transitional and At-Risk Youth) Academy. In addition to members of our Congregation who prepared and served meals, we also want to thank the following establishments, all of whom are located in the Midway Town Center (located at 3960 West Point Loma Boulevard) for their donations of food to our project: **Embargo Grill** (and its owner, Ohr Shalom member Hudi Eshel who recruited the other establishments), **The Cravory Cookies, Souplantation, and The Treet Desserts**. We still have room for more Congregants to help in this very important project. We need people who will cook, who will pick up and deliver donated food from the restaurants to TAY Academy, and who will help serve the meals (usually between 11:30 and 1:30 on Tuesdays - Fridays). If you're interested in participating, please contact either Marilyn Shelden (marilyn.shelden@gmail.com) or Marcia Sachs (marciacsachs@gmail.com).

### Seeking Coordinators and Volunteers



We have lots of great projects that need volunteers, leaders, coordinators, etc. The following are some examples:

**Casa Cornelia Law Center** – assisting immigrant children – coordinator needed

**Hunger Project at St. Vincent de Paul** – coordinator needed

**JFS's** program to match people to help seniors who are at least 75 years old and find themselves alone –coordinator needed

**Habitat for Humanity Project** – leader needed

Do you have a social action project you'd like our help accomplishing?

Please contact me if you have an interest in participating in any of the above.

Stay connected to Ohr Shalom Social Action Committee by joining our Friends of Social Action email list. Please contact me at [brad.eisenberg@att.net](mailto:brad.eisenberg@att.net) or contact the office if you would like to join.

The Next Social Action Committee Meeting  
**Monday, April 3, 2017 at 6:45pm**



## RITUAL COMMITTEE

**Shoshanah Feher Sternlieb**  
Ritual Chair

In the March Davar we began a new trend in our Ritual Committee column. **With apologies to Koba**, we inadvertently omitted to introduce her as our first contributor last month. Members of our Ritual Committee will be writing the column, adding their knowledge and experiences about ritual to the Davar. It's a great opportunity to hear the many voices that make up our wonderful committee.



### Tradition or Ritual?

By Morris Lazard

Passover is a fantastic time of the Jewish year as it brings together so many facets of Jewish life and culture. Families come together, it's all the talk of the community and the preparation for the holiday is truly an event of its own. Religious observances, home and synagogue celebrations, following generations of traditions, add even more meaning, color and spice to this wondrous time of year. But when are we following *ritual* and when are we following *tradition*?

The lines between Ritual and Tradition are often a little blurry. The word "ritual" came from the Latin word *ritualis*, used to describe things pertaining to religious rites. Ritual can refer to a religious or solemn ceremony involving a series of actions performed in a prescribed order. Tradition, on the other hand, is usually described as the passing down of customs or beliefs from generation to generation and then followed by others. The word "tradition" came from the Old French word *tradicion*, which

referred to a presentation or a handing over. *Tradicion*, in turn, came from the Latin word *traditionem*, which referred to a handing down.

So, both Ritual and Tradition seem to be behaviors, ceremonies, events and customs that come from our past. Ritual, however, has over time become a religious component most commonly attached to an event or ceremony. What a beautiful blend of these two concepts we get to experience over the holiday of Passover and most notably the Passover Seder.

When I was growing up our tradition was for my father (z"l) to read the entire Haggadah while we, the children, were mostly seen and not heard. However, when it came to the many songs of Passover, of course all joined in. When I became the leader of the Seder, I kept many of the traditions that were passed down over generations but also began new traditions to pass on to my children. What a beautiful cycle that continues to grow from generation to generation.

This year we may want to look a little deeper into the meaning of the Passover story and see if we can relate their struggles in finding a Jewish identity and how a pattern of disgusting, hate-driven behaviors ought to have us looking at our Jewish identity as well. We must not let those who would profess hatred have their voice and their actions go without consequence. May our Jewish leaders and our National leaders find common ground and common goals and help create a more peaceful world.

*Chag Sameach*, Happy Passover from myself and Elizabeth.



## SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Naima Solomon**  
Sisterhood President

### Rosh Chodesh Shevat

On Sunday, January 29 for Rosh Chodesh Shevat we celebrated Tu B'Shevat, gathered around fresh fruit and a special dessert of stuffed dates. We also learned the old Tunisian way of making candles with olive oil and a homemade wick. Each woman received a sachet of spices adorned with a silver crescent moon.



### Post-Passover Pasta Party

**Wednesday, April 19th at 7:00pm**



Come relax and enjoy a pizza/pasta dinner with your Sisterhood friends. We will be meeting at California Pizza kitchen located in Fashion Valley Mall in the food court (near the movie theater). Plenty of parking. You will be paying for your own dinner.

Please RSVP by April 17th to Tracey Raz at [traceyraz1@gmail.com](mailto:traceyraz1@gmail.com) with 'sisterhood dinner' in the subject line.

Hope to see you there!!



### Rosh Chodesh Iyyar

**Thursday, April 27, 6:30pm**

Rosh Chodesh is a time to come together and renew ourselves spiritually, allowing us to experience a refreshing sacred space. Join us for a program led by Vanina Bunton, our spiritual committee chair.

#### March Birthdays:

Beverly Schmier - 3/1  
Jessica Lemoine - 3/8  
Ellen Cobb - 3/17  
Sallie Palash - 3/22  
Toni Goldstein - 3/27



#### April Birthdays:

Karen Rund - 4/19  
Susanne Lisker - 4/21



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## SISTERHOOD

**Susanne Lisker**  
Past President

### Anna Freud, 1895-1982



We all know that Sigmund Freud was the father of psychoanalysis and modern psychiatry. But I would like to tell you about his daughter Anna.

Anna was born in Austria on December 3, 1895 and in 1899 her father used one of her dreams to illustrate his theory of wish fulfillment. As a young child she was only interested in stories that "might be true," a trait she kept through the rest of her life.

Although she never finished the *Gymnasium* (the equivalent to High School), as a companion and caregiver of her father, she became increasingly interested in psychoanalysis – especially in child psychology, and began practicing psychotherapy in 1923.

In 1937 she published a notable work *The Ego and the Mechanism of Defense* where

the focus in psychoanalysis was shifted from unconscious conflicts to research into the ego or "seat of observation." This mediates between instinctual drives and reality. Anna also elaborated on a variety of defense mechanisms including repression, projection and sublimation by which the ego wards off anxiety and permits someone to function psychologically. The book was a pioneering contribution to the field of ego psychology and became very useful in more fully understanding adolescents.

In 1938, as her father was very ill fighting cancer, she persuaded the Gestapo to talk only to her, rather than interrogate both her and Sigmund, and thus keeping both of them out of harm's way. She later was able to escape from Austria to London, taking her father with her.

In London she started working as a children's analyst in the Hampstead Nurseries. A year later, her father died.

During World War II she and her colleague Dorothy Bulingham wrote three books, *Young Children in Wartime; Infants without Families; and War and Children*. The books were based on their work at the Hampstead Nurseries, which they regarded as a laboratory for child development. In fact, it was a residential center for children, many of whom had been separated from their

parents and lost their homes during the Nazi bombings.

After the war, the Hampstead Nurseries closed and two years later, Anna founded the *Hampstead Child-Therapy Course*.

Despite her lack of formal psychiatric training, Anna exerted a major influence in the field. She was considered by many colleagues as her father's successor and years later, American psychiatrists and psychoanalysts thought she was the foremost practitioner of her day.

In 1951, she became director of the Hampstead Child-Therapy Clinic which turned into the world's largest center for the treatment and analysis of children. Her contribution to child analytic therapy and psychology by treating children using dream interpretation and play was immense. Though her work related to reactions of young children, she had a major impact on social policies and influenced the future of child care.

She resisted personal publicity, refusing hundreds of requests over the years for interviews. She worried that personal appearances and interviews might affect her patients and interfere with treatment. Her work came first and her dedication was awe-inspiring.



## YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Jessica Lemoine**  
Youth Programs

### **Kadima (4th to 6th grade students):**

Sunday, April 23, noon to 4pm – Bowling  
May 5-7 – Camp Mountain Chai  
Sunday, June 25 – All Group Universal Studios Trip

### **OSYG (7th to 12th grade students):**

Saturday, April 22 – Teen Choice Event!  
May 5-7 – Camp Mountain Chai  
Saturday, May 20 – JCC Teen Night Ragtime  
May 26-29 – USY Regional Convention (8th-12th grades)  
Sunday, June 25 – All Group Universal Studios Trip

Please contact Jessica at [jessicasontag.lemoine@gmail.com](mailto:jessicasontag.lemoine@gmail.com) or 860-416-2473.



## ISRAEL DESK

**Susie Meltzer**  
Israel Desk

## The Many Faces of Passover in Israel

Israel's diversity includes populations that are religious and secular, Ashkenazi and Sephardic, and come from many countries of origin. Yet no matter how divided Israeli Jews are on every issue on the national landscape, come April 10th most will be sitting down to a Passover Seder. According to a Pew Research Center study, 93 percent of Israeli Jews attend a festive meal that recounts the Exodus from Egypt.

In a country that has become increasingly fractured with factionalism, tribalism and intolerance towards each other, Seder night is one of the few times that most Israelis focus on what unites them as a people. Yet, the Passover Seder in Israel is as diverse as its people.

First, not surprisingly, the religiously observant Jews attend a traditional Seder. Their Orthodox customs of preparation and searching for chametz are similar to those observed in the U.S. However, there is a new trend that started with the general public in Israel and that is now changing the ultra-Orthodox sector behavior as well. Entire families move into a hotel until the very end of Passover. Why? They can avoid the exhausting cleaning process and still enjoy Passover under rabbinical supervision.

Secondly, although more than any other Jewish tradition most secular Jews attend a Seder, they are often opting for a more contemporary one. Their Haggadah frequently responds to more modern issues like the Holocaust, as well as to concerns such as social action, Zionism, liberal ideas and feminist criticism.

Several of Israel's oldest kibbutzim depart significantly from tradition and conduct secular Seders according to their own sensibilities rather than the dictates of the traditional Haggadah. Kibbutzim long have led the way in making Passover a modern holiday, and many secular kibbutzim emphasize themes that motivated their founders to settle the land nearly a century ago: freedom, nature and the Jews' return to the land of Israel.

During an Israeli Seder, there are other unique customs that have been introduced. Persian Jews take a green onion and lash their tablemate's back with it. Furthermore, when the Jews from the Tunisian island of Djerba recite "This is the Bread of Our Affliction," the leader lifts the Seder plate above the heads of the guests, and together they read in both Hebrew and Arabic. In still other Israeli communities, when the Ten Plagues are recalled, everyone takes lit candles outside and yells out the names of the plagues.

Today many in Israel feel disenfranchised by the religious establishment and are searching how to live both as Jews and as modern Israelis. With this ongoing struggle between the old and the new, the Jew and the Israeli, there is a chance that, unlike most Jewish rituals the secular public avoids, Passover will be the mortar that keeps them together, giving them a sense of national unity and identity. *Happy Passover.*

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*Todah Rabah to our March Shabbat Kehillatit Dinner Volunteers: Barbara Haislip, Marci Prag and Matt Razinsky.*

*Todah Rabah to our office volunteer in March: Alan Berlin*

### **Mazal Tov to:**

**Ned and Karla Silver and family** on the birth of their Grandson, **Ethan Cooper Silver-Ellis.**

## YAHARZEITS

Anna Golden	Ralph Golden's Mother.....	1-Apr/Nissan 5
Herbert Kay	Koba Kay's Father.....	2-Apr/Nissan 6
Hayim Levine	Ana Galicot's Father.....	2-Apr/Nissan 6
*Ruth Okin	Michael and Ken Okin's Mother.....	2-Apr/Nissan 6
Jaime Tacher	Salomon Tacher's Father.....	2-Apr/Nissan 6
Yosef Govezensky	Bertha Szmuiłowicz's Father.....	3-Apr/Nissan 7
Rafael Groswirt	Cecilia Deitz's Father.....	3-Apr/Nissan 7
Chana Rosental	Ruben Rosental's Mother.....	4-Apr/Nissan 8
Theodore Schiffman	Judie Dresser's Father, Samantha Hardy's Grandfather.....	4-Apr/Nissan 8
Enid Levy	Avigayil Yochanan's Grandmother.....	5-Apr/Nissan 9
Min R. Tarlov	Norman Greene's Aunt.....	5-Apr/Nissan 9
Raquel Grinberg	Ruben Rosental's Grandmother.....	6-Apr/Nissan 10
*Caroline Ornstein	Remembered by Ohr Shalom Sisterhood.....	7-Apr/Nissan 11

## YAHREZEITS CONT.

Gertrude Weinstein	Sheldon Wolpoff's Mother.....	7-Apr/Nissan 11
*Nandor Bernstein	Batya Bernstein's Father.....	8-Apr/Nissan 12
Henry Green	Barbara Haislip's Father.....	8-Apr/Nissan 12
*Rosa Antokolsky de Maya	Wolf Bielas, Simon Bielas and Mina Cohen's Grandmother.....	9-Apr/Nissan 13
Mildred Green	Barbara Haislip's Mother.....	9-Apr/Nissan 13
*Ruth Ressler	Jeffrey Ressler's Mother.....	9-Apr/Nissan 13
Graciela Kantorovich	Remembered by Sara Zands.....	10-Apr/Nissan 14
Jack Linsk	Amy Morris' Father.....	10-Apr/Nissan 14
Enrique Margolis	Abraham Margolis' Father.....	11-Apr/Nissan 15
Saul Masri	Remembered by Abraham Hanono.....	11-Apr/Nissan 15
Isaac Veinbergs	Miguel Veinbergs' Father.....	11-Apr/Nissan 15
Leo Geiger	Jonathan Geiger's Father.....	13-Apr/Nissan 17
Matilda Green	Elizabeth Green's Grandmother.....	13-Apr/Nissan 17
Juno Reznik	Remembered by Becky Reznik.....	13-Apr/Nissan 17
Rose Slovis	Lisa Slovis Mandel's Grandmother.....	14-Apr/Nissan 18
*Irving Krantz	Remembered by Richard Scholten.....	15-Apr/Nissan 19
Manuel Rechtman	Sara Fainstein's Uncle.....	15-Apr/Nissan 19
Samuel Cohen	Santiago Cohen's Father.....	16-Apr/Nissan 20
Raquel Stepensky	Teshy Wellman's Mother.....	16-Apr/Nissan 20
Nate P. Blumovicz	Remembered by Rafael Slovatzki.....	17-Apr/Nissan 21
Raquel Melnik	Remembered by Silvia Gold.....	17-Apr/Nissan 21
*Samuel Szmuiłowicz	Bertha Szmuiłowicz' Husband, Isaac Szmuiłowicz and Eva Zagursky's Father.....	17-Apr/Nissan 21
*Samuel Wasserman	Jacquelin Ander's Father.....	17-Apr/Nissan 21
Abraham Berman	Shelley Berman's Father.....	18-Apr/Nissan 22
Gert Thaler	Remembered by Ohr Shalom.....	18-Apr/Nissan 22
*Arthur Witz	Evelyn Sevel's Father.....	18-Apr/Nissan 22
Sylvia Blank	Alan Blank's Mother.....	19-Apr/Nissan 23
Marcos Handelman-Wolman	Sara Fainstein's Brother.....	19-Apr/Nissan 23
Menashe Rosenfeld	Sara Limenes' Father.....	19-Apr/Nissan 23
Sharlene Chester	Evelyn Sevel's Sister.....	20-Apr/Nissan 24
Betty Feldmar	Toni Goldstein's Mother, Jennifer Meltzer's Grandmother.....	20-Apr/Nissan 24
Jimmie Semel	Bernie Semel's Mother.....	20-Apr/Nissan 24
David Sevel	Remembered by Evie Sevel.....	20-Apr/Nissan 24
Esther Cohen	Remembered by Aaron Rubinstein.....	21-Apr/Nissan 25
Maurice Grossman	Sherry Berlin's Father.....	21-Apr/Nissan 25
James Fee	Laurel Corona's Husband.....	22-Apr/Nissan 26
Perla Miller	Silvia Gold's Mother.....	22-Apr/Nissan 26
*Rosie Artenstein	Sarah Artenstein's Daughter.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Berta Fainstein	Jaime Fainstein's Mother.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Moritz Grun	Elizabeth Green's Great Uncle.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Philip Kalker	Remembered by Gail Kalker.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Bernard Kleger	Jeffrey Kleger's Father.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Julianna Szekely	Elizabeth Green's Great Aunt.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Aaron Wapner	Remembered by Frida Wapner.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Paya Wapner	Remembered by Frida Wapner.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Sarah Wapner	Remembered by Frida Wapner.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Agnes Erzsebet Szekely	Elizabeth Green's Cousin.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Eva Weisz	Elizabeth Green's Cousin.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Ilona Weisz	Elizabeth Green's Great Aunt.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Jakab Weisz	Elizabeth Green's Great Uncle.....	23-Apr/Nissan 27
Anne Jaffe	Elaine Smith an Janice Zipp Cannizzaro's Aunt.....	24-Apr/Nissan 28
Audrey Karsh	Remembered by Ohr Shalom.....	24-Apr/Nissan 28
Zev Deicas	Mauricio Deicas' Father.....	25-Apr/Nissan 29
Samuel Green	Remembered by Marda Rose.....	25-Apr/Nissan 29
*Joseph Jacobs	David Jacob's Father.....	25-Apr/Nissan 29
Frida Sheiman	Libe Marek's Grandmother.....	25-Apr/Nissan 29
Joseph Marcus Siprut	Mark Siprut's Father.....	25-Apr/Nissan 29
Richard H. Cupples	Remembered by Alice Broudy Cupples.....	26-Apr/Nissan 30
Miriam Sirotzky	Becky Reznik's Mother.....	26-Apr/Nissan 30
*Alex Veinbergs	Jacobo Veinbergs and Sylvia Galicot's Father.....	26-Apr/Nissan 30
*Ethel Edyce Wasserman	Jacquelin Ander's Mother.....	27-Apr/Iyar 1
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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**April 2017**

**Nisan/Iyyar 5777**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <b>Second Seder</b> <b>Tues. April 11, 6:00pm</b>	 <b>Yom Hashoah Program with Ruth Sax</b> <b>Sun. April 23, 6:45pm</b>	 <b>Movie Night</b> <b>Sun. April 30, 6:45pm</b>	 <b>Caregivers Anonymous</b> <b>Wed. May 3, 7:00pm</b>	 <b>Camp Mountain Chai</b> <b>May 5-7</b>		1 5 Nisan <b>Parshat Vayikra</b> Shabbat Service 9:30am Shuli Shabbat 10:00am
2 6 Nisan Interfaith Book Study at St. Paul's 9:00am Religious School 9:30am Minyan 6:15pm Lights of Ohr Shalom 5:00pm	3 7 Nisan Minyan 6:15pm Choir Practice 6:30pm	4 8 Nisan Adult Ed: Talmud 5:00pm Minyan 6:15pm	5 9 Nisan Adult Ed: TaNaKh 2:00pm Minyan 6:15pm	6 10 Nisan Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	7 11 Nisan Office Closes 2:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service "Ask the Rabbi" 7:15pm  6:55pm	8 12 Nisan <b>Parshat Tzav Shabbat HaGadol</b> Shabbat Service 9:30am
9 13 Nisan Minyan 6:15pm Search for Hametz	10 14 Nisan <b>Fast of the Firstborn Erev Pesach</b> Office Closes 2:00pm  6:57pm	11 15 Nisan <b>Pesach I</b> Office Closed Pesach Service 9:30am Community Seder 6:00pm	12 16 Nisan <b>Pesach II</b> Omer Day 1 Office Closed Pesach Service 9:30am	13 8 Iyyar <b>Pesach III</b> Omer Day 2 Minyan 6:15pm	14 18 Nisan <b>Pesach IV</b> Omer Day 3 Office Closes 2:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:15pm  7:00pm	15 19 Nisan <b>Shabbat Pesach</b> Omer Day 4 Learners' Shacharit 9:30am Shabbat Torah Service 10:15am
16 20 Nisan <b>Pesach VI</b> Omer Day 5 Minyan 6:15pm  7:02pm	17 21 Nisan <b>Pesach VII</b> Omer Day 6 Office Closed Pesach Service 9:30am	18 22 Nisan <b>Pesach VIII</b> Omer Day 7 Office Closed Pesach Service with Yizkor 9:30am	19 23 Nisan Omer Day 8 Minyan 6:15pm	20 8 Iyyar Omer Day 9 Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	21 25 Nisan Omer Day 10 Office Closes 2:00pm Shabbat Kehillati 6:15pm Community Dinner 7:15pm  7:05pm	22 26 Nisan <b>Parshat Shimini</b> Omer Day 11 Shabbat Service 9:30am
23 27 Nisan Omer Day 12 Religious School 9:30am Yom HaShoah at JCC 1:30pm Minyan 6:15pm Yom HaShoah at Ohr Shalom 6:45pm	24 28 Nisan <b>Yom HaShoah</b> Omer Day 13 Minyan 6:15pm Choir Practice 6:30pm	25 29 Nisan Omer Day 14 Adult Ed: Talmud 5:00pm Minyan 6:15pm Adult Ed: Women and the Bible 6:30pm	26 30 Nisan Omer Day 15 <b>Rosh Chodesh Iyyar</b> Adult Ed: TaNaKh 2:00pm Minyan 6:15pm Men's Club Poker 7:00pm	27 1 Iyyar Omer Day 16 <b>Rosh Chodesh Iyyar</b> Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh Program 6:30pm	28 2 Iyyar Omer Day 17 Office Closes 2:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service ZAMRU 6:15pm  7:10pm	29 3 Iyyar <b>Parshat Tazria-Metzora</b> Omer Day 18 Shabbat Service with Kitah Vav & Zayin 9:30am Lunch & Learn 12:00pm
30 4 Iyyar Omer Day 19 Religious School 9:30am Minyan 6:15pm Movie Night 6:45pm Community Yom HaZikaron Commemoration 7:00pm	1 5 Iyyar <b>Yom HaZikaron</b> Omer Day 20 Minyan 6:15pm Choir Practice 6:30pm	2 6 Iyyar <b>Yom HaAtzma'ut</b> Omer Day 21 Adult Ed: Talmud 5:00pm Minyan 6:15pm	3 7 Iyyar Omer Day 22 Adult Ed: TaNaKh 2:00pm Minyan 6:15pm	4 8 Iyyar Omer Day 23 Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	5 9 Iyyar Omer Day 24 Office Closes 2:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:15pm  7:15pm	6 10 Iyyar <b>Parshat Achrei Mot-Kedoshim</b> Omer Day 25 Shabbat Service 9:30am