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Courage to Light the Candle

By Rabbi Scott Meltzer

The days grow shorter. Darkness seems to be winning over the light.

On Sunday night, December 2, when you and I place the first candle in the right-most space on our *Chanukiah* (Chanukah Menorah), we will see the box of candles filled with enough to light for the full eight days. Without doing the math, we know that the box comes with enough candles to light one the first night, two the second, three the third night, and so on, plus a new *shamash* each night.

We know that the light of the menorah will grown brighter each night.

According to the Chanukah story, when our ancestors lit the menorah in the Temple, they believed that it would shine for one day, and then there would be no light at all until they could purify more oil. They could have waited a week, waited until the new oil was almost ready, and then lit their one small jar. Yet they didn't wait -- they lit the menorah.

The world was dark. They had fuel to spread light. They lit.

I look outside my window, and the days are getting shorter. The world appears darker. Literally.

I read the newspaper. I watched the suffering in Tree of Life Congregation, in Pittsburgh, through the Jewish

world, throughout the world. And the suffering isn't limited to us, to Jews. I see people shot for the color of their skin, for going to school and for no discernible reason.

The world is dark.

We do not know how long winter will remain, how long until the days begin to lengthen. The question is not: do we have enough oil, enough fuel, enough strength, to see us through this darkness? The question is: do we have the courage to light the candles with whatever energy we have? Without knowing if it will be enough, are we going to fight back against the shrinking darkness? In the face of our feeling small, insignificant and depleted, can we muster the strength to make ourselves into the light that will pierce the darkness?

The days grow shorter. Darkness seems to be winning over the light.

No matter the number of candles we each have in our boxes, in the face of immeasurable darkness, it is time to kindle our lights.

A mitzvah of Chanukah is to place the lit menorah in the window – פרסומי ניסא – to publicize the miracle. Let's light our lights and share them boldly, glowingly in public, and let us make tomorrow a brighter day.

Sunday, December 9, 5:00pm

Ohr Shalom CHANUKAH PARTY for the Entire Family

Food
Piñata
Crafts
Donut Decorating
Dancing
Prizes
and Latkes, of course!

Suggested contribution:
\$5/\$10 for a family

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WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Lynn Mendelsohn
President

Mr. Rogers' Kehillah, Part 2

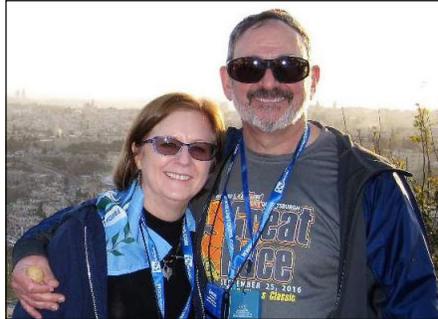
My column in the August *Davar* was about Pittsburgh-based TV personality Fred Rogers. It celebrated his having devoted a lifetime of energy and creativity, day-by-day and with purpose, to the project of nurturing the mental health of America's children. I also intended my piece to be a tribute to the congenial Jewish community (*kehillah*), where Mr. Rogers actually lived – Squirrel Hill.

From roughly 1970 to 1973, when I was a graduate student at the University of Pittsburgh, I too lived in Squirrel Hill. Since the shootings there in late October, I have not been able to get that neighborhood out of my mind. Hence, this repeat visit.

Squirrel Hill is roughly the size of San Diego's Hillcrest. Were we to pop Squirrel Hill onto Hillcrest, its approximate boundaries would be Washington to Quince Streets and Curlew Street to Sixth Avenue. Squirrel Hill doesn't look like Hillcrest, though. Due to Pittsburgh's wet climate, it is lush. The Native Americans who first settled the area called it "Squirrel Hill" to highlight its merits as a hunting ground. Around the turn of the 20th century, Squirrel Hill was developed as an address for the up-and-coming, so many of its homes are large, sturdy, red-brick and handsome. The top branches of tall old hardwood trees do tiny fist bumps from opposite sides of its narrow streets.

For nearly a century, Squirrel Hill has been distinctively Jewish. Imagine Hillcrest if it were, like Squirrel Hill, the home of 16,000 Jews, supporting 12 synagogues of every denomination, four (yes 4) Jewish day schools, three Kosher restaurants, a Holocaust Museum, and the city's Jewish Community Center. This is not to mention the butcher shops, bakeries, coffee shops, bistros, ice cream parlors, Kosher-style delis, boutiques and general stores that are owned and operated by Jewish families. Little's Shoes, the most famous shoe store in Pittsburgh, has been there for decades.

How would it feel to live in such a community? *Hamish?* Familiar? Safe? One of the friendliest cities in the U.S.,



Dr. Richard Gottfried and his wife, Dr. Peg Durachko, in Jerusalem last year

Pittsburgh is a place that natives don't seem to be able to leave. Of my 21 first cousins, only two have moved elsewhere. From what I have discovered, just one of the 11 victims of the October 27th shootings – a woman from Toronto who worked in educational research at Pitt – had not been brought up in or near Pittsburgh.

Four of the victims did not technically reside in Squirrel Hill, and the person who commuted the farthest that Shabbat morning was 65-year-old Dr. Richard Gottfried, who maintained a dental practice with his wife Peg near their home in the North Hills, where I grew up. From about 1981 to 2000, my brother Bob was Dr. Gottfried's dental patient, and he still might have been a regular in that dental chair had the practice not exited Bob's employer's insurance plan. As it was, Bob and Rich belonged to the same gym, and my sister-in-law and Peg were involved with the same volunteer organizations, so they kept in touch. Rich was self-effacing and generous. He and Peg provided free dental services as volunteers at Catholic Charities of Pittsburgh, and served as part-time staff at the low-cost Squirrel Hill Dental Clinic, whose patients were primarily immigrants. According to my brother, Rich always was smiling.

To ever-so-slightly mitigate my astonishment and grief, I intend to observe *18 Cheshvan* as both the *yahrzeit* of Richard Gottfried and the terrible anniversary of the day when lovely, busy, welcoming, humid Squirrel Hill became the site of the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in U.S. history.



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- December 5 for January issue
- January 5 for February issue

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OHR SHALOM SERVICE SCHEDULE

KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday, December 7 - 7:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service with the Ohr Shalom Choir)
 Friday, December 14 - 6:15pm (Kehillatit)
 Friday, December 21 - 6:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service)
 Friday, December 28 - 6:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service)

Jr. Congregation



Saturday, December 1, 11:00am

An interactive, hands-on service for pre-B'nai Mitzvah kids (5-12). We'll sing, discuss, laugh, and find ways to make the Shabbat morning service accessible and enjoyable for each one of us.

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

with the Ohr Shalom Choir.

Friday, December 7th at 7:15pm



SHABBAT MORNING LEARNERS SHACHARIT

Saturday December 8, 9:30am (Torah Service 10:15am)

A new Shabbat morning experience. Become better acquainted with the morning service, its contents, organization, choreography and meaning. Discuss and practice modalities of Jewish spirituality as related to praying within the community.




LUNCH & LEARN

Saturday, December 8, 12:45pm

Come for Shabbat services and stay for lunch and discussion.

Shabbat Kehillatit



Friday, December 14

Family-friendly service: 6:15pm	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non-members</u>
Community Dinner: 7:15pm	Adults: \$12	Adults: \$15
<i>Please RSVP for dinner by December 10</i>	Children (5-12yrs): \$5	Children (5-12yrs): \$8

Tot Shabbat

Saturday, December 15 10:00am to 11:30am

Tots, parents and grandparents celebrating Shabbat morning together. (Newborns to 5-year-olds)




Seudah Shlishit

We will be celebrating the transition from Shabbat to weekday through food, song, and learning. Rabbi Adler will teach a small shiur, with time before and after for singing. Please bring your favorite Shabbat melodies!

Saturday, December 15th at 4:00pm

PARSHIYOT AND CANDLELIGHTING

December 2018

PARSHAT VAYESHEV  4:25pm
 Fri. November 30 | 22 Kislev
 Sat: December 1 | 23 Kislev
 Torah: Genesis 37:1 - 40:23
 Haft: Amos 2:6 - 3:8

PARSHAT MIKETZ  4:24pm
 Fri. December 7 | 29 Kislev
 Sat: December 8 | 30 Kislev
 Torah: Genesis 41:1 - 44:17
 Haft: Zechariah 2:14-4:7

PARSHAT VAYIGASH  4:26pm
 Fri. December 14 | 6 Tevet
 Sat: December 15 | 7 Tevet
 Torah: Genesis 44:18 - 47:27
 Haft: Ezekiel 37:15 - 37:28

PARSHAT VAYECHI  4:29pm
 Fri. December 21 | 13 Tevet
 Sat: December 22 | 14 Tevet
 Torah: Genesis 47:28 - 50:26
 Haft: I Kings 2:1 - 2:12

PARSHAT SHEMOT  4:33pm
 Fri. December 28 | 20 Tevet
 Sat: December 29 | 21 Tevet
 Torah: Exodus 1:1 - 6:1
 Haft: Isaiah 27:6 - 28:13; 29:22 - 29:23

Ohr Shalom's Choir!

Come join us on Mondays at 6:30pm

**December 3
 December 10
 December 17**



Shabbat Morning Babysitting

Reservations are strongly recommended.
 E-mail your reservation to: office@ohrshalom.org





MEMBER CARE

Louise Chandler
Member Care Chair

NEW MEMBER BRUNCH

New members of our Ohr Shalom family were welcomed by Rabbi Meltzer, members of the Ohr Shalom board and Sisterhood at a fantastic Israeli-style brunch in October.

Many thanks to:

Alysson Darroch for artfully designing the invitation.

Aviva Angel for lovingly preparing the delicious food and to **Brian Stennard** for graciously becoming part of the kitchen crew at the last minute.

Linda Kucinski for enthusiastically setting up the room and welcoming our new members.

Hillel and **Zohara Angel** for kindly setting the tables.

Sisterhood for graciously providing bookmarks for the gift bags.

Raulf Polichar and **Lynn Mendelsohn** for being our expert docents on an historical tour of the synagogue.

And especially, thanks to you, our new members. We look forward to seeing you at future Ohr Shalom activities.



PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Aviva Angel
Programs/Events Chair

CELEBRATE THE LAST NIGHT OF CHANUKAH!

Saving the best for last, Ohr Shalom's grand **Chanukah Party** takes place on the very last night of Chanukah! Join us on **Sunday, December 9 at 5:00pm** for the festivities.

The party will begin with a lovely community *Chanukiot* lighting so please bring your *Chanukiah* (Chanukah menorah) and candles, and your lovely singing voices for a Chanukah sing along.

This year's Chanukah party promises to be a very exciting event. Activities include a massive piñata – generously donated by **Sarita Zands** – filled with prizes and treats, free raffles, latkes, crafts, doughnut decorating, fun music and dancing! Dancing will feature some of the funkiest Chanukah songs and will be led by the talented **Brian Ross**.

We have a new and creative Chanukah craft, featuring a STEAM theme. The craft, **Chibitronics**, blends circuit building and programming with arts and crafts.

Looking forward to celebrating Chanukah with you!

Sincere Thanks to Our Guarantors

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SAVE THE DATES

New Members' Shabbat Kehillatit

Friday night, January 11, 2019

Complimentary Shabbat dinner for New Members



"Meet the Board" Shabbat

Friday night, January 25 at 7:15pm

Introducing Ohr Shalom's Board Members



*Kabbalat Shabbat with the
Ohr Shalom Choir
followed by a dessert reception.*

Aufruf Weekend and Wedding Shower

for Rabbi Sydni Adler and Feivel Rubinstein

Please Join us at services on **Saturday morning, February 2** as we celebrate the aufruf of our rabbinic intern Sydni Adler and her fiance Feivel Rubenstein. Join us as well for a special Lunch & Learn after services.

Also, that evening,
Saturday, February 2, for a
Wedding Shower and Party
with the couple

More details to follow



“Rocky Shabbat”: Wise Words from an Esteemed Teacher

Ohr Shalom declared Shabbat *Vayetzei*, November 17th, to be “Rocky Shabbat,” and thereby expressed its appreciation to Rocky Reid, who had written, for 25 years, the weekly “Maise” column in *Kol Ohr Shalom*, commenting on the Torah parasha. Now that Rocky had retired from that project, the synagogue gave him the job of organizing the morning Shabbat service, and, significantly, he was asked to present a *d’rash*. What a wise, eloquent – and moving – talk it turned out to be!

Vayetzei tells the story of Jacob’s troubled relationship with Laban, the father of his two wives Leah and then Rachel. Working with this, and also bringing up Jacob’s later experience of wrestling with a mysterious adversary, Rocky commented that “we all visit this place... the place of life struggle, of God wrestling.... The adversary arrives in the middle of the night, in the middle of life, unwanted, unwelcome, unexpected, unannounced. A tiny spot on an X-ray, a bit of stiffness, a spot of blood. And suddenly we are wrestling with life itself.”



Such experiences irrevocably change us. Like Jacob, Rocky said, “we walk away with a wound, a limp – never to stride casually through life again... Bitterness, anger, depression, fear, loneliness – they all visit during the struggle.” But then, he continued, “something miraculous happens. It may take a month, or a year, or ten years, but we can discover that when we surrender the bitterness... we can heal.” Our bodies inherently seek to repair themselves, as God, through Torah, shows us that we can heal spiritually if we choose order in the world – and in our lives – over confusion.

Rocky related a story, from Midrash, whereby God offered Adam and Eve an opportunity to go back to the ease of residing in *Gan Eden*. Ultimately, they turned Him down, choosing instead to experience the downs and ups of ordinary human lives.

Rocky ended with a tearful observation: “The traditional Jewish prayer is for *refuah schlayma*, a healing of wholeness. We pray for... the courage to embrace life in the face of death. We pray for a circle of friends to dance with us. We pray for wisdom to attach our lives to eternity.”

Yasher Koach, Rocky!

Read Rocky’s entire VAYETZEI DRASH in the EKol.

Men’s Club Poker Game

Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00pm
Contact Joe Hartman: (619) 851-2303.



MOVIE NIGHT



Al Shelden
VP Administration

Sunday Night, December 16, 6:45pm

A modern-day story about a father and his son, the Hasidic Jewish community in the Borough Park section of Brooklyn, the Rabbi and the brother-in-law, mostly in Yiddish (with English subtitles). It will make you laugh, and maybe tear up and think. What could be better in the middle of December? Join us as we show the award-winning film:

MENASHE

After his wife’s death, Menashe struggles to make ends meet and to be a good father to his young son, Rieven. His Rabbi says that tradition requires that Rieven cannot be brought up in a house without a mother, and so, until Menashe remarries, the Rabbi rules Rieven should live with his strict uncle and his wife. Menashe is heartbroken. Menashe is a *shlub* – bright and funny, but not quite firing on all cylinders – who seems to sabotage himself at every turn. His life isn’t in shambles, but it’s not all put together, either. Granting Menashe’s wish, the Rabbi agrees that Rieven can live with Menashe for the week before his wife Leah’s memorial. Menashe sees it as his chance to prove himself to his community and gain the respect of his son.



The movie is filmed on the streets of New York and in Borough Park, using many first-time actors, all of whom make the film feel alive and real.

One reviewer sees the movie as the tale of someone who wants to conform and belong to his community, but also wants there to be change, “Though taking place in the rarefied confines of a Hasidic community, the theme of Menashe’s story is common to that of many genre films – the plight of an individual torn between conformity and independence. When the opening scene is returned to at the end but with significant changes, Menashe has gained something precious, but at the expense of something essential.”

Menashe has been shown around the world, both in theatrical release and at film festivals, and has won numerous awards.

The film is suitable for older teens.



World Wide Wrap: Women and Tefillin with Rabbi Sydni Adler

Please join us **Sunday morning, February 3 at 10:00am** as we participate in the **World Wide**

Wrap with synagogues around the world. Rabbi Adler will be teaching about the mitzvah and traditions of *tefillin*, and teaching how to fulfill the mitzvah. She will include teachings about the history and obligation of women to *tefillin*. Everybody is invited and encouraged to attend.



ADULT EDUCATION

Lita Kleger
Adult Education Chair

Sunday Morning TALK SHOWS

December 16 at 10:00am

Jewish History Show and Tell!

Bring an object to Ohr Shalom from your family's history!

Last year's Sunday Morning Talk Shows focused on the history of Jews in San Diego and the Wild West. Through lectures, study and discussions, numerous fascinating stories began to emerge from the speakers as well as the audience. So many tales, yet so little time!



So, at this Talk Show, WE will be the speakers. Congregants will be asked to share a small slice of their family backgrounds and personal histories through a round robin informal "show and tell" over coffee and donuts.

To spur your imaginations and focus our conversation, we invite you to select **one personal artifact** such as an item of Judaica, a photo, a book, an article of jewelry, a piece of art or craft, or any other easily transportable item that you can bring with you and briefly discuss. We expect that our Sunday Morning discussion will unveil the fascinating richness of the diverse backgrounds and cultures that have come together to build Ohr Shalom.

If you have questions please contact Lita Levine Kleger at lita.kleger@gmail.com (703)627-2847.



CLASSES WITH *with Rabbi Meltzer*

TALMUD: Tuesdays at 4:30pm

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.



Beginning in January 2019

MEDICAL ETHICS AND 21ST CENTURY JUDAISM *with Rabbi Meltzer*

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30am Beginning Jan. 9

1. **Obligation to Heal** January 9
2. **Universal Health Care** January 16
3. **Suicide** January 23
4. **Breathing, Heart Beat & Brain Activity** January 30
5. **Organ Donation** February 6
6. **Fertility Treatments, Pregnancy & Abortion** Feb. 13
7. **How Do We Define Family?** February 20
8. **Making My Own Medical Decisions** February 27



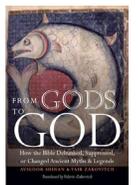
NEW BIBLE CLASS AT OHR SHALOM!

with Rabbi Meltzer

Wednesdays, 12:00-1:30pm Beginning January 9

Following Israeli scholars Avigdor Shinan and Yair Zakovitch, we will study and discuss various tales of the Tanakh in the historical, mythological context from which they come. We will also look at classical rabbinic readings of these tales. Our conversation will be informed by Shinan and Zakovitch's book

From Gods to God: How the Bible Debunked, Suppressed or Changed Ancient Myths & Legends. You are encouraged to obtain the book and come to class prepared according to the following schedule:



- January 9 - "Introduction" & Chapter 1 "Eden's Winged Serpent"
- January 16 - Chapter 2 "When Gods Seduced Women"
- January 23 - Chapter 3 "Moses or God? Who Split the Sea of Reeds?"
- January 30 - Chapter 4 "What is Manna?"



LUNCH & LEARN

Saturday, December 8, 12:45pm

Come for Shabbat services and stay for lunch and discussion.



OHR SHALOM
WELLNESS PROGRAM

Yoga! Meditation! Nutrition! No fee!*

Sundays, December 9 and 23 from 3:00 to 5:00pm

Dates of Spring 2019 classes will be announced soon

Registration required, please contact the
Ohr Shalom Synagogue office
619-231-1456 or office@ohrshalom.org or
Alex Van Frank at alex@alexvvyogi.com

*Limited to 15 participants.
Special Restrictions Apply.

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JEWISH AMERICAN LITERATURE COURSE

8 Tuesday Evenings, January 22–March 12, 6:45-8:00pm

New Class! *Instructor: Tricia Pummill*

Ohr Shalom Congregant and SDSU Professor **Tricia Pummill** will teach a course that will trace the Jewish experience in the United States through the fiction of our great America Jewish writers.

The syllabus will include short works by Emma Lazarus, Abraham Cahan, Isaac Bashevis Singer, Saul Bellow, Bernard Malamud and Bob Dylan, as well as plays and novels by such authors as Arthur Miller, Ira Levin and Philip Roth. Topics to be discussed will include, for example, the ways in which themes and story lines reflect Jewish values, culture and historical experiences, the role of Jewish humor in the texts, and issues of identity amid changing social attitudes.



Readings will be assigned according to the preference of the class members.

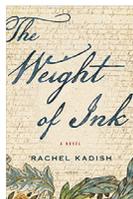
If you are interested in attending the course or would like more information, please contact Tricia at tpummill@hotmail.com.

READINGS WITH THE RABBI

Sunday, 10:30am (Date TBD)

The Weight of Ink

by Rachel Kadish



Set in London of the 1660s and of the early twenty-first century, *The Weight of Ink* is the interwoven tale of two women of remarkable intellect: Ester Velasquez, an emigrant from Amsterdam who is permitted to scribe for a blind rabbi, just before the plague hits the city; and Helen Watt, an ailing historian with a love of Jewish history.

When Helen is summoned by a former student to view a cache of newly discovered seventeenth-century Jewish documents, she enlists the help of Aaron Levy, an American graduate student as impatient as he is charming, and embarks on one last project: to determine the identity of the documents' scribe, the elusive "Aleph."

Electrifying and ambitious, *The Weight of Ink* is about women separated by centuries—and the choices and sacrifices they must make in order to reconcile the life of the heart and mind.

Sunday, 10:30am (Date TBD)

This is Not a Love Story

by Judy Brown



SAVE THE DATE

Annual Tu B'Shvat Festival

Leichtag Foundation's
Coastal Roots Farm, Encinitas

January 20, 2019

Lovely and Memorable Pre-Chanukah Arts & Crafts Fair

Throughout the morning and early afternoon of November 18th, Ohr Shalom's social hall brimmed over with wonderful objects to behold, touch, taste and/or purchase! We owe a million thank yous to the superbly talented people who made the event so very enjoyable:

Exhibitors: **Stephanie Aramis-Wells, Sue Brown, Beth Burke-Vann, Mina Cohen, Bobbie Greene, Dana Greene, Joe Hartman, Jacqueline Jacobs, David and Lisa Mandel, Amy Morris, Esther Moscona, Justina Nemoj, Rebecca Sauer, Anita Szmulowicz, Alex Van Frank, Rosie Veinbergs and Becky Zipp.**

Lecturer/demonstrators: Thanks to **LeAnne Adams, Jacqueline Jacobs, Jessica Lemoine, Amy Morris, and Justina Nemoj** for showing us how they create their work, and for sharing stories about their artistic inspirations.

The Ohr Shalom Sisterhood, whose booth stocked everything anyone ever could want for a happy Chanukah celebration.

Those who fed us: **Rabbi Meltzer** delivered donuts, and Ohr Shalom's own Latke Team (**Izzy Braun, Joe Hartman, Al Shelden and Mark Smith**) served up a delicious potato lunch.

Hooray for the kids of the Ohr Shalom Religious School, who entertained us.

A special todah rabah to **Jacqueline Jacobs** for donating two spectacular ceramic pieces whose sale benefitted Ohr Shalom.



The Ohr Shalom Religious School students entertained the crowd



(Above) Lynn Mendelsohn, Aviva Angel and Lita Kleger showing off their purchases



(Left) Al Shelden and Mark Smith fry up latkes



SISTERHOOD

Susanne Lisker
Past President

I have always deeply admired great educators and this time I would like to tell you about one of the greatest female educators.

Born on October 16, 1926 in Essen, Germany, **Alice Hildegard Shalvi** was the youngest child of Benzion and Perl Margulies, an Orthodox couple who moved to England in 1934. Alice went to state schools while learning Hebrew and Jewish studies privately. In her words, she learned *practical mitzvot*, such as *tzedakah* and *hachnasat orchim* (hospitality), from her parents by example.



Alice Shalvi

In 1944, Alice was admitted to one of two universities for women, Newnham College, Cambridge where she received a BA in English Literature. While in college, she was involved with the Cambridge University Jewish Society, which unusually ran the local synagogue. Alice made history by successfully moving that women be permitted to lead *zmirot* (singing) before and after Shabbat services. She was the first woman invited to do so.

In 1947, she attended the London School of Economics for a post-graduate diploma in Social Work. In 1949, she went to Israel and settled in Jerusalem. She wanted to do social work with Holocaust survivors. However, the government assigned her to Jews deported from Arab countries. They couldn't communicate so she had to forget about her social work. At that time, however, the Hebrew University was looking for teachers in English. Though Alice was not thinking of becoming a teacher, she applied for the job and stayed for 40 years in the University's English Department.

She got her PhD in English. Her thesis, "Renaissance Concepts of Honour in Shakespeare's 'Problem' Plays," was published several years later.

In May 1959 she met an American student, Moshe Shelikowitz, later Shalvi. They were married in October and had six children – Joel, Micha, Ditzza, Hephzibah, Benzion, and Pnina.

Between 1969 and 1973, Alice constituted the English Department at the Institute of the Negev (today the Ben Gurion University of the Negev). She was a member of the appointments committee, where she advocated for the appointment and promotion of women faculty members.

Having been denied the position of Dean, she learned from other women colleagues that they had also been discriminated against and sexually harassed. As a result, she convened a meeting for all women working in their field and was appointed to submit a list of complaints and demands to male heads of institutions. The demands were met after the men claimed to have been unaware of the reported inequities.

Between 1975 and 1990, Alice served as headmistress of the Pelech Experimental Religious High School for Girls. Her motto – no area of knowledge should be closed to women solely based on their gender. In 1991, the school was



SISTERHOOD CORNER

Marda Rose
Sisterhood President

Thanks for a great November. It was wonderful seeing many of you at our events.

Join Us for Breakfast

Meet up with Sisterhood members and enjoy a cup of coffee or a small bite to eat at Lofty Coffee (444 W Cedar St) at 10am on **Sunday, December 9** during Religious School.



Sisterhood Table

Our next Sisterhood Table will be during the kehillatit dinner on **Friday, December 14**. Join us at the table to enjoy dinner and conversation. We will have a Sisterhood table reserved for dinner following the service. Seating at the table is limited to women only so that we can bond with other Sisterhood members. Please RSVP to the office and mention that you would like to be seated at the Sisterhood table.

Sisterhood Gift Shop

Looking for Sisterhood Member Volunteers to help with opening the gift shop. If you are interested please contact giftshop@ohrshalom.org.

Gift Shop Hours – By appointment at giftshop@ohrshalom.org.

Jewelry, Candlesticks, Kiddush Cups, Mezuzot, Scrolls, and More!

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Special Requests? Email us.



awarded the prestigious Education Prize by the Ministry of Education.

In 1984, she established the Israel Women's Network. In 1997 she was invited to serve as rector of the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies. She retired in 2003.

Well known as a public speaker and social activist, her contributions to Jewish education, Israel culture and Jewish feminism have been widely recognized. She has been awarded many honorary degrees, awards and honors, among which was the Israel Prize for lifetime achievements in 2007.



ISRAEL DESK

Susie Meltzer
Israel Desk

HIAS IN ISRAEL: An Honored History of Helping Immigrants

HIAS was founded as the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society in 1881 to assist Jews fleeing pogroms in Russia and other countries in Eastern Europe. Since then its expansive work has affected the lives of Jews all over the world.

HIAS has always had a special relationship with Israel. As early as 1927, before the State of Israel was even founded, HIAS was helping Jews to immigrate to Palestine. Following the end of World War II, HIAS started an office in Israel to assist the large waves of *olim* in their absorption and integration into Israeli society. In the following decades, when Jews were forced out of their countries, HIAS was there, helping to rescue them and bring them to Israel.

Their task continued into the 1960s, rescuing Jews from Algeria, Tunisia and Libya. Then HIAS arranged with Morocco's King Hassan for the evacuation of his country's enormous Jewish community to Israel. Again in 1977 HIAS helped evacuate the Jews of Ethiopia, which culminated in several dramatic airlifts to Israel.

In more recent years, the Israeli government and the Jewish Agency have assumed responsibility for immigration and absorption of refugees. HIAS now plays a unique role in the development of the Israeli asylum system. For example, Israel is currently host to more than 39,000 African asylum seekers, mostly from Sudan and Eritrea. Many found entry at great risk through the Sinai Peninsula. The Israeli government classifies them as economic migrants and not refugees from persecution. Consequently, in their new role, HIAS has stepped in and provided hundreds of these asylum seekers with legal assistance for help with asylum claims, family reunification, humanitarian requests and other proceedings.

HIAS has also been recently in the American news. The spotlight was on its mission in the United States to help resettle the most vulnerable refugees of all faiths and ethnicities from all over the world. HIAS partners with Jewish Family Service and other social service organizations to resettle refugees in nearly 20 cities across the country, including San Diego.

HIAS has continued doing *tikkun olam* for over a hundred years, helping immigrants start a new life, working in Israel, in the United States and many places around the world. It is needed now as much as ever.

MY PEOPLE WERE REFUGEES TOO



RABBINIC INTERN

Sydni Adler
Rabbinic Intern

Chanukah - A Rededication After Tragedy

On a Monday in late October, Rabbi Ed Feinstein taught his Homiletics class to my cohort of rabbinical students on the topic of communal tragedy. As rabbis, we're expected to respond to tragedy with words that hit some sort of balance between despair and hope, while maintaining our own emotional stability in the process. On the Shabbat after this particular Homiletics class, a shooting occurred at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, and the Jewish community joined with many others in shock and mourning. A couple of weeks later, in walking distance of my childhood home, another shooting occurred at Borderline Bar and Grill in Thousand Oaks, and my friends and I spent the day checking in with one another to see if we were all safe. And just one day later, a fire started near Thousand Oaks and consumed the neighborhood I grew up in. Thank goodness, my family is healthy, and their home was spared, except for a couple of rose bushes, but many of our neighbors were not so lucky; many of the places in which I formed childhood memories are now burnt to the ground. As I write this, flames still rage throughout the state.

And I bring myself back to that Monday in late October, to one of Rabbi Feinstein's suggestions about what to say in times in which places we once thought to be safe and comfortable become scary and unsettling. Rabbi Feinstein reminded us of the Chanukah story – we read about the glorious ending as kids, but we often bypass the horrors that led up to the miracle. The Chanukah story begins with war, bloodshed and the defiling of the Holy Temple, our most sacred space. But at the end, the lamp is lit as a symbol of rededication of that space into something sacred once more. On Chanukah, we reenact the event of officially declaring that this space, no matter what may have happened here before, is just as, perhaps even more sacred than it was before. On Chanukah, we break through the literally increasing darkness of winter through new light, new hope in what's to come.

After any tragedy that destroys a place we once thought was safe or sacred, it can never be easy or realistic to go back to thinking about that same place the way it was thought of before. However, it's always possible to rededicate. Personally, I ask the questions – what sort of ritual can I perform the next time I'm home to express my gratitude for the health of my family? How can I act to express my solidarity with their neighbors who are less fortunate? What can we do, as a synagogue community, to redefine what it means to feel comfortable and confident in this space on a Saturday morning? With real intention, let's take on this Chanukah as a time for rededication, for redefinition of the importance of this space and what we can each do to confidently make it our own.



SOCIAL ACTION

Rachel Millstone
Social Action Chair



Chanukah: Rededicate that which is yours to give...

The times we live in call for radical kindness and goodness. More light.

As we light candles this month for the bright holiday of Chanukah, may we rededicate our attention to a true understanding of the notion that the world is made whole as we each offer what is ours to give.

In our rich Judaic tradition, the term **tikkun olam** (literally “world repair”) was once associated with a mystical approach to all mitzvot, as a way of repairing the hurt, the pain, and the injustices in the world.

And, beginning in the 1950s, the term began to be used to refer to social action and acts of social justice including **tzedakah** (charity), **gemilut hasadim** (acts of kindness), and progressive approaches to social issues.

Here at Ohr Shalom, the Social Action Committee seeks to envision projects that will infuse our surrounding community with the healing acts of tikkun olam. But, **we need you** and your ideas to make these projects a reality. What is an idea you have? What are ways you can meaningful take part? No action, no donation, nothing is too small to have impact. It all matters – every action brings light to the world.

Please peruse the monthly social action projects in each Davar issue, and see which ones speak to you. Then, answer with a call of **“hineini,”** here I am!

As we light our *Chanukiot* this season, may we be ever mindful of the opportunities around us to bring light and goodness into the world.

This Chanukah, rededicate that which is yours to give – whether that be your time, your creative ideas, financial resources, or the gift of your time.

Chag Sameach!

THANKSGIVING RUN FOR THE HUNGRY

Thank you to Team Captain **Tricia Pummill** and “Team Ohr Shalom” for walking/running (or choosing the “sleep-in” option) in this year’s Run for the Hungry on Thanksgiving morning: **Aviva Angel, Ivan & Lynn Mendelsohn, Tricia Pummill, Tyler Robbins, Emma Sasson, Al Shelden, Gillian Argoff-Treseder, Cantor Cheri & Daniel Weiss.**



How will you help?

DONATION!



Opportunities to Donate:

(to bins in synagogue lobby)

***Blankets/ sleeping bags** for the homeless and/or for VVSD (Veterans Village San Diego)



***NEW socks/underwear** for men and NEW bras, underwear and socks for women during the colder months of **December, January, and February**



Questions? Ideas?

Please contact:
Rachel Millstone,
Social Action Chair at
rdmillstone@gmail.com

ACTION!



Opportunities to Act:

***Cook/serve dinner** for the Safe Parking Program at JFS.



Tuesday, December 11.
[5:30pm, set up; 5:30-7:30pm, serve; 7:30-8:00pm, clean up].
Contact Jane Zeer:
janezeer@cox.net
or Rachel Millstone:
rdmillstone@gmail.com.

***TAY Academy Lunch Project**
Participate in the weekly food donation to the **TAY Academy**, drop-in facility serving homeless teens and young adults. There are over 1,000 homeless teens living in America’s Finest City. Please help us partner with TAY!
Contact Marilyn Shelden at
Marilyn.shelden@gmail.com.



Thank you for the collective effort in providing 25 turkeys to Christie’s Place, serving women and children affected by HIV/AIDS.

Generously underwritten by
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Thank you to our donors:

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Samy and Sara Zands**



SOCIAL ACTION CONT.

A Special THANK YOU from TAY Academy

Thank You

to Ohr Shalom Synagogue for the generous donation which allowed TAY Academy to buy furniture, food, and all items needed for their new 8-unit housing program.



Please remember to bring your non-perishable food items for the **Jewish Family Service Hand Up Pantry** whenever you come to synagogue. Look for the blue barrel in the Lobby.



Monetary donations to the **Social Action Fund** go a long way towards making our projects successful and robust. Consider allocating your next donation to this fund when you honor a loved one or mark a celebration!



We welcome you to participate in the **Ohr Shalom Social Action Committee**. Please contact the Chair, Rachel Millstone, at rdmillstone@gmail.com for more information, or with any questions you might have. We would love your input and welcome you whole-heartedly to this wonderful group in any way you feel you can participate! This is the year! Come join us!



Ohr Shalom – Camp Ramah Partnership Scholarships

We are very excited to announce a **brand new** Scholarship program to send two new Ohr Shalom children to summer **Camp Ramah** in **Ojai**.

Two current 2nd, 3rd or 4th graders will be selected to receive this scholarship, which will include:

\$1,000 in scholarship from Ohr Shalom

\$700 in scholarship from One Happy Camper

\$600 in scholarship from Camp Ramah.

All combined, this will reduce the cost of a 2-week session for the summer of 2019 from \$2,800 all the way down to \$500.



To be eligible for the Ohr Shalom – Camp Ramah Partnership Scholarship the child must be a current 2nd, 3rd or 4th grader who has never attended sleep away camp before.

Children selected for this summer will also be eligible for a second summer scholarship for 2020.

If you are interested in applying for your child, please send an email to ramahscholarship@ohrshalom.org by **January 18, 2019**.

Mishnah teaches that one mitzvah leads to another. The only way to contribute to the Ohr Shalom Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund is to fulfill the mitzvah of attending our Daily Minyan, and while there, fulfill the mitzvah of giving tzedakah! Thank you to those who have attended and will attend the Daily Minyan for making this scholarship possible.

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, January 20, 2019, 5:00pm

Annual Movie Night Sing-Along

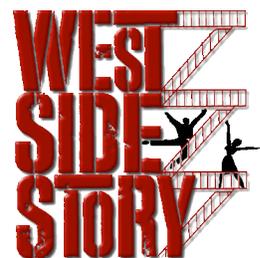
The tale, based on Romeo and Juliet, of gang warfare in 1950's New York. Award-winning music, lyrics and dance from Leonard Bernstein, Steven Sondheim and Jerome Robbins.

Dinner to fit the event: American and Puerto Rican foods.

Please RSVP to the Ohr Shalom office at 619-231-1456 or office@ohrshalom.org.



Suggested
donation
\$5.00





RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAIR

Rebecca Zipp
Religious School Chair

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SNAPSHOT

On October 14, a robust parent group strolled from Ohr Shalom to Café Bassam for a delicious and atmospheric breakfast (see photo).

That same morning, their students sang *Lech Lecha* with Bracha. The younger students designed Noah's Arks with Morah Shoshannah (subbing for Morah Ronyt), and the older students had philosophical discussions with Rabbi Josh Sherwin and their regularly scheduled *morot*. I have had the privilege of substituting for our principal, Cheryl Katz, on a handful of recent Sunday mornings. As I visit the classrooms, I see engaged students, devoted teachers, deep learning, and happy faces. As always, if you have comments, questions, or concerns, I can be easily reached at Rebecca.zipp@gmail.com.



Notes

- **Volunteers:** A tremendous thank you to all the parents who have signed up to volunteer during the Religious School year. We both need and appreciate you.
- **Student of the Month:** After a brief hiatus this fall, the Religious School Student of the Month profile is back. Mazel tov to **Noah Van Goor** and his family on his selection as our December student of the month.
- **Mourning:** The entire Religious School community extends its heartfelt condolences to the **Yochanan family** for the unfathomable loss of their baby boys, **Benjamin** and **Levi**. May your family find comfort among the mourners of Zion.



YOUTH PROGRAMS

Jessica Lemoine
Youth Programs



KADIMA/JR. USY AND OHR SHALOM YOUTH GROUP (OSYG)

Welcomes all 4th-7th grade students (Kadima/Jr. USY) and 8th-12th grade students (OSYG) to monthly events and activities.

For monthly announcements and to sign up for activities, contact Jessica Lemoine: by text: 860-416-2473; by email: jessicasontag.lemoine@gmail.com.

OSYG and Kadima/Jr USY

Sunday, December 2, 5:30-7:30 pm.

Chanukah Party at the Lemoine's for first candle. Families are welcome. Join us for music and latkes, games and *sufganiyot*.



Ohr Shalom ON THE TOWN Spring 2019

All new! Ohr Shalom on the Town, Spring 2019

Here is the upcoming **On the Town** lineup:



The Big Molinsky: Considering Joan Rivers, presented by Nellie McKay, Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, Garfield Theater, Thursday, February 21, 2019, at 8 pm. In this one-woman show, McKay portrays the inimitable Joan (whose actual surname was Molinsky). She also plays piano, sings, and spoofs Joan's show-biz friends. Group discount tickets will cost \$28.50 apiece.



Prokofiev's Classic **Peter and the Wolf**, San Diego Symphony, Sunday, March 31, 2 pm, Copley Symphony Hall. A new departure for On the Town, this is a family concert, but its wonderful music will thrill everyone! Adult tickets will cost \$27 and kids, \$12.



They Promised Her the Moon, by Laurel Ollstein. Old Globe Theater, Tuesday, April 9, 7 pm. Based on the true story of Jerri Cobb, an extraordinary aviator and record-holding test pilot, the play explores the subtle but powerful forces that kept women out of America's early space program. Contains strong language. Ticket price not yet set.

Lynn Mendelsohn will continue to handle ticket purchases for *Ohr Shalom on the Town*. Her email address is mendasst@n2.net.

OSYG

Friday, December 14, 4pm to Saturday, Dec 15, 10pm. USY Teen Shabbaton at Tifereth Israel Synagogue. \$70 (Scholarships available). *7th graders are permitted to attend this event. RSVP to Jessica by Sunday, Dec 9 to attend.

Saturday, December 22, 5:30pm to Monday, Dec 24, 10am. OSYG Julian weekend away. Watch for an email with more details. Call Jessica Lemoine to sign up to attend.

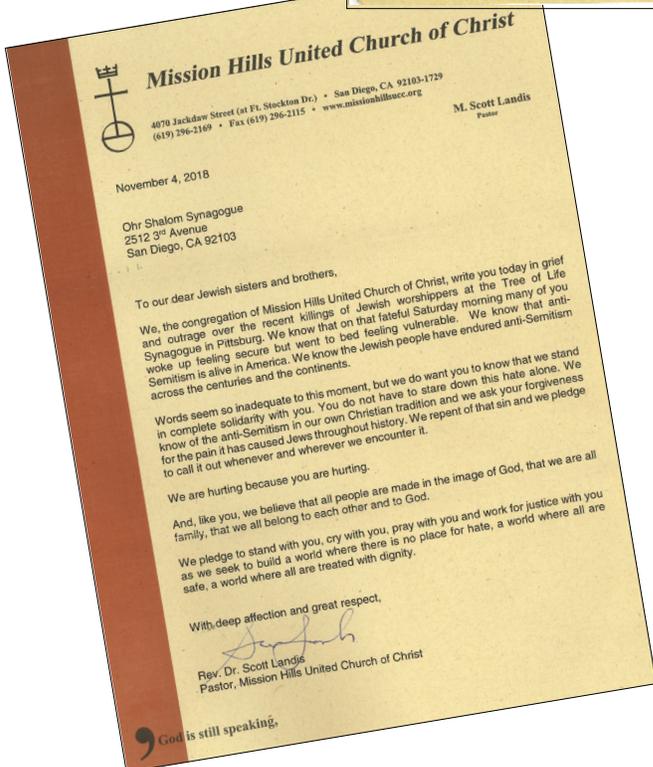
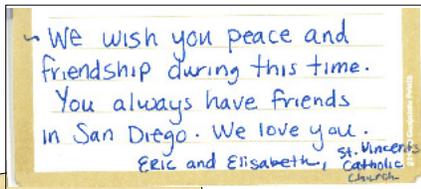
Kadima/Jr USY

Sunday, December 16, 12:30pm. Laser Tag! Meet at Ohr Shalom for lunch. \$25 includes lunch after Hebrew school, transportation and 2 rounds of Laser tag.

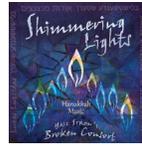
COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Rabbi Meltzer found a bouquet of flowers on our synagogue's doorstep the morning after the Pittsburgh shooting. The message read, "My heart breaks. Thinking of you with love."



COMMUNITY EVENTS



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Tuesday, December 4, 7:00pm

Smith Recital Hall, Music Building, SDSU

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**Chanukah Lighting of the
Fourth Chanukah Candle**

Wednesday, December 5, 7:00pm

Ohr Shalom Synagogue

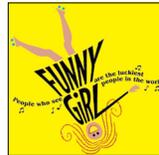
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**50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
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Tuesday, December 25, 2018 at 5pm

David & Dorothea Garfield Theatre at the JCC

It's December 25, and that means Chinese food and a movie: the Chinese food will be Kosher and the movie will be William Wyler's *Funny Girl*, which is now 50 years young. The story (in case you didn't know) centers on the life of Fanny Brice—imitably portrayed by Barbra Streisand—a famed entertainer of the early 1900s.

Registration required by December 18.

<https://www.sdcjc.org/pas/index.aspx>

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Amy and Bill Morris, who will be attending, request that other registered persons contact them regarding transportation, housing, etc., at amymorris.sd@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE

OPTIONS

THE WOMEN'S EVENT

UJF Women's Options, Jennifer Meltzer, Co-Chair

February 24, 2019

TODAH RABAH AND LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

Thank you for your generous donations in October and November

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In memory of Aharon Ozeri

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Yvonne Scarlett

We apologize for any omissions.

Mazal Tov to:

Daniel Hoskins and family on
Daniel's **Bar Mitzvah**

Oscar and **Allison Burakoff** on the
birth of their twin **daughters**.

Eddie Mendelsohn on the birth of
his **grandson**.

Condolences to:

Zeji Ozeri on the passing of his
beloved Father, **Aharon Ozeri**.

Avigayil and **Solomon Yochanan**
and **Family** of the passing of their
beloved Sons **Levi Isaac Yochanan**
and **Binyamin Isaiah Yochanan**.

Dorothy Canter on the passing of
her Sister, **Ruth Gottlieb**, Aunt to
Marilyn Shelden.

*May their memory be for
a blessing to all those
who knew them and
loved them.*



Reminder:

There is still time to make
a year-end tax-deductible
donation to Ohr Shalom or take
care of your membership dues
by December 31, 2018. Call the
office to make a payment or send
a check by year-end.

Todah Rabah!



Todah Rabah

to our November Shabbat Service Leaders, Torah and
Haftarah Readers, D'rashot and Minyan Leaders:

LeAnne Adams
Hillel Angel
Sue Brown
Vanina Bunton
Louise Chandler
Rabbi Yonina Creditor
Jonathan Geiger
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Joe Hartman
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Bill Morris
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Michael Okin
Brian Ross
Aaron Rubinstein
Brian Stennard
Jennifer Tabak-Levy
Raulf Polichar
Cantor Cheri Weiss
Dan Weiss
Marvin Yudkovitz
Jane Zeer

Todah Rabah to our October and November Shabbat Kehillatit Dinner Volunteers:

Marci Prag, Matt Razinsky, Vanina Bunton, Jim Lewis, Miriam Bergman and Rabbi Meltzer.

Yahrzeits

Yojeved Rosenfeld	Sara Limenes' Mother	2-Dec/24 Kislev
*Minnie Witz	Evelyn Sevel's Mother	2-Dec/24 Kislev
Joseph Reitsky	Dorothy Canter's Father, Marilyn Shelden's Grandfather	3-Dec/25 Kislev
Rebeca Levy	Alberto Levy and Beatriz-Levy Israel's Mother	5-Dec/26 Kislev
Haya Abramovic	Faye Levy's Mother	6-Dec/27 Kislev
Jack Hartman	Joe Hartman's Father	6-Dec/27 Kislev
*Alberto Levy	Vicky Cohen's Father, Beto Cohen's Grandfather	7-Dec/29 Kislev
Elaine Green	Marda Rose's Aunt	8-Dec/30 Kislev
Guillermo Ramirez	Julia Stone's Father	8-Dec/30 Kislev
Betty Stopnik	Roz Berman's Mother	8-Dec/30 Kislev
Sidney Feldmar	Toni Goldstein's Father, Jennifer Meltzer's Grandfather	9-Dec/1 Tevet
Pola Gitler	Sara Fainstein's Aunt	9-Dec/1 Tevet

YAHARZEITS

Gil Liberberg	Liza Tacher's Father	9-Dec/1 Tevet
*Rabbi Yacob Goldberg	Esther Tishman's Father, Rosa Ratniewski and Lilian Deicas' Grandfather	10-Dec/2 Tevet
Ruth Himelfarb	Steve Fox's Grandmother.....	10-Dec/2 Tevet
Anna Paget Lacher	Roberta Shoman's Grandmother.....	11-Dec/3 Tevet
Rose E. Rose	Marda Rose's Grandmother	11-Dec/3 Tevet
*Helen Zipp	Janice Zipp Cannizzaro and Elaine Smith's Mother	12-Dec/4 Tevet
Abraham Cohen	Remembered by Aaron Rubinstein.....	13-Dec/5 Tevet
Clifford Francis	Yvonne Scarlett's Grandfather.....	13-Dec/5 Tevet
Efrain Yudovich	Ite Cohen's Father	13-Dec/5 Tevet
Matilde Cohen	Esther Modiano's Grandmother.....	14-Dec/6 Tevet
Lena Forman	Laurie Slade's Grandmother.....	14-Dec/6 Tevet
*George Millstone	Rachel Millstone's Father	14-Dec/6 Tevet
Rae Tenen	Remembered by Joe Rubin.....	14-Dec/6 Tevet
Sosya Berman	Raisa Green's Mother.....	15-Dec/7 Tevet
Ethel Boner	Steve Boner's Mother	15-Dec/7 Tevet
Frances Goldstein	Don Goldstein's Mother	15-Dec/7 Tevet
Lenora Levin Wollman	Alice Broudy Cupples' Aunt	15-Dec/7 Tevet
Steve Shoman	Marty Shoman's Brother.....	15-Dec/7 Tevet
Frances Sutker Goldstein	Jennifer Meltzer's Grandmother	15-Dec/7 Tevet
Hyman Wolpoff	Sheldon Wolpoff's Father	15-Dec/7 Tevet
Sara P. Blumovicz	Remembered by Rafael Slovatzki	16-Dec/8 Tevet
Adriano Corona	Laurel Corona's Son	16-Dec/8 Tevet
Miriam Miliband	Jared Solomon's Grandmother.....	16-Dec/8 Tevet
Thomas Weston	Allison Wolpoff's Father.....	17-Dec/9 Tevet
Edward Gelb	Harvey Gelb's Father.....	18-Dec/10 Tevet
Shie Sheiman	Libe Marek's Grandfather	18-Dec/10 Tevet
Esther B. Feller	Remembered by Ralph Golden.....	19-Dec/11 Tevet
Luis Goldberg	Lina Gorinstein's Brother	19-Dec/11 Tevet
Roslyn Kanevsky	Alberto Levy's Aunt.....	19-Dec/11 Tevet
*Frieda Lacher	Roberta Shoman's Mother.....	19-Dec/11 Tevet
*Harry Cohen	Eddy Cohen's Brother	20-Dec/12 Tevet
*Alberto Hecht	Lilly Hecht's Husband, Ruth Fastag's Father.....	20-Dec/12 Tevet
Sheila Schwartz	Elizabeth Schwartz's Mother	20-Dec/12 Tevet
Stanley Joseph Wisinski	Esther Siegel's Father	20-Dec/12 Tevet
*Ilan Cohen	Trudy Cohen's husband, Eddy Cohen's Brother	21-Dec/13 Tevet
Marie Lyons	Lynn Mendelsohn's Mother.....	21-Dec/13 Tevet
Matilde Galicot	Jose Galicot and Julio Galicot's Mother	22-Dec/14 Tevet
*Alfred Mark	Maxine Weseley's Father	22-Dec/14 Tevet
Anna Burgman Kuttner	Karen Rund and Susie Meltzer's Grandmother.....	23-Dec/15 Tevet
Shlomo Broder	Aaron Rubinstein's Grandfather	24-Dec/16 Tevet
Hugh Douglas	Avigayil Levy-Yochanan's Grandfather.....	24-Dec/16 Tevet
Jacqueline Horstein	Alma Geiger and Harriet Wolpoff's Mother	24-Dec/16 Tevet
Olga May	Miriam Burakoff's Mother.....	24-Dec/16 Tevet
Isaac Penhas	Sally Maizel and Esther Modiano's Father	24-Dec/16 Tevet
*Evelyn Shelden	Al Shelden's Mother	24-Dec/16 Tevet
*Ema Halio	Vida Sportes, Miryam Slovatzki and Reyna Forman's Mother	25-Dec/17 Tevet
Alexander Baron	Stacey Baron-Blank's Father.....	26-Dec/18 Tevet
Esther Levy Behar	Esther Modiano's Grandmother.....	26-Dec/18 Tevet
Rosalind Feller Sacks	Remembered by Ralph Golden.....	27-Dec/19 Tevet
Kalman Tishman	Rosa Ratniewski and Lilian Deicas' Grandfather, Remembered by Esther Tishman	27-Dec/19 Tevet
Benjamin Brener	Jaime Brener's Father	28-Dec/20 Tevet
Sadie Heyman Bergman	Stan Heyman's Mother	28-Dec/20 Tevet
*Arthur Jacobs	David Jacob's Brother	29-Dec/21 Tevet
Thomas Levin	Alice Broudy Cupples' Grandfather	29-Dec/21 Tevet
Richard Pick	Daniel Pick's Father.....	29-Dec/21 Tevet
Fernando Waisbord	Elena Waisbord's Husband, Daniel Waisbord and Samuel Waisbord's Grandfather	29-Dec/21 Tevet
Eduardo Camhaji	Remembered by Jenny Michan.....	30-Dec/22 Tevet
Miriam Camhaji	Jenny Michan's Sister.....	30-Dec/22 Tevet
*Miriam Feshali	Mark Smith's Sister.....	30-Dec/22 Tevet
Jacqueline Lisbona	Jenny Michan's Sister.....	30-Dec/22 Tevet
Olga Lisbona	Jenny Michan's Mother.....	30-Dec/22 Tevet
Virginia Nissim	Rina Nissim's Mother.....	30-Dec/22 Tevet
Julianna Silbermann	Elizabeth Green's Great Grandmother.....	30-Dec/22 Tevet
Jorge Chazan	Celia Chazan's Husband, Linda Rosenthal's Father	31-Dec/23 Tevet
Minnie Linsk	Amy Morris' Mother	31-Dec/23 Tevet

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
Ohr Shalom CHANUKAH PARTY for the Entire Family Sunday, December 9, 5:00pm 		Sunday Morning TALK SHOWS December 16 at 10:00am Jewish History Show and Tell! Bring an object from your family's history! 			Movie Night MENASHE Sunday Night December 16, 6:45pm		1 23 Kislev Parshat Vayeshev Shabbat Service 9:30am Jr Congregation 11:00am 5:24pm
2 24 Kislev Erev Chanukah Religious School 9:30am Youth Group Chanukah Party at Lemoines' 5:30pm Minyan 6:15pm 	3 25 Kislev Chanukah Day 1 Minyan 6:15pm Choir Practice 6:30pm 	4 26 Kislev Chanukah Day 2 Minyan 6:15pm 	5 27 Kislev Chanukah Day 3 Minyan 6:15pm 	6 28 Kislev Chanukah Day 4 Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm 	7 29 Kislev Chanukah Day 5 Office Closes 2:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service with the Ohr Shalom Choir 7:15pm 4:24pm	8 30 Kislev Parshat Miketz Chanukah Day 6 Rosh Chodesh Tevet Learners Shacharit 9:30am Shabbat Torah Service 10:15am Lunch & Learn 12:45pm 5:24pm	
9 1 Tevet Chanukah Day 7 Rosh Chodesh Tevet Religious School 9:30am Marpeh 3:00pm Chanukah Party 5:00pm Minyan 6:15pm 	10 2 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm Choir Practice 6:30pm 	11 3 Tevet Adult Ed: Talmud 4:30pm Safe Parking Dinner at JFS 5:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	12 4 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm Board Meeting 7:00pm	13 5 Tevet Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	14 6 Tevet Office Closes 2:00pm Shabbat Kehillatit 6:15pm Community Dinner 7:15pm 4:26pm	15 7 Tevet Parshat Vayigash Shabbat Service 9:30am Tot Shabbat 10:00am Seudah Shlishit 4:00pm 5:26pm	
16 8 Tevet Religious School 9:30am Sunday Morning Talk Show 10:00am Kadima Laser Tag 12:30pm Minyan 6:15pm Movie Night 6:45pm	17 9 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm Choir Practice 6:30pm	18 10 Tevet Fast of Tevet Adult Ed: Talmud 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	19 11 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm Men's Club Poker 7:00pm	20 12 Tevet Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	21 13 Tevet Office Closes 2:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:15pm 4:29pm	22 14 Tevet Parshat Vayeichi Shabbat Service 9:30am 5:26pm	
23 15 Tevet Marpeh 3:00pm Minyan 6:15pm	24 16 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm	25 17 Tevet Adult Ed: Talmud 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm	26 18 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm	27 19 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm	28 20 Tevet Office Closes 2:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:15pm 4:29pm	29 21 Tevet Parshat Shemot Shabbat Service 9:30am 5:33pm	
30 22 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm	31 23 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm	1 24 Tevet New Year's Day Office Closed No Minyan	2 25 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm	3 26 Tevet Minyan 6:15pm	4 27 Tevet Office Closes 2:00pm Tots in PJs 6:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service "Ask the Rabbi" 7:15pm 4:38pm	5 28 Tevet Parshat Vaera Shabbat Service 9:30am Jr Congregation 11:00am Lunch & Learn 12:45pm 5:39pm	