



# KOL ECHAD

The Voice of Congregation Beth Shalom

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## THE CANTOR'S CORNER

BY CANTOR BRUCE SHAPIRO



At the very end of April and the first day of May, we celebrate Israel's Independence Day, **Yom Ha'atsma'ut**. This year we mark the 77<sup>th</sup> year of the existence of the State of Israel. I am so proud to be Jewish and to be a Zionist. It wasn't until I went to Camp Tel Yehudah along the Delaware Gap in Barryville, NY, as a teen that I realized I was one.

My Mom was a member of Hadassah and that camp was designed for the youth of parents who supported Israel! What an awakening to everyone at camp being Jewish, Jewish music, learning Hebrew through the Ulpan program, communal living, history, learning leadership, and an introduction to life on a Kibbutz. If you'd like to hear more about my summer adventures, please ask!

Also, this month, we continue to count the Omer, enjoy Lag B'Omer (33<sup>rd</sup> day of the counting of the Omer, a respite amongst the 49 days of counting), and celebrate Yom Yerushalayim which commemorates the reunification of Jerusalem during the 6-Day War in 1967!

Also, at the end of May, we finish the Book of Leviticus, which included ideas about how we as Jews "should behave as individuals and as a society as well as affirm our faithfulness of worship to the Source of Life".

**Adon Olam**, Master of the Universe, may we inspire the next generation to continue purposeful living, recommit to the laws we can follow in the Torah, improve upon ourselves, and our leadership in the years to follow.

**Last chance to vote Mercaz Olami, Slate 17 is May 4. Vote Now!**



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## Refuah Shlema

Our Community Prayer for Healing

Myra Belgrei	Dave Severson
Dennis Brooks	Joyce Severson
Jan Davis	Sandra Shulman
Dennis Gilson	Matthew Stein
Doreen Gilson	Eileen Taks
Sandy Kaye	Bruce Williams
Renee Miller	Jackie Williams
Renee Ryan	Dixie Wutzke

# YAHRZEIT OBSERVANCES

*It is traditional to light a Yahrzeit candle on the evening of observance. In addition, we urge you attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of your beloved and to recite the Mourner's Kaddish on the Yahrzeit.*  
**May their memories be a blessing**

MAY		JUNE	
1 Selma Lich	3 Iyar	1 Henry Feller	5 Sivan
3 Yetta Gubernick	5 Iyar	2 Dorothy R. Miller*	6 Sivan
3 Maurice Taks	5 Iyar	4 Yosef Berggrun	8 Sivan
8 Betty Friedberg*	10 Iyar	4 Lalie Eisen*	8 Sivan
8 Otto Lois Busch	10 Iyar	7 Morris Shulman	11 Sivan
9 Edith Werby	11 Iyar	7 Eileen Notick	11 Sivan
9 Baruch Grinshpan*	11 Iyar	9 Harry Agins*	13 Sivan
12 Arthur Shapiro	14 Iyar	9 Mortimer L. Medrich*	13 Sivan
12 Jacob Haskel Eisen*	14 Iyar	12 Elliott Robert Barkan*	16 Sivan
13 Bonnie J. Flint*	15 Iyar	14 Ida Kofsky*	18 Sivan
14 Gerald Notick	16 Iyar	18 Carl Barkan*	22 Sivan
14 Robin A. Busch	16 Iyar	19 Allen Leopold	23 Sivan
17 Augusta Frey*	19 Iyar	21 Aaron Severson	25 Sivan
17 Phillip Scharfman*	19 Iyar	21 Milton Werby	25 Sivan
18 Jay Loren Shapiro	20 Iyar	23 Hannah Weinstein*	27 Sivan
21 Edward Severson	23 Iyar	26 Max Fogel*	30 Sivan
21 Florence Feller	23 Iyar	28 Marcia Abraham	2 Tammuz
25 Gary Lee Elkins*	27 Iyar	29 Rosalie Schulman	3 Tammuz
26 Zdenka Fischmann*	28 Iyar	29 Eva Dawe	3 Tammuz
28 Ruth Hirschfeld	1 Sivan	29 Emily Bendix Jacobs*	3 Tammuz
28 Bessie Cotler*	1 Sivan	29 Philip Tarshis*	3 Tammuz
30 Arthur "Art" Gelb*	3 Sivan		
30 Margot Antonetty*	3 Sivan		

\* = denotes Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque

## Annual Membership Meeting & Elections

Sunday, June 8  
10:00 AM at CBS

Join us for a brunch prior to the Annual Meeting. The  
brunch is free for members.

We will present the

- State of the Synagogue
- Review of Financial Status
- Elections for open positions on the Board
- Show the Annual Year-in-Review Video

# DONATIONS

Please consider making donations throughout the year to honor an occasion or a loved one, to express gratitude, to wish a *refuah shlema*, or to memorialize a *yahrzeit*. And consider Congregation Beth Shalom in your Trust or Will!

**We gratefully acknowledge the following donations received March 25 - April 28.**

## Brotherhood Fund

Joel & Cheryl Friedberg

*in memory of Evelyn Weinberg (z"l)*

## Building Fund

Joel & Cheryl Friedberg

*in memory of Evelyn Weinberg (z"l)*

## Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Mark & Paula Fogel

*in memory of Rose M. Bonn (z"l)*

## Education Fund

Bobby & Karen Spiegel

*in memory of Margot Antonetty (z"l)*

## Security Fund

Bruce & Marci Rouman

*in memory of Harriet Posner Leopold (z"l)*

Bruce & Marci Rouman

*in memory of Felice Merrill Rouman (z"l)*

## Youth Development Fund

Saul & Sandra Shulman

*in memory of Saul's mother, Sarah Shulman (z"l)*

## Sale of Chametz

Ken & Joan J.

Cantor & Marcy Shapiro

Bobby & Karen Spiegel

Tanya Spiegel

Bob & Kathy Stone

Joan Zak

## Community Shabbat Dinner & Musical Erev Shabbat Service



Thank you to everyone who attended the Community Shabbat Dinner sponsored by Ken & Joan J., Sam & Renee Miller, Bruce & Marci Rouman, and Joan Zak. A special thank you to Carl Cedar for leading a wonderful Musical Erev Shabbat Service with Cantor Shapiro.



Not everyone in attendance pictured. Photos by Alice Henderson.





# CELEBRATING CBS MEMBERS

## Happy Birthday!

May 1	Melissa Lindenbaum	June 2	Stephanie Sachs
May 11	Karen Spiegel	June 6	Mark Koren
May 14	Amanda Shapiro	June 7	Joan J.
May 14	Marcy Shapiro	June 22	Jonah Fusco
May 17	Lenny Elkins	June 25	Danielle Shapiro
May 19	Jake Pineiros		
May 21	Marci Rouman		
May 29	Joel Friedberg		
May 29	Dan Fusco		
May 31	Jan Davis		

## Happy Anniversary!

May 5	Saul & Sandra Shulman
May 21	Matt & Amanda Shapiro
May 29	Arnie & Joan Bonn
June 1	Bruce & Marci Rouman
June 2	Bobby & Karen Spiegel
June 23	Danny & Jan Davis
June 25	Mark & Gail Koren
June 26	Lenny & Sharon Elkins
June 29	Joel & Cindy Williams



## SPONSOR AN ONEG

Sponsoring an Oneg is an excellent way to share in the blessing of Shabbat with fellow congregants.

Sponsor an Oneg in honor of a simcha (birthday, anniversary, graduation, etc.), in memory of a loved one, or as a Mitzvah!

Please reach out to Gail Koren at 951-204-4757 to reserve your date(s)!

May 2	<b>WAITING FOR YOU -- Call Gail</b>
May 9	<b>Joan Zak</b> -- as a Mitzvah
May 16	<b>Members of Congregation Beth Shalom</b>
May 23	<b>Ken &amp; Joan J.</b> -- as a Mitzvah
May 30	<b>Spiegel Family</b> -- in honor of Bobby & Karen's 40th Anniversary
June 6	<b>Mark &amp; Gail Koren</b> -- in honor of Mark's birthday and their 40st Anniversary
June 13	<b>Joan Zak</b> -- as a Mitzvah
June 20	<b>Joel &amp; Cheryl Friedberg</b> -- as a Mitzvah
June 27	<b>WAITING FOR YOU -- Call Gail</b>

**Support the  
CBS Religious School**

**ORDER SCRIP GIFT CARDS!**



**SHOP AT ALL YOUR FAVORITE  
PLACES, JUST CHANGE  
HOW YOU PAY!**

The percentages earned from physical gift cards, eGift cards, and digitally reloaded funds (onto existing physical gift cards) all go back to the synagogue.

Discover new books  
and join the CBS  
**BOOK CLUB**

in-person at the Williams'  
home and on Zoom

Thursday, May 22  
5:30 PM

May's Book:  
*The Dovekeepers*

Contact Jackie Williams at  
714-296-4079 for more information.

## JOIN THE FUN AT POKER NIGHT!

Join the CBS Brotherhood for  
Poker Night

1st Wednesday & 3rd  
Monday each month  
7:00 PM | CBS

Contact Joel Friedberg at  
951-733-9683 for more information.

## Congregation Beth Shalom Adult Education

*May's Topic:*

### Life and Times of the Prophets

How did the time they were living in,  
affect their writing?

Sunday, May 4th  
11:00 AM  
*in-person at CBS or on Zoom*

Joan Zak's personal Zoom:  
Meeting ID: 442 016 3247  
Passcode: jean-luc

All are welcome!

## COME PLAY MAHJONG!

**Tuesdays at 6:00 PM**

**New and Experienced  
Players Welcomed!**

**Contact Marci Rouman at 951-733-3980  
for more information.**

**Monthly Torah Study**  
**Saturday, May 17 at 9:00 AM**  
(on Zoom)

**Learn. Study. Share.**  
**No previous in-depth Torah study  
or familiarity with Hebrew is needed.**

Contact Joan Zak at 760-803-5451 or  
joanzak92027@gmail.com  
for more information.



**TO COMMEMORATE THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF HIS LIBERATION, PLEASE JOIN US  
FOR A PRESENTATION REMEMBERING**



**MIKE RESMO:  
HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR  
AND AMERICAN SUCCESS STORY**



**LEARN ABOUT THE MAN WHO SURVIVED  
THREE CONCENTRATION CAMPS AS A TEENAGER,  
AND LATER IMMIGRATED TO AMERICA, THE LAND OF  
OPPORTUNITY FOR HIM.**

**THURSDAY, MAY 8 | 6:30 PM - 8 PM  
CORONA PUBLIC LIBRARY  
FRANCES ALDAMA MARTINEZ ROOM**

**Q & A WITH FAMILY MEMBERS AND THE FORMER CNUSD  
TEACHER WHO KNEW HIM WELL WILL FOLLOW THE  
PRESENTATION.**

*HOSTED BY:*





**Lazy DOG**  
EAT. DRINK.

# FUNDRAISER

Congregation Beth Shalom

*invites you to join them  
for a meal at Lazy Dog*

Print this flyer, bring it with  
you, and 15% of your total bill will  
be donated back to the organization!

*date:* Thursday May 22

*time:* 12 - 8 p.m.

*location:* Lazy Dog Restaurant + Bar

McKinley Street

Corona, CA 92879

*See You There!*

lazydogrestaurants.com



# *18th Annual Legacy Luncheon*

## *"Honoring Contributions Toward a Better Community"*

Congregation Beth Shalom's Legacy Luncheon, now in its 18th year, was another amazing success! We honored a well-deserving group of individuals, beginning with our **Legacy Award** recipient, **Tanya Spiegel** who was selected for her dedication to Congregation Beth Shalom. **Karen Alexander** received the **Shomer Tzedek (Guardian of Righteousness) Award** and the **Shatuf Tzedek (Business Partner) Award** for 2025 was presented to **Don Kindred, Executive Director of Corona Symphony Orchestra**.

One of the things that made the 2025 Legacy Luncheon so tremendous was that our "little shul" sold yet another grove of trees (1,000 trees) in Israel – the Chai Legacy Grove – making this the TENTH grove Congregation Beth Shalom has purchased!

We exceeded expectations for this year's event, with increases in sponsorships, silent auction sales, and tree sales. The Legacy Luncheon program book acknowledged so many individuals from our sponsors to our dedicated 2025 Legacy Luncheon volunteers, our advertisers, the many wonderful businesses who donated to the event, and finally our amazing Legacy Luncheon Committee who put this event together over a nine-month period as we do year after year. I cannot thank our community members enough for their efforts.

Our event sponsors for the day included: **Sam & Renee Miller**; **Karen Spiegel, Riverside County Supervisor 2nd District**; **Mark & Paula Fogel**; **Kenneth & Joan Jacobs**; **Simon, McKinsey, Miller & Stone**; **Bobby & Karen Spiegel**; **Marcus & Michelle Spiegel** and **Sam Spiegel & Catherine Siino**; **Tom & Karen Alexander**; **Congressman Ken Calvert**; **Corona Chamber of Commerce**; **Covenant Life Christian Fellowship**; **Joel & Cheryl Friedberg**; **Dennis Itzkowitz**; and **Joan Zak & Dennis Brooks**. The generous sponsorships and a host of other donations to the event were appreciated.

I could not have done my job without **Marci Rouman**'s assistance. I also want to thank **Paula Fogel**, our amazing basket "wrapper", who put together every beautiful basket for the silent auction, and tirelessly did donation pick-ups all over the greater Corona area. She also made the beautiful centerpieces with the Israel theme. **Jackie Williams** did an outstanding job of working with Eagle Glen to put together the wonderful luncheon. **Gail Koren** and **Alice Henderson** did a truly unbelievable job of inputting all the data entry for silent auction donations, which was huge; from tracking donations, to verifying information and setting auction bids. **Mark Koren** did all the inputting for event registrations in addition to making the signage for auction items, baking the challahs for the motzi, and taking photos during the event. **Bruce Rouman** created the video montages. A big thank you also needs to go to **Bob Stone**, CBS Treasurer, for tracking donations and providing us with detailed records of our profits and expenses. **Joan Zak** and **Brenda Fusco** secured online donations for our event. We also could not do what we do without people going out and getting donations so a big thanks to **Marci Rouman, Joel and Cheryl Friedberg, Dennis Itzkowitz**, and **Renee Miller** for making this happen. **Kathy Stone** was invaluable as one of our "day of the event" volunteers in addition to securing donations from Norco High School. **Joan J.** secured online donations in addition to picking up donation items in the community with next to no notice. **Josh Spiegel** was immensely helpful with transporting equipment to and from the synagogue.



2025 Legacy Luncheon Honorees Tanya Spiegel, Don Kindred, and Karen Alexander



Previous Legacy Luncheon Honorees





2025 Legacy Luncheon Honoree Don Kindred with Corona Mayor Member Jim Steiner, Norco Council Member Kevin Bash, Congressman Ken Calvert's representative Jett Benavidez, CNUSD Board Member Jami Merchant, Corona Council Member Wes Speake, CBS President Bruce Rouman, Riverside County Auditor-Controller Ben Benoit, Corona Chamber Chairman of the Board Chad Miller, Corona Council Member Tom Richins, Assembly Member Leticia Castillo, Riverside County Supervisor Karen Spiegel, CNUSD Board of Education Vice President Chris Raahauge, Riverside Community College District Vice President Virginia Blumenthal, and Murrieta Council Member Lori Stone.



**Bobby Spiegel**, our amazing Emcee for the day, generated enthusiasm and energy to make the day fun and gratifying, in addition to obtaining all the proclamations and recognitions that were given to the honorees. **Karen Spiegel**, representing the County of Riverside, provided financial support for the luncheon and handed out proclamations. Thanks to **Tanya Spiegel** for designing the event logo and invitation, and putting together the beautiful program book. **Cantor Bruce** led us in the HaMotzi, and gave a great kick-off speech for the Fund-A-Need portion of the program. A special thank you to **Sam & Renee Miller** for sponsoring the brunch, and **Bobby & Karen Spiegel** for sponsoring the bagels and lox.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank the following volunteers for the day. We could not have put this event on without them: **Joan J., Kathy Stone, Renee Ryan, Deb Cook, Paula Fogel, Marci and Bruce Rouman, Alice Henderson, Gail Koren, Rebecca Miller, and Lisa Gesson**. Thanks to **Eileen Hayden's Event Solutions**, the company that provides auction coordination services and training. We could not put our event on without this company supporting our efforts!! **Rhythm Tech Productions**, as always, went above and beyond (with Bruce Rouman coordinating) and provided the event with outstanding audio-visual services. A new member of our "Legacy Team" this year was **Nina Hickman** who photographed the event so beautifully. Hats off to **Raul and his Eagle Glen team**...they keep getting better each year.

Lastly, I want to offer a hearty thank you to all the CBS members and greater Corona community who attended this year's Legacy Luncheon and provided donations to the Silent Auction. Our little "shul" puts on such a great program that keeps getting better each year. There is no limit to what we can do when we work together. See everyone at next year's event: Sunday, March 22, 2026! **Kol Hakavod and Mazel Tov!!**

Renee Miller  
*Legacy Luncheon Chairperson*



Photos courtesy of Nina Hickman



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## Dates to Remember

*Services, Programs and Events are in-person at CBS,  
unless noted with an asterisk(\*)*

*Services also offered via Zoom*

*Meeting ID: 584 849 5878*

*Passcode: 989345*

### MAY 2025

1	Yom HaAtzmaut	-
2	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM
3	Community Shabbat Morning Services led by Cantor Shapiro	10:00 AM
4	Religious School	8:30 AM
4	Board Meeting	9:00 AM
4	Confirmation Class	10:00 AM
4	Adult Education*	11:00 AM
5	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
7	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
8	Remembering Mike Resmo Program at the Corona Public Library* <i>see flyer on page 5</i>	6:30 PM
9	Erev Shabbat Service and Teacher Appreciation Night led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by Joan Zak	7:30 PM
12	Happy Mother's Day	-
12	No Religious School	-
15	Book Club*	5:30 PM
16	Lag BaOmer	-
16	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Robbins oneg hosted by Members of CBS	7:30 PM
17	Torah Study*	9:00 AM
18	Religious School	8:30 AM
18	Confirmation Class	10:00 AM
19	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
22	Dine & Donate at Lazy Dog Restaurant & Bar* <i>see flyer on page 3</i>	12:00 PM
23	Erev Shabbat Service led by Bob Stone oneg hosted by Ken & Joan J.	7:30 PM

25	No Religious School	-
26	Jerusalem Day	-
26	Happy Memorial Day	-
28	<i>Rosh Chodesh (New Month) - Sivan</i>	-
30	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Spiegel Family	7:30 PM

### JUNE 2025

1	Shavuot Begins	-
1	Religious School	8:30 AM
1	Adult Education*	9:30 AM
2	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
4	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
5	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Mark & Gail Koren	7:30 PM
8	Annual Membership Meeting	10:00 AM
13	Erev Shabbat Service led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by Joan Zak	7:30 PM
14	Flag Day	-
15	Happy Father's Day	-
16	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
20	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro and Lenny Elkins oneg hosted by Joel & Cheryl Friedberg	7:30 PM
21	Torah Study	9:00 AM
21	Community Shabbat Morning Services and Lenny Elkins Bar Mitzvah led by Cantor Shapiro and Lenny Elkins	10:00 AM
26	<i>Rosh Chodesh (New Month) - Tammuz</i>	-
27	Erev Shabbat Service led by Xime Whittemore oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM