



CBS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | JANUARY 2020 | TEVET—SHEVAT 5780

Cantor's Corner by Cantor Bruce Shapiro



Recently, I was listening to an old song by R.E.M, "It's the end of the world as we know it." (I encourage you to check this out on 'You Tube'). It got me thinking about the current changes in our world, especially how people now treat each other.

In the Torah portion **Va-Yiggash**, and he went up, Benjamin, Joseph's (the Viceroy of Egypt) brother is being held. Judah (one of Joseph's half-brothers) goes to Joseph and requests to replace his brother Benjamin in order not to upset his father Jacob. Judah knows that it would break Jacob's heart if Benjamin did not return home. Jacob would not be able to bear the loss of both of his favorite sons, Judah knows this, and he negotiates with Joseph!

In reality, Judah had changed since the selling of Joseph into slavery. Judah came to know himself and rather than being jealous of his younger brother, realizes he cannot change his father, he can only change the way he reacts to various situations, including family dynamics.

And so the story continues of how G-d sustains Joseph in order to bring about good from a situation that was unfair. **Abravanel** (Portuguese Rabbi, scholar and philosopher, 15th Century) notes that

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First Friday of the month Oneg

An Oneg sponsored by CBS will take place on the first Friday of each month beginning at 6:00 pm prior to the service and will end at 6:30 when the service begins.

If you wish to host an Oneg, please call Gail Koren at 951.204.4757



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CBS' Legacy Luncheon fundraiser will be on Sunday, February 9, 2020.

We encourage you to become involved with this wonderful event.

Please contact Renee Miller 909.228.5945, for more details, see page 17



Cantor Shapiro shared, during a Saturday Torah service, about this exciting news, Disney has created just in time for Chanukah, a story with a Jewish princess.

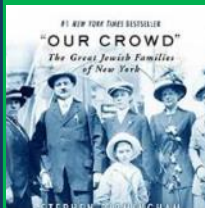


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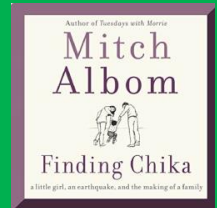


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the brothers were still held accountable even though what they did was part of the "Divine Plan".

People can and should get along (we know it does not always work this way). It's not a perfect world out there, but we can try to make the best of what "cards we are dealt". We are where we are at for a reason, sometimes the reason is not known why at the time we are there. Joseph is fortunate because he finally realizes and understands why he was thrown into slavery, went to jail, interpreted dreams, and ended up where he did. He understood it was part of a "Divine Plan" and ultimately great benefits for mankind were achieved from an "evil" or "unfair" beginning.

Is it the "end of the world as we know it"? It is an ever-changing world, politically, economically, and environmentally. Our goal should be to continue to be kind to one another, apply common sense, think clearly about what our goals in life are, and methodically take steps to achieve them with the help (**B'Ezrat Hashem**) of G-d... **Baruch Hashem** (with G-d's blessing!) Remember, we all have to live in the same world with each other!

The secular New Year is here and I am hoping that one of your **New Year's resolutions** will be to attend the **3rd Shabbat** of the month Saturday service. Here are just a few reasons to attend: In 2 hours you can refocus and get recharged for the coming week; spend time with friends; learn something new; create a minyan for those who wish to say Kaddish, and much more! We have added guitar music, interesting discussions during services, and food! Please put the 3rd Saturday Shabbat on your calendar for 2020! "Try it, you'll like it!"

Adon Olam, Master of the Universe, may we comprehend why we are where we are at this time in our life. If it is not clear, that is ok, perhaps sometime in the future it may become apparent! Don't let your position in life hold you back from being the best person you possibly can be, and doing the most Mitzvot you can possibly do!

Happy Secular New Year! See you Next Year!

You're Invited

SAVE the DATE

The 'Kids' of **Cantor Bruce and Marcy Shapiro** invite you to Save the Date and join us on Sunday, March 22, 2020 for a **celebration of 120 years of life!**

Location: Florence Joyner Park, Mission Viejo

Time: 11 AM — 2 PM

Event particulars: Food and Entertainment Details and Directions to follow in the February bulletin!

See you all there!

President's Message

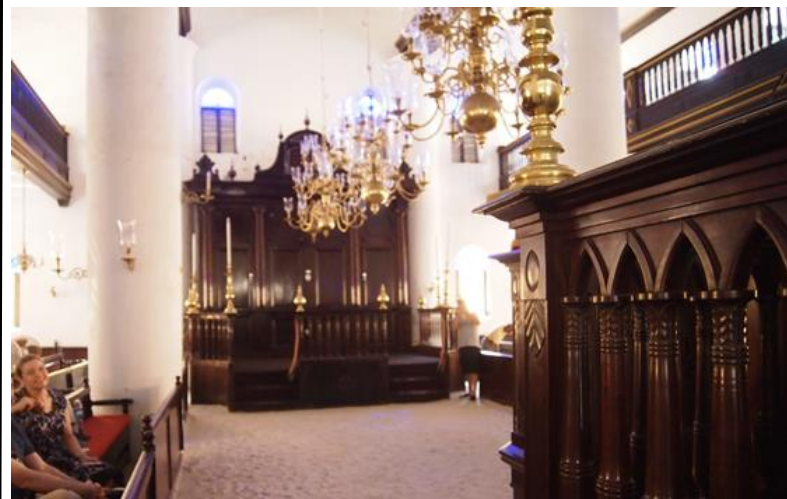
On a recent trip to Curacao, we visited one of the oldest synagogues in the western hemisphere.

Once we found this place, a \$10 fee per person was required to tour this facility and the museum. We walked in to the building and could see its impressive interior of blue stained windows, beautifully carved woodwork, large ornate menorahs and brass chandeliers and walk across its unique sand covered floors. What we found out about the sand floors: it's a reminder of Moses in the desert,



leading his people out of Egypt. It pays homage to those earliest Jewish settlers, who had to muffle the sounds of their footsteps and prayers when meeting in secret during the Spanish Inquisition, before they fled to Curaçao.

The synagogue was consecrated in 1732 and is over 280 years old. The Mikvé Israel Emanuel Synagogue is one of the most historic synagogues in the world. It was modeled after the Portuguese Synagogue of Amsterdam, to serve a community of Spanish and Portuguese Jews from the Netherlands and Brazil. Established in 1651, it celebrated 254 years of its founding in 2016. It's considered to be the oldest Jewish Congregation in the Western Hemisphere and still in active use by a small but vibrant Jewish community – which is a true testimony to the loving care of its guardians.



At the time of our visit, the Rabbi was rehearsing with an American family preparing for a Bat Mitzvah on the Shabbat. Bookings for using this facility are 2-3 years out to obtain a date.

The design has wood benches facing each other, a large tall bima at one end and the Ark located at the far end of the room.

Security Committee Information



CPR

In an effort to provide our synagogue family with updated information about our Security, Joan Jacobs will be our contact.

Please notify Joan Jacobs if you've had recent CPR training (within the last 2 years). The Security Committee is compiling a list of CBS Members who can help with first aid, if needed.

We need volunteers who are willing to take a new training, called "STOP THE BLEED." Contact Joan Jacobs if you're interested or for additional information about the training.

The CBS Security Committee is currently working on earthquake safety.

When you come to services, you will hear information about what to do in case of an earthquake at CBS, in addition to information about fire and active shooter safety.

The front doors are locked for your safety. With the help of the Board of Directors, we are upgrading our locks, outdoor lighting and security systems. We will be upgrading our first aid kits within the next few months.

The place has brass ornate chandeliers throughout sanctuary. Also, very noticeable is a 2nd floor balcony for seating used these days for overflow.

The building itself is in continuous repair as the walls in Curacao have salt from the air and it tends to blister the outside paint, thus repainting several time a year is required.

They have a Jewish Museum whose exhibits include information about Jews who founded Curacao and the

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TUESDAY JANUARY 21 2020

STOP THE BLEED

Learn from Wendy McEuen, RN
Riverside Community Hospital

Come for a sweet treat at 6:30 PM.

Then learn what to do when someone is injured and bleeding.
What can be done to save a life in the 3-5 minutes before the
paramedics arrive?

Bring a friend.

Be prepared.

6:30 PM Dessert

7:00 PM Class

**Learn how to
save a life!**

**You can help in
the aftermath of
an active shooter.**

**Everyone can
learn: teenagers
to seniors.**

**Mark your
calendar.**

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synagogue's evolution and mergers over the past several hundred years. These older synagogue artifacts are part of the museum's unique collection.

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DONATIONS

The following donations were received by CBS.

Due to print schedules, the cut off for these donations to be listed is through December 20

GENERAL Fund

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Auction Donations

The following businesses have graciously donated to the CBS Legacy Luncheon event:

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The Derby Room Bar & Grill
Vito's Italian Pizza

The following Members of CBS have contributed funds for the Gift Certificates at Segerstrom Performing Arts Center

Ronni Armstrong
Morrie Barembaum
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These members have donated items for the Auction. Please contact Renee Miller if you wish to donate something!

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- printing/postage
- Invitations
- AV
- auction costs

Where will YOU sleep tonight?



As you snuggle up in your warm bed tonight, think of this human being and the millions just like him. Well, you can't fix the homeless problem. You CAN give a little dignity and comfort to these poor souls. Each time you come to CBS please bring along a little bag with a few of these items enclosed. Your CBS Social Action committee will package and deliver these needed and appreciated items to those in need.

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Congregation Beth Shalom's Social Action Committee (S.A.C.) has prepared these two fliers for use and distribution. The committee strongly feels that Tikun Olam (Repair the World) is more than just two words, it **MUST BE** followed with action.

If you are interested in assisting with the Social Action Committee, please contact Dave Severson at 714.365.2131



**It Matters Not Why They Are Here
It Matters What We Do**

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Disney's First Jewish Princess Arrives in Time for Hanukkah

This article originally appeared on momentmag.com. Moment magazine is an independent bimonthly of politics, culture, and religion, co-founded by Nobel Prize laureate Elie Wiesel. For more stories like these go to momentmag.com.

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Mark I. Pinsky is the author of *The Gospel According to Disney: Faith, Trust and Pixie Dust*.

Blog: Your Resource for All Things Princess. "This is so important because it normalizes Judaism for today's audience of children by showing them that not all fairy tale princesses celebrate Christmas."

Some may wonder whether this really is a milestone or much ado about relatively little. Does a cable TV princess, guest-starring in a single episode special, count as an official Jewish Disney princess? Will she become a doll?

And, frankly, this Jewish royal arrived draped as much in irony as finery. After all, this is the company that built its animated empire (and hugely lucrative merchandising franchise) on impossibly beautiful, long-haired blonde, wasp-waisted, WASP heroines. It is an *ur-shiksa* template beloved by—and inflicted on—little girls the world over for more than 75 years.

Finally, just in time for Hanukkah, a bona fide Disney Jewish princess has arrived.

Princess Rebecca, of the Ladino kingdom of Galonia, appeared in an episode of *Elena of Avalor* that aired on December 6. Elena is a Latinx princess who is the centerpiece of the Emmy-winning, Disney Junior Channel series which debuted in 2016.

In the episode, entitled "Festival of Lights," Rebecca and her family are shipwrecked off the coast of Avalor while returning home to observe Hanukkah. Elena welcomes them to her palace and invites them to celebrate the holiday and teach them about its traditions. The guitar-playing, olive-skinned Rebecca lights a Hanukkah, the holiday candelabra, and she and her family (Tovah Feldush plays Rebecca's grandmother, Miriam, also referred to as "Bubbie") tell the story of her people's struggle—without being too explicit—and the miracle of the oil lasting eight days in the *neir tamid*. There is also chocolate gelt, from a local shop, and a dreidel.

"It has always been important to us on *Elena of Avalor* to showcase the diversity of Latin and Hispanic cultures," Craig Gerber, the creator and executive producer of the series, [said](#) in an interview with Remezcla. "We decided to focus

on Hanukkah and a part of the culture that we hadn't yet represented on the show."

Jamie Lynn-Sigler, best known for her role as Mafia princess Meadow in *The Sopranos*, voiced the princess role, singing the number "This Hanukkah Night." The actress, raised in New York in her father's Jewish faith, had a bat mitzvah and traveled to Israel on a Birthright trip in 2008.

Responses to the episode have been strong and favorable. "I've seen many holiday princess specials, and this is the first one that Disney has released about characters who grew up with the same traditions as me," [wrote](#) Lisa Dawn, on *The Princess*





Also on the island are two Jewish cemeteries, dating back to 1860. One is located near the town of Berg Altena. One was consecrated in 1659, with tombstone dates starting at 1668. There are replicas of these tombstones in the museum.

Considering many of the Caribbean islands have very little of historical interest to see, this synagogue should be one to visit if you are in Curacao.



Submitted by
Bruce Rouman
President
Congregation
Beth Shalom

Disney Jewish Princess continued

Oh, and it's from a studio whose founder was dogged by charges of anti-Semitism, through his life and after. Despite Disney corporate disclaimers, Walt was known to make anti-Semitic remarks. He had acrimonious clashes with the few Jewish artists he hired. And he allowed an ugly peddler caricature to get into his "Three Little Pigs" short. So, conceivably, this Hanukkah episode may cause Walt to spin in his fabled cryogenic tank.

Also, there had been advance speculation that the Disney version will conjure memories of misogynistic jokes about the JAP, the spoiled, shopaholic stereotype of the contemporary Jewish American Princess.

Some may wonder if the new Jewish princess is a response to suggestions from numerous quarters—including mine—that the time has come for us (especially our daughters and granddaughters) to be included in the Disney canon.

However, in a larger sense, this is more than an overdue corporate apology, or a belated and token acknowledgment of the Jewish community. It is the latest example of Disney's expanding and evolving princess/heroine diversity palette. This expansion of religion and

ethnicity flourished under the Disney leadership of two Jews, Michael Eisner and Jeffrey Katzenberg (the latter of whom went on to make the very Jewish animated feature *The Prince of Egypt*, about Moses, but only *after* he left the Mouse).

During their highly successful corporate and creative reign, and after, the leading female characters of their animated features included:

- Jasmine, an Arab princess, implicitly Muslim, in *Aladdin*
- A Native American nature worshipper in *Pocahontas*
- Esmeralda, the Catholic Roma heroine of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*
- An Asian lead, a Confucian, in *Mulan*
- A native Hawaiian in *Lilo and Stitch*
- [Tiana](#), an African American, a believer in Voodoo, in *The Princess and the Frog*
- A Polynesian in [Moana](#), who appeals to her culture's cosmology

But until now there has been no Jewish princess—not that there wasn't an abundance of attractive candidates.

Throughout history, there have been numerous Jewish queens and princesses, in the Bible and after; the best known is Queen Esther of Persia. Like her, most of the others gained their titles through marriage, in Israel and far-flung foreign lands, from North Africa to the Caspian Sea. Others were already royal rulers who converted.

Disney's TV Jewish princess episode script was written by Rachel Ruderman, who has written previously for *Elena of Avalor*, as well as for *Thomas the Tank Engine*. Intriguingly, Ruderman also wrote for the earlier Disney series *Sofia the First*, in which Elena was first introduced as a guest character, leading to her own Avalor series. "I would love to see a feature film about a Jewish Disney Princess someday, or perhaps a series like the one Elena got," Dawn wrote in her blog. "I am grateful for this small contribution that Disney made to my culture after so many years of silence... I love that Disney wants Jews like me to feel seen."

Could Rebecca's guest appearance, too, be a precursor? One can hope.

Moments in Time

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Thursday, January 9, 2020
12 Tevet 5780

Every one of us is, in the cosmic perspective, precious. If a human disagrees with you, let him live. In a hundred billion galaxies, you will not find another.

- Prof. Carl Sagan, (Astronomer)



Carl Sagan with field model of Viking Mars lander

(Photo: National Aeronautics & Space Administration)

12 Tevet - The Palestine Orchestra first performed on this date in 1936 on Tel Aviv's sand dunes. Polish-born violinist Bronislaw Huberman persuaded 75 European musicians to immigrate to Palestine, to materialize "the Zionist culture in the fatherland." And, the great conductor Arturo Toscanini (who'd fled fascism in Italy) left the NBC Orchestra for several weeks "to render paternal care to the newly born...", adding that "I am doing this for humanity..." During WWII, the orchestra conducted concerts for Allied soldiers in Egypt, with particular reverence for the Jewish Brigade. Today, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra continues its legacy.

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Monday, January 20, 2020
23 Tevet 5780

Wealth is fleeting, honor winged, but charity abides.

- Mishlei Yehoshua



Nathan Straus, Louis Brandeis & Rabbi Stephen Wise, 1922 CE

23 Tevet - Yahrzeit today of Nathan Straus (d. 1931). Straus made his fortune as a merchant, co-owning the R.H. Macy and Abraham & Straus department stores. Known for philanthropy, he made pasteurized milk available to fight child mortality, opened a pediatric TB 'Preventarium' and served as NYC's Commissioner of Public Health and as Park Commissioner. During his last 15 years, Straus used two-thirds of his fortune for public health and community development projects in what is now Israel. Both the city of Netanya and the Israel Center's street are named after him.

VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Veterans Day Shabbat Message

Throughout our history soldiers have been called upon to protect our families, communities and our country.

They fight for others' safety and freedom knowing that this path of service may include their loss of life and the suffering of their loved ones.

The path that the soldier has taken requires the qualities of courage, commitment, and resilience.

The courage to face the horror and brutality of war, commitment to leave their loved ones behind to make sure they will remain safe, and the resilience to keep their humanity in the face of inhumanity.

The soldier, above all other people, prays for peace for they must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war. They know that freedom has never been free.

On Veteran's Day we pay our respects. Many of our veterans are

physically or mentally wounded.

All of our veterans are someone who, at some point in their life, wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for any amount, up to and including their life.

It is through their actions we enjoy the blessings of Liberty. It is through the tears of their families that we have the freedoms we so often take for granted.

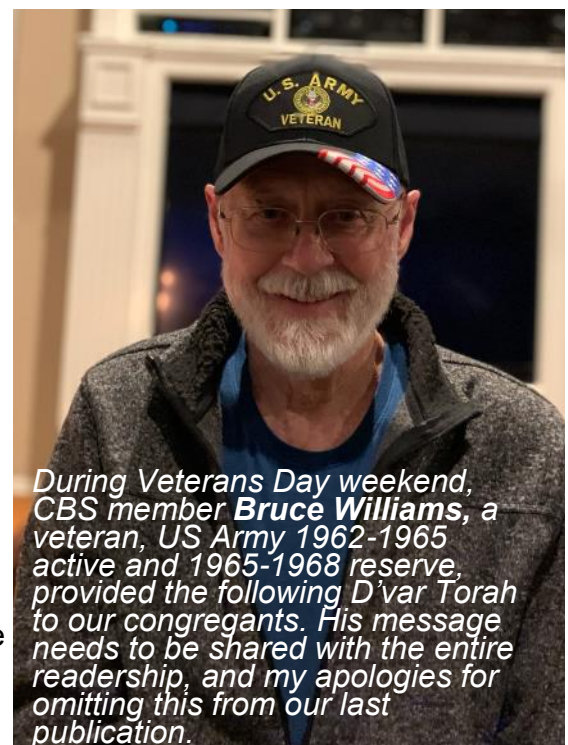
Our freedom was not secured by bureaucrats and politicians; it was fought for by men and women in the armed forces whose names we may never know but whose courage and sacrifice we must never forget.

So on this Shabbat, on this Veteran's Day, let all of us extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to our Veterans; to the men and women of the Armed

Forces and to their families.

May God bless them and keep them safe.

And let us say Amen.



*During Veterans Day weekend, CBS member **Bruce Williams**, a veteran, US Army 1962-1965 active and 1965-1968 reserve, provided the following D'var Torah to our congregants. His message needs to be shared with the entire readership, and my apologies for omitting this from our last publication.*

EDUCATION *Report*

Marci Rouman, Education Director

I am continuing my series of articles on our school staff. This month I will be focusing on one of our Hebrew teachers, Chelsea Williams. This article is written in Chelsea's own words.

Hi! My name is Chelsea Williams. I have been a Hebrew school teacher at CBS for three years. This



year I graduated from Santiago High School and I am currently attending Riverside City College. When I am not at school, I am either working around the synagogue, at Five Guys Burgers at The Crossings, or going to Disneyland.

Chelsea brings her energy, love for Judaism and her joy of helping others. She is a real delight to have on our CBS staff.

Her dedication and commitment to our little shul is a replica from her parents (Cindy and Joel Williams) and grandparents (Jackie and Bruce Williams); Cindy has been involved with our Education Committee, Joel plays guitar for the students and at Shabbat Services; Grandmother Jackie had a full professional career in teaching. Both Jackie and Bruce have been involved in helping the youth of many synagogues.

So when you see Chelsea at the Temple, say hi and give her a smile.

ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday, January 5
9am at CBS

Study what your kids are studying, on an adult level!

Questions, contact
Joan Zak (760) 803-5451

RITUAL *Report*

Thank you to Bob Stone for leading services on December 13. As this publication will be distributed prior to our December 27 services, I want to thank Joan Zak for leading these services. This Shabbat is during Chanukah and on the 27th members will be bringing their Hanukkiah for lighting. As in prior years, it is such a beautiful sight to see once all the candles are lit. This tradition has truly brought 'more than light' to our synagogue, it brings our families together during this very special time of our Chanukah.

The past year of 2019 has flown by quickly! We're now looking forward to coming events for 2020.

Just to give you some advanced notice, our World Wide Wrap (WWW) will take place on February 2 with a Brotherhood



breakfast. The WWW is for all ages. This is always a fun well-attended time. Included are some photos from last year's event. See you all there on February 2 at 8:30 at the synagogue.

Our next Ritual Committee meeting will be on January 6 at 7:00 at my home

Jackie Williams
Ritual Chairperson



CBS Brotherhood proudly hosts the annual PRE-Wrap Breakfast Sunday, February 2 at 8am

Come join us for a FREE breakfast, sponsored by the Brotherhood and various members of CBS

Upcoming Oneg Sponsors and Availability



| Date | Oneg Sponsor |
|--------|---|
| Jan 3 | Ronni Armstrong is sponsoring the Challahs |
| Jan 10 | Parents of Religious School in Honor of the Children Leading Services |
| Jan 17 | Shirli Driz <i>in Loving Memory of her father</i> |
| Jan 24 | Gail & Mark Koren <i>in Loving Memory of Gail's & Mark's mothers and Mark's brother AND—in Honor of their son, Joshua's 35th Birthday</i> |
| Jan 31 | Renee & Sam Miller <i>in Honor of Sam's Birthday</i> |
| Feb 7 | AVAILABLE—call Gail Koren at 951.204.4757 |
| Feb 14 | AVAILABLE—call Gail Koren at 951.204.4757 |
| Feb 21 | Joyce & Dave Severson <i>in Honor of their 50th Anniversary</i> |
| Feb 28 | Confirmation parents <i>in Honor of their children leading services</i> |

how to Host an Oneg Shabbat

Hosting an Oneg is a way for members to share their happiness, to honor/remember a loved one, or merely do a Mitzvah. If you wish to host an Oneg, simply contact Gail Koren at (951) 688-1709 or (951) 204-4757.

When shopping, look for dairy items with a Kosher symbol, as our synagogue kitchen must remain Kosher.

Should the synagogue not have a host, then we will serve Challah and wine – with the traditional blessings.

For your convenience, if you make a donation of \$125 to Congregation Beth Shalom, we will shop for you.

We appreciate your help for set-up and clean-up, if you are physically able.

Thank You for your kind participation.

Thank you to everyone that supported our traditions by sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat. If you are interested in sponsoring an Oneg, it is very easy and inexpensive. Please call me before someone claims your special date. I will show you how easy it is. Gail Koren 951-204-4757.

WHY Sponsor an Oneg Shabbat

In Ma*gein A*vot (You Shield Our Ancestors), the line with "oneg" translates to "sated with pleasure". What better way to get to know other Congregants than by "breaking challah" together? After an uplifting musical service, we adjourn to "Happy Hour"! Every Member of our congregation is a welcoming tool of Membership where everyone benefits.

WHEN to Do an Oneg Shabbat

1. In Honor of a Birthday
2. In Honor of an Anniversary
3. In Memory of a Loved One
4. A Mitzvah (Good Deed)

QUICK! Pick up your Phone and call Gail Koren 951.688.1709

Challahs Available

Challahs can be furnished by the sponsor or as a convenience, you can purchase from Mark Koren who bakes fresh Challahs for Onegs and other events.

Challahs come in 2 sizes:

- 2 lbs. (Plain, poppy or sesame are \$7, OR raisin-cinnamon, choc chip, other flavors for \$8)
- 1 lb. (Plain, poppy or sesame is \$5, OR raisin-cinnamon, choc chip, other flavors for \$6)

We use 2 challahs for Friday Shabbat Evening.

For orders contact Mark Koren 951-204-0635.

Beyond the SYNAGOGUE

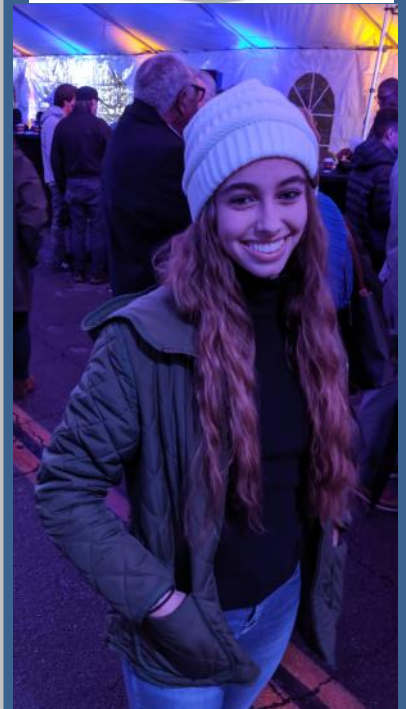
Congratulations / MAZEL TOV



to Natalia Vasquez for her recent graduation from RCC School of Nursing!

Congratulations to the entire Vasquez family on Natalia's graduation!

College Bound



Mazel Tov to **Leor Oshri** for being accepted at Chapman College in Orange County. This was her number one selection. She has excelled in academics as well as a very talented dancer. We wish her well in this next chapter of her life. Congratulations to Leor's mother **Naomi** for this wonderful accomplishment!

CBS Members help USY International Convention

Upon hearing that **United Synagogue Youth's annual International Convention** was going to be held locally in southern CA, five members of CBS immediately altered their schedules to help out.

Locally, Ontario CA! This has never been so close and each of these ladies recall fond memories of their experiences with the National and International Conventions.

They wanted to 'give back' to the very organization that provided them a worldly view on Judaism with culture and interaction.

Pictured far left, back row: **Shirli Driz, Tanya Spiegel, Rachel Spiegel**, front row: **Marta Driz and Jessie Rouman**.

On behalf of the CBS Board and membership, thank YOU for going 'Beyond the Synagogue' to serve others.



On a recent trip to Orlando Florida, CBS members **Sol Shapiro** and **Bobby Spiegel** were happy to see the Chanukah displays in the airport.



Beyond the SYNAGOGUE

Synagogue Members traditional Chinese Dinner
Members of CBS joined together to support a local Chinese Restaurant Hong Kong. The restaurant, named #1 Chinese Restaurant in the Inland Empire from the Press Enterprise Newspaper, in 2016 continues to be a local favorite. Photos by Mark Koren



GIFT SHOPPE UPDATE

The Gift Shoppe has many new gift and home décor items which are reasonably priced in addition to special sale items. Please see the wonderful display of jewelry that we have. Call Renee Miller at 909 228-5945 for further information .



Join us in Celebrating Members of our Synagogue



January

- 2 Felix Smith
- 3 Mystie Mornis-Hamelin
- 3 Seth D'Agostino
- 5 Nicholas Lipovetsky
- 6 Chelsea Williams
- 12 Tomas Schulman
- 15 Kathy Stone
- 15 Emilio Vasquez
- 18 Sam Miller
- 18 Saul Shulman
- 20 Natalia Vasquez
- 23 Terri Shapiro
- 26 Andrea Vasquez
- 28 Joshua Spiegel

February

- 3 Gail Koren
- 10 Lindsay Pineiros
- 11 Dennis Itzkowitz
- 18 Stacy Pineiros
- 19 Danya Biezonsky
- 25 Myra Bilgrei
- 26 Julia Davis

Anniversaries January

- 23 Robert & Kathy Stone

February

- 8 Sol and Myra Bilgrei
- 17 Mitch and Melissa Lindenbaum
- 19 Daniel and Jeanette Biezonsky
- 20 David and Joyce Severson

February 9 marks 14th annual Legacy Luncheon

Stones, Lubin and Corona Chamber to receive CBS' Awards

During the last 3 issues of this publication, we have introduced you to our three award honoree recipients for our annual fundraiser, the Legacy Luncheon.

If you have not already secured your ticket or sponsorship, we encourage you to do so now. Our 'little Shul' does an remarkable job in so many ways, and this event brings the community together for celebrating and honoring some terrific people.

The Legacy Luncheon will celebrate its 14th consecutive luncheon on Sunday, February 9. Our first honorees were founders Nick (of blessed memory) and Erika Schwartz. We have grown this event quite substantially from its early days. Today, we rely on the proceeds of this annual event to help defray costs of operating the synagogue. Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

For those who have never attended, you will be delighted with the numerous auction items for bidding, as well the very professional honoring of our well deserved recipients.



Receiving the Legacy Award will be Bob and Kathy Stone; the Business Partner, or Shatuf Tzedek award is the Corona Chamber of Commerce; and the Shomer Tzedek (translated to the Guardian of Righteousness) is Kara Lubin (founder of the 100 Mile Club).

Each of these honorees have tremendous stories about what makes them so special. We sincerely hope you can support the synagogue in this annual event.



Contact Legacy Luncheon Chairpersons:

Renee Miller at 909-228-5945 or Marci Rouman 951-733-3980.



2020 LEGACY LUNCHEON SPONSORS

The following donations have been received for the 14th Annual Legacy Luncheon being held on Sunday, February 9. Please add your name to this list! The synagogue appreciates all donations!

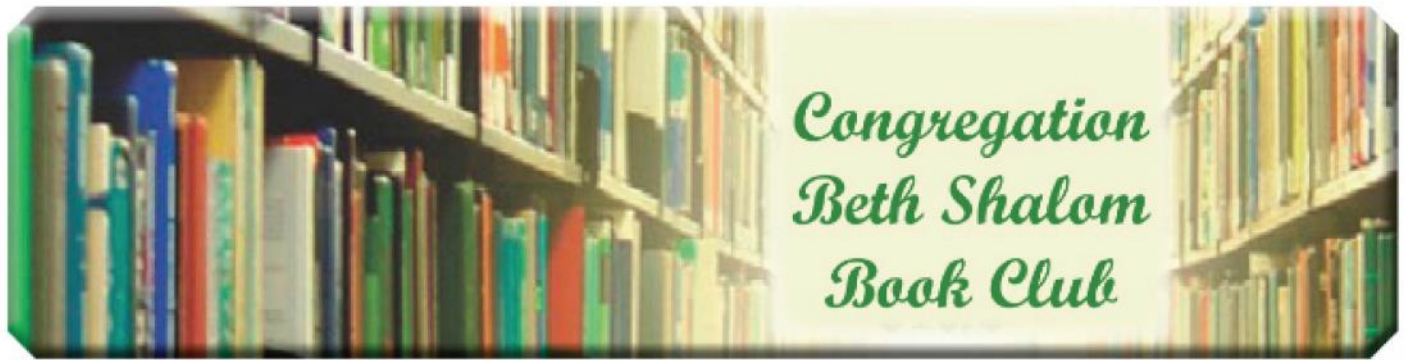
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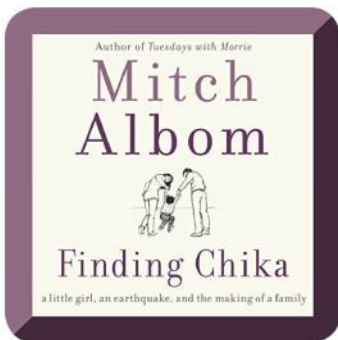
Congregation Beth Shalom Book Club

Yale researchers find - People who read live longer than those who don't.



Our Crowd is the fascinating story of a rarefied Jewish society. Based on letters, documents, diary entries, and intimate personal remembrances of family lore by members of these most illustrious clans, it is an engrossing portrait of upper-class Jewish life over the two centuries; a riveting story of the bankers, brokers, financiers, philanthropists, and business tycoons who started with nothing and turned their family names into American institutions.

**Yes, there is a Jewish Upper Crust. Not the case for most of us.
Be at the Williams home: 953 Aramta Drive, Corona
at 5 PM on January 13, 2020
and hear all about THE JEWISH UPPER CRUST**



Best-selling author Mitch Albom returns to nonfiction for the first time in more than a decade in this poignant memoir that celebrates Chika, a young Haitian orphan whose short life would forever change his heart. **C**hika Jeune was born three days before the devastating earthquake that decimated Haiti in 2010. She spent her infancy in a landscape of extreme poverty, and when her mother died giving birth to a baby brother, Chika was brought to The Have Faith Haiti Orphanage that Albom operates in Port Au Prince. **W**ith no children of their own, the 40-plus children who live, play, and go to school at the orphanage have become family to Mitch and his wife, Janine. Chika's arrival makes a quick impression.

Brave and self-assured, even as a three-year-old, she delights the other kids and teachers. But at age five, Chika is suddenly diagnosed with something a doctor there says "no one in Haiti can help you with."

Mitch and Janine bring Chika to Detroit, hopeful that American medical care can soon return her to her homeland. Instead, Chika becomes a permanent part of their household, and their lives, as they embark on a two-year, around-the-world journey to find a cure. As Chika's boundless optimism and humor teach Mitch the joys of caring for a child, he learns that a relationship built on love, no matter what blows it takes, can never be lost. Told in hindsight, and through illuminating conversations with Chika herself, this is Albom at his most poignant and vulnerable. Finding Chika is a celebration of a girl, her adoptive guardians, and the incredible bond they formed a devastatingly beautiful portrait of what it means to be a family, regardless of how it is made.

At 5 PM on February 24, 2020 come to the home of
Sandy Pantele 1847 Starfire, Corona
and discuss Mitch Albom's latest masterpiece.



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TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18 2020 PREVENTING FALLS

Learn from Wendy McEuen, RN

Riverside Community Hospital

Come for a treat at 2:30 PM.

Then learn what to do to prevent falls. You will learn how avoid falling. What to do if you fall and cannot get up; what to do before and after help arrives.

Bring a friend.

Be prepared.

2:30 PM Snacks

3:00 PM class

**Learn how to
avoid falling.**

**What to do if you
do fall.**

**Call number
below if you need
a ride or will pick
up a new friend.**

**Make your home
safer.**

**CONGREGATION
BETH SHALOM**

**500 Harrington Street
Corona**

Information - call

Joan Jacobs

(323) 228-5503

Congregation Beth Shalom's Sisterhood invites you to tour Award Winning Bobcat Properties and Farms (Honey Farms)

Meet at CBS on February 16 at 10am—Adults Only

RSVP by February 12 to Noemischulman88@gmail.com or 909-262-6938



Save the Date

Sunday, February 9, 2020
ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

Eagle Glen Golf Club
1800 EAGLE GLEN PARKWAY, CORONA, CALIFORNIA 92883

Save the date for our upcoming event, The CBS Legacy Luncheon! This is our annual major fundraiser which helps us keep the membership dues reduced.

Please contact either

Renee Miller (909) 228-5945 or
Marci Rouman (951) 733-3980

Reconnect, Rediscover and Celebrate...
Come Home to Conservative Judaism

2019 Enrollment - Religious & Hebrew School

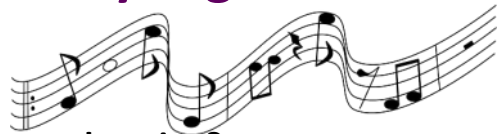
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You are invited to participate more in Friday Night Services!

Do you...

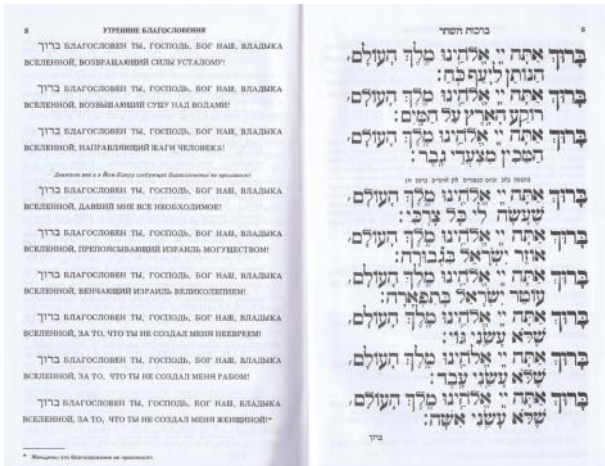
- Like the music, but can't quite get the words?
- Know the words but believe you don't sing well enough?
- Have a favorite prayer or melody that you would like us to read or sing?



Would you like to feel more included in the service?

Do you sometimes think "I could do that too and it would be fun!"

- At Congregation Beth Shalom we have a unique opportunity to make our services be what WE want them to be.
- While a certain structure has to be followed, there are lots of options and our Friday Night Siddur gives us many choices of prayers to read and/or chant.
- We love having our Pre- and Post-B'nai Mitzvah students lead services, and don't want to leave the rest of you feeling there is no time that you can experience what they do.



Yeah? What's it gonna cost me—\$0
And the hidden monthly fees? - \$0
And I have to obligate myself to? Only what you are comfortable doing.

So, how about it? Give us a chance to prove how fulfilling an Erev Shabbat service can be.

Please send an e-mail to Joan Zak at jzak@cox.net and I will add you to the list.

There is absolutely NO Cost or obligation to be placed on the list.

Pictured to the left is Michele Schulman and Chelsea Williams assisting RJ Spiegel and Xime Whittemore as the prepare for Erev Shabbat Services. Photo taken prior to Shabbat.



Membership Mensch-eons (Mentions)

Congregation Beth Shalom Religious School Holiday Boutique & Brunch *Rain or Shine— TEAM CBS makes it happen!*

On Sunday December 8 our Religious school held our annual Holiday Boutique and Brunch.

Weather sometimes cancels an event, however, with a team of great volunteers and supportive vendors, we moved the bazaar inside our synagogue building. The entire team pulled together and we had a very enjoyable event.

The Holiday Boutique & Brunch was so much fun and it was financially successful for our Religious School. There were so many great volunteers that made this event possible.

Special thanks to Bruce Rouman, Renee and Sam Miller, Bob and Kathy Stone, Paula Fogel, Stephanie Sachs, Jackie Williams, Dennis Itzkowitz, Joel Notick, Renée Tieszen, Pam D'Agostino, Joan Jacobs, and of course our coordinator and TOP CHEF for the Brunch, Shirli Driz and her "staff".

Part of the curriculum of the CBS School is hands on experiences. The students created beautiful Hanukkiah for their personal use.

It was truly a great day!

Special thank you to Mark Koren for capturing these photos.



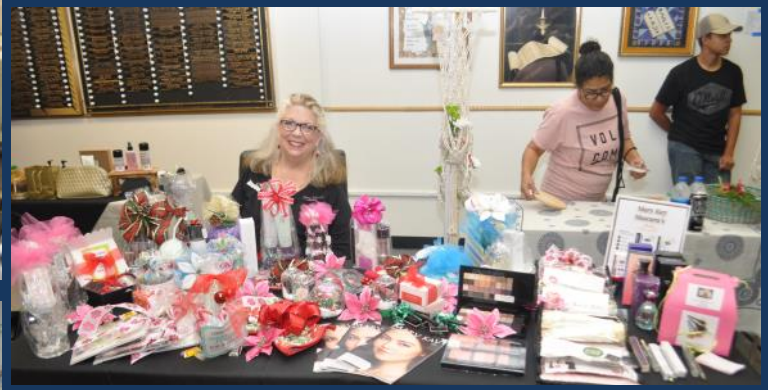
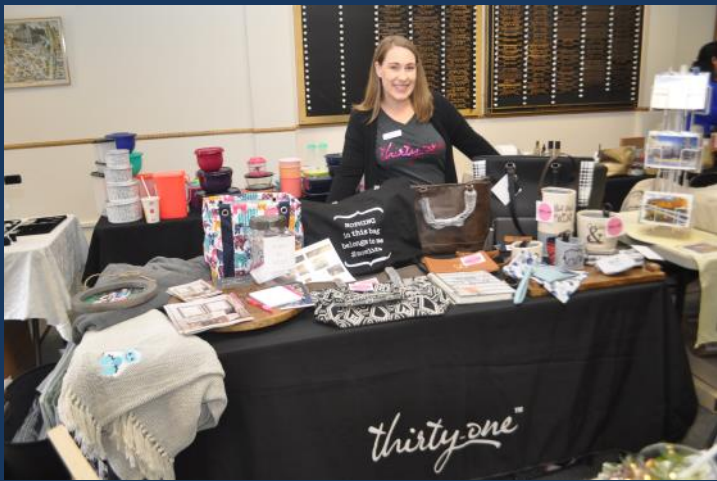
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Holiday Boutique & Brunch *continued*



Holiday Boutique & Brunch continued



Holiday Boutique & Brunch *continued*



Holiday Boutique & Brunch *continued*



Looking to do a Mitzvah?

You can perform a mitzvah by donating two small challahs

for the first shabbat service of the month.

You choose the month.

Call Gail Koren 951-204-4757



**JOIN THE
BROTHERHOOD &
SISTERHOOD AT CBS**

**Brotherhood Poker
Nights**

**1st Thursday &
3rd Wednesday**

Each Month at 7PM

**Sisterhood MahJongg
Every Thursday Night
@ 6:30PM**

Recommended items for a Basic Emergency Supply Kit

Through its **Ready Campaign**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency educates and empowers Americans to take some simple steps to prepare for an respond to potential emergencies, including natural disasters and terrorist attacks. **Ready** asks individuals to do three key things: get an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan and be informed about the different type of emergencies that could occur and their appropriate responses.

All Americans should have some basic supplies on hand in order to survive for at least three days if an emergency occurs. To the right side, is a listing of some basic items that every emergency supply kit should include. However, it is important that individuals review this list and consider where they live and the unique needs of their family in order to create an emergency supply kit that will meet these needs. Individuals should also consider having at least two emergency supply kits, one full kit at home and a smaller portable kits in their workplace, vehicle or other places they spend time.



Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:



Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation

Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food

Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both

Flashlight and extra batteries

First aid kit

Whistle to signal for help

Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place

Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation

Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities

Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)

Local maps

Dates to Remember

ALL ACTIVITIES & SERVICES AT 500 HARRINGTON ST. STE. A1 CORONA, CA • * NOTES OTHER LOCATION

| JANUARY 2020 | | |
|--------------|---|---------|
| 1 | HAPPY NEW YEAR! | |
| 2 | BROTHERHOOD POKER | 7:00PM |
| 3 | SHABBAT SERVICE W/CANTOR SHAPIRO | 6:30PM |
| 5 | ALL CLASSES | 8:30AM |
| 5 | ADULT EDUCATION | 9:00AM |
| 6 | RITUAL MEETING | 7:00PM |
| 10 | SHABBAT SERVICE W/ RELIGIOUS SCHOOL STUDENTS LEADING | 7:30PM |
| 12 | ALL CLASSES | 8:30AM |
| 12 | BOARD MEETING | 9:00AM |
| 12 | LEGACY MEETING | 11:00AM |
| 13 | BOOK CLUB: OUR CROWD | 5:00PM |
| 15 | BROTHERHOOD POKER | 7:00PM |
| 17 | SHABBAT SERVICE W/CANTOR SHAPIRO | 7:30PM |
| 18 | TORAH STUDY W/JOAN ZAK | 9:00AM |
| 18 | SHABBAT SERVICE W/CANTOR SHAPIRO | 10:00AM |
| 19 | NO SCHOOL—Martin Luther King Weekend | **** |
| 21 | STOP THE BLEED—PRESENTATION | 7:00PM |
| 23 | CONFIRMATION | 5:30PM |
| 24 | SHABBAT SERVICE | 7:30PM |
| 26 | RELIGIOUS SCHOOL | 8:30AM |
| 27 | SISTERHOOD DINE OUT FUNDRAISER AT EDUARDO'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT | **** |
| 31 | SHABBAT SERVICE W/CANTOR SHAPIRO | 7:30PM |



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| FEBRUARY 2020 | | |
|---------------|---|---------|
| 2 | ALL CLASSES | 8:30AM |
| 2 | BROTHERHOOD BRUNCH | 8:30AM |
| 2 | WORLD WIDE WRAP | 9:00AM |
| 3 | RITUAL MEETING | 7:00PM |
| 6 | CONFIRMATION CLASS | 5:30PM |
| 6 | BROTHERHOOD POKER | 7:00PM |
| 7 | FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE w/ CANTOR SHAPIRO | 6:30PM |
| 9 | NO SCHOOL | **** |
| 9 | 14TH ANNUAL LEGACY LUNCHEON *** | 11:00AM |
| 13 | EDUCATION MEETING | 6:30PM |
| 14 | SHABBAT SERVICE | 7:30PM |
| 16 | NO SCHOOL—Presidents' Day Weekend | **** |
| 16 | BOARD MEETING | 9:00AM |
| 16 | SISTERHOOD—TOUR OF HONEY FARM | 10:00AM |
| 18 | PREVENTING FALLS—PRESENTATION | 3:00PM |
| 19 | BROTHERHOOD POKER | 7:00PM |
| 20 | CONFIRMATION CLASS | 5:30PM |
| 21 | SHABBAT SERVICE w/CANTOR SHAPIRO | 7:30PM |
| 22 | TORAH STUDY W/ JOAN ZAK | 9:00AM |
| 22 | SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE W/ CANTOR SHAPIRO | 10:00AM |
| 23 | ALL CLASSES | 8:30AM |
| 25 | SISTERHOOD DINE OUT FUNDRAISER AT MACARONI GRILL | *** |
| 28 | SHABBAT SERVICE W/ CONFIRMATION CLASS | 7:30PM |

Refuah Shlema

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- RONNI ARMSTRONG
- MYRA BILGREI
- SOL BILGREI
- DENNIS BROOKS
- WENDY IZENMAN
- SANDY KAYE
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