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From The Rabbi

An Orange, A Goblet & A Bowl

By Rabbi Stuart Kelman

It's now *chol hamoed* of Pesach — and I've had at least an hour or two to reflect on our wonderful *sedarim*! Aside from having most of my children home (a blessing in itself), there were on the Seder table two new objects — an orange and a goblet. The orange, so the story goes in at least one of its many iterations, comes to us from an incident that happened in Florida a few years ago. Susanna Heschel, one of our leading theologians, was addressing a group during an adult education series. Her topic, as is often the case, centered on the role of women in ritual, in particular with women as rabbis. Suddenly, a man stood up, and in exasperation shouted out, "A woman belongs on the *bimah* as much as an orange belongs on a Seder plate!!!" Well, our custom today is to place an orange on our Seder plate

stating very publicly that women **do** belong on the *bimah*!

Similarly, standing alongside the *kos Eliyahu*, the Cup of Elijah, we have placed a *cos Miriam*, a Cup of Miriam. After all, wasn't Miriam the one who, according to the midrash, provided water as *b'nai yisrael* traveled through the desert? Her well moved along with the people and gave life-giving sustenance to the Israelites. So, why not have a *cos Miriam* alongside the *cos Eliyahu*? They both played, and will play, a role in the redemption of the people — and Miriam deserves a place alongside Elijah not only because she is a woman, but also because of her long minimized role in the redemptive history of our people. By the way, there are two customs regarding the cups: The first is that the *cos Eliyahu* is filled with wine and the *cos Miriam* is filled with water preceding the Seder. The second, and the one I personally accept, is that both cups are placed empty on the table. When the time comes for the "redemptive" part of the Seder, each cup is passed along to every Seder participant, Jew and non-Jew alike, who adds a drop or two of wine or water thereby indicating that it is our human responsibility to participate in the future redemption of our people and the world.

So, here are two new rituals and objects that have become part of our Seder.

Well, a few weeks ago, Brenda Goldstein came into my office with an offer that I couldn't refuse. Brenda, as many of you know, is not only a superb *shlichaht tzibbur*, but also a wonderful Hebrew calligrapher. She has been working with a famous local ceramic

artist, Susan Felix, calligraphing Hebrew letters on the inner surface of some of Susan Felix's bowls. Brenda has graciously given our shul one of these creations. Now, will this bowl with Hebrew letters be used as an object for a new ritual, or will it remain simply an exquisite art object? (It resides, for safety's sake, in my office, but is available for all to come see.)

My question to you: What kind of ritual might this bowl be used for? I've been struggling with this for a while — and the best I can come up with is to use it for some ceremony around Shavuot (giving of the Torah). Little children might hold some sort of cloth letter in their hands (perhaps the first initial of their Hebrew name) and drop it in the bowl and say a *beracha* about learning Torah — with parents then teaching their child some piece of Torah. In earlier times, honey was placed on a slate when the child first came to school as a symbol of the sweetness of learning Torah. Is this an appropriate way to physically describe our affirmation of Jewish learning in the community? Maybe it should be used around the time of bar/bat mitzvah? Other suggestions are welcome.

Oranges, goblets and a bowl — each of which has/can become a new object to be part of a ritual. How are new rituals sanctified? How do they become part of a community's canon? These are questions which, I suggest, are important as we struggle with tradition and change in the 21st century. ✨

Check out the handy NEW
Kashrut Guide on page 11 !!





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TEFILAH SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

All services are held at the
Berkeley-Richmond
Jewish Community Center
1414 Walnut Street, Berkeley

Shabbat Services 9:45 a.m.

Torah Study 9:00 a.m.

Learner's Minyan,
2nd & 4th Shabbat 9:45 a.m.

Meditative Minyan,
3rd Shabbat 9:30 a.m.

For Children:

Shabbat B'Yachad,
2nd & 4th Shabbat 11:00 a.m.

Torah L'Yeladim
1st & 3rd Shabbat 11:00 a.m.

Shabbat Shelanu,
1st & 3rd Shabbat 11:30 a.m.
(while Religious School is
in session)

WEEKDAY MINYANIM

All services are held at our offices,
1841 Berkeley Way, Berkeley

Morning Minyan 7:15 a.m.
Wednesdays

Rosh Chodesh Minyan - Sivan
May 23 7:15-8:30 a.m.

TORAH STUDY & DRASH SCHEDULE MAY

**5 Torah Study of Ahare Mot/
Kedoshim** with Simon Firestone
Drash by Kayla Buchin, Bat Mitzvah

12 Torah Study of Emor
with Nitzhia Shaked
Drash by Talia Geliebter, Bat Mitzvah

19 Torah Study of Behar/BeHokotai
with Ariel Bloch
Drash by Kira Walt-McCrodan,
Bat Mitzvah

26 Study of BaMidbar
with Nitzhia Shaked,
Drash by Ann Swidler

President's Letter

You will likely be reading this at about the same time that we close on the University Avenue site. A lot of hard work has gone into this project, and a lot more is yet to come. The Site Committee, chaired by Joe Meresman, has been formed to oversee everything that needs to happen at the University Avenue site between now and when we move in.

We are continuing to build the infrastructure necessary to sustain a congregation of our size. On April 16th our new bookkeeper, Lauri Abrahamson, began working 25 hours per week. She comes to us with a number of years experience, having kept books for a church in San Francisco. Lauri lives in Albany and welcomes the opportunity to stay on this side of the Bay.

Rhea Harlow and Wendy Siu continue to keep our office running as efficiently as possible, while also researching even more effective ways to manage our organization. We will soon be converting to a database package designed specifically to manage a synagogue. This

system includes member information, yahrzeit lists, and is designed to be compatible with the fiscal management system we use — to name just a few of its components.

We have a new Web Shomer! Jim Davis has stepped up to take over from Ben Heshen. As a matter of fact, it was Jim who got our e-mail system back up and running so quickly when the provider for the Federation, through whom we had our e-mail, went bankrupt. *Todah Rabbah!* to Ben for bringing us into the Information Age, and to Jim for taking on the task of moving us to the next level.

Enjoy **Lag B'Omer on May 11th** — it falls on Erev Shabbat this year, so we won't be able to celebrate with bonfires as we learned to do in Israel. It's Pesach as I write this, but I'm already trying to remember where I put my blintz pan so I can be ready for Shavuot. **Erev Shavuot is May 27th.**

B'shalom,
Debby Graudenz

Summary of the 3/25/01 Board Meeting:

- Debbie Lobel reported to the Board on initial preparations for Yamim Nora'im.
- Debby Graudenz reported that she has begun initial negotiations with the BRJCC for renting space for the next two years.
- The Board voted to create the Site Committee, which will be responsible to the Board of Directors, to oversee the development of the University Avenue Site. Responsibilities will include: site cleaning and preparation; sign removal and future signage;

- fencing; obtaining permits; design; construction; and expenses for these services. The Board also approved Joe Meresman as the Chair for this committee.
- Eugene Berg reported that our income and expenses year-to-date are on-target with our budget.
- Rena Dorph, Chair of the Finance Committee, distributed budget information for 2000-2001 and facilitated a discussion regarding the budget for 2001-2002.

To the Editor:

In response to the article in the April newsletter by Josh Gressel, Netivot Shalom's Ritual Chairperson, I would like to make a few comments. The approach that Josh suggests is measured and sensible, and it was a pleasure to read his lucid summary of the history of Torah reading cycles. I consider the Torah Reading to be the centerpiece of the Shabbat and Holiday service, and would support any expansion of its role in our Judaism. It has always struck me as bordering on sacrilege that the Torah reading is curtailed to accommodate other elements of the service. I feel we should read the full parasha, translate it and explicate the *halachic* and ethical matters contained within it. — Jonathan Heinstejn

ROSH CHODESH MINYANIM

• **Wednesday, May 23** at 7:15 a.m.

• **Thursday, June 21** at 7:15 a.m.

In the shul office library.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

RITUAL COMMITTEE NEWS:

What's in a Name?

By Josh Gressel, Ritual Chair

I have long been dissatisfied with the name "Ritual Committee." As I see it, ritual is a very important means to an end, but not an end in itself. By calling ourselves the "Ritual Committee," I worry we create an expectation that we are primarily concerned with the how of religious services, but not the why.

The problem, of course, is not in the ritual, but in one-sided emphasis on it. Ultimately, there is no difference between ritual/*keva* and spirit/*kavanna*. The two should work together, with *kavanna* imbuing the ritual with meaning, and *keva* creating the container by which the spirit can be fostered and maintained.

The name "Ritual Committee" makes explicit only one half of this important twinship. I agree that changing a name won't automatically do anything for us. But there is ample Biblical precedent, such as with Avram/Avraham, Sarai/Sarah and Jacob/Israel, where a name was changed to foster a new identity, as well as a recognition that transformation had occurred. The Ritual Committee over the past year has had two subcommittees called *Keva* and *Kavanna*, which have been meeting to try to determine how best to enhance both sides of the religious experience. I think a name change would be a suitable way of recognizing this work as well as helping it to continue.

The reason I'm taking up newsletter space with this is (a) to inform you all I think we should change our explicit identity, and (b) to ask for the community's help in finding a new name. Please think about possible names, in English or Hebrew, and e-mail me (adirhu@home.com) with your suggestions. Winning entry gets mention in this column and *firstaliya* at a Shabbat of your choice!

Triennial Cycle, continued: While you're e-mailing me, I want to ask you once again for input on our proposal to experiment with a full *kri'a* (reading the whole *parasha*) once a month for a six-month trial period. Remember, we're only talking about a six-time experiment at this stage, not a full or permanent changeover. As of this writing, I have received seven e-mails: three in favor, three against, and one ambivalent. So pretend you're a Florida voter with a second chance to make a difference, boot up the computer, and let us know your views. We vote on the issue during our **May 13** committee meeting.

Paying attention in Hebrew: Anyone who has learned a second language develops a tourist's fondness for the uniqueness of the other world that is encapsulated in that language. Since Hebrew is my second language, I will frequently extoll upon its wisdom and beauty.

This month's entry is the Hebrew word for "attention." In English, its connotations are largely cerebral — as if it's a function of the mind, like "concentration." Yet we frequently use it in emotionally laden contexts that have nothing to do with the ability to focus our minds. For example, children need "love and attention." I believe the Hebrew for attention — "*tsumat lev*" — makes much more sense of the profound impact of giving someone your attention. When you say "pay attention to me" — *sim(i) lev alai* — what you are actually saying is "put your heart on me." (*sim* = put, *lev* = heart, *alai* = on me). Paying attention is therefore "putting your heart on." As a psychologist I often hear my clients express surprise that just my "paying attention" to them

helps them get better. Sometimes I tell them the Hebrew meaning of those words, and then it makes more sense to them.

Pet peeve department: A few months back a congregant asked me to put something in the newsletter about Adon Olam. She said: "Could you please tell everyone that the translation of 'Adon Olam' is not 'take your *tallis* off?'" I have since watched this ubiquitous *minhag*: everyone tends to do it. I have no delusions that my writing something about it here will change anything, but it is a curious thing to witness. ✨

More Painless Fundraising

We have added another way for you to help the Shul — Schoolpop. Whether shopping on line or in participating stores, Schoolpop can help raise money for Netivot Shalom. Once you register (at no cost to you), you can begin shopping at more than 300 participating retailers. Andronico's shoppers: please note that Andronico's has joined Schoolpop and is no longer participating in E-scrip.

It is easy to register: (1) Go to www.schoolpop.com and click on Netivot Shalom. **(2)** Call toll free (M-F, 6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.) 1-877-456-1032. Please ask your friends and relatives, even those out of town, to register with Schoolpop. Because many of the merchants are on-line or are national chains, your friends and families can help support Netivot Shalom from anywhere in the country. For further information, please call David Levine (510-653-0679).

COMMUNITY EVENTS

OLDER ADULTS GROUP

Older and Better

By Jean Bradman

A recent edition of the Sunday Chronicle included a USA weekend supplement headlined "Older and Better". On the cover page was a photograph of a woman with wrinkles embracing a child. The lead article was headlined "Aging with Attitude", written by Dr. T. Mitchell, a member of the Texas State Board on Aging. I quote: "Older people are national treasures who deserve our efforts to improve the quality of their lives." He further cites Census Bureau projections that an American who is 60 today has 22 years of life ahead. Dr. Mitchell goes on to discuss the value of exercise, not smoking, weight control, proper diet and the need for regular health checkups. Other articles in the issue further emphasize the value of exercise. "Nothing keeps you young like vigorous exercise." An article about the proliferation of senior athletic teams quotes a 54 year old participant as saying, "You have to have something going on to gain the respect of kids."

In only one instance was there a mention of some kind of meaningful contribution outside the home, and this in response to a query from a homemaker whose retired husband was

interfering with her household routine. Nothing in any of these articles indicated an understanding of the process of aging, of aging as part of the continuum of living. If we are fortunate, we learn and grow throughout our lives. However, unless illness intervenes, learning doesn't cease because some motor skills have diminished. I agree that exercise is valuable, but when I go to the gym I do not have to compete with someone 50 years my junior. I go to the gym because it makes me feel good, not because I think it will keep me young. Nor do I wish to be kept young, any more than I wish to be a national treasure. That is a condescending attitude which I find disquieting. I want to be treated with dignity and respect, something all of us want.

I had to laugh at the 54 year old "senior". At that age I was busy with career and totally unaware that the word senior could even apply to me. Perhaps that's part of the confusion. Seniors have become more numerous but we have yet to understand how to define them. Us. By age? What age? By skills? Which skills? The healthy lifestyle choices as stated by Dr. Mitchell would apply to any age.

Etzleinu: In our Neighborhood

By Iris Greenbaum, Program Coordinator

Two years ago, Rabbi Kelman described his vision of seeing our homes and neighborhoods thriving with Jewish celebration and observance. Thanks to the enthusiasm and commitment of Sharon Priven and the loving-kindness of all who have participated in the mitzvah of Hachnasat Orchim, Netivot Shalom neighbors are now gathering in Etzleinu homes for Kabbalat Shabbat. Special thanks to the Bells, Feinsteins, Blums and Sibonys for welcoming members to their homes to share in the celebration of Shabbat.

Also, many thanks to all of you who invited Netivot Shalom guests to your Pesach Seders. Thanks to you, we were able to have over thirty guests join Netivot Shalom members for Pesach! Special thanks to Judy & Harry Radousky; Steve Koppman; Julie Weissman; Shirah & Chauncey Bell; Michelle Wolfson; Susan Lawrence & Andrew Cohen; Diane & Edwin Bernbaum; June & Bob Safran, Ruth Elowitz & Todd Rumpf; and Carol Dorf & Nathan Landau.

Celebrate Kabbalat Shabbat
at the home of
Shirah & Chauncey Bell
MAY 11 & JUNE 15, 6:30 pm
Veggie/Dairy potluck
4 Nottingham Ct., Alameda
RSVP 510-523-7709

Although I am not a national treasure, I have gone through physical changes which are inevitable over the years. However, entirely missing from these articles was acknowledging the beauty of walking more slowly, observing more carefully. The charm of stopping to chat with a young parent. The delight of having a four-year old neighbor calling to ask if she can visit.

Entirely missing was any idea of giving; that older people, who are healthy, who have the time, can now give back to community, to children. They can teach values, they can teach about respect, they can teach about caring for others. They can talk about what their lives were like, helping young children learn about both connection and change.

Entirely missing was the idea of using these wonderful years as a time for contemplation, for self-examination, for repair of relationships. These later years are a gift to be treasured and shared, not spent merely lifting weights and counting calories

The Netivot Shalom community is invited to attend a workshop with **Linda Blachman** entitled "**Midrashim Chayim — Living Stories: Telling your Stories, Recording your Legacy**". Please join us on **Monday, May 14** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Sheila & Art Braufman, 929 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley. Please RSVP to Jean at 549-3231. 

Save the date!

Ted Feldman, Executive Director of Jewish Family & Children's Services, will lead us in text study of "Kohélet" on **Monday, June 11, 7:00-9:00 pm** in the shul library.

• Remember, anyone may join us for a particular topic! For more information, please call Jean: 549-3231.

Jewish Life in Cuba

By June Safran

The first week of April was full of excitement and expectation as Jews world-wide prepared for Pesach. For the Jews of Cuba, the excitement was even greater as hopes that had been expressed for more than three years were about to be fulfilled. Rabbi Shmuel Szeinhendler, their "rabi," was in Cuba again. Rabi Shmuel comes regularly to fulfil his role as advisor to the JDC in the development of Jewish religious life and in so doing, has become the acknowledged religious authority. This time, his trip was for the purpose of establishing a course of study in preparation for multiple conversions in the fall.

My personal guess is that the community is composed of 40% Jews, 35% converts, and 25% preparing to convert. Why so many non-Halachic members? First, there has been so much intermarriage that it is rare for anyone under forty to have two Jewish parents. Then, there are the families with stepchildren who have no Jewish roots, but, after years of coming to synagogue, they are committed to the tradition. There is the non-Jewish spouse's extended family that becomes exposed because the housing shortage forces them to live together in one house. After years of celebrating holidays, some now come to services and even attend classes at the adult school. A very few individuals, like my friend Deyanis, came because her Jewish stepfather who never comes to the community suggested she might enjoy being involved. Now she attends services each Friday night, dances in the Israeli dance troupe, and teaches art in the children's Sunday school. The Jewish community has become her home, the place where "people take care of each other even when they aren't family."

I have just returned from a 34-day visit. It was an unusual experience for me to spend relaxed hours in homes both in Santiago de Cuba and Havana. I had some of my best meals ever, including Matilde Farin Behar's famous chicken soup. We talked about life, discussed Jewish subjects, and I even taught English both in a class and during these home visits. While in Havana, I spent most of three days in the Patronato, the combination community center and Ashkenazi synagogue. I often sat with Adela Dworin, vice president, whose office is on a large library table in the center of the small library. Here, among the current bags and boxes of donations, Adela somehow manages to find space for her telephone and large blotter that make up her working space. The rest of the table is covered with books, medicines, packages waiting to go out into the countryside, cookies someone has brought for those who stop in to visit and those who work in the building, like Agosto who assists the JDC. Agosto loves chocolate cookies. There are always three or four chairs around Adela's desk welcoming those who want to speak to her. People with free time come there to sit and shmooze. These chairs are often full even when Adela has duties in other parts of the building.

So who visits? Well, first, there are members of the community who come for assistance. Some need medicine on days other than Tuesday when the pharmacy is open. Adela has her own pharmacy in a closet in the library. She fills ordinary needs like Tylenol or

pediatric decongestants or even prescriptions for antibiotics when she is lucky enough to have them in stock. She also supplies vitamins to those who work on Tuesdays. She packages medicines, almost every day, to mail to people in the countryside. The library is one of the two areas for meetings to prepare all kinds of projects and to make preparations for holidays. For instance, the secretary from Centro Sefardi spent a whole day with Adela going over the membership of each and every community in Cuba to be sure everyone would receive their Passover food supplies. Since there was a finite amount to be divided, it was important to know how many people were in each community.

There is also the constant stream of visitors who interrupt Adela's regular work. Whether it is one person or a group, she graciously greets them and often spends half an hour discussing Cuban Jewry before showing them the synagogue. During the days I was there, some of the visitors were: several groups from the U.S. laden down with suitcases or boxes of humanitarian aid, a doctor with a large bag of antibiotics, a group of Israelis with a guide who knew nothing about the Jewish community but wondrously located the Patronato, two visitors from Canada, five French people traveling together, an Englishman who spoke Yiddish (Adela attended a Yiddish high school in Havana so she is fluent), a convert from Arizona whose wife died last year and he "just needed to sit in the sanctuary." All these people wanted to see the building and to learn about the communities. Adela was their hostess.

One afternoon, I met with Ivan Glait, the JDC representative in charge of programming for the Jewish community. We discussed plans for the religious school, the effect on the community of the new ORT sponsored computer lab with its nine computers, the development of improved Hebrew language classes for all ages, and how to assist the communities in the countryside. I gave him my observations after my two-week bus tour across the island communities and we shared ideas on what needed to be improved. For instance, I was concerned about Campechuela, a small geographically isolated community that receives funds for six to eight people to go for Shabbat in Santiago once a month. Although he agreed that this was not often enough, it is simply too expensive to send them by car more times. So I suggested he double the exposure by sending two of the young well-educated Santiago leaders to them once a month to share Shabbat in the manner of Comunidad Hatikva in Santiago. Such contact is especially important now that the process of conversion has begun.

All in all, I feel the Jews are doing better Jewishly. There is more involvement in ritual, study and holiday celebration. The special groups for seniors, youth, women, B'nai B'rith, and Hadassah are thriving in Havana. The countryside is teeming with requests for Hebrew study materials, Jewish music and videos, Jewish literature and philosophy, and the desire for friendship with those of us who care about them enough to visit more than once. We also learned

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about a newly found community near the middle of the island consisting of twelve brothers with large families who are inter-married and have been isolated for over 40 years, but excited about coming back to Judaism with their families.

And our sister congregation, Hatikva? It's as beautiful as ever. There is nowhere else on the island where one can find more loving individuals nor more devotion to tradition. They take it seriously enough to study together each Shabbat afternoon after lunch. Every Friday night, someone reads something that relates to Torah, and these special people stand together to say Kaddish in memory of their friend, Regina Castiel, who died in Israel only a year after she made aliyah.

This is only a small taste of my month in Cuba. There were more study sessions, Purim celebrations, and the pleasure of meeting new people across the island who shared their accomplishments and dreams. ✨

MAZAL TOV TO:

Brandi Chaviers & Loren Kaplan

on their marriage on March 25, 2001

Doug Arnold & Juli Katz

on the birth of their daughter, Dory Rose

Robert Alter on being honored with a "Tribute to Excellence Award" by the alumni association of the Jewish Theological Seminary

CONDOLENCES TO:

Helen & Martin Wachs, on the death of Helen's mother, Pearl Pollero, March 16, 2001 and Helen's aunt Eleanor Ida Frayman

Masha Savitz, on the death of her brother, Jeremy Savitz

Every once in a while, a gremlin creeps into our systems. It seems that such an occurrence may have happened with our yahrzeit list. Read this list carefully and if there are any errors, please call us immediately at 549-9447.

TO ADD A NAME(S) TO THE YAHRZEIT LIST, FILL OUT THE INFORMATION BELOW AND MAIL, E-MAIL OR FAX (include only names of departed parents, spouses, sibings or children)

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E-MAIL TO: administrator@netivotshalom.org

FAX TO: (510) 549-9448

NAME OF DECEASED: (English name) _____

(Hebrew name, if possible) _____

DATE OF DEATH: (civil date) _____

(Hebrew date, if possible) _____

YOUR NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED: _____

Yahrzeit List

May 1	Gittel Rothblatt	8 Iyar
May 2	Celia Ruth Tolmach	9 Iyar
May 2	Kurt Irwin	9 Iyar
May 4	Friedrich Abraham Straus	11 Iyar
May 6	Lawrence (Bud) Simon	13 Iyar
May 6	Joseph Berck	13 Iyar
May 6	Leonard Kudisch	13 Iyar
May 7	Ann Cordes	14 Iyar
May 7	Philip Ruby	14 Iyar
May 7	Braina Gittle Yaffey	14 Iyar
May 7	Robert Yaffey	14 Iyar
May 8	Philip Lewis	15 Iyar
May 8	Moshe Reuven ben Zalman Leib v' Rachel Leah	15 Iyar
May 8	Victoria Koty	15 Iyar
May 9	Goldie Bardach	16 Iyar
May 9	Mordechai Gerson	16 Iyar
May 12	Harry Edelstone	19 Iyar
May 12	Rita Wexler	19 Iyar
May 14	Laura Rudorfer	21 Iyar
May 14	Samuel Raphel	21 Iyar
May 16	Fred Chait	23 Iyar
May 17	Rose Schneider	24 Iyar
May 18	Joseph Leighton	25 Iyar
May 18	Walter Wise	25 Iyar
May 19	Ruchel Burack	26 Iyar
May 19	Johanna Gans	26 Iyar
May 19	Ada Wisch	26 Iyar
May 20	Doris Wachs	27 Iyar
May 21	William Jurdem	28 Iyar
May 23	Albert Lepawsky	1 Sivan
May 23	Louis Schwartz	1 Sivan
May 24	Sidney Greenstein	2 Sivan
May 25	Harry Langer	3 Sivan
May 26	Rosalia Banc	4 Sivan
May 26	David "Mickey" Marcus	4 Sivan
May 28	George Joseph Ring	6 Sivan
May 28	Israel Kunofsky	6 Sivan
May 29	Sidney Heumann	7 Sivan
May 29	Bessie Markowitz	7 Sivan
May 31	Harry Phillipson	9 Sivan
June 1	Max L. Spiegel	10 Sivan
June 4	John Ginter	13 Sivan
June 4	Edith Netreba Marcus	13 Sivan
June 6	Fanny Klatt	15 Sivan
June 6	Jeanne Jacobson	15 Sivan
June 7	Jennie Gottlieb	16 Sivan
June 7	Rose Kahn Zion	16 Sivan
June 8	Irene B. Diener	17 Sivan
June 10	Abram Gurian	19 Sivan
June 11	Barbara Marmer	20 Sivan

MAY 2001

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p>Unless otherwise stated, all Saturday morning activities take place at the BRJCC (1414 Walnut St.) and all other activities take place at the Netivot Shalom offices (1841 Berkeley Way).</p>		<p>1</p> <p>7:30 pm Talmud Study</p> <p>8 IYYAR</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7:15 am Morning Minyan</p> <p>9 IYYAR</p>
<p>6</p> <p>4:00 pm Midrasha Fete</p> <p>13 IYYAR</p>	<p>7</p> <p>14 IYYAR</p>	<p>8</p> <p>5:30 pm Early dismissal for Amitim 6:00-7:30 pm Orientation for Amitim 5762 (2001-2002) at Shul offices 7:30 pm Talmud Study</p> <p>15 IYYAR</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:15 am Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm Hebrew Class</p> <p>16 IYYAR</p>
<p>13</p> <p>7:00 pm Ritual Committee meeting</p> <p>20 IYYAR</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7:00 pm Older Adults Group: "Midrashim Chayim — Living Stories: Telling your Stories, Recording your Legacy", at the home of Sheila & Art Braufman</p> <p>21 IYYAR</p>	<p>15</p> <p>7:30 pm Talmud Study</p> <p>22 IYYAR</p>	<p>16</p> <p>LAST DAY OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL</p> <p>7:15 am Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm Hebrew Class</p> <p>23 IYYAR</p>
<p>20</p> <p>11:45 am Midrasha Graduation at Beth El</p> <p>7:00 pm Board meeting</p> <p>27 IYYAR</p>	<p>21</p> <p>YOM YERUSHALAYIM</p> <p>28 IYYAR</p>	<p>22</p> <p>7:30 pm Talmud Study</p> <p>7:30 pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah</p> <p>29 IYYAR</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Rosh Chodesh Sivan</p> <p>7:15 a.m. Rosh Chodesh minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm Hebrew Class</p> <p>1 SIVAN</p>
<p>27</p> <p>EREV SHAVUOT</p> <p>9:00 pm - 6:00 am Monday Tikkun Leyl Shavuot at the BRJCC</p> <p>5 SIVAN</p>	<p>28</p> <p>FIRST DAY SHAVUOT</p> <p>9:45 am Services at the BRJCC</p> <p>6 SIVAN</p>	<p>29</p> <p>SECOND DAY SHAVUOT</p> <p>9:45 am Yizkor service, Book of Ruth In the shul offices; Kiddush sponsors: Ednah Beth Friedman & Margot Lucoff</p> <p>7 SIVAN</p>	<p>30</p> <p>7:15 am Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm Hebrew Class</p> <p>8 SIVAN</p>
<p>june 3</p> <p>12 SIVAN</p>	<p>june 4</p> <p>13 SIVAN</p>	<p>june 5</p> <p>7:30 pm Talmud Study</p> <p>14 SIVAN</p>	<p>june 6</p> <p>7:15 am Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm Hebrew Class</p> <p>15 SIVAN</p>

IYYAR-SIVAN 5761

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

<p>3</p> <p>10 IYYAR</p>	<p>4</p> <p>11 IYYAR</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:00 am Torah Study with Simon Firestone 9:45 am SHABBAT SERVICES; Bat Mitzvah of Kyla Buchin 11:00 am Torah L'Yeladim, room 12 11:30 am Shabbat Shelanu, room 14</p> <p>Kiddush sponsors: Claudia Valas & Carl Buchin in honor of Kyla Buchin's Bat Mitzvah</p> <p>12 IYYAR</p>
<p>10</p> <p>17 IYYAR</p>	<p>11</p> <p>LAG B'OMER 33rd day of the Counting of the Omer</p> <p>6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat at the Bells 7:51 pm Candle Lighting</p> <p>18 IYYAR</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:00 am Torah Study with Nitzhia Shaked 9:45 am Learner's Minyan, Room 14 9:45 am SHABBAT SERVICES; Bat Mitzvah of Talia Geliebter 11:00 am Shabbat B'Yachad, room 14</p> <p>Kiddush sponsors: Robin Keller & Mark Geliebter in honor of Talia Geliebter's Bat Mitzvah</p> <p>19 IYYAR</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Last day of Amitim</p> <p>24 IYYAR</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7:57 pm Candle Lighting</p> <p>25 IYYAR</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 am Torah Study with Ariel Bloch 9:30 am Meditative Minyan 9:45 am SHABBAT SERVICES; Bat Mitzvah of Kira Walt-McCroden 11:00 am Torah L'Yeladim, room 12 11:30 am Shabbat Shelanu, room 14</p> <p>Kiddush sponsors: Janet Walt & Brian McCroden in honor of Kira Walt-McCroden's Bat Mitzvah</p> <p>26 IYYAR</p>
<p>24</p> <p>2 SIVAN</p>	<p>25</p> <p>8:03 pm Candle Lighting</p> <p>3 SIVAN</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:00 am Torah Study with Nitzhia Shaked 9:45 am Learner's Minyan, Room 14 9:45 am SHABBAT SERVICES; drash by Ann Swidler 11:00 am Shabbat B'Yachad, room 14</p> <p>4 SIVAN</p>
<p>31</p> <p>9 SIVAN</p>	<p>june 1</p> <p>8:08 pm Candle Lighting</p> <p>10 SIVAN</p>	<p>june 2</p> <p>9:00 am Torah Study 9:45 am SHABBAT SERVICES 11:00 am Torah L'Yeladim, room 12 11:30 am Shabbat Shelanu, room 14</p> <p>11 SIVAN</p>
<p>june 7</p> <p>16 SIVAN</p>	<p>june 8</p> <p>8:12 pm Candle Lighting</p> <p>17 SIVAN</p>	<p>june 9</p> <p>9:00 am Torah Study 9:45 am Learner's Minyan, Room 14 9:45 am SHABBAT SERVICES; led by Shabbat B'Yachad families 11:00 am Shabbat B'Yachad, room 14</p> <p>Kiddush sponsored by Shabbat B'Yachad families</p> <p>1:00 pm 'Gender in Judaism' discussion with Rabbi Jane Litman 1:00 pm 'Teaching Torah to Children', with Vicky Kelman</p> <p>18 SIVAN</p>

EDUCATION REPORTS

Adult Education Update

By Jonathan Heinstein

The Tikkun Leyl Shavuot for 2001 will take place from 9:00 p.m. Sunday, May 27 to 6:00 a.m. Monday, May 28 at the BRJCC. The program

will feature lectures, chavruta text study, storytelling, choral music and the Maariv and Shacharit Services. The theme for this year will be 'Revelation Renewed: A Community-Wide Tikkun'. The once a year phenomenon of a real plurality of Jews and Judaism learning together, while praiseworthy, has not really bridged any gaps, or even sparked an ongoing dialogue. It seems to me that we need to repair more than the legendary sleep of the tribes at the foot of Sinai.

There is a new women's vocal ensemble in town:

SELAH! Bon Singer, the chantmaster at Chochmat HaLev is the group's director. Julie Batz has suggested that the group would be interested in teaching and performing for Netivot Shalom this spring, and they will appear at the Tikkun Leyl Shavuot. Those of you lucky enough to attend the Music of the Haggadah evening organized by Julie know how inspirational this kind of program will be. **Date TBA.**

Midrasha News

By Diane Bernbaum

It's coming. My favorite day of the Midrasha year: Graduation! And no, this isn't my favorite day because it marks the end of the school year and I can sleep later or go to a ball game or the beach on Sundays. It's my favorite because hearing each graduate speak about what Midrasha and their 18 years of Jewish education have meant to them overwhelms me with pride. And I have absolutely not a worry in the world about "Jewish continuity." All the early mornings, late nights, long work days, difficult phone conversations and worry about programs all go out the window; I realize that I have chosen the right profession and the right job. If you'd like to be similarly filled with *nachas*, please join us for graduation. It is **Sunday, May 20** at 11:45 a.m. in the Congregation Beth El sanctuary. The graduation epitomizes the pluralistic nature of our Midrasha community. We have 44 graduates. They come from 11

different synagogues and seven of them are unaffiliated. We are truly a community school.

Mazel Tov! to the following students and their families:

Heidi Amster, Sara Andre, Daria Armstrong, Elena Arnstein, Nathan Blumsack, Aaron Brown, Aaron Buchbinder, Adriana DeMarco, Zephira Derblich-Milea, Shonni Enelow, Jacob Erickson, Jonathan Erickson, Aaron Finkelstein, Nina Frank, Rachel Frank, Sarah Goldberg, Talia Gracer, Gal Gressel, Greer Hauptman, Brent Hecht, Amy Isaacs-Koplowicz, Nick Jonte, Jared Leiderman, Sarah Lesser, Joachim Lyon, Adelia Malmuth, Claire Michaels, Beth Morris, Rebecca Moskowitz, Ari Radousky, Dorit Resnikoff, Rebecca Rudolph, Joshua Schickman, Alexis Sclamberg, Michele Silver, Brian Smith, Shira Stanton, Shaya Stark, Jessica Stroik, Lina Swislocki, Miriam Walter, Daniel Wasserman, David Yap, and Ethan Zatko.

See you **May 20** at 11:45 a.m. for graduation!

"Gender and Judaism" is a series is being sponsored by Congregation Netivot Shalom and the Berkeley-Richmond Jewish Community Center. This endeavor is under the auspices of the Netivot Shalom Adult Education committee. The series of discussions is being held on the second Saturday of most months, at the BRJCC from 1:00 -2:30 p.m.

Starting in June, these discussions will be monthly (or almost monthly as we are skipping September at this point). For June we have scheduled Rabbi Jane Litman, Rabbi Educator at Beth El. Her topic will be "Reading Between the Lines: Words of Our Mothers, *Pirke Emahot*." For July, Cantor Carol Delton will lead the discussion (topic to be determined). For more information, please call Rivka Greenberg at 524-9196.

Six weeks of Hebrew will be taught by Judy Massarano and Peggy Sandel on Wednesday evenings **May 9 through June 13**, 7:30 p.m. at the shul offices. Hebrew is a difficult language, *'Ivrit safá kasha'*, but it is our language. Come and learn how well you can learn! Free to Netivot Shalom members, non-members \$30. Registration: Iris Greenbaum 549-9447 x110.

**LAST DAY OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
WILL BE WEDNESDAY, MAY 16TH**

Netivot Shalom is proud of it's graduating Midrasha students:

Daria Armstrong
Zephira Derblich-Milea
Sarah Goldberg
Gal Gressel
Amy Isaacs-Koplowicz
Beth Morris
Rebecca Moskowitz
Ari Radousky
Rebecca Rudolph
Shira Stanton
Jessica Stroik

Kol HaKavod!
This is the biggest group from any synagogue!!



In response to your many requests for a concise Kashrut guide for Etzleinu and all Netivot Shalom events, Michelle Wolfson has created this easy-reference Kashrut Guide. Thank you Michelle!

KASHRUT GUIDE

CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT/NETIVOT SHALOM COMMUNITY STANDARDS OF KASHRUT

Kashrut is based upon the separation of foods that are permitted and not permitted. Within the universe of permitted foods, *kashrut* stipulates separation between dairy products and meat products. All uncooked vegetables, fruits, grains, seeds, hot and cold drinks, kosher fish, and foods

made with eggs can be eaten with either dairy or meat. These are referred to as *pareve* products.

Only dairy and *pareve* foods are served at Netivot Shalom events and functions wherever they take place—whether the BRJCC, Shul office, a member’s home, or a picnic.

COOKING KOSHER IN A NON-KOSHER KITCHEN: DISHES AND UTENSILS

Travel Containers

Foods should be brought to the Shul or to a member’s home for any congregational event in kosher or new, disposable containers, or previously used pans if the pans are double wrapped in heavy aluminum foil.

Work Space for Cooking

If your workspace is not dairy or *pareve* kosher, create a separate space by covering your usual work area with a clean cloth, foil, paper or cooking parchment.

Pots and Pans

Foods may be prepared in previously used pans if the pans are double wrapped in heavy aluminum foil.

Cooking Utensils

New or disposable plastic utensils or kashered previously used utensils — all metal, scrupulously washed. (Utensils both absorb and impart non-kosher substances through the medium of heat.)

Knives

A scrupulously washed knife (with a non-wooden handle) is kosher.

Cleaning Utensils

Sponges and scrub brushes should be new or kosher dairy or *pareve*.

Serving Utensils

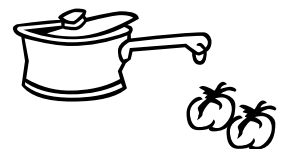
Use new or disposable plastic utensils or kashered previously used utensils (all metal, scrupulously washed).

Eating Utensils

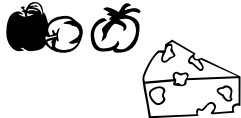
 Plastic

Plates Paper plates

Cups Use disposable or kashered cups.



ETZLAINU KASHRUT GUIDE FOR FOODS

NOT PERMITTED	PERMITTED	EXAMPLES
(At Netivot Shalom events) Meat, kosher or non-kosher		Chicken, beef, hamburger, pepperoni, chicken broth
	Vegetables	Green salad, potato dishes, cole slaw
	Fruit	
	Nuts	
	Hot and cold drinks	Soda, juice, coffee, tea, milk
	All wine and grape products manufactured by an automated process are considered kosher. (Only heckshered wine and grape juice may be used for kiddush.)	
Shellfish, shrimp, clams		
	All fresh and commercially packaged kosher fish (fish with scales) are acceptable, as are raw fillets from permitted fish (sushi).	Tuna, herring, salmon, halibut, swordfish, whitefish
	Eggs	Quiche, egg salad
	Baked goods, whether purchased or home baked, are considered kosher if they are made with 100% pure vegetable oil, butter or margarine.	Challah, bagels, crackers, cake, cupcakes, cookies, tortillas, pasta
	All cheeses commercially prepared in the U.S. with or without rennet are considered kosher as long as they do not contain any meat product.	
	Use of gelatin and products with gelatin is acceptable.	Jello, tapioca pudding
	Hot food prepared either in a kosher kitchen, or using dishes and utensils as described on the previous page, is permitted.	See Cooking Kosher in a Non-Kosher Kitchen: Dishes and Utensils, on previous page.
Hot food prepared at a restaurant or market deli with a non-kosher kitchen	Cold or uncooked food prepared at a restaurant with a non-kosher kitchen	
	Any processed food with a symbol of Rabbinic Certification (hecksher) on the label	Ⓢ, Ⓚ
	Packaged foods not bearing a hecksher may be deemed kosher and acceptable for use by reading the list of ingredients on the packaging and determining that they contain no meat or shellfish product.	

Cut here and keep in your kitchen!

EDUCATION REPORTS

Activities to Enrich Jewish Family Life

Family education begins at home! The following are a few ideas from the Bureau of Jewish Family Education about how to bring creative, interactive Jewish education into your home. Many of you have already found wonderful ways to make Judaism an integral part of your family home life. Please share with me your favorite Jewish home activities by e-mail at edu@netivotshalom.org by May 20 so that I can share them with the community.

Chodesh tov!
Rabbi Margie Jacobs

Who Knows Ten?

This is the month to celebrate the Ten Commandments! The holiday of *Shavuot* comes at the very end of May this year. That's when our ancestors stood at Mt. Sinai and received the Ten Commandments. Learn one each night, at the dinner table or at bedtime. (See the book, *Who Knows Ten*, by Molly Cone, published by the UAHC, or read them directly from the Bible: Exodus, chapter 20, verses 1-14.) When you have learned all ten commandments, list your family's ideas for an eleventh. Compare your list with the suggestions of other kids and grown-ups in *The Eleventh Commandment* (published by Jewish Lights Publishing Company).

Grow a Crystal Garden

Here's a new idea for Shabbat table decorations. Early in the week, put 1 tablespoon Epsom salts, 1 tablespoon water and ¼ tablespoon food coloring into a baby food or other small jar. Cover the jar. You might want to try a few with different shades of food coloring. Mix well, wait and watch daily.

Personalize Your Tzedakah

Make a family *tzedakah* box: take a juice can, oatmeal box, square gift carton, etc. and make a hole in the top for coins. Put paper around the outside and decorate. Keep it near your Shabbat candlesticks.

Prepared by Robyn Kurland, JVS Kohn Summer Intern 2000, Jewish Family Education Project of the Bureau of Jewish Education of San Francisco, the Peninsula, Marin and Sonoma Counties.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE OR OTHER SCHOOL, PLEASE GIVE THEIR NAME TO OUR OFFICE SO WE CAN ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR ACHIEVEMENT IN THE JUNE NEWSLETTER!

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Israeli Counselors Are Joining Ramah Day Camp

By Dan Alter



Among our staff this summer we will have two young women from Israel! Tamar Levy has just finished two years of *sherut leumi* (National Service) working in B'nai Akiva and Machon Gold in Jerusalem. She comes from Ashdod by the sea, and is very excited about working at a Ramah camp. Ma'ayan Eisenstadt comes from Kiryat Tivon (east of Haifa) as a delegate from the *Tzofim*, and looks forward to doing scouting activities with Ramah campers as well as bringing the famous *scoutsruach*. We are looking for places for them to stay (for 2 weeks at a time)—please contact us if you can help out. Other staff members include Royi Shafine, a rabbinical student from JTS and native of Walnut Creek, and returning from last summer Jordana Price and Shany Engel.

Enrollment

- As of April, 55 campers were enrolled in Ramah — almost half of them new campers! We still have space for a few more; call for an application.

- Enrolled campers: remember to get all forms back to us by **June 1**. You should receive parent manuals, complete with a full summer schedule, on that date.

Wish List

Ramah Day Camp is *still* looking for donations of money, time, and some items, including: lap-top computer and printer; costume materials; sports equipment; digital camera; truck or van.

To contact us: 510-549-9447 ext. 111
ramahday@eb.jfed.org

L'hitraot!

'Teaching Torah to Children', will be presented by Vicky Kelman on **Saturday, June 9**, at 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by Shabbat B'Yachad. At the BRJCC. Childcare will be provided!

Attention Netivot Shalom Community:

I am doing a mitzvah project for my Bat Mitzvah. In addition to tutoring kids at Washington School, I am collecting books that will be donated to public schools through the Coalition of Jewish Learning. You can help by bringing new or near new books to the Netivot Shalom office.

Thanks!
Kyla Buchin

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Wendy Rosov: library book: *The Jew in the Text: Modernity & the Construction of Identity*

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of a ceramic bowl which she helped create along with Susan Felix

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