



C O N G R E G A T I O N

# NETIVOT SHALOM

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In a way, I wish that I could write this column after the High Holydays in order to reflect a bit about what transpired both for me and, I hope, for many of you. Alas, the exigencies of the calendar (namely, the lead-time needed to produce this modest newsletter) require the timely submission of an article. So, instead, I want to use this opportunity to speak about two projects that I've been involved with.

Many of you know that I, together with my colleague, Joel Grishaver have, for the past five years, edited and produced a weekly fax/email/snail mail collection on *Parshat Hashavua*, called "Learn Torah With ...". It is written by hundreds of people from all denominations. At the end of each year, we publish the hardcover edition which contains all the articles (by parashah) along with comments that have come in by interactive email. Volume One appeared last year, Volume Two has just been issued (and is available from the office), and Volume Three is currently in production. "LTW" has been a unique voice in the world Jewish community, reflecting both an author and a subscription list that moved well beyond traditional groupings.

We've learned two things: that given the growth of the Internet, subscription-based electronic publications are no longer viable except in very specialized circumstances, and that our readership - especially our faculty- begged us not to stop. As of Simchat Torah, 5760, Torah Aura

And while I'm on the subject, hot off the press is another small pamphlet which I co-edited with Carolyn Hessel, called "Building Your Home Jewish Library - A



Beginner's List," published by the Jewish Book Council. I have always searched for a comprehensive list of books that would be available to people who wanted to delve more deeply into our tradition. In my work with potential converts, for example, I had

## RABBI'S COLUMN

by Rabbi Stuart Kelman

Productions will no longer sell weekly installments of *Learn Torah With...* Instead, we are going to offer *Learn Torah With...* unique, diverse, polydoxical style of Torah for free. It will be accessible via the website:

[www.torahaura.com](http://www.torahaura.com)

All you have to do next year is to log on to get it. The diversity of teaching and its high quality will continue - but look for some surprises, too.

I hope that those of you who made the commitment to deepen your understanding and appreciation of Torah, will consider this a useful tool.

to rely on some quickly written xeroxes of some of my favorite volumes. Now, together with the JBC, there is a list of books that go beyond the few that I might have recommended. Obviously, the booklet contains many of my favorites, as happens with any selection. Here, the descriptions are accurate reflections of the contents of the books. This booklet is available both from our office and from Afikomen.

*Tzei u'lemad*, says the Talmud - go and learn.



# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

## Saturday Shabbat Services & Torah Study

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 1414 Walnut Street, Berkeley

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First and third Shabbat of each month  
 6:15 p.m. at 1841 Berkeley Way

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 1841 Berkeley Way

## Meditative Minyan

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# SPIRITUALITY & PURPOSE

A SHABBAT OF STUDY WITH 5760 SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE RABBI DEBRA ORENSTEIN  
OCTOBER 22-23

**S**o the autumn *haggim*--the Days of Awe and Sukkot, the season of our joy--are over. We've climbed Mount Moriah with Abraham and Isaac, suffered with Sarah, dwelt in sukkahs to remember our trip to the promised land, danced with the Torah. After these High Holy Days highs, what next?

Come and learn about everyday halakhic highs and other aspects of regular spiritual practice with **DEBRA ORENSTEIN**, our 5760 Scholar in Residence, October 22-23. Rabbi Orenstein--seventh-generation rabbi, Jewish Theological Seminary alumna, creator of the landmark "Lifecycles" book series, spiritual leader at Makom Ohr Shalom in Los Angeles--memorably led Days of Awe services at Netivot Shalom in 1995 and 1996. This year she will teach a Shabbat series for CNS members and guests entitled "Walking the Path: Jewish Spirituality and Purpose."

**RABBI ORENSTEIN WILL TEACH AT:**

**KABBALAT SHABBAT, 7:30 PM (1841 BERKELEY WAY)  
DEVELOPING A MEANINGFUL JEWISH PRACTICE**

What can and does ritual mean in our lives? Is our goal--personally and communally-- always to observe more and more halakhic rules and rituals? How do we keep growing Jewishly? How can we refresh and enrich our present practices? How shall we choose and take on new ones?

**TORAH STUDY, 9:00 A.M. (BRJCC, 1414 WALNUT STREET)  
TAKING TORAH PERSONALLY: INSTRUCTION IN  
FAITH THROUGH PARASHAT LECH LECHA**

Through participatory discussion of traditional and modern commentaries, we will explore what this week's Torah portion--about God's call to Abraham-- means to each of us and how it can help us define, or hear, a call in our own lives.

**HAVDALAH, 7:30 P.M. (1841 BERKELEY WAY)  
THE TRADITION APPLIED: JEWISH WAYS INTO SPIRITUALITY.**

What exactly do we mean by "Jewish Spirituality?" How can we infuse spirituality into our lives--in prescribed or spontaneous prayer, celebration, crisis, or moments of an "ordinary" day? This talk will tease out general principles and offer "triggers" (or mnemonics) for applying such principles in our daily lives.



The series costs \$25 per adult, or \$15 for each evening (please call Barbara Wezelman, 510.525.0730, if you need a partial scholarship). Additional donations will help fund this event and future programming.

Please register early to help us plan this community event--tear off the registration form below and send it in today! Alison Jordan (510.540.8081) and Stephen Tobias (510.654.4561) will try to answer any questions.

We will share *oneg* (light refreshments) at each evening session. After the Havdalah talk Rabbi Orenstein will sign copies of *Lifecycles 1: Jewish Women on Life Passages and Personal Milestones and Lifecycles 2: Jewish Women on Biblical Themes in Contemporary Life*. Kids are welcome--we'll have **FREE CHILD CARE (FOR CHILDREN OUT OF DIAPERS)** at each session.

**RABBI DEBRA ORENSTEIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE SHABBATON, Oct. 22-23 1999 REGISTRATION**

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# MIDRASHA NEWS


by Diane Bernbaum

**A**s I am writing this, Midrasha is gearing up for the beginning of the new year. Because all the holidays this year fall on Sundays, we have a strange beginning, with the first day of class on September 19 and the second not coming until October 10. But what a school year it will be! We have three alumni returning to teach. Sunday classes include such intriguing courses as "Are Jews White? Race, Racism, and Multiculturalism," "Happiness is....Jewish Perspectives," "Sacred Acts: Life, Judaism, Drama, Movement," "People of the Body," "Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oy Vey!", "More Dysfunctional Families in the Bible," "Invoking Angels and Banishing Demons," "Fragments: Who is Benjamin Wilkomirski?" "Real Time: Behind the Israeli Headlines," "Witches, Rabbis and the Fools of Chelm," "Forgiveness," "Art as Expression," "Hollywood Meets Pirkei Avot" and "Beyond Tzedakah." And those are just SOME of the classes!

Our Talmud class with Rabbi Finkelman will begin meeting October 5 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 7:15 and our midweek Tanach class will continue to meet on Thursday afternoons. For anyone who wants a great Jewish education, there are a lot of amazing classes out there.

There is one Sunday when Midrasha invites the community at large to come join us for a morning of learning (and of course, food.) Our annual brunch will this year be held on Sunday, October 31 at 9:30 am. We eat for a short while and then students, parents, and community

members alike may attend two different classes. Each teacher prepares a class in something they are very excited about. In addition, during the brunch we have a silent auction with great donations. (If you have goods or services you would like to donate, please phone the Midrasha office). Reservations for the brunch and study session can be made by calling the Midrasha office, 843-4667. Hope to see you there. ☆



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## TORAH STUDY SCHEDULE

OCTOBER

**2nd Open**

**9th Nitzhia Shaked**

**16th Robert Alter**

**23rd Nitzhia Shaked**

**30th Rabbi Art Gould**

## ONGOING CLASSES AND STUDY GROUPS

**Torah Study, with Nitzhia Shaked and guest teachers, meets every Shabbat at 9:00 a.m. in Room 4 at the JCC. Child care also begins at 9 a.m.**

**Talmud Study, with Rabbi Kelman, meets every Tuesday evening from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., at the synagogue office.**

**B'nai Avraham v'Sarah, a chavurah for Jews by choice and their families, meets monthly at various members' homes. For information call Denise Moyes-Schnur at 526-6445.**

**Judaism Revealed, a group for Jews and their non-Jewish partners, meets monthly. For information call Rose Levinson at 526-1322.**

# ADULT EDUCATION

by Barbara Wezelman



In hopes that the holidays have inspired you to begin/continue/expand your Jewish education as an adult, we've got a variety of topics for you to choose from. If you don't see a class that interests you, consider joining the

Adult Education committee and planning one of your own. We typically meet the second

Sunday of each month. Our next meeting will be October 10 at 7:30 pm, at the synagogue office.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### BEGINNING HEBREW

Come learn with the woman who wrote the book! Ethelyn Simon will teach prayerbook/Biblical Hebrew on Tuesday mornings, from 11 am to noon, beginning October 5th. The ability to read the Hebrew letters is required. Copies of "Prayerbook Hebrew the Easy Way" will be available for purchase at the first class, which meets at 1820 Trestle Glen Rd., Piedmont. For more information, or if you're interested in the class but can't attend the first session, please call Ethelyn at 530-7970.

### SONGS OF SHABBAT

Oct 16. 5-6:30 Shabbat Shiur at Rabbi Kelman's This year we are focusing on *z'mirot* (plural), those songs we sing on Shabbat. Each Shabbat Shiur, we will discuss the meaning of a particular *z'mirah* (singular) and learn the tune that goes with it. This month it is "*Menuchah v'Simcha Or Layehudim*"

### TEFILLAH AND THE SIDDUR

Rabbi Kelman will once again lead us in an in-depth study of the prayers -- what they say, what they mean, and what they mean to us. A reading knowledge of Hebrew is required. Meets on 5 Sunday mornings, October 17 and 31; November 7, December 5 and 19, from 10 to 11:30 am at the synagogue office. Childcare is available. For more information contact Rabbi Kelman at 549-9447.

### LEARNER'S MINYAN

It's back! Cantor Pamela Rothmann Sawyer will lead a learner's minyan on the last Saturday morning of each month, beginning October 30th, from 9 to 9:45 am at the BRJCC. No experience or Hebrew knowledge is necessary, just a desire to learn the Shabbat service. Childcare is available. For further information, please call Eric at 521-7084.

### MORE MAIMONIDES

Our study of Maimonides will continue on Monday evenings beginning October 18, at 7:30 PM. The class will be taught by Nitzhia Shaked and will meet in the Netivot Shalom library. The tuition is \$55 for Netivot Shalom members and \$75 for the public. You may register through Lehrhaus Judaica or at the first session of the class. See the Lehrhaus catalog or last month's newsletter for more details.

### SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE WITH RABBI DEBRA ORENSTEIN

Mark your calendars for this special Netivot Shalom community event on October 22 and 23. See the related article elsewhere in the newsletter for details.

Please welcome Glenn Massarano in his debut as our trope-master. For six Monday evenings, beginning November 2, Glenn will teach class members how to chant a standard Ashkenazi haftorah trope. No musical ability is required - only the ability to read Hebrew. Classes meet from 7:30 to 9 pm at the office. This class has a minimum enrollment requirement, so please call Glenn at 644-0654 if you plan to enroll but can't make the first meeting.

### SIFRUT

Ariel Bloch will be returning from Israel with the latest in Hebrew literature for us to read and discuss b'Ivrit on Wednesday evenings beginning November 3 at 7:30 pm at the office. This class also has a minimum enrollment requirement, so please call Ariel at 843-3979 if you plan to attend but can't make the first session.

### DO YOU ENJOY BEING READ TO?

On Saturday evening, November 6 help Rabbi Kelman celebrate the publication of his latest book, *Learn Torah With...5756*. Havdallah, coffee, book reading and signing beginning at 7:30 pm in the synagogue library.

## COMING UP!

### HOW TO GIVE A DRASH

Reserve the evenings of Tuesday January 11th and 25th for this hands on seminar with Vicky Kelman. Details to follow.



# JEWISH MEDITATION: AN IMPORTANT STEP IN DEEPENING JEWISH SPIRITUALITY

**A**s a nation of priests, we are committed to Tikkun-Olam, to healing the world. Our tradition prescribes three paths to this healing - Torah, Avodah, and Gemilut Chasadim.

Torah refers to the path of learning. We are blessed to have a rich body of sacred texts to receive guidance in every aspect of life.

Gemilut Chasadim is the path of action - deeds of loving kindness. One of the distinguishing cornerstones in our tradition is that spirituality is grounded in action. It's not enough to have ideas and dreams of healing the world; we do it most concretely through our action.

Avodah is the path of worship - of prayer and meditation. Our tradition tells us that in order for us to understand the depth of the learning, and for our action to be truly healing, our consciousness must be pure. We need to learn and act from a deep experience of G-d, of Truth, not from intellectual ideas about spirituality.

Our liturgical prayer provides powerful doorways in to the experience of G-d, but most of us have never learned how to open them. Our Shabbat morning service can be an enjoyable time for us to come together in song, but it can also be a profound experience of Divine Presence, connection, and understanding. In order for prayer to be a doorway, we need to deepen our inner experience of the liturgy. Our sages teach us that this can be done through meditation.

Meditation has been a vital component of Jewish spiritual teachings for four thousand years. Traditionally this practice has been part of the "nistar", or hidden tradition. At certain historic moments however, this hidden tradition was made available to the broad community - most notably during the Prophetic period, the Safed revival in Northern Israel in the 16th century, by the Baal Shem Tov in the late 17th century, and again today.

During the Holocaust, the majority of the world's Jewish meditation teachers and schools were destroyed, losing almost an entire piece of the tradition. It has taken fifty years for the surviving

teachers to transmit this type of wisdom to a generation of teachers competent in the tradition, yet able to use a modern idiom suitable for contemporary Americans.

Netivot Shalom offers the Meditative Minyan which meets from 9:30 am - 10:30 am on the third Shabbat of the month. The Minyan weaves Jewish meditation techniques and insights into the Shacharit service allowing its participants to engage deeply in the liturgy. The service ends after the Amidah so that people can join the rest of the congregation in the Torah service. The service is led by K'vod Wieder - member of Netivot Shalom and assistant director of Chochmat HaLev - a center for Jewish meditation here in Berkeley. We hope to see you there.

**"SANCTIFY THE SABBATH BY CHOICE MEALS, BY BEAUTIFUL GARMENTS; DELIGHT YOUR SOUL WITH PLEASURE AND I WILL REWARD YOU FOR THIS VERY PLEASURE"**

**– DEUTERONOMY RABBAH 3,1**

We invite you to join us for  
Kabbalat Shabbat  
the second Shabbat of each month  
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(RSVP by that Friday morning)  
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# MY TRIP TO ISRAEL

By: Gal Gressel

So here I am writing on my airplane ride from New York to L.A. Just a few hours ago I got off the plane from Israel with the 117 people on my trip. I'll be home in another ten hours, and the five and a half weeks I spent in Israel will be behind me. I think back to the first time I heard about the Israel trip. It was in ninth grade on a Midrasha weekend. My older peers - who had just come back from the Israel trip - were excitedly telling us all about it. From then on it just kept building up to be bigger and bigger. For the next two years I planned and I planned on how I could get the money for such a worthwhile experience.

The cost of the five and a half week trip was \$4,375. The initial reaction my parents had was: "there is no way we can afford that." And the truth is, they really couldn't. However, it didn't mean I couldn't go. When I talked to Midrasha staff, parents of previous kids who went, and others, everyone said I could apply for a scholarship. Still it was hard to believe. I didn't give up though. I applied and received a scholarship that paid for over half the cost of the trip. Netivot Shalom gave me some money, and the Jewish Federation of the Greater East Bay gave the rest. It surprised me, and my parents even more. Because of the people who give money to this Israel fund, many kids who couldn't afford the trip were able to go on this amazing adventure.

My main point to this writing is to give something back. I want to encourage everyone who feels they can to look into just giving a little bit of money to this cause. It matures young people an incredible amount. We are immersed into the Israeli culture deeply. We went through a week participating in the Israeli army; a week on a kibbutz with kids our age, and learned about all the peace problems. We spent a one and a half weeks in Jerusalem where we learned all of its history. We were in the North, in Haifa, Masada, Tel-Aviv, the Desert, Eilat and so much more. We became an amazing community and will never lose each other. This is an incredible trip and should not be missed. From now on, I will be doing my best to give back what was given to me. Help me and every other teenager. Make sure your kids go to Israel, and if you can, help others go too.



## WELCOME TO A NEW JEWISH BUSINESS!

Congregation member Amanda Fisher is opening up her own catering service. The eponymous **AMANDA'S CATERING** will offer fresh and elegant Vegetarian/ Dairy and Fish menus with Kosher supervision when required. Ask Amanda about her extensive culinary background.

You can reach her at 510-540-7537.

## CELEBRATE ROSH CHODESH

THE NETIVOT SHALOM ROSH CHODESH GROUP INVITES YOU TO  
WELCOME THE NEW MOON!

We are a diverse group, open to all women in our congregation, that meets in each others homes on *Rosh Chodesh*. Through study, singing, discussion, art, holiday celebration, *teffilah*, meditation, and ritual, we replenish ourselves spritually at the beginning of each busy month. October's topic: Exploration of prayer and spirituality. Monday, October 11, at 7pm. For a schedule of this year's monthly meetings, topics, and locations, please call Carla Cassler at 232-3036.

## YOUNG JUDAEA OPENING DAY!

Netivot Shalom is excited to announce  
**YOUNG JUDAEA'S 1999 OPENING DAY EVENT.**

Young Judaeans from all over the Bay Area will meet at the Tech Museum & IMAX Theater in San Jose on Sunday, October 10 at 11:00.

All 3rd through 12th graders are invited. Families and friends are welcome, too.

For registration/transportation please call the Young Judaea office at 510 549-0260 as soon as possible.

The cost at the group rate is \$15 for ages 3-12 and \$18 for ages 13-64.

**SAVE THE DATE:**

Netivot Shalom Young Judaea's next meeting will be on November 7.

# OCTOBER 1999

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2	9:00 am Torah Study	9:45 am Shabbat Services Shemini Atzeret Services (at the JCC)	7:30 pm Erev Simchat Torah (services at the JCC)	22 Tishri
1	6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat	Candle Lighting Time: 6:36 pm	Erev Shemini Atzeret	21 Tishri
3	9:45 am Simchat Torah (services at the JCC)	11:00 am Beginning Hebrew Class	7:15 am Minyan	7:30 pm
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<p>23 Tishri</p> <p>10</p> <p>10:00 am Family Pre-School</p> <p>11:00 am Young Judea Kick Off Event</p> <p>7:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting</p> <p>7:30 pm Adult Ed Committee Meeting</p> <p>30 Tishri</p>	<p>24 Tishri</p> <p>11</p> <p>1 Heshvan</p>	<p>7:30 pm Talmud Shiur</p> <p>25 Tishri</p> <p>12</p> <p>2 Heshvan</p> <p>7:30 pm Talmud Shiur</p>	<p>Bloch</p> <p>26 Tishri</p> <p>13</p> <p>7:15 am Minyan</p> <p>3 Heshvan</p>	<p>27 Tishri</p> <p>14</p> <p>4 Heshvan</p>	<p>Candle Lighting Time: 6:25 pm</p> <p>28 Tishri</p> <p>15</p> <p>6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat</p> <p>Candle Lighting time: 6:15 pm</p> <p>5 Heshvan</p> <p></p>	<p>Leah Salkin's Bat Mitzvah</p> <p>29 Tishri</p> <p>16</p> <p>9:00 am Torah Study</p> <p>9:30 am Meditative Minyan</p> <p>9:45 am Shabbat Services <i>Parasha Noah</i></p> <p>5pm Songs of Shabbat at the Kelmans'</p> <p>6 Heshvan</p>
<p>7 Heshvan</p> <p>24</p> <p>14 Heshvan</p> <p>7:00 pm Board Meeting</p> <p>9:30 am Midrasha Brunch 10 am Tefillah Workshop</p> <p>21 Heshvan</p> <p>31</p>	<p>8 Heshvan</p> <p>25</p> <p>15 Heshvan</p> <p>7:30 pm Maimondes Workshop</p>	<p>7:30 pm Talmud Shiur</p> <p>9 Heshvan</p> <p>26</p> <p>7:30 pm Talmud Shiur</p> <p>16 Heshvan</p>	<p>10 Heshvan</p> <p>27</p> <p>7:15 am Minyan</p> <p>17 Heshvan</p>	<p>11 Heshvan</p> <p>28</p> <p>18 Heshvan</p>	<p>Candle Lighting time: 6:05 pm</p> <p>12 Heshvan</p> <p>29</p> <p>7:30 pm Scholar in Residence Program with Rabbi Debra Orenstein @ 1841 Berkeley Way</p> <p>Candle Lighting time: 6:05 pm</p> <p>19 Heshvan</p> <p></p>	<p>9:00 am Torah Study</p> <p>9:45 am Shabbat Services <i>Parasha Lekh Lekha</i></p> <p>Table Sednowski's Bat Mitzvah</p> <p>11:00 am Shabbat B'Yachad Scholar in Residence Program with Rabbi Debra Orenstein</p> <p>20 Heshvan</p>

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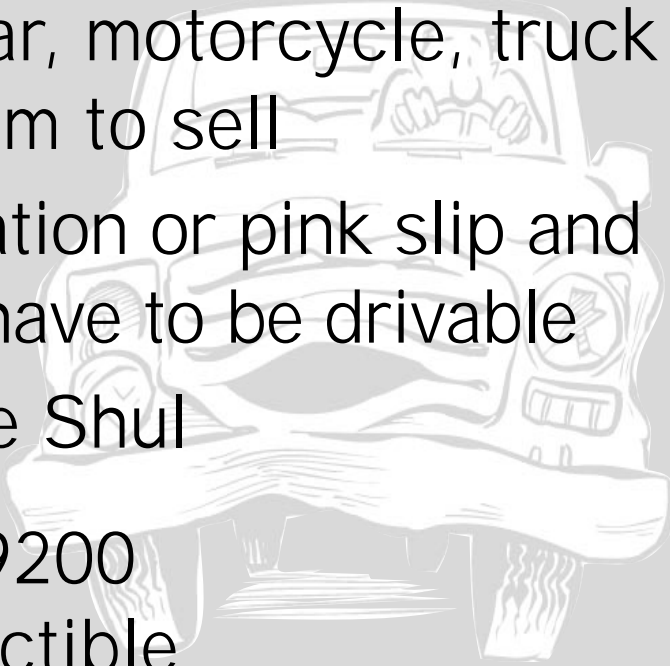
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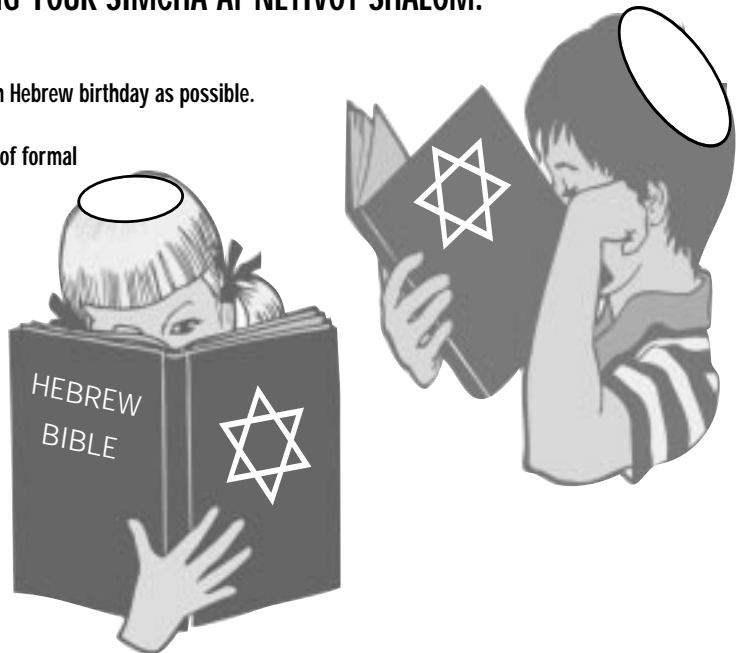
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Rebecca Landes on the birth of her son Rami  
[This is a correction to our previous announcement]

## THANK YOU

To the 1999 (5759) Adult B'nai Mitzvah Group for their donation of a breast plate for the Torah

## CONDOLENCES

Barbara Wezelman on the death of her father, Norman Wezelman

Chana Bloch, on the death of her mother, Rose Fierstein

A woman named Sam, on the death of her father, Milton Mandell.

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October 9 the kiddish is sponsored by Frankie Whitman and Sam Salkin in honor of Leah Whitman-Salkin's Bat Mitzvah

October 16 the kiddish is sponsored by Karel Koenig and Michael Feeley in honor of their conversions

October 23 the kiddish is sponsored by Gail DeBoer and Menachem Sendowski in honor of Tahle Sendowski's Bat Mitzvah

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November 13 the kiddish is sponsored by Claudia Valas and Carl Buchin in honor of Joshua and Kyla's Birthday


November 20 the kiddish is sponsored by Batya Eisner-Knebel in honor Netta Eisner's Bat Mitzvah

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