

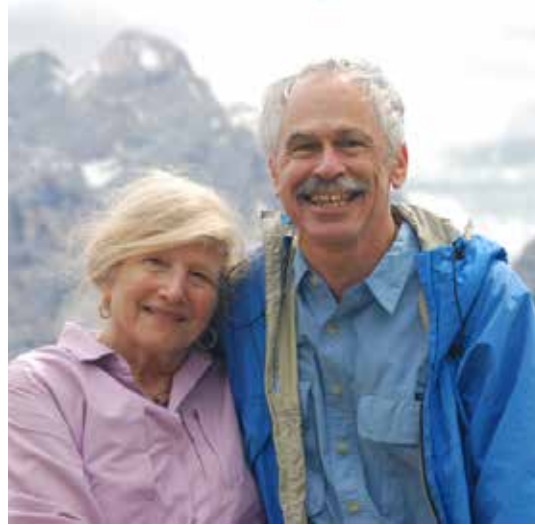
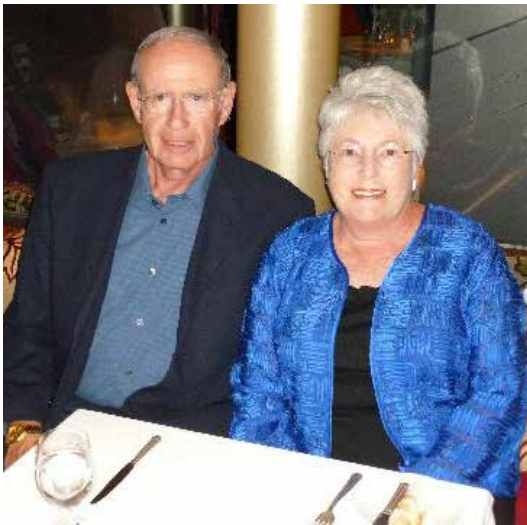
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2014 DINNER DANCE

*Honoring Marian & Charley Goldsmith
and Judy & Lou Zucker*



DINNER DANCE

Sunday, June 8th,
5:30pm

Join us as we raise a glass to Marian & Charley Goldsmith and Judy & Lou Zucker as we celebrate their many years of commitment and dedication to KM and their 50th wedding anniversaries. Charley and Lou's service to KM throughout the years as Gabbaim has been invaluable and we're thrilled to join together as a community to honor these two extraordinary couples.

The dinner dance will be held at Kehillat Ma'arav on Sunday, June 8th, at 5:30pm. Enjoy a delicious dinner, lively dancing, a silent auction, and the company of our community.

100 BLESSINGS A DAY

RABBI MICHAEL GOTLIEB

In the 10th chapter, 12th verse of Deuteronomy, an important, age-old question is raised and with it, an answer offered: "And now, O Israel, what does the Lord your God demand of you? Only this: to revere the Lord your God, to walk only in His paths, to love Him, and to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and soul."

The Talmud cites Rabbi Meir commenting on the verse saying, "We are obligated to offer 100 blessings daily." Why does he say we should offer 100 blessings a day? His interpretation of the text plays with the Hebrew word "Mah", which translates as "what." He claims the word "Mah" is similar to another Hebrew word, "Meah" meaning 100. Hence: What does God want of us?

God wants us to recite 100 blessings a day. *Meir lived in the 2nd/early 3rd century. His popularity is due in part to his exceptional wife, Bruriah. She is one of only a few women mentioned by name in the Talmud (Menachot 43b).*

Nearly 2,000 years after Rabbi Meir's rather imaginative interpretation comes along the twentieth century theologian, Max Kadushin. Basing his insight, in part, on Rabbi Meir's free-flowing interpretation, Kadushin coins the phrase "normal mysticism."

To Kadushin's way of thinking, normal mysticism is the ability—an ability all of us can develop or hone—to see the

limitless blessings found in the everyday. The normal mystic trains him/herself to see blessings in the mundane. The normal mystic links all of his or her daily experiences to the divine. For the normal mystic, the issue isn't the precise number of blessings, rather it's the ability to offer and see blessings period, whether in good times or in bad.

With Kadushin's 20th century application of Rabbi Meir's 3rd century whimsical interpretation, we have at our disposal yet another angle of understanding to the vitally important question: "...What does the Lord your God demand of you?" In light of these thinkers, we fulfill God's request as stated in the Torah by heightening our

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appreciation for the gift of our everyday lives. (Blessings are not for God's benefit. We're not commanded to bless God per-se, telling Him how great, wonderful and powerful He is. The Creator of the cosmos is not insecure. Blessings are for our benefit.)

Many of us continually search for and live by the stellar moments in life, those "mountaintop highs." Many of us are metaphorical conquerors relentlessly setting out for yet another conquest whether in property or person.

What Rabbi Meir and Max Kadushin are teaching us in stereophonic clarity is to open our eyes and simply look. They are providing us with a valuable lesson on how to live life and ultimately

fulfill one of God's requests by having us consider the value that can be had by living life at "sea level."

Blessings abound, not just 100 blessings, but countless blessings. Yes, say a blessing for those everyday moments that typically come and go without much notice. Interpret them, and take note of them. What an exceptional idea to offer a blessing, and with it, voice a word of appreciation for the constancies that make up our lives. Sounds like timeless, sage advice to me.



A MOON UNTO OTHERS

CANTOR SAMUEL COHEN



"We need to use both sight and sound to reflect the light of God"

We just celebrated the festival of Passover, and this year there was also a complete lunar eclipse. It was around midnight when it happened, just after I had finished the first night Seder. I went outside, gazed up to the heavens, and watched in awe as the moon slowly began to disappear until it was fully eclipsed and turned red. The

earth was in the path between the moon and the sun's light.

The sun is a metaphor for God being the source of light for us, the Jewish people. The sun shines upon the moon and the moon reflects its light. As Jewish people, we have connections with the moon because we follow the lunar calendar. We are also like the moon in that we reflect the light of God, the sun, with guidance from the Torah.

The festival of Shavuot is when the Jewish people received the Torah, and it is then that the reason for the freedom we were granted on Passover becomes clear. Our mission is to spread the light of God to the world by being an example and a light onto the nations of the world through the Torah.

When God gave us the Torah, it was accompanied with two things: a strong voice and a great light. Music and light are two wonderful tools for celebration. The special offering for the festival of Shavuot, the bikkurim (the first fruit) was accompanied by a specific verse sung by the community. Throughout our rich history, the development of music has been a cornerstone in serving God and in communal and family life.

So why did I find this Pesach eclipse so profound? The moon went dark because the earth was blocking it, preventing the moon from reflecting the light of the sun. So too, there are times when we can get in our own way and end up not reflecting the light of God unto others—in a way, not being able to be a moon unto others. I thought about this and wondered how we can prevent ourselves from getting in our own way. For me, it's through music—I'll listen to a childhood record, sing, or do something else involving music.

Light and music are the equivalent of sight and hearing. Music has the ability to create different settings, illusions, and emotions without the need for light. Indeed, the experience of listening to music is often heightened when one's eyes are closed. Conversely, one's eyes need to be open to see light and the light itself can be greatly enhanced when combined with music. For example, firework shows are often accompanied by music. Going very fast can break the speed of sound and even light can be "broken" if the source of the light is blocked out. Sometimes it is necessary to slow the tempo down and trace the light back to its source.

We received the Torah through both music and light, and I don't believe this combination to be a coincidence. If we are to use the Torah as a guide in our lives, we need to use both sight and sound in order to reflect the light of God, in order to be a moon unto others.

This is also why the power of music on a communal level is even more profound. It can help us, together as one, trace our steps back to the original source of Mount Sinai where we, the Jewish people, received the Torah. The Torah is a guide that can help bring the source of light and music, sight and sound into the world, thus creating an unbroken connection to God.

BRANDEIS' SHAME

MANNY BAKER, President



Many of you are aware of Brandeis University's shameful act of cancelling the commencement address by Ayaan Hirsi Ali and withdrawing the honorary degree that they had intended to grant her. What makes this act shameful is what this woman stands for and what Brandeis no longer seems to. Ali was born in Mogadishu, Somalia, and raised under strict Sharia law. Like many women raised under radical Islam, she was genitally mutilated. Through her life in Somalia, she was subjected to the severities of radical Islamic law. In 1992, she escaped

to the Netherlands to avoid an impending arranged marriage to a relative. She learned the Dutch language and established a new life, rising to become a member of the Dutch parliament, where she worked to further the integration of non-Western immigrants into Dutch society. She railed against the harshness and injustices of life under Sharia law, under which she has

been condemned as being anti-Islam. Ms. Ali has spoken out against genital mutilation of 8 year-old girls, children being forced into polygamous marriages with men old enough to be their grandfathers, face-veiling of women, and honor killings of women who have been raped, left abusive marriages, or dared to express an independent opinion, to name a few things. As a result of her efforts, she has lived under constant threat of death.

Brandeis claimed that they hadn't vetted Ms. Ali carefully enough, and after further examination concluded that she didn't deserve the award because of her condemnation of Islam as a whole.

While she may have condemned Islam for allowing these traditions, those who follow a strict interpretation of the Quran continue to adhere to these practices. Even in this country, we see from time to time reports of honor killings by Muslim men who felt that their daughters or wives have brought disgrace to their family name.

Justice Louis Dembitz Brandeis, the namesake of Brandeis University, was the first Jewish justice appointed to the Supreme Court, and, according to Justice William O. Douglas, was known for being a "militant crusader for human rights". The shame is that Brandeis University does not seem to follow the convictions of their namesake.

YOUTH DIRECTOR & EVENT COORDINATOR

CINDY ROTH



Youth Events

What are Jewish children supposed to do on Easter Sunday? Well, our youth had a great adventure when we met at Temescal Canyon State Park for a picnic and hike up to the (barely existent) waterfall. We climbed trees, tossed a frisbee, and noshed on snacks we'd packed. Those PB&Js, even on matzah, are still delicious! Everyone partook in the hike and the kids pretended they were

Moses and Aaron leading the Jews from slavery out of Egypt to the Dead Sea. After the 30 minute walk down, one boy commented, "Wow, can you imagine how long it must have taken to get to the sea? I am hot just thinking about it!"

A few weeks after the hike, we joined other Kadimanicks at Temple Beth Am for the second Kadima Day. The date: May 4th. The theme: Star Wars (of course!). We all enjoyed playing up the slogan "May the fourth be with you" (get it?) and goofing off together. Even third graders were welcome to taste what Kadima life was like and everyone had a BLAST!

NextGen

It was a blustery Santa Monica evening in the Kehillat Ma'arav parking lot, where a gaggle of NextGen members gathered for a food truck dinner. We enjoyed drinks, nosh, and the taste of the "Moe's Egg Roll" truck. There was plenty of delicious food to go around: tuna, veggie rolls (seared or deep fried), mashed potatoes, potato tots and more. The casual environment made for lots of nice conversation and a great opportunity to get to know new friends.

We have another great NextGen coming up on Thursday, June 12th: a chocolate and winetasting! Join us at Waterloo & City for happy hour or dinner as we schmooze at this British gastro-pub from 6:00-7:30pm. From 7:30-9:30pm, we'll enjoy a chocolate tasting and wine pairing at ChocoVivo in Culver City for only \$15 per person. RSVP to Cindy at (310) 829-0566 or cdrxla@aol.com by Monday, June 9th to reserve your spot. It is never too late to attend one of these events and you don't have to be a KM member to join in the fun. Be sure to "like" Kehillat Ma'arav Next Gen on Facebook for updated information.



Kadima youth enjoying our picnic and hike at Temescal Canyon State Park.



KM's NextGen chomping down on fabulous food from Moe's Egg Roll Truck



Author Jonathan Kirsch speaking at KM

MEN'S CLUB EVENTS & UPDATES

STEPHEN SHAPIRO,
Men's Club President

RECENT EVENTS:

On Thursday, May 8th, well-known author, literary critic, Jewish historian, and attorney Jonathan Kirsch presented his fascinating, informative, and memorable new book, "The Short, Strange Life of Herschel Grynszpan." This book is a must-read for those who do not know about Jewish avengers against the Nazis. The event was well attended by an enthusiastic audience and a book signing followed the engaging talk.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

On Monday, June 23rd, the Men's Club will host the co-founder and CEO of "StandWithUs," Roz Rothstein. StandWithUs is a pro-Israel education and advocacy organization based in Los Angeles seeking to raise support for Israel throughout the world. Founded in 2001 by Roz and her husband Jeremy, StandWithUs supports individuals and organizations seeking to educate others about Israel and promote thoughtful discussion while opposing extremism and anti-Semitism. The organization now has 17 chapters and offices worldwide. We will learn about the group's challenges to the "JStreet" organization and the BDS movement ("boycott, divest and sanction").

On Monday, July 14th, at 7:00 pm, the KM Men's Club proudly presents a staged reading of "Harry & Eddie: The Birth of Israel," written by Mark Weston. Nationally acclaimed actor Arnold Weiss dramatically brings the story to life while playing both President Harry Truman and haberdasher Eddie Jacobson, an old friend who sought to convince Truman to change his position and acknowledge Israel. The show has been performed all over the US and in Israel. We welcome you to attend this exciting performance and learn how one man's advice and support helped the State of Israel come to be.

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Jonathan Kirsch book signing



Eddie Jacobson and Harry Truman in their haberdashery shop in Kansas City, Missouri

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL UPDATE

SHARONE WEIZMAN,
Director of Education



SHALOM CHAVERIM! We kicked off the month with two fantastic programs back-to-back on Friday, May 2nd. The celebration began with our second monthly PJ Library, a wonderful new program made available to us through the Jewish Federation. We had over 30 "little ones" and their parents at KM with Masha Savitz, our Religious School Vice Principal, and guest facilitator, Leah Cohen, leading the children in stories, art, and Shabbat songs, followed by a relaxed pizza dinner. Later that evening, our 2nd-5th grade students led the Shabbat service

with Rabbi Gotlieb, Cantor Cohen, and Dov Rosenblatt. We are so proud of the 25 Religious School students who shared music and Tefillot (prayers) from their curriculum. Following the service, over 100 KM members celebrated Shabbat with a lovely Kabbalat Shabbat dinner.

On Tuesday, May 6th, our Religious School celebrated Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israel's Independence Day) with an interactive educational program. Our students rotated through four stations including music and dance led by Dov Rosenblatt and Nava Berenshtin, cooking falafel and making Israeli salads with Neomi and Tali Nemanim, Training to become an "IDF Soldier" with an obstacle course led by guest facilitator Yafit Josephson, and Israeli film and discussion facilitated by Myrna Sokoloff. Following the rotation, our students came together for a serious reflection on Yom Hazikaron (Israel's Memorial Day) with a commemoration ceremony focusing on the mood in Israel just one day before

Yom Ha'Atzmaut. We finished up the program with Israeli music, Israeli dancing, eating the Israeli food our students prepared, and singing "Yom Huledet Sameach," "Happy Birthday" to Israel in honor of her 66th birthday. In celebration, we enjoyed a beautiful birthday cake generously donated by Vienna Pastries. Enjoy the above pictures from our celebration!

On Sunday, May 18th our school and families went to Santa Monica Beach for our Lag Ba'Omer Family Beach Day where they led morning blessings, prayers, and songs for the seniors at Barnard Park Villas. Afterwards, we walked to Boardwalk Yogurt and spent the day at the beach with our students, teachers and families. See the pictures above to get a taste of the fun!

Our last official day of school is Sunday, June 1st from 9:00-12:30pm. Parents are invited to join us for our closing ceremony at 11:30am where both students and teachers will be recognized. Immediately following Religious School, all 2nd-6th grade students are invited to go bowling for our Kadima event from 1:00-2:30pm. At 2:30pm, we will meet at the bowling alley and our 2nd-7th grade students who met their Shabbat attendance requirement for the year will head off for our end of the year field trip.

Closing Programs!

Sunday, June 1st - Last Religious School Day and Closing Ceremonies (9:00-12:30pm)

Sunday, June 1st - End of the year Shabbat Unplugged attendance field trip (2:30pm, following Kadima bowling party)

Tuesday, June 3rd - Congregational Shavuot Program (6:45pm cheesecake tasting, Israeli Dancing, and Kids "Snackivity")

Friday, June 6th - PJ Library (5:00-6:00pm) Bring your pre-school aged kids!

Saturday, June 7th - End of the year 6th and 7th grade Shabbat Service and lunch

PRAYER

DENNIS GURA, Ritual Committee

We often think that the “problem of prayer” is a unique phenomenon. Given our tendency to idealize the religious lives of our ancestors, we might benefit from the observation that prayer was as complicated and difficult an issue for them as it is for us.

Indeed, the Talmud’s first volume deals in depth with prayer. While our typical rabbinic take-away from that text focuses on the technical issues of prayer (exactly what we should say, under what circumstances, and with what frame of mind), lurking in the background is the rabbis’ acknowledgement that, even in antiquity, what prayer was and how it operates was mysterious and complicated.

The great religious revival movement of the Ba’al Shem Tov and his disciples, which reinvigorated Jewish life in Eastern Europe, attempted to resolve some of these religious dilemmas. Hasidic literature is full of discussions about prayer, how to approach it, what it means. The different Hasidic rebbes and courts that emerged stressed different aspects of both Hasidut in general and prayer in specific. For some, prayer was a form of personal psychological self-evaluation; for others, a mystical exercise to connect with The One; for yet others, a nearly “magical” cabalistic

experiment in tikkun olam, rectification of the shattering that allowed for the universe to come into existence.

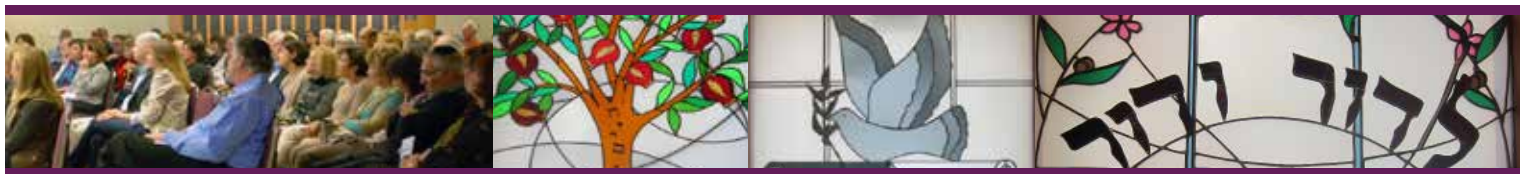
But in all events, prayer for the Hasidim of the 17th and 18th centuries was apparently as problematic and difficult then as it might be for us now. Thus an early collection of Chassidic sayings (Liqqutim Yeqarim) offered, in Arthur Green and Barry Holtz’ translation, the following advice concerning prayer:

One who read the words of prayer with great devotion
may come to see the light within the letters,
even though one does not understand
the meaning of the words one speaks.
Such prayer has great power;
Mistakes in reading are of no importance.

A father has a young child whom he greatly loves.
Even though the child has hardly learned to speak
his father takes pleasure
in listening to his words.

(From Your Word Is Fire: The Hasidic Masters on Contemplative Prayer)

As we approach Shavout, which, while not our paradigmatic holiday, is truly the Jewish religious raison d’être, may The One who is, in our liturgy, Our Father, be as this father, attentive with pleasure to the words we can barely properly pronounce.



“OH, MOTHER!”

JOEL STROM

KM was pleased to host Jewish Women’s Theatre (JWT) to provide attendees with a funny, warmhearted, sometimes tearful, overwhelmingly joyful performance of “Oh, Mother!” on May 4th at the synagogue. JWT was organized to give voice to Jewish women writers in America by developing original artistic work and performing in front of audiences large and small with the goal of creating a lasting legacy for future generations. Judging by the reaction from the crowd, the actors, writers, and producers are well on their way to success.

A comical lead-in set the stage for what most in the audience began to believe would be an afternoon filled with jokes and laughter. Each actor then moved to the front and center to perform a monologue or vignette relating to motherhood. Each had an element of humor, but many also moved the audience to tears as they reflected on the tragedies, hopes, and dreams of the writers.

An intimate High Tea followed the performance, where actors and attendees could share stories, compare notes, and learn from one another. Many enjoyed themselves so much that they stayed well after the official program ended. Special thanks to our Programming Chair, Helayne Levy, and all other volunteers who worked diligently to bring Jewish Women’s Theatre to KM and organized the lovely tea following the performance.

If JWT returns to KM, we hope you will show your support by attending the performance—you will leave with a lighter heart, perhaps a new friend, and most importantly, a renewed pride in what we can do as a KM community.

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Our Condolences to

Stan and Sandy Ziegler and Randy and Susan Ziegler on the passing of Stan's brother and Randy's uncle, Milton Ziegler, on Monday, April 28, in Florida.

May their memories be a blessing

Upcoming Events at Kehillat Ma'arav

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Tuesday,
JUNE

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6:45pm

SHAVUOT CELEBRATION

Nourish and sweeten your soul with Torah and cheesecake as we celebrate together. We'll enjoy a cheesecake tasting while the kids participate in a "snacktivity," followed by Israeli dancing at 7:30. Ma'ariv at 8:30pm, Tikkun Leil Shavuot at 9:00pm. Join us for all or part of the evening.

Sunday,
JUNE

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5:30pm

DINNER DANCE

Join KM at our annual dinner dance as we honor Marian & Charley Goldsmith and Judy & Lou Zucker for their service as members, leaders and Gabbaim. Join us for dinner, dancing, a silent auction, and entertainment! Save your space in our ad wall by e-mailing adbook@km-synagogue.org

Wednesday,
JUNE

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7:00pm

ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING

Our annual meeting is quickly approaching! Join us in discussing our synagogue's achievements and make sure you have a part in shaping the future of our community.

Thursday,
JUNE

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6:00pm

NEXTGEN WINE & CHOCOLATE TASTING

Calling the NextGen! You're invited to a wine and chocolate tasting with delicious food, good wine, and great company. Meet at Waterloo & City for happy hour drinks & dinner (pay your own way) at 6:00pm, followed by a chocolate & wine tasting at ChocoVivo at 7:30 (\$15 per person). Please RSVP to Cindy at cdrxla@aol.com by June 9th.

Saturday,
JUNE

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9:30am

SHABBAT IN 3D

Shabbat in 3D is back! This wonderful program, unique to KM, brings together community, study, nosh, and Shabbat for a reflective morning. We will welcome Eitan Cooper, Vice President for Development at the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem to discuss "Religious Pluralism in the Jewish State."

June 2014

SIVAN-TAMMUZ 5774

Kehillat Ma'arav Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Religious School (last day) 9:15am Ed. Comm. Mtg. 12:45pm Kadima Bowling 2:30pm Shabbat Unplugged field trip	2 11:30am Yoga	3 6:45pm Community Shavuot Celebration	4 9:30am Shavuot Services SHAVUOT Office Closed	5 9:30am Shavuot Services/Yizkor Office Closed	6 5:00pm PJ Library 6:30pm Shabbat Services 7:44pm Candle Lighting	7 9:30am Shabbat Services with RS Students 11:00am Shabbat Club & Tot Shabbat
8 5:30pm KM Dinner Dance	9 11:30am Yoga 6:30pm Membership Comm. Mtg.	10	11 7:00pm Annual Mtg.	12 12:00pm Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi Gotlieb 6:00pm NextGen Wine & Chocolate 7:00pm JNET	13 7:48pm Candle Lighting	14 9:30am Shabbat in 3D 11:00am Shabbat Club & Tot Shabbat
15 FATHER'S DAY	16 11:30am Yoga	17	18 6:00pm Exec. Comm. Mtg. 7:15pm KM Choir 7:30pm Board of Trustees Mtg.	19 12:00pm Lunch & Learn w/ Rabbi Gotlieb	20 7:50pm Candle Lighting	21 9:30am Shabbat Services 11:00am Shabbat Club & Tot Shabbat
22	23 11:30am Yoga 7:30pm Men's Club Event	24	25 7:15pm KM Choir	26 12:00pm Lunch & Learn w/ Rabbi Gotlieb 7:30pm Adult Trope Class	27 7:51pm Candle Lighting	28 9:30am Shabbat Services 11:00am Shabbat Club & Tot Shabbat
29	30 11:30am Yoga				Shabbat Club Fun & interactive Shabbat services for kids grades 2-6 Tot Shabbat Energetic services for kids	PJ Library Books, crafts, and dinner for preschool-aged kids on the 1st Friday of every month.

Happy Birthday!

(18 & Younger)
Kyra Coulam
Ryan Morton Dunn
Aidan Gibson
Bryan Ira Goldberg
Joseph Green
Josephine Sophia Kramarsky
Jonah Krop
Jared Lewin
Ava Rose Pomerantz
Nathan Shapiro
Annie Titan

Happy Anniversary!

Alan and Halina Alter
42nd Anniversary
Larry and Miyako Berkin
33rd Anniversary
Stuart and Marlene Bernstein
55th Anniversary
Ari and Gwennie Felczer
1st Anniversary
Richard and Adinah Finn
15th Anniversary
David and Karen Fleiss
46th Anniversary
Boris and Faina Gelman
46th Anniversary
Tom and Sonia Glasner
41st Anniversary

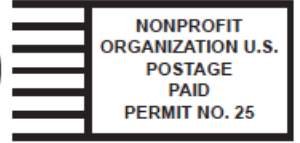
Charles and Marian Goldsmith
50th Anniversary
Paul and Sue Hoffman
40th Anniversary
Larry and Kim Israel
34th Anniversary
Elsa and Gregory Jones
40th Anniversary
Hilary Collier and Leonid Kruglyak
15th Anniversary
Alec and Tamara Levenson
24th Anniversary
Joseph and Helayne Levy
35th Anniversary
Prissi Cohen and Michael Morrisette
18th Anniversary
Denise Gerber and Stuart Perlman
31st Anniversary

Joseph and Nancy Peters
32nd Anniversary
Zvi and Perla Rothenberg
34th Anniversary
Roger and Christine Silk
21st Anniversary
Richard and Debra Silverman
29th Anniversary
Arthur and Norma Stein
42nd Anniversary
David and Mary Jo Wilzig
15th Anniversary
Richard and Vanessa Zelichov
11th Anniversary
Stan and Sandy Ziegler
57th Anniversary
Lou and Judy Zucker
50th Anniversary

THE VOICE



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SHAVUOT AT KM

Nourish and Sweeten Your Soul with Torah and Cheesecake

You're invited to join us for evening of fun & study! Shavuot celebrates the day we, the Jewish People, received the Torah. The holiday is commemorated with all-night study of the bible and, traditionally, the eating of "dairy" foods.

We have a wonderful night of events planned for kids and adults alike and we welcome you to join us for all or part of the evening!



Tuesday June 3rd

- 6:45pm - Cheesecake Tasting & Kid's Snacktivity
- 7:30pm - Israeli Dancing
- 8:30pm - Ma'ariv
- 9:00pm - Tikkun Leil Shavuot (all night learning)

Wednesday June 4th @ 9:30am - Shavuot Services
Thursday June 5th @ 9:30am - Services and Yizkor