

## Send a "Breakfast in Bed in a Bag" to Loved Ones

In these food-challenged times, we have decided to create an opportunity to send "breakfast in bed" presents to one another. Ohr Shalom will deliver (within San Diego County), by May 15, a bag of goodies to help us celebrate the wonderful people in our lives. Each bag will contain, for example, muffins, jam, coffee and tea, and fruit. Think about sending one to your brother, your friend, your teacher, or yourself – and maybe to your mom!

**Cost \$36.**

**The deadline to place the order is Friday, May 8.**

Call or email the office to place your orders.



Please check whether you owe Ohr Shalom any outstanding donations, fees or dues. At this time, we greatly will appreciate receiving that income!"



## CANCELLED

15th Annual  
LIGHTS OF  
OHR SHALOM

Honoring Ohr Shalom's "Sages," our beloved most senior members. Their zest for life inspires us, and their wisdom enriches us all.

*Honorees:*

**Jacquelin Ander, Sara Arstein, Izzy Braun, Dorothy Canter, Lilly Hecht, David Jacobs, Ruben Lisker, Fortune and Enrique Milstein, Sallie Palash, Rafael Slovatzki, Esther Tishman, Elena Waisbord, Eileen Wingard**

*With deep regret, we have cancelled this event. Look for an announcement soon about what we plan to do to honor our "Sages"!*



# DAVAR MEGILLAH

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## TEACH US TO COUNT OUR DAYS

*By Rabbi Scott Meltzer*

Numbers. Counting. By the time you read this we will be in the fourth week of the Omer. By the time you read this we will be well into our second month of the stay-at-home quarantine.

For thousands of years our people have counted these seven weeks connecting Passover to Shavuot, Chag HaShavuot (the Festival of Weeks). Every night, from second seder, counting to forty-nine, so that we can again celebrate Yontiff, a Yom Tov, a Holy Day, on the fiftieth day.

We are a people of counting. A baby boy is born and we count to the eighth day to celebrate Brit Milah. A child is born and we count to the thirteenth birthday to celebrate Bat/Bar Mitzvah. When two people marry, it is written in their Ketubah, and we read it under the chuppah, that this date is in the "five-thousand seven-hundred and eightieth year, since the creation of the world AS WE COUNT here in San Diego...."

We count up each day, each week, each year, always increasing, moving forward, looking forward, praying for blessings.

In Psalm 90 we pray to God: "Teach us to count our days that we may acquire a heart of wisdom" (Ps 90:12). We have to be taught to count, and counting leads us on the path to acquiring wisdom.

As we count the seven weeks of the Omer to Shavuot, we know that on the fiftieth day we will stand at the foot of the mountain, straining to hear the voice that will give us Torah, and teach

us the traditions and values that we hold sacred. We have these weeks of preparation so that we can be even more attentive to the voice that calls us to goodness, to compassion, to holiness, to our soulfulness.

But this year, while we count these weeks, we are also counting the indeterminate number of days of stay-at-home. We know that the forty-nine days of the Omer will lead us to Shavuot, we don't know to where the indeterminate number of days of the quarantine will lead us. We don't know when this will end, nor do we know what will be different when we stop counting these days.

"Please, teach us to count these days so that we can obtain a heart of wisdom." We are in this place, counting, and struggling to learn – who am I in moments of anxiety, stress and uncertainty? Knocked out of my place of complacency, what really matters to me? Looking at what I have lost and what has changed, what will I be like when I emerge from these days? What have I learned about helping others? About being present – emotionally, spiritually, compassionately – when I can't be there physically? What else?

These are the days that we count, can we make them count? When it is safe for us to reenter public space, will be wiser for this experience?

Keep counting, learning and growing. I look forward to seeing you online.

## OHR SHALOM VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING

Until further notice, all Ohr Shalom programming – including Shabbat and Shavuot Services, Daily Minyan, adult and youth group programming – will continue to take place via Zoom. For the most up-to-date scheduling information, please watch your email or check the online schedule on the Ohr Shalom website ([www.ohrshalom.org](http://www.ohrshalom.org)) or by direct link: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/16PaSWsw7MlbGEshEQy4afPzoronGpANB5AWnv3eD2ql/edit?usp=sharing>.

To join us online for services and adult programs, click the link: <https://SDSU.zoom.us/j/825725847>

It will automatically add you to the ZOOM conference with your video off. If you would like to be seen by the other participants, click "Start Video." If you would prefer to join the group by telephone, dial: (669) 900-6833, Meeting ID: 825 725 847

*If you need help using Zoom, please let us know. At this time of physical distancing, this is one way we can continue to connect with others.*





## WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

**Lynn Mendelsohn**  
President

### Todah Rabah to Rabbi Bergman

On April 7th, Rabbi Meltzer offered a Zoom Room class entitled “Rabbinic Leadership in a Time of Plague.” Noting that the present coronavirus outbreak has not been humanity’s only experience of illness on a massive scale, he discussed the actions of selected sages and rabbis during past epidemics.

I was particularly impressed by Rabbi Moise Bergman, the spiritual leader of Congregation Albert, a Reform synagogue in Albuquerque, New Mexico. During the 1918 Spanish flu epidemic, Rabbi Bergman boldly spoke out in support of a city-wide quarantine. Going head-to-head with the business community and thus many of his own congregants, he argued from the pulpit and in newspaper opinion pieces that citizens should be sequestered at home. In the November 26, 1918 issue of the *Albuquerque Journal*, he wrote: “It is hard to answer the man who says his business is hurt by the quarantine but it will be impossible to answer the one who says my child has died because of neglect of the state.”

Arriving at Albuquerque’s only Jewish congregation in 1911, Rabbi Bergman threw himself into social activism. By 1918, he was President of the Ecumenical Board of Charities, a multi-faith assistance agency. In that role, he led a World War I Liberty Bond campaign. During the flu epidemic, he directed the conversion of a tuberculosis sanitarium to a hospital and raised \$10,000 (\$170,000 in 2020 dollars) for widows and orphans. For this, Rabbi Bergman was lauded by the City Chamber of Commerce and the University of New Mexico. Ultimately, he became President of the State Board of the Salvation Army.

At the end of our class, Rabbi Meltzer mentioned that Rabbi Moise Bergman’s final rabbinic assignment (1934 to 1946) had been at Temple Beth Israel, San Diego. The fact that he had served within the very building that now is Ohr Shalom made me curious to learn more about him.

Moise Bergman was born November 10, 1877 in Shreveport, Louisiana. At that time, Shreveport had approximately 500 Jews, one Reform synagogue, and a Jewish mayor. In 1885, the Bergmans

moved to New Orleans, where his father Joseph worked, among other things, as a mohel. He was ordained at Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, in 1901, and took up rabbinic positions in Michigan. In 1904, he became rabbi of Congregation Gates of Prayer, New Orleans, just as the synagogue was transitioning from Orthodox to Reform. In 1906, at age 29, Rabbi Bergman married Joycie Kamien of New Orleans. They moved to Albuquerque in 1911 for Joycie’s health.



Rabbi Moise Bergman, San Diego 1937  
[provided by Stan Schwartz]

Rabbi Bergman presided at Congregation Albert in Albuquerque from 1911 to 1923. When he tried to leave in 1920, the synagogue’s President lamented that his exit would be “a serious loss not only to Congregation Albert but to Albuquerque and New Mexico as well.” Rabbi Bergman finally did move on, first to Pueblo, Colorado, and then to Tucson, Arizona.

Arriving at Beth Israel, San Diego, during the High Holy Days of 1934, Rabbi Bergman faced challenging years. Money was so tight during the Depression that the synagogue was obliged to reduce annual dues, and yet it managed in 1935 to raise funds to repair the leaking roof of its 10-year-old building. Following Pearl Harbor, San Diego experienced mandatory blackouts, such that Rabbi Bergman moved Friday Night services to the social hall, draping its windows with black cloth. During the war, he served as a civilian chaplain at local military camps. Beth Israel was a canteen for Jewish Military personnel stationed in San Diego, hosting weekly dances and seating more than 200 at a First Seder in 1942. In 1944, it held auxiliary High Holy Days services at the San Diego Women’s Club on Third Avenue to accommodate the large number of Jewish servicemen and women who attended.



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Rabbi Bergman retired in 1946 due to ill health, and he died in July 1948. In November 1909, he had published an article in *The Daily Picayune*, New Orleans, discussing “The Very Successful Man.” Such a person, he wrote: “... sums up his philosophy of life in the word responsibility... He takes an active part in alleviating life’s pain, in comforting wretched lives, in removing heavy burdens... He does not wish to shirk the responsibilities which rest upon him.”

## OHR SHALOM SERVICE SCHEDULE

### KABBALAT SHABBAT ONLINE SERVICE SCHEDULE

<https://sdsu.zoom.us/j/825725847>

Friday, May 1 - 6:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service, "Ask the Rabbi")

Friday, May 8 - 6:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service)

Friday, May 15 - 6:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service)

Friday, May 22 - 6:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service)

Friday, May 29 - 6:15pm (Kabbalat Shabbat Service)



### 3:00PM STORYTIME

by Jennifer Meltzer

In these strange and exhausting days at home, one of my personal bright spots has been my **3:00pm Storytime**. Geared toward preschoolers (infants up to age 5), we sing songs, watch videos, share our stuffed animals in regular renditions of Old McDonald, and get to smile, wave, blow kisses and be silly with one another. Our regulars have their favorite requests, but I also love trying new things. On Monday of this week, we had a crazy hair day. On Friday, we are going to do a Mini Museum – everyone is creating a picture and we will share them with the group. Next week I want to see if I can get everyone to dress in Blue and White on Yom HaAtzmaut!

We are also enjoying our **Tot Shabbat** service on Saturdays.

I encourage more families to join us. It is a half hour of interactive play. We usually have time at the beginning and end of every Zoom to hear everyone's voices. It is nice to have parents at least nearby – we like to use the chat function for song requests and recommendations.

If you have grandchildren who are not local, they are always welcome to join in as well! See you soon on Zoom!

### Special Readings Before the Daily Minyan

#### We Need You!

Before each afternoon service on Zoom, from 6:05-6:10pm, Sunday thru Thursday, a congregant has been giving a short reading. We would love for you to participate. The piece you choose does not need be an original written piece – it can be a quotation, a poem, or somebody else's insight to Torah. (Of course, personal thoughts are always welcome.)

Marvin Yudkovitz is coordinating the schedule for these readings.

Please let him know if you would like to deliver a reading in May:

[mayudkovitz@gmail.com](mailto:mayudkovitz@gmail.com) or send a text to 240-506-3042.

## SHAVUOT SERVICE SCHEDULE



#### Erev Shavuot:

Thursday, May 28, 7:00pm

#### Tikkun Leyl Shavuot:

Please join Rabbi Meltzer for a night of study and receiving Torah.

#### Shavuot I:

Friday, May 29, 9:30am Morning Service

#### Shavuot II:

Saturday, May 30, 9:30am Shabbat Morning Service and Yizkor



## PARSHIYOT & CANDLELIGHTING May 2020



### PARSHAT ACHAREI MOT-KEDOSHIM

Fri: May 1 | 7 Iyar  7:13pm

Sat: May 2 | 8 Iyar

Torah: Leviticus 16:1 - 18:30,  
Leviticus 19:1 - 20:27

Haft: Ezekiel 22:1 - 22:19. Amos 9:7 - 9:15

### PARSHAT EMOR

Fri: May 8 | 14 Iyar  7:18pm

Sat: May 9 | 15 Iyar

Torah: Leviticus 21:1 - 24:23

Haft: Ezekiel 44:15 - 44:31

### PARSHAT BEHAR-BECHUKOTAI

Fri: May 15 | 21 Iyar  7:23pm

Sat: May 16 | 22 Iyar

Torah: Leviticus 25:1 - 26:2,  
Leviticus 26:3 - 27:34

Haft: Jeremiah 32:6 - 32:27,  
Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14

### PARSHAT BAMIDBAR

Fri: May 22 | 28 Iyar  7:28pm

Sat: May 23 | 29 Iyar

Torah: Numbers 1:1 - 4:20

Haft: I Samuel 20:18 - 20:42

### SHAVUOT II

Fri: May 29 | 6 Sivan  7:32pm

Sat: May 30 | 7 Sivan

Torah: Deuteronomy 14:22 - 16:17,  
Numbers 28:26 - 28:31

Haft: Habakkuk 2:20-3:19

## 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 on on Mondays at 7:00pm on Zoom. You'll be happy you did!**

#### May Dates

May 4

May 11

May 18

May 25



We here at Ohr Shalom want to be extra certain that everybody is okay at home. Do you need something? Groceries? Some "virtual" company? Do you know somebody who isn't online but would appreciate a daily phone call? We are here! Please reach out by email or phone and let us make sure that you, and everybody, are taken care of.



## SOCIAL ACTION

**Rachel Millstone**  
Social Action Chair



Questions? Ideas? Want to help?  
Please contact: Rachel Millstone,  
Social Action Chair at [rdmillstone@gmail.com](mailto:rdmillstone@gmail.com)

### SPOTLIGHT ON JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

This month, we are focusing on the work that Jewish Family Service continues to perform for the more vulnerable in our community, and ways that you can be involved. Programs have changed to reflect the necessary safety precautions we must take during COVID-19. We've included a sampling of opportunities below. For additional information about and to sign up for these and other JFS volunteer opportunities, see: <https://jfssd.galaxydigital.com/need/>.

**Reminder:** Older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions may be at higher risk for more severe complications from COVID-19. Please decide for yourself whether you should do in-person volunteering during these times.

**Provide Dinner to Safe Parking Program Guests.** JFS operates four Safe Parking Program lots in our community for individuals and families living out of their vehicles, many of whom are experiencing homelessness for the first time. They are looking for people/groups to drop off individually packaged, ready-to-eat meals for 60+ people at their Balboa Ave. campus. **Ohr Shalom will be scheduling a night to purchase and deliver dinner.** We are asking for people to participate by making a monetary donation to the Social Action fund for this project. If you can, please call the Ohr Shalom office to make a donation.

**Become a Safe Parking Program Runner.** JFS needs volunteers to act as a runner to distribute meals to Safe Parking Program

guests and help maintain daily operations. They need 1-2 volunteer runners for each of the three San Diego Safe Parking lots each night (Monday through Sunday, 5:30-7:30pm).

**Support JFS Kitchen Staff.** Prepare home-delivered meals for older adults in the JFS kitchen. As community needs grow, JFS has increased production of home-delivered meals from 400 to 1,600 a day. There are on-call shifts Monday through Friday from 2:00-9:00pm.

**Assemble Toilet Paper Packages for Community Distribution.** This is part of the JFS no-touch, drive-thru food distribution. If you are interested in a shift Monday through Friday from 9:30am-1:00pm, please email [volunteer@jfssd.org](mailto:volunteer@jfssd.org).

**Donate Non-Perishable Food & Hygiene Items.** Support San Diegans in critical need who are accessing the JFS no-touch, drive-thru food distribution service! Donation drop off hours are from 2:00-4:00pm Monday-Friday at the JFS campus at 8804 Balboa Ave.

**High-need items:** Peanut butter, canned tuna/chicken, canned beans, canned fruit, canned vegetables, granola bars/snacks, mac & cheese cups, cup of soup/ramen, shelf-stable milk, kosher items.

**Hygiene items:** Hand sanitizer, wipes & tissues, deodorant (full-size), body wash (full-size), shampoo and conditioner (full size).

### FOOD DONATIONS IN THE TIME OF THE CORONAVIRUS

**TAY Academy Hot Lunch Program:** TAY is not currently open for its regular drop-in services. The youth who rely on TAY can still come to the center to meet one-on-one with staff members. For the time being they do not need us to deliver pre-cooked meals. For those youth who do come by, the staff will make sandwiches on an as-needed basis. They welcome donations of items like sliced cheese, peanut butter, bread, fruit, etc. Please call Gillian at TAY (619-232-8126, ext 3509) before you go to make certain staff will be there when you arrive. If you call when you arrive, they will come outside to pick up what you bring so you won't have to look for parking.

**JFS Food Distribution at Ohr Shalom:** The regular (Third Thursday) food distribution at Ohr Shalom is ongoing, with a modified no-touch distribution. If you would like to join Jewish Family Service volunteers to distribute food at Ohr Shalom, please register on their website at: [jfssd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need\\_id=402507](https://jfssd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=402507)

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT PROJECT

The Social Action committee has spun off a new effort focused on the environment. The goal of the **Environmental Impact Project** is to minimize Ohr Shalom's negative impacts on the environment. The group has identified several focus areas including disposable products, compost, and recycling. Our first initiative targets tableware products including plastic utensils, dishes, and tablecloths. Meetings are held virtually 1-2 times a month. If you are interested in helping out with this effort and have time to attend meetings and do research, contact **Rebecca Iden** ([Rebecca.iden@gmail.com](mailto:Rebecca.iden@gmail.com)).



### ADULT EDUCATION

#### INTERNATIONAL JEWISH LITERATURE

with Tricia Pummill ([tpummill@hotmail.com](mailto:tpummill@hotmail.com))

**Mondays at 10:00am** (contact Tricia for the Zoom link)

May 4 – *The Bee Season* by Myla Goldberg

May 11 – *The Same Sea* by Amos Oz

May 18 – *G-d Knows* by Joseph Heller

**DAF YOMI** with Rabbi Meltzer  
**Wednesdays at 10:00am**

Rabbi Meltzer offers a weekly class to discuss the pages of Talmud most recently covered.

**READINGS WITH THE RABBI** with Rabbi Meltzer  
**Fridays at 1:00pm**

*Who Wrote the Bible* by Richard Elliott Friedman

This book is a contemporary classic that is a thought-provoking guide to the Bible's authorship.



## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Cheryl Katz**  
Director of Education & Youth Programs

I miss seeing everyone's faces! As soon as quarantine lifts, I look forward to a healthy, safe, LIVE and in-person gathering (possibly even with snacks!).

I hope that everyone continues to be safe and healthy, even if there is a hearty helping of cabin fever and a strong desire to see other people. These are not the easiest challenges for kids or adults to power through, but I know we are all finding our unique ways to stay connected.

Many of our events going forward will recur on a weekly basis. I took care to schedule them based on feedback I received from families about days and times that might be best. Please let your kids know that it can be unscripted free time with friends, but also that if they have ideas for a game they wish to play, an activity they want to do or anything else they can think of – I support it and look forward to helping them make it happen!

### Religious School:

Classes continue **4:30-6:30pm Thursdays and 9:30am-12pm on Sunday mornings.**

On **Thursdays at 4:00pm** kids can drop in early to hang out before school starts, supervised by Cheryl.



**There will be no school on: Sunday, May 10 (Mother's Day).**

Last day of school is **Thursday, May 21.**

**Thursday, May 28 from 4:30-5:30pm** will be a Religious School Tikkun Leyl Shavuot.

### USY/Youth Services Programs:

**Every Sunday (May 3, 10, 17, 24) 1:00-3:00pm,** Advanced Dungeons and Dragons game for 2nd graders and up



**Sunday through Wednesday, 5:00-6:00pm,** Harry Potter Reading Hour (Mondays are a craft or game, no reading)

**Mondays (May 4, 11, 18, 25) 2:00-4:00pm,** All-Ages Movie Lounge

**Mondays (May 4, 11, 18, 25) 7:30-9:00pm,** Monday Night Thing (Lounge for teens in 7th-12th Grades)

**Tuesdays (May 5, 12, 19, 26) 2:00-3:00pm,** Lounge for 2nd & 3rd Grades

**Tuesdays (May 5, 12, 19, 26) 4:00-5:00pm,** Lounge for 4th-6th Grades

**Friday, May 8 and May 22 6:00pm,** Teen Shabbat (7th-12th Grades)

**Friday, May 15 at 6:00pm, Jr. Shabbat** (2nd-6th Grades)

**Note:** If you do not receive Youth/USY information from Cheryl, and would like youth event Zoom meeting info for your youth, please contact Cheryl ([principal@ohrshalom.org](mailto:principal@ohrshalom.org)).

## Ohr Shalom **ON THE TOWN** Update

### **A Paris Love Story** (rescheduled)

with Hershey Felder

**New Date – Sunday, November 22 at 7:00pm**  
San Diego Repertory Theatre, Lyceum Stage, Downtown



Hershey Felder brings to life French composer Claude Debussy.  
Tickets are \$51 each. Contact Lynn Mendelsohn at [mendelyn0511@gmail.com](mailto:mendelyn0511@gmail.com). Or text her at 619-980-1801.



## ISRAEL DESK

**Susie Meltzer**  
Israel Desk

## ISRAEL'S RESPONSE TO A NEW ENEMY: COVID-19

Israel recorded its first coronavirus case a month earlier than the United States. Life since then for people in both countries has taken on unimagined changes from dealing with illness and loss, to closures of work, school and businesses to social distancing and complete home quarantines. All these while their governments begin the challenges of fighting this deadly virus.

How has Israel approached this world epidemic of COVID-19? The threat of a biological attack has worried Israeli leaders for decades, and that is reflected in how the government has taken on the coronavirus. Israel's government chose to move quickly from the beginning of the outbreak and enact stringent measures. These included both not allowing travelers from certain countries to enter Israel and quarantining Israelis arriving from those countries as the virus was spreading globally. When there were outbreaks of the virus in certain Haredi neighborhoods of Jerusalem and Bnei Brak, quarantines were imposed there. During the holy days of Passover, the entire country went under complete lockdown to prevent large gatherings.

Despite these severe measures, surveys found a majority of Israelis have approved of government's handling of the coronavirus crisis. In fact, a government official commented that if you would have said a few months ago that Bibi would shut down the entire country and the nation would be supporting him, no one would have believed you.

That is the mark of Israelis, their attitude when facing adversity and their behavior of coming out stronger. Given Israel's security situation, one would think that its citizens would be in a constant state of depression or panic. The reality is that for Israelis, living with purpose, close family and peer connections, and finding meaning in struggle have made Israel's citizens among the world's happiest.

[Editor's Note. Here are some interesting facts (from Wikipedia):

- On 2 March, the 2020 Israeli legislative election was held. Multiple secluded voting booths were established for quarantined Israeli citizens who were eligible to vote.
- On 17 March, a Knesset committee approved a phone-tracking program to identify people with whom infected individuals came into contact in the two weeks prior to their diagnosis, and to dispatch text messages informing them to enter a 14-day self-quarantine.
- The Israeli government sent El Al planes to bring home hundreds of Israelis who were stranded around the world due to the pandemic.
- A leading Haredi legal scholar issued an unprecedented statement on 29 March instructing Bnei Brak residents not to pray with a minyan, but rather individually at home.]

## Annual Congregational Meeting

June Date TBD

## TODAH RABAH AND LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

Thank you for your generous donations in April:

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**Mario Adato and Cassie May** in honor of their wedding.

**Judy Gaines and Marvin Yudkovitz** on the birth of their granddaughter, **Finley Elise Balaban**.

### Condolences to:

**Richard Lemoine** on the passing of his beloved father, **Jean-Claude Lemoine**.

*May his memory be for a blessing to all those who knew him and loved him.*



*Today Rabah* to our April Shabbat Service Leaders, Torah and Haftarah Readers, D'rashot and Minyan Leaders:

LeAnne Adams  
Aviva Angel  
Hillel Angel  
Ilan Averbuch  
Louise Chandler  
Rabbi Yonina Creditor  
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Rami Solomon  
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*Today Rabah* to those who delivered Pesach bags: **Vique Chavez, Nadia Gumbayan, Ruti Levy, Yiftach Levy, David Mandel, Rachel Meisner, Rachel Millstone, Tricia Pummill, Randi Rose, Marcia Sachs, Eliza Slavett, Jonah Weinberg**

## Yahrzeits

Elya Schnell	Sue Brown's Grandfather .....	1-May/7 Iyar
Eugene Agostino	Christine Eisenberg's Father .....	2-May/8 Iyar
Miriam Argoff	David Argoff's Mother, Gillian Argoff-Treseder's Grandmother .....	2-May/8 Iyar
Harry Lane	Jane Zeer's Uncle .....	3-May/9 Iyar
*Ruth Phillips	Julie Phillips' Mother .....	3-May/9 Iyar
Hyman J. Bookbinder	Sue Brown's Father .....	4-May/10 Iyar
Rosemarie Franklin	Christine Eisenberg's Mother .....	4-May/10 Iyar
Leah Goldman	Harriet Wolpoff and Alma Geiger's Aunt .....	4-May/10 Iyar
Ana Gritzewsky	Eva Chayet's Mother .....	4-May/10 Iyar
Francois Lellouche	Remembered by the Bunton Family .....	4-May/10 Iyar
*Samuel Reznik	Becky Reznik's Husband .....	4-May/10 Iyar
Lilly Averbuch	Ilan Averbuch's Mother .....	5-May/11 Iyar
Irving Tabak	Mel Tabak's Father and Jennifer Tabak-Levy's Grandfather .....	5-May/11 Iyar
*Sara Lipowsky	Salomon Lipowsky's Mother .....	6-May/12 Iyar
Jose Zaidman	Aaron Zaidman's Father .....	6-May/12 Iyar
Matilde Alvo	Esther Kvashny's Grandmother .....	7-May/13 Iyar
Walter Cohn	Becky Zipp's Grandfather .....	7-May/13 Iyar
Matilde Shemaria de Alvo	Rosie Veinbergs' Mother .....	7-May/13 Iyar
Rochelle Wolf	Allan Wolf's Wife .....	7-May/13 Iyar
Khuna Green	Raisa Green's Husband .....	8-May/14 Iyar
Bud Straling	Elizabeth Green's Grandfather .....	9-May/15 Iyar
Harry Forman	Remembered by Reyna Forman .....	10-May/16 Iyar

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A.R. Hollender	Jonathan Geiger's Grandfather .....	10-May/16 Iyar
Majlej Kucinski	Danny Kucinski's Father .....	10-May/16 Iyar
*Leah Slutskaya	Golda Slutskaya's Mother .....	10-May/16 Iyar
*Luis Zachs	Reina Shteremberg's Brother .....	10-May/16 Iyar
Carmen V. Gomez	Daniel Pick's Great-Grandmother .....	11-May/17 Iyar
*Fela Groswirt	Miguel Veinbergs' Mother .....	12-May/18 Iyar
Cecilia Artenstein de Katz	Remembered by Sara Artenstein .....	13-May/19 Iyar
*Emma Bielaz	Efrain Bielaz' Wife, Wolf Bielas, Simon Bielaz and Mina Cohen's Mother .....	13-May/19 Iyar
*Estelle Dunst	Remembered by Alberto and Michal Hamui .....	13-May/19 Iyar
Sidney Siegel	Edward Siegel's Father .....	13-May/19 Iyar
Yankel Stavchansky	Danny Kucinski's Grandfather .....	13-May/19 Iyar
David Altalef	Remembered by Aaron Rubinstein .....	14-May/20 Iyar
*Cydelle Blum	Stephen Blum's Mother .....	14-May/20 Iyar
*Alexander Capelluto	Stella Salzman's Nephew .....	14-May/20 Iyar
Arthur Karns	Remembered by Marda Rose .....	14-May/20 Iyar
Elene Solomon	Naima Solomon-Bercovitch's Grandmother .....	14-May/20 Iyar
Jose Feferman	Elena Waisbord's Father .....	15-May/21 Iyar
Nehemias Heyman	Stan Heyman's Father .....	15-May/21 Iyar
*Raquel Levy	Vicky Cohen's Sister .....	15-May/21 Iyar
Robert Samuel Chall	Jayson Chall's Father .....	16-May/22 Iyar
Alan Vann	Lewis Vann's Father .....	16-May/22 Iyar
Jennie Goldberg	Karen Rund and Susie Meltzer's Grandmother .....	17-May/23 Iyar
Barbu Marian	Robyn Marian's Father .....	17-May/23 Iyar
Manuel Waisbord	Silvia Waisbord's Husband and Daniel Waisbord's Father .....	17-May/23 Iyar
Glenn Weinberg	Judy Gaines' Father .....	17-May/23 Iyar
Elizabeth Wisinski	Esther Siegel's Mother .....	17-May/23 Iyar
Jerry Hirsch	Remembered by Evelyn Schwimmer .....	18-May/24 Iyar
Edye Mayers	Sherry Berlin's Sister .....	18-May/24 Iyar
Joseph Razinsky	Elias Razinsky's Father, Matthew Razinsky's Grandfather .....	18-May/24 Iyar
Herbert Shaw	Peter Shaw's Father .....	18-May/24 Iyar
Fay Siegel	Edward Siegel's Mother .....	18-May/24 Iyar
Isidor Spellman	Roberta Greene's Grandfather .....	18-May/24 Iyar
Marcia Vann	Lewis Vann's Mother .....	18-May/24 Iyar
Esther Berman Levy	Alberto Levy's Mother .....	19-May/25 Iyar
Claire Cohen	Tricia Pummill's Grandmother .....	20-May/26 Iyar
Dorothy Yudkovitz	Marvin Yudkovitz's Mother .....	20-May/26 Iyar
Jalla Zyman	Pepe Zyman's Mother .....	20-May/26 Iyar
Albert Goodman	Alice Broudy Cupples' Uncle .....	21-May/27 Iyar
*Morris Rossen	Janice Boner's Father .....	21-May/27 Iyar
Joseph Zouari	Remembered by the Bunton Family .....	21-May/27 Iyar
Jose Chayet	Zack Chayet's Brother .....	22-May/28 Iyar
*Sam Ressler	Jeffrey Ressler's Father .....	22-May/28 Iyar
Zelda Berman	Remembered by Roz Berman .....	23-May/29 Iyar
Pablo Saavedra	Sara Limenes' Husband .....	23-May/29 Iyar
Julio Slovatizki	Miguel Slovatizki and Rafael Slovatizki's Father .....	24-May/1 Sivan
Roger Van Vloten	Alex Van Frank's Father .....	24-May/1 Sivan
Matty Behar Cohen	Esther Modiano's Mother .....	25-May/2 Sivan
Rita Kublin	Remembered by Roz Berman .....	25-May/2 Sivan
*Helmut May	Miriam Burakoff's Father .....	25-May/2 Sivan
Richard Schriger	Geoffrey Sternlieb's Father .....	25-May/2 Sivan
*Hal Wingard	Eileen Wingard's Husband .....	25-May/2 Sivan
Dawn Escoffery	Yvonne Scarlett's Aunt .....	26-May/3 Sivan
Alex Fuentes	Natalie Fuentes' Husband .....	26-May/3 Sivan
Jennie Kohen	Marda Rose's Grandmother .....	26-May/3 Sivan
Ofelia Palmer	Sara Zands' Mother .....	27-May/4 Sivan
Rabbi Dr Nathaniel Pollack	Remembered by Lynn and Ivan Mendelsohn .....	27-May/4 Sivan
Boleslaw Ratniewski	Alfredo Ratniewski's Father .....	27-May/4 Sivan
*Corinne Bunton	Remembered by the Bunton Family .....	28-May/5 Sivan
Rose Bookbinder	Sue Brown's Grandmother .....	29-May/6 Sivan
Szymon Brzezinski	Eva Brzezinski's Father .....	29-May/6 Sivan
Carole Eisenberg	Brad Eisenberg's Mother .....	29-May/6 Sivan
Sophie Harrari Bookspan	Galiah Bukszpan's Mother .....	29-May/6 Sivan
Hermosa Farka	Fortune Milstein's Sister .....	31-May/8 Sivan
Gloria Giraldi	Bethann Giraldi's Mother .....	31-May/8 Sivan
Lois Roberts	Bill Morris' Sister .....	31-May/8 Sivan

*\* denotes a memorial plaque was purchased in memory of a loved one*



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**May 2020**

**Iyar 5780/Sivan 5780**

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

**Classes and services can be found at:**  
<https://sdsu.zoom.us/j/825725847>

Schedule subject to change.

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<p>3 Omer Day 24 Religious School 9:30am Minyan 6:15pm Teen Lounge 7:00pm</p>	<p>4 Omer Day 25 Adult Ed: Jewish Literature Class 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>5 Omer Day 26 Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>6 Omer Day 27 Adult Ed: Daf Yomi 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm Board Meeting 7:00pm</p>	<p>7 Omer Day 28 Adult Ed: Parshat HaShavua Discussion 1:00pm Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>1 Omer Day 22 Office Closes 2:00pm PreKabbalat Shabbat Singing 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service "Ask the Rabbi" 6:15pm 7:13pm</p>	<p>2 Omer Day 23 Parshat Acharei Mot-Kedoshim Omer Day 23 Shabbat Service 9:30am Tot Shabbat 3:00pm Shabbat Learning 4:00pm Havdalah 8:15pm 8:13pm</p>
<p>10 Omer Day 31 Mothers' Day No Religious School Minyan 6:15pm Teen Lounge 7:00pm</p>	<p>11 Omer Day 32 Adult Ed: Jewish Literature Class 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>12 Omer Day 33 Lag B'Omer Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>13 Omer Day 34 Adult Ed: Daf Yomi 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>14 Omer Day 35 Adult Ed: Parshat HaShavua Discussion 1:00pm Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>8 Omer Day 29 Pesach Sheni Office Closes 2:00pm PreKabbalat Shabbat Singing 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:15pm 7:18pm</p>	<p>9 Omer Day 30 Parshat Emor Learners Shacharit 9:30am Shabbat Torah Service &amp; Musaf 10:15am Tot Shabbat 3:00pm Shabbat Learning 4:00pm Havdalah 8:30pm 8:19pm</p>
<p>17 Omer Day 38 Religious School 9:30am Minyan 6:15pm Teen Lounge 7:00pm</p>	<p>18 Omer Day 39 Adult Ed: Jewish Literature Class 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>19 Omer Day 40 Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>20 Omer Day 41 Adult Ed: Daf Yomi 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>21 Omer Day 42 Adult Ed: Parshat HaShavua Discussion 1:00pm Last Day of Religious School 4:30pm Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>15 Omer Day 36 Office Closes 2:00pm PreKabbalat Shabbat Singing 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:15pm 7:23pm</p>	<p>16 Omer Day 37 Parshat Behar-Bechukotai Shabbat Service 9:30am Tot Shabbat 3:00pm Shabbat Learning 4:00pm Havdalah 8:30pm 8:24pm</p>
<p>24 1 Sivan Omer Day 45 Rosh Chodesh Sivan Minyan 6:15pm Teen Lounge 7:00pm</p>	<p>25 2 Sivan Omer Day 46 Memorial Day No Minyan</p>	<p>26 3 Sivan Omer Day 47 Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>27 4 Sivan Omer Day 48 Adult Ed: Daf Yomi 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>28 5 Sivan Omer Day 49 Erev Shavuot Tikkun Leyl Shavuot 7:00pm 7:32pm</p>	<p>22 28 Iyar Omer Day 43 Yom Yerushalayim Office Closes 2:00pm PreKabbalat Shabbat Singing 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:15pm 7:28pm</p>	<p>23 29 Iyar Omer Day 44 Parshat Bamidbar Shabbat Service 9:30am Tot Shabbat 3:00pm Shabbat Learning 4:00pm Havdalah 8:45pm 8:28pm</p>
<p>31 8 Sivan Minyan 6:15pm Teen Lounge 7:00pm</p>	<p>1 9 Sivan Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>2 10 Sivan Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>3 11 Sivan Adult Ed: Daf Yomi 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>4 12 Sivan Adult Ed: Parshat HaShavua Discussion 1:00pm Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>29 6 Sivan Shavuot I Office Closed Shavuot Morning Service 9:30am PreKabbalat Shabbat Singing 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Shavuot 6:15pm 7:32pm</p>	<p>30 7 Sivan Shavuot II Shabbat Shavuot Morning Service with Yizkor 9:30am Havdalah 8:45pm 8:33pm</p>
<p>31 8 Sivan Minyan 6:15pm Teen Lounge 7:00pm</p>	<p>1 9 Sivan Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>2 10 Sivan Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>3 11 Sivan Adult Ed: Daf Yomi 10:00am Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>4 12 Sivan Adult Ed: Parshat HaShavua Discussion 1:00pm Minyan 6:15pm</p>	<p>5 13 Sivan Office Closes 2:00pm PreKabbalat Shabbat Singing 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:15pm 7:36pm</p>	<p>6 14 Sivan Parshat Naso Shabbat Service 9:30am Tot Shabbat 3:00pm Shabbat Learning 4:00pm Havdalah 8:45pm 8:36pm</p>