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# Cantor's Corner by Cantor Bruce Shapiro Why Was December So Mad?



#### Because it was always last!

In this last month of the secular year 2021, one of the chapters we will be reading is the last chapter of Genesis, **Va-Y'chi** (and Jacob lived, Va'Y'chi Ya'akov) about the life and death of our beloved patriarch. This chapter ends the story of our family relationships and our family trip to Egypt (and slavery) and eventual Exodus where the Israelites become a nation!

When our children were babies they frequently woke us up in the middle of the night. We were exhausted most of the time, yet we got up and comforted them sometimes with words, sometimes with song, and sometimes in silence. They came to know that if they cried out, we as parents would hear them and provide solace.

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## CHANUKAH IS CELEBRATED JOIN US!

Congregation Beth Shalom (CBS) will host its annual candle lighting before Erev-Shabbat services on Friday, December 3. Please arrive at the synagogue at 6 pm with your Chanukiah and candles. Whether your tradition is one Chanukiah per family or one Chanukiah for each person, we welcome you to join us! It will be a beautiful experience, as this will be the 6th night of Chanukah.

On Saturday, December 4, CBS will host the Chanukah party beginning at 4:30 pm. There will be activities for all ages. Bring your Chanukiah and candles and we will light them for the 7th night. A huge thanks to **Shirli Driz, Tanya Spiegel** and **Rebecca Spiegel** for coordinating this event. It will be a fun evening! For more information, see the flier on page 5 of this newsletter.

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\* = through June 2022

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Like our children, the "characters" in this Torah portion also seek and need comfort after the death of their father Jacob. Joseph provides this comfort to them, but there was a feeling amongst the brothers that it may not have been sincere and that perhaps revenge of some kind might be in the future

However. Joseph was able to show his brothers trustworthiness as he had shown G-d when he was in jail. As parents provide a reason for our babies to trust us. so Joseph provides trust to his brothers, and ultimately providing a reason to trust in Hashem. "The child in each of us need never feel abandoned, because there is still a Parent who loves us all."

We as a family and congregation can provide this same relationship in our community. When Jacob had gathered his sons to provide them their life's predictions, in the middle of all of that, he changes topics and said the following:

"Assemble and hearken, O sons of Jacob (hearken to Israel, your father)". In Jacob's (Israel) worry that his family would end up worshipping other deities, the sons who were gathered together responded by saying the Shema; "Hear O Israel, Adonai our G-d, Adonai alone.'

The lesson we gain from this scene is that we as Jews today in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, confirm our faithfulness to the covenant of our fore parents "which motivates our deeds and inform our identity". "Are we able to pass on our inheritance and love of Judaism to the next generation in the food we eat, the rituals we observe, and the deeds of lovingkindness that we practice?"

**Adon Olam**, Master of the Universe, as we continue on our journey of life may we continue to trust in Your words and teachings allowing us to live a Jewish life with conviction, while maintaining humility.

I am looking forward to seeing you all in person or on Zoom soon! Make a visit on any Friday evening for Shabbat or once per month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Shabbat of the month for Torah Study and morning services. Please continue to stav healthy and wear a mask as required.

Chanuk ah Hanukka h What Way You Spell It is the **BIGGEST** your cel ebration!

#### President's Message About Hanukkah / Chanukah



Bruce Rouman President of CBS

Though not as elaborate as other Jewish holiday services, there are some special additions to daily worship services on Hanukkah / Chanukah.

Each day of the holiday we read from the Torah (Numbers 7:1-8:4) about the offerings brought by the chieftains of each tribe for the dedication of the Tabernacle. The rabbis in the Talmud stipulated

that we should recite <u>Hallel</u>, the verses of praise, during daily worship services.

Additionally, there's a paragraph that we insert into the <u>Amidah</u> and the <u>Grace After Meals</u> called <u>Al Hanisim</u> ("Of the Miracles") throughout the duration of the holiday.

Yet, Hanukkah is not considered a holy day where we must take off from work and spend our mornings in prayer. We don't chant the <u>Haftarah</u> during the week nor do we add the additional <u>Musaf</u> service.

This may be because Hanukkah, unlike many Jewish holidays, is a home-bound ritual. It is meant to be practiced in the home — with our families or, even if we're alone, on our own at home.

That is most likely one of the reasons that Hanukkah has maintained its strength over the years. You don't have to go to synagogue. That's not the main part of the celebration.

Eating and drinking and lighting the candles and being together on Hanukkah — that's the real celebration, and it's not focused so much on prayer. Hanukkah is not a Biblical holiday. It's not in the Torah. So in some sense it doesn't carry the same weight as the Jewish festivals, where it's forbidden to work or use money or any of the other restrictions. In fact, there are no restrictions on Hanukkah. It's just a celebratory time.

Since there aren't a lot of rules we have to follow on Hanukkah, we can own it a little bit differently. When people are at home practicing the holiday, they can be a bit more creative with it, which perhaps better reflects who we are today as Jews.

We invite you to join us this vear on Saturday. December 4 Annual Chanukah party, see page 5 for details. Who knows, perhaps we can capture some amazing photos and create lifelong memories. Here are some photos from 12 years ago...







#### RITUAL Report

Jackie Williams, Ritual Chairperson

Thank you to Zophia Lindenbaum for leading services on November 12 and to Bob Stone for leading them on November 26. We are so grateful for your participation. In December Jessi Rouman will lead services on December 10 and Joan Zak will lead services on December 24.

Bruce Rouman has emailed an excel sheet to all members. We are asking all congregants to sign up for at least one oneg in 2022 by December 31. If you haven't signed up by then we will assign you a date. If you need to change that date it will

be your responsibility to switch with another member. Our onegs should be simple with a pastry, maybe a fruit, possibly cheese and crackers, and a drink. You will need to set up the food and clean up the kitchen at the end of the oneg. If you have any questions you may call Gail Koren, Jackie Williams, or Renee Miller. Thank you, everyone, for your cooperation.

Please stay healthy and safe.

# DONATIONS

# CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY Fund

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In honor of the wedding of
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In honor of Oliver Fusco
becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Brenda & Daniel Fusco In honor of Oliver Fusco becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Karen & Bobby Spiegel
In loving memory of
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#### TREE OF LIFE

Brenda & Daniel Fusco
In honor of Oliver Fusco
becoming a Bar Mitzvah

#### **EDUCATION Fund**

**Bob & Kathy Stone** 

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**Lenny & Sharon Elkins** 

#### **CHESED Fund**

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The donations listed
were received
by CBS
before November 25, 2021.
To make a donation,
contact:
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# SAVETHEDATE March 27, 2022 Contact Renee Miller (909) 228-5945



# Annual Chanukah Party at CBS Saturday Dec. 4, 2021 From 4:30 pm to 8pm at CBS

\*\*Havdalah lighting at 4:30 PM

Join Us for a Family Fun Party!

Menorah Lighting

(don't forget your menorah & candles to light!)

- Make Your Own Dreidel
  - Cookie Decorating
  - Chanukah Games
    - Latke Contest
      - And More!

Shirli Driz (951) 201-9779 or Rebecca Spiegel (951) 817-4098







Adults - \$10

Kids under 12 - \$5

# Congregation Beth Shalom KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION

**NOVEMBER 2021** 

It is often said, "There are only six degrees of separation!" That was proven to be true as our featured speaker at last month's Kristallnacht Commemoration was Joel Poremba. Joel is a son of Holocaust Survivor Nathan Poremba (of blessed memory). Joel shared his father's story in the book "My Name is Staszek Surdel". The deciding moment to learn more and share his father's story in print was highlighted at our event. Joel had traveled to Israel with his synagogue in 2018, like CBS's Israeli trips where we engaged in visits with former IDF (Israeli Defense Forces) personnel. It was retired captain Yaakov Selavan who shared these words: "...did people die so we could sit all day and cry and do nothing with our lives? The answer is 'no.' They (IDF defense war soldiers) died so we could be here and live a meaningful life. Our mission now is make this price worth it." Powerful words which will help guide each of us to 'make a difference' while on this earth!

Now back to the six degrees... during our last trip (2019) to Israel, Arrianna Wolfe's mitzvah project beautiful was to bring suitcases of supplies, clothing and goodies for soldiers who had served in the same army beloved grandfather as her (Joseph Driz of blessed memory) had. On that trip, the person who was able to make things happen by coordinating soldiers to meet our group was Yaakov Selavan. And to complete the cycle of connections, Yaakov's mother. Shoshanah is first cousin to Bobby Spiegel.

Joel had a difficult task. Our event marked his first audience-driven



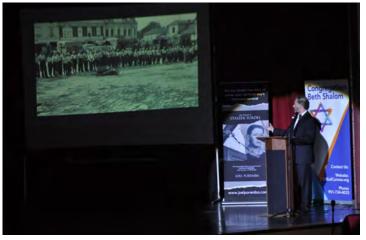
speech. This speech occurred just weeks after Joel's father passed away.

The event was attended by more than 120 people in all age groups. Norco Hiah School **Teacher** and Shomer Tzedek recipient Kevin Button, encouraged students to attend. This event was chaired by Tanya Spiegel. with the assistance of Paula Fogel, who baked and brought a selection refreshments. Corona Mayor, Jacque Casillas opened the event with a warm welcome followed by CBS Member and Riverside County Supervisor Karen Spiegel who presented Joel with a proclamation from the County Riverside. of acknowledging his efforts to keep reminding others of the price so many paid, so we could live a meaningful life.



Special thanks to **Jessie Rouman**, who suggested Joel as a speaker. Photos on pages 6 and 7 are from **Mark Koren**.









The top two photos show Joel Poremba sharing images of his father's childhood, as he explains the painful years of the Holocaust. The photo to the left, is Joel and Mr. Nathan Poremba.



The photo to the left is a portion of the students from Norco High School that attended the event. Each year, students are invited by their high school teacher, Kevin Button.



Students were moved by Joel's presentation, and purchased books which Joel graciously autographed that night.



And what is a synagogue event without food? Special thank you to Tanya Spiegel for coordinating the event, and to Paula Fogel for her baking talents.



The event was a huge success — to quote the person who inspired Joel to document and share about his father's story: "...did people die so we could sit all day and cry and do nothing with our lives?..."

### EDUCATION Report

On November 7 the CBS religious school held a successful fundraising event. We had our annual Holiday Boutique and Brunch. I think all would agree that the food was great. Thank you to Renee Miller and her team for a job well done. Paula Fogel prepared some amazing baked goods. It was a great addition to the brunch. So of course to have a great event, it takes a village. Certainly no one person can make this happen. So special thanks to Mark and Paula Miller, Rebecca Fogel. Renee Spiegel. Melissa and Mitch Lindenbaum, Bob and Stone. **Bruce** Rouman. **Jackie** Williams, Joan Jacobs, and Brenda Fusco. You folks are rock stars.

We were quite busy at CBS religious school during this month. We did a cooking project and a Hanukkah craft project. As always I am sharing the photos with you. It's wonderful when everyone sees what is happening at CBS' Religious School.

Mazel Tov to Oliver and the Fusco family. Oliver's Bar Mitzvah was certainly one to remember. Oliver is a student that took practicing seriously. As Education Director, I am so proud of his accomplishment on this special day.

Marci Rouman, Education Director















# **C.B.S. Religious School Arts and Crafts**

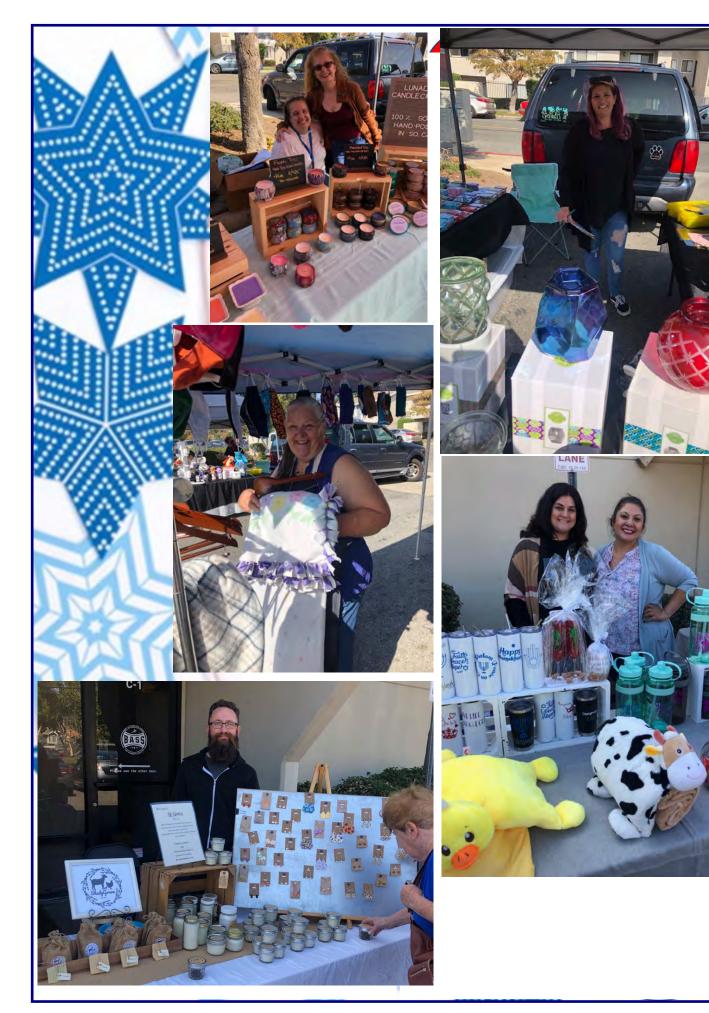


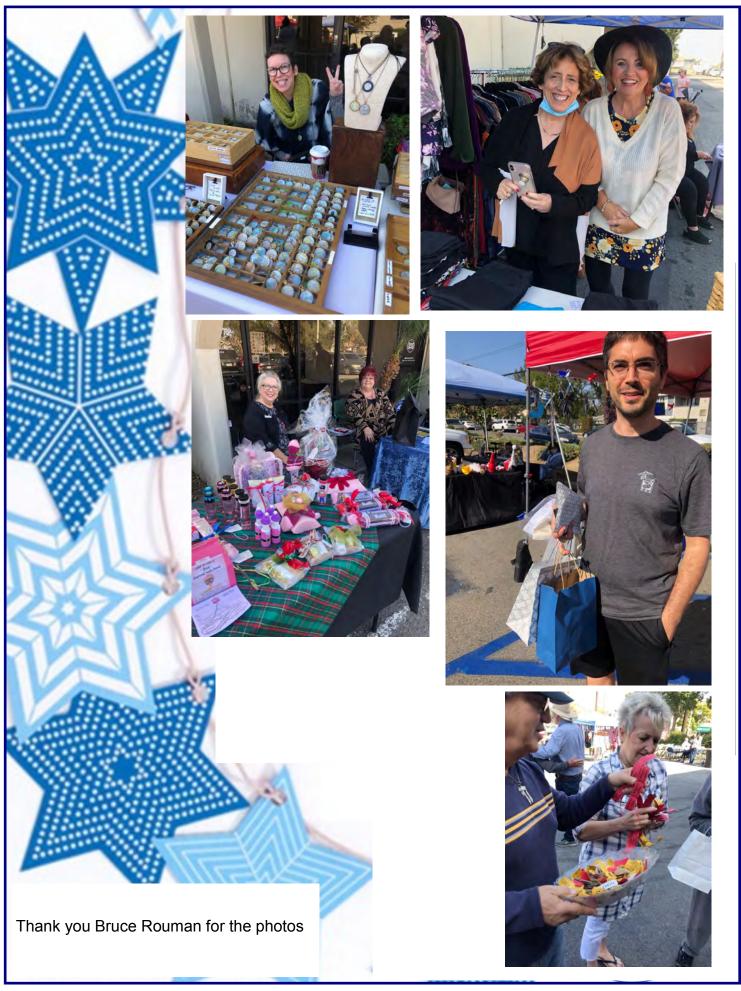
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# CBS Holiday Bazaar & Brunch All Proceeds support the CBS **Education Program** For Info call 951-733-3980



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#### Join us in Celebrating Members of our Synagogue



#### **December**

05 Renée Tieszen

06 Katelynn Spiegel

13 Paula Fogel

15 Dennis Brooks

20 Joyce Severson

26 Molly Shapiro

27 Ethan Whittemore

#### Januarv

02 Felix Smith
03 Seth D'Agostino
05 Nicholas Lipovestky
06 Chelsea Williams
12 Tomas Schulman
15 Kathy Stone
18 Saul Shulman
18 Sam Miller

18 Adam Rouman 23 Terri Shapiro 26 Andrea Vasquez 28 Joshua Spiegel



Dec 24 Dennis Brooks & Joan Zak

Dec 26 Ken & Joan Jacobs

Dec 29 Ethan & Ada Whittemore

Jan 23 Bob & Kathy Stone

#### MAH JONGG IS BACK!

If you are interested in getting back to your game, or just learning how to play Mah Jongg, Contact: Marci Rouman (951) 733-3980

### You can support CBS while you shop!

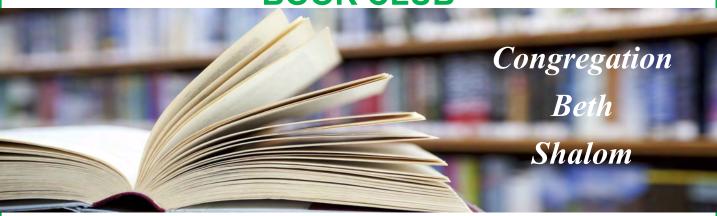


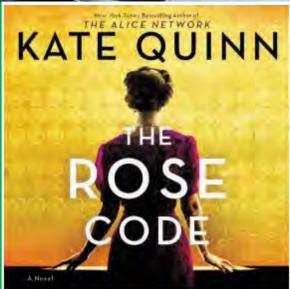
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#### **BOOK CLUB**





The hidden history of Bletchley Park has been waiting for a master storyteller like Kate Quinn to bring it to life. The Rose Code effortlessly evokes the frantic, nervy, exuberant world of the Enigma codebreakers through the eyes of three extraordinary women who work in tireless secrecy to defeat the Nazis. Quinn's meticulous research and impeccable characterization shine through this gripping and beautifully executed novel." (Beatriz Williams, New York Times best-selling author of Her Last Flight)

The year 1940. As England prepares to fight the Nazis, three very different women answer the call to mysterious country estate Bletchley Park, where the best minds in Britain train to break German military codes. Vivacious debutante Osla is the girl who has everything - beauty, wealth, and the dashing Prince Philip of Greece sending her roses - but she burns to prove herself as more than a society girl and puts her fluent German to use as a translator of decoded enemy secrets. Imperious, self-made Mab, product of East End London poverty, works the legendary codebreaking

machines as she conceals old wounds and looks for a socially advantageous husband. Both Osla and Mab are quick to see the potential in local village spinster Beth, whose shyness conceals a brilliant facility with puzzles, and soon Beth spreads her wings as one of the Park's few female cryptanalysts. But war, loss, and the impossible pressure of secrecy will tear the three apart.

The year 1947. As the royal wedding of Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip whips post-war Britain into a fever, three friends-turned-enemies are reunited by a mysterious encrypted letter - the key to which lies buried in the long-ago betrayal that destroyed their friendship and left one of them confined to an asylum. A mysterious traitor has emerged from the shadows of their Bletchley Park past, and now Osla, Mab, and Beth must resurrect their old alliance and crack one last code together. But each petal they remove from the rose code brings danger - and their true enemy - closer....

January 10th at 5:30 PM our CBS Book Club
can be found gathered at CBS to discuss this intriguing book.
We would love all Book Lovers to join us.

#### Fro mth e 'HOODS'

The HOODS - CBS's Brotherhood/Sisterhood, would like to have some events for the "sisters" of the congregation. Some ideas include 2 buck blackjack with 2 buck chuck- for \$2 get \$100 worth of chips and play blackjack and drink wine- the last 3 left standing will win money from the pot (all funds raised will be presented, nothing will be taken out for the hoods), painting and wine - bring back an old favorite -all supplies will be provided—cost determined from provider.

All activities of the Brother/SisterHOODS are open to all members including poker on the first Thursday and 3rd Wednesdays of each month.

Any other ideas - contact Joel Friedberg at (951) 733-9683.













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



#### Safety and Security Update by Joan Jacobs

CBS continues to be open for services, activities and events for all members and guests both in the synagogue and simultaneously on Zoom.

- 1. We will continue to sit socially distanced in the sanctuary.
- 2. Face masks are encouraged indoors because of the increasing number of new COVID-19 cases in or near our community.
- 3. The front door is locked 15 minutes after services begin. If you arrive when the door is locked, please ring the bell for admittance.
- 4. Remember that MOST, but not ALL, of our congregants have been fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Continue to take precautions, as needed, for your own personal health.
- 5. There is a possibility that some or all scheduled events listed in this Newsletter may be cancelled or postponed due the Omicron and Delta Variant of Coronavirus. We are monitoring local health conditions daily and will decide to go ahead or cancel events on an individual basis to ensure the health and safety of our members.

#### Fresh and Mini Challahs

Mark Koren bakes fresh Challah, Challah Rolls and Rye Bread for purchase.

NEW: Mini Challah, individually packaged for a covid-friendly Oneg!

Please order by Tuesday for Friday availability.

Call Gail Koren at (951) 204-4757.



### Oneg / Kiddush Schedule

As you think about special occasions, birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, or in memory of a loved one, please consider sponsoring an Oneg or Kiddush!

#### Please connect with Gail Koren at (951) 204-4757.

Those individuals who host an Oneg or Kiddush will be acknowledged by having their names on the CBS calendar as an Oneg or Kiddush Sponsor.

Please outreach to Gail and reserve the date(s) you wish to sponsor.

Dec	3	Marcy & Cantor Bruce Shapiro—celebrating Chanukah
Dec	10	Paula & Mark Fogel—A Mitzvah
Dec	17	Paula & Mark Fogel—A Mitzvah
Dec	24	Joan & Ken Jacobs in honor their 16th anniversary
Dec	31	OPEN—Contact Gail Koren
Jan	7	Deborah Wutzke in honor of her mother's 85th Birthday
Jan	14	Renee & Sam Miller in honor of Sam's Birthday
Jan	21	Kathy & Bob Stone in honor of their 41st Anniversary
Jan	28	Joan Zak as a Mitzvah

#### Recommended items for a Basic Emergency Supply Kit



#### Refuah Shlema

Our Community Prayer for Healing

- MYRA BILGREI
- SOL BILGREI
- JACQUELINE FOGEL
- SANDY KAYE
- EILEEN NOTICK
- JOYCE SEVERSON
- SANDRA SHULMAN
- RABBI MEL YOUNG

#### Simcha Board Tree of Life

**Congregation Beth Shalom** has a beautiful **Simcha Board**, called the *Tree of Life*, on display as you enter the synagogue lobby.

This Simcha Board allows families and individuals to purchase leaves for \$180 each for:

- Simchas
- Milestones
- · Birth of a child/grandchild
- Graduations
- Promotions
- Engagements
- · Accomplishments and more!

For more information, contact President Bruce Rouman (951) 847-4632.



#### **CBS SHATUF TZEDEK—BUSINESS AWARD**

Congregation Beth Shalom is pleased to honor **Marta Cortez**, owner of **Eduardo's Mexican** 

Restaurant. who will receive the **Business Partner Award** (Shutuf Tzedek). This recognition will take place on Sunday, March 27, 2022, the at 15<sup>th</sup> synagogue's Annual Legacy Luncheon to be held at Eagle Glen Club. Golf Additional honorees are

MaryAnn
Sherman with the coveted Guardian of Righteousness Award) (Shomer Tzedek) and Sol Shapiro, CBS's Legacy Award

recipient for 2022.

The article to the right is а condensed bio for Marta Cortez. describing her family's business and the contributions she has made to the Corona community.

Please contact Legacy Luncheon Co-Chairpersons, Renee Miller (909) 228-5945 or Marci Rouman, (951) 733-3980 for information about the event and sponsorships.

The Cortez family restaurant, Eduardo's Mexican Restaurant, has been a highly regarded Corona establishment for 27 years. Marta is a native of Corona whose parents emigrated from Mexico City. Marta's parents had a good deal of support when they came to Corona and the family was able to buy their first house when Marta was seven years old. Marta's parents gave the family of six children every opportunity to be as successful as possible. Marta's brother, Salvador, the entrepreneur of the family, encouraged Marta to further education once she graduated from high school.

Marta attended Riverside Community College and graduated from the University of California, Riverside with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology. Her goal after graduation was to attend law school, but about that time her brother opened a restaurant in Pomona and Marta got involved with that business though it did close in 1994. Around that same time, the Cortez family started Eduardo's Restaurant on Sixth Street in Corona. Marta played an active role in getting the restaurant up and running. Once Eduardo's opened in Corona, the family knew they wanted their restaurant to be a good family-style



establishment and the Cortez family produced a menu that would appeal to families. Marta jokingly relates the story of how the restaurant was blessed by a priest from Saint Edwards Church and how the congregants thought Eduardo's was "part of the church" and even promoted Eduardo's after church services. The Cortez family was at the restaurant every day; cooking, cleaning, and doing whatever had to be done to make the restaurant successful. During the restaurant's first year, the family lived off tips because profits were yet to

be made. In 1999, the Cortez family decided to open a second restaurant in Riverside which was larger. It opened in 2000 and was called Don Pedro: named after Marta's father. The area in Riverside where the restaurant was located was under transition and the restaurant did not do well and was eventually closed in 2004. Eduardo's has gone through a challenging time during the pandemic and has tried to be careful with its staff encouraging vaccines for all the staff before fully reopening; a testament to the caring and loving way the Cortez family feels about its staff. Eduardo's has a dedicated staff with employees who have been there for 15 and 20 years. The Cortez family all have their integral parts in the running of Eduardo's, and everyone takes pride in making things work. The restaurant is vested in serving families in the area and has dishes that are as authentic as possible with the use of family recipes from Marta's mother.

Marta takes pride in the community organizations that she is a part of and wants to "give back" to Corona and help make a difference in the community. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Corona Chamber of Commerce, the Corona History Association, the Corona-Norco Family YMCA, and Herencia Mariachi Academy. Additionally, Marta serves on the Cinco de Mayo Committee for the city which raises funds for scholar-ships.



Marta's passion is about serving others.

#### **Congregation Beth Shalom**

**Adult Education** 

# The 29 Kinds of Work You Can't do on Shabbat

Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 9:30 A.M. On-Line

Joan Zak is inviting you to a scheduled **Zoom** meeting.

Topic: Joan Zak's Personal Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4420163247?

pwd=c1NCUkFtRTBQeDUrdDlKNGMzZXRCdz09

How is work defined?
What modern conveniences make

What modern conveniences make them obsolete? What are some of the workarounds?

We'll use Zoom.

Note, this is not Bruce Rouman's link.

For more information or help using Zoom, contact Joan Zak (760) 803-5451 or JoanZak92027@gmail.com

# GIFT SHOPPE UPDATE



The Gift Shoppe has many new gift and home décor items which are reasonably priced, in addition to special sale items. Celebration, special occasions, birthdays or anniversaries — your CBS Gift Shoppe has meaningful gifts that are readily available. Don't forget to take a look at the wonderful jewelry that we have on display!

Call Renee Miller at (909) 228-5945 for further information.

# **Breads & Options**

- Pumpkin Bread
- Orange Cranberry Bread (with or without nuts)

\*\*\*\*\* Seasonal\*\*\*\*\* Only when Fresh cranberries are in Season - Lemon Cranberry \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

- Lemon Bread Lemon Poppyseed- Lemon Blueberry
- Vanilla Oatmeal Applesauce Bread with nuts and or Raisins or without Poppyseed Bread
- Zucchini Bread (with or without nuts)
- Brown Sugar Crumble Zucchini
- Death by Chocolate Zucchini (with or without nuts and or coconut)
- Banana Nut (or without nuts) Bread
- Chocolate Marbled Banana (with or without nuts)
- Blueberry Bread or Raspberry Bread
- . Cinnamon Swirl Bread
- Muffins & Cookies on Special Request

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#### **Erev Shabbat Services with CBS**

#### Join us for in-person and via Zoom and experience a rich spirituality

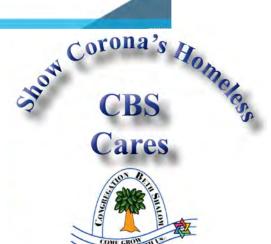
- The first Friday night of the month is a 6:30 PM Family Service.
  - Cantor Shapiro will lead services and celebrate birthdays and anniversaries during the first Friday Services in person and via Zoom.
- All other services are at 7:30 PM.
- The First, Third and Fifth Fridays and Third Saturday of the month are Cantor-led services
  - The Cantor adds a professional touch: the services are very interactive with participation from those in attendance.
- The Second and Fourth Friday Services may be led by:
  - Religious School and Confirmation students and teachers
  - Regular Lay Leaders (Dennis Itzkowitz, Bob Stone and Joan Zak)
  - YOU!!!!!!!!!!!
- Onegs comply with CDC guidelines, call Gail Koren for information (951) 688-1709
- Special Occasion Services
  - Shabbat Under the Stars— is held in September each year
  - Shabbat Across America—A special service honored all over our country





#### **Toilet Articles**

- **⇒ Tooth Brushes**
- ⇒ Tooth Paste
- ⇒ Soap
- ⇒ Shampoo
- ⇒ Razors
- ⇒ Shave Cream
- ⇒ Skin Cream
- ⇒ Deodorant
- ⇒ Cotton Swabs
- ⇒ Facial Tissue



# Food for Thought: A Cracker Or a Cookie?

I was looking for different kind of cookie when I discovered an age-old Jewish debate about the once popular kichel: Is it a cracker or a cookie? That piqued my interest. Matter of fact, in the 2009 National Spelling Bee, *kichel* was one of the words given. Immediately, the contestant asked the panel for it to be used in a sentence for further clarification. The sentence was not much help either: "The thought of someone kvetching about her kichel gave Meryl the shpilkes."

According to the dictionary, kichel is a Yiddish term for a semisweet baked product made of eggs, flour and sugar usually rolled and cut in diamond or bowtie shapes and baked until puffed." Kichel is loved because of its extremely crunchy texture much

like a cracker. However, a cracker is thin while kichel is not. So, it must be a cookie. Kichel is slightly raised like a cookie, yet it does not have a cake-like consistency like a cookie. Kichel is quite the conundrum. So, I had to try one for myself.

Kichel was once the main attraction in every Jewish bakery in America. Since the closing of so many family bakeries, kichel seems to be losing its popularity. Today, kichel is still enjoyed in South Africa and Israel. I think you really ought to try kichel again. Despite whatever you call a kichel, it is a light, airy snack that's delicious and easy to make! Let's bring kichel back into popularity. Make some soon.

### **Kichel** Recipe by Rob Finkelstein

https://cinnamonshtick.com/kichel-jewish-bow-tie-cookies/



Prep Time 25 Min Cook Time 25 Min Resting Time 30 Min Servings 36 Cookies Cal or ies 62

#### Ingredients

- 1½ c. plus 1 tbsp. flour
- · 2 tsp. sugar
- ½ tsp. baking powder
- ½ tsp. salt
- 3 eggs at room temperature
- 1 egg yolk at room temperature
- ⅓ cup plus 1 tbsp. canola/ olive/vegetable oil
- 1½ tsp. vanilla
- 3/4 c. sugar, divided

#### Directio ns

- 1. In a small bowl, mix flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt. Set aside.
- 2. In mixer with paddle attachment, combine eggs, egg yolk, oil and vanilla. Mix on low speed until fully combined, about 30-60 seconds. With mixer on low speed, slowly add the dry ingredients in three stages until fully combined. You may have to stop to scrape down the sides of the bowl a few times. Continue beating for 15-20 minutes to develop the gluten, stopping every 5 minutes or so to scrape down the sides of the bowl. The dough will be very sticky.
- 3. Cover the bowl with plastic wrap and allow the dough to rest for 30 minutes.
- 4. Preheat oven to 350°F and line two baking sheets with parchment paper.
- 5. Liberally spread approximately ¼ cup sugar on parchment paper set on countertop. (You can do this directly on the countertop, but it makes for a much easier cleanup to do it on parchment paper.) Use a rubber spatula or bowl scraper to scoop the sticky dough onto the top of the sugar. Liberally spread an additional ¼ cup of sugar on top of the mound of dough. Roll dough to approximately ¼ inch thick, using a bench scraper to guide the dough to create and maintain a rectangle, approximately 7 inches by 12 inches. Continue to coat the dough using as much of the remaining sugar as necessary (top and bottom) while rolling out the dough. Once you cover the dough in lots of sugar, the dough should rollout easily and be easy to handle. Make certain not to skimp on the sugar.
- 6. With a pizza cutter or a knife, cut rectangles, 1 inch by 2 inches. (Make 1-inch cuts along the side of the dough that is 7 inches and make 2-inch cuts along the side of the dough that is 12 inches.) Twist each rectangle in the middle.
- 7. Place on prepared baking sheet, 2 inches apart from each other. Bake 25-30 minutes until the edges and bottoms are deep golden brown. Allow to cool completely, leaving them out at room temperature for several hours. For puffier kichel, bake on the bottom third of the oven.
- 8. Kichel will stay fresh for at least several days stored in an airtight container. They also freeze very well for up to three months.

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# Beyond the SYNAGOGUE

#### **BONDING**



Taking advantage of the long Thanksgiving weekend, Bruce, Marci and Jessi traveled to northern CA to visit with Sydney. Pop-pop (Bruce) is caught by this photo. Oh yes, they also visited with Sydney's parents, Adam and Amanda.

#### **AUTISM WALK**

Jessi Rouman participated in the Autism Walk 2021. It is very gratifying to see our CBS members getting involved in worthy causes.

Jessi, like many other members, has a huge heart especially for those less fortunate—and her dedication to the Autism community was once again shown by her participating in this very worthy event!







#### JOSH KOREN SERVING OUR NATION

The photo from left to right is AO3 Nieves, AO2 Chandler, AOC James, AO1 (Aviation Ordnance-man First Class Petty Officer Koren, AO2 Marbury and AO3 Kelly. The crew is currently dispatched from USS Gerald R. Ford to Tyndall AFB in support of the **VFA-213** (Strike



Squadron) during the Checkered Flag Exercises. Playing a and troubleshooting. The exercise is pivotal support role they assembled 5 essential to national defense and NATM-9Ms missile), 1200 TP (Training Practice response to threats. 20MM rounds ammunition and

2021 provided intermediate level repair (type of sidewinder demonstrates a joint unit air-to-air

> The two images on the far left are what the 20mm ammunition shells are in size.

We pray for Josh's safety and look forward welcoming him home soon!

# Beyond the SYNAGOGUE Celebrating Chanukah!

A group of CBS members attended the community celebration of Chanukah presented by Chabad of Riverside. Join your CBS Family on Saturday Night, December 4 for our event. see flier on page 5.















#### **SIMINTOV & MAZEL TOV**



Congratulations on the Wedding of **Daniel** and Mollie Jacobs officiated by Cantor Shapiro. Dan is the son of CBS Member, Ken Jacobs and step-son of Joan Jacobs. On behalf of the CBS family, MAZEL TOVII

#### **PHOTOS WANTED**

We are always seeking photos of our members, and their relatives, for inclusion in this section. Submissions for the Beyond the Synagogue are welcomed. Please submit to BJRouman@SBCglobal.net

Bobby@MyChamber.org prior to the 15th of each month. Space limitations may prevent your submission to be included.

# REMEMBER CBS FOR YOUR YEAR-END DONATIONS Congregation Beth Shalom Funds

To make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one or friend, select the Fund that you prefer and fill in the Donor card below. Send the bottom portion of this form to the CBS office with your donation.

We appreciate your support very much.

- Youth Development Fund (to provide scholarships for various programs including our religious school students to attend residence camps with significant Jewish programming and other programs)
- **General Fund** (to support the synagogue's daily operations)
- **Facility Fund** (to enhance, maintain and make improvement to our facility)
- Cantor Discretionary Fund (for charitable, hardship and educational purposes at Cantor's discretion)
- **Prayer Book Fund** (for purchasing, repairing, updating prayer books)
- Adult Education Fund (to support Adult Education programs)
- **Chesed Fund** (for the work of the Chesed Committee which responds in times of need for a birth, illness, emergency, or death in the family)
- **Torah Fund** (for the repair and/or purchase of the Torah Scrolls, Torah Commentaries, and other Bimah needs)

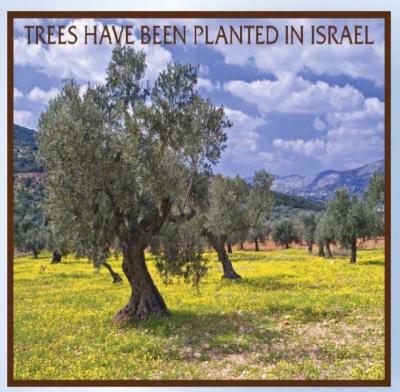
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#### **Trees in CBS Groves Available**

Call or email Bob Stone (562) 818-5451 or Bruce Rouman (951) 847-4632

Each year, at the our CBS Legacy Luncheon events, we offer trees to be planted into a grove that CBS secures. We have about 200 trees in various groves left for purchase. Certificates will be issued for those who wish to support our synagogue and purchase trees. "Honoring" or in "Memory of" certificates can be customized with proper naming and donor's name included.

Single trees are \$20 each.
Circle of 5 trees are \$75
Larger quantities will be quoted to you.



as others have planted so will you plant for your children - Leviticus Rabbah, 28



This Certificate recognizes the purchase of

#### Trees for Israel

The donation supports the State of Israel and the Jewish Community.

Your Donation Has Been Made
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Shalom of Corona California
Grove of Trees.

Trees Are Planted And Cared For Throughout The Land Of Israel And Serve As A Living Tribute

#### Yahrzeit Observances May their memories be a blessing

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Nov 21 Rudolfo Hirschfield	17 Kislev	Jan 01 Abraham Jacobs	28 Tevet
Nov 22 Herman Stone*	18 Kislev	Jan 02 Albert Jacob Lasko*	29 Tevet
Nov 22 Sandy Rubin	18 Kislev	Jan 02 Lynn Strauss	29 Tevet
Nov 24 Margo Weil*	20 Kislev	Jan 04 Samuel Weinberg*	2 Shevat
Nov 25 Hermann Schwartz*	21 Kislev	Jan 05 Sylvia Jacobs	3 Shevat
Nov 26 Herbert Guber*	22 Kislev	Jan 07 Sylvia Tarshis*	5 Shevat
Nov 27 Joseph Driz	23 Kislev	Jan 10 Bertha Auerbach Susskind*	8 Shevat
Nov 28 Bertha (Bela) Koren*	24 Kislev	Jan 10 Leonard Eichenbaum*	8 Shevat
Nov 28 Herb Spiegel*	24 Kislev	Jan 10 Sara Goldman	8 Shevat
Nov 30 Kay Goldstein*	26 Kislev	Jan 12 Rubin Elkins	10 Shevat
Dec 05 George Williams	1 Tevet	Jan 14 Lillian Ruth Lasko*	12 Shevat
Dec 06 Nick Schwartz*	2 Tevet	Jan 15 Arlene Bierman Shapiro*	13 Shevat
Dec 06 Mindel Eisen	2 Tevet	Jan 16 Harry Rosenbaum	14 Shevat
Dec 07 Pauline Fiardo*	3 Tevet	Jan 19 Harold Gamer	17 Shevat
Dec 10 Bryan Jay Newman*	6 Tevet	Jan 20 Jerry Schwartz*	18 Shevat
Dec 11 Kenneth Dawe	7 Tevet	Jan 24 Etta Prachar*	22 Shevat
Dec 11 Gertrude Cooper	7 Tevet	Jan 25 Gerta Spiegel*	23 Shevat
Dec 16 Daniel Zvi Rones*	12 Tevet	Jan 25 Lawrence Bierman	23 Shevat
Dec 17 Carlos Tobolski	13 Tevet	Jan 26 Robert Bossel*	24 Shevat
Dec 21 Alan Koren*	17 Tevet	Jan 28 Franklin Oberstein	26 Shevat
Dec 21 Ester Sack Kass*	17 Tevet	Jan 30 Helene Meyer*	28 Shevat
Dec 21 Diane Leeds*	17 Tevet	Jan 30 Jenny Meyer*	28 Shevat
Dec 24 Bro/Sis Harry & Moshe Eisen*	20 Tevet	Jan 30 Paul Spiegel*	28 Shevat
Dec 24 Bro/Sis Hilda Eisen*	20 Tevet	Jan 30 Robert Meyer*	28 Shevat
Dec 24 Bro/Sis Lalie Eisen*	20 Tevet	Jan 30 Sally Meyer*	28 Shevat
Dec 24 Abraham Gimpel*	20 Tevet	Jan 30 Stuart Halperin	28 Shevat
Dec 24 Rivka Gimpel*	20 Tevet	Jan 31 Sari Gamer	29 Shevat
Dec 25 Anna Shapiro	21 Tevet	We mistakenly omitted a few nar	mos in the
Dec 27Anna Eichenbaum	23 Tevet	Nevember 2021 issue of our CPS	

We mistakenly omitted a few names in the November 2021 issue of our CBS Kol Echad publication, and we apologize for this error and have included them in this publication.

\* = denotes Memorial Board Plaque For questions or corrections, please contact Joan Zak (760) 803-5451

#### **MEMORIALIZE YOUR DEAR ONES!**

23 Tevet

23 Tevet



Dec 27 Lawrence Kofsky\*

Dec 27 Yehuda (Yudi) Izenman\*

Memorial Plaques are available through CBS for only \$360 each

For more information call Bruce Rouman at (951) 847-4632

Plaque forms are available at the Synagogue

## NOTICE TO ALL CBS MEMBERS

All CBS members should be receiving Yahrzeit reminder letters / notices of the anniversary of your loved ones.

If you are not receiving notices, please contact Jackie Williams at (951) 734-8045, so we can make the corrections.



#### **Dates to Remember**

ACTIVITIES & SERVICES WILL BE IN PERSON UNLESS NOTED— MANY ARE OFFERED VIA INTERNET

IN PERSON EVENTS ARE AT 500 HARRINGTON ST. STE. A1 CORONA, CA 92878 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED with an asterisk (\*)

#### **DECEMBER 2021**

	DECEMBER 202	<b>41</b>
2	BROTHERHOOD POKER	7:00 PM
3	MENORAH LIGHTING—BRING YOUR CHANUKIAH AND CANDLES FOR THE 5TH NIGHT	6:00 PM
3	FAMILY EREV SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY CANTOR SHAPIRO; ONEG Sponsored by Marcy & Cantor Shapiro	6:30 PM
4	CHANUKAH PARTY AT CBS— FUN NIGHT, LOTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES. BRING YOUR CHANUKIAH AND CANDLES FOR CELEBRATING THE 6TH NIGHT OF CHANUKAH	4:30 PM
5	RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	8:30 AM
5	CONFIRMATION LED BY RENÉE TIESZEN	8:30 AM
5	ADULT ED LED BY JOAN ZAK	9:30 AM
6	RITUAL MEETING ON ZOOM	6:30 PM
10	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY JESSI ROUMAN; ONEG Sponsored by Paula & Mark Fogel	7:30 PM
12	RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	8:30 AM
12	BOARD MEETING	9:00 AM
12	LEGACY MEETING	11:00 AM
15	BROTHERHOOD POKER	7:00 AM
17	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY CANTOR SHAPIRO; ONEG Sponsored by Paula & Mark Fogel	7:30 PM
18	TORAH STUDY LED BY JOAN ZAK	9:00 AM
18	SHABBAT COMMUNITY SERVICE LED BY CANTOR SHAPIRO	10:00 AM
19	RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	8:30 AM
19	CONFIRMATION LED BY RENÉE TIESZEN	8:30 AM
24	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY JOAN ZAK; ONEG Sponsored by Joan & Ken Jacobs	7:30 PM
26	NO SCHOOL	8:30 AM
31	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY CANTOR SHAPIRO	6:00 PM

#### **JANUARY 2022**

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1	HAPPY NEW YEAR!!	
2	NO SCHOOL	8:30 AM
2	ADULT ED LED BY JOAN ZAK	9:30 PM
3	RITUAL MEETING	6:30 PM
6	BROTHERHOOD POKER	7:00 PM
7	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY CANTOR SHAPIRO; ONEG Sponsored by Deborah Wutzke	6:30 PM
9	RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	8:30 AM
9	CONFIRMATION LED BY RENÉE TIESZEN	8:30 AM
9	BOARD MEETING	9:00 AM
9	LEGACY MEETING	11:00 AM
14	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE; ONEG Sponsored by Renee & Sam Miller	7:30 PM
16	NO SCHOOL (MLK Holiday)	8:30 AM
19	BROTHERHOOD POKER	7:00 PM
21	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY CANTOR SHAPIRO; ONEG Sponsored by Kathy & Bob Stone	7:30 PM
22	TORAH STUDY LED BY JOAN ZAK	9:00 AM
22	SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY CANTOR SHAPIRO	10:00 AM
23	RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	8:30 AM
23	CONFIRMATION LED BY RENEE TIESZEN	8:30 AM
28	EREV SHABBAT SERVICE; ONEG Sponsored by Joan Zak	7:30 PM
30	RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	8:30 AM

#### **New Year's Dinner**

Many members will be having dinner after Erev—Shabbat services on Friday, December 31, at the Miguel's Restaurant in Dos Lagos. Everyone is welcome to attend.