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THE CANTOR'S CORNER

BY CANTOR BRUCE SHAPIRO



During my month away from CBS, I did a great deal of "contemplative" work. Yes, I sat around and thought, and read, and I thought some more. One book I read is called, **"The Triumph of Life"**, a Narrative Theology of Judaism, by **Rabbi Irving "Yitz" Greenberg**. He

allowed me to wander with him, question his thoughts, create counter references and ideas, and ultimately, allow me to prepare my speech for the High Holy Days!

Without giving away the "punch line", this book is about **Tikkun Olam**, repairing the world. It reminded me of the old joke, "how does one eat an elephant?" Answer: "One bite at a time." (sorry, not kosher!) Or, the old adage, "a journey of 1,000 miles begins with the first step". And this is what R. Greenberg did for me, and hopefully, I can do for you during the High Holy Days this year.

We often speak about the improvement of oneself and how that is accomplished. During **the month of Elul**, which starts on the evening of August 23, we begin again our self-examination. We are called upon to **blow the Shofar** each day (except for Shabbat and the day before Rosh Hashana) for many reasons, but one is to inspire us to get closer to G-d, and another is that Moses spent 40 days asking Hashem for forgiveness after the incident of the Golden Calf and the receipt of the 2nd set of tablets. There are others too!

Adon Olam, Source of Life, people make mistakes! May we provide opportunities for forgiveness to others and ourselves and work on our own self-improvement. May we continue to do **Tikkun Olam** in Your Name.

Hope you are having an enjoyable summer! Peace and Hope!!



Strengthen your child's Jewish identity and sense of Jewish community.

Religious School: K - 7th Grade
Hebrew School: 3rd - 7th Grade
Confirmation Class: 8th - 10th Grade

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NOW OPEN

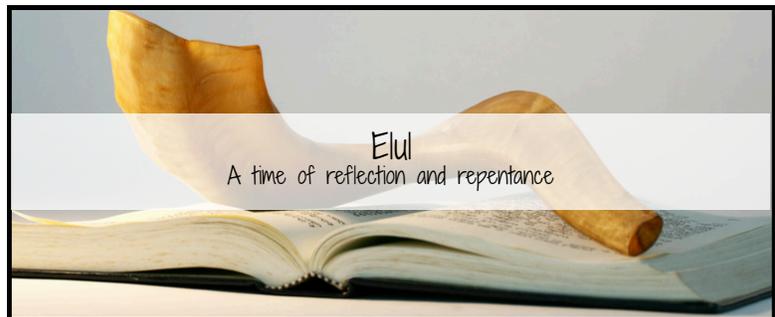
The 2025-2026 School Year begins Sunday, August 17th.

For more information,
call Marci Rouman at 951-733-3980



Tisha B'Av, the 9th day of the month of Av, is the saddest day on the Jewish calendar, on which we fast, deprive ourselves and pray. It is the culmination of the Three Weeks, a period of time during which we mark the destruction of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem.

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YAHRZEIT OBSERVANCES

It is traditional to light a Yahrzeit candle on the evening of observance. In addition, we urge you to attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of your beloved and to recite the Mourner's Kaddish on the Yahrzeit. If we have missed a name, please call Bruce Rouman at 951-847-4632 and let us know so we can update our records.

May their memories be a blessing.

AUGUST

1 Edmund Mercier 7 Av
 1 Louis Bendix* 7 Av
 3 Bertha Spiegel* 9 Av
 6 Donald Lee Whitehead* 12 Av
 6 Emile Bendix-Strauss 12 Av
 8 Norman Newman* 14 Av
 8 Taylor Alexandra Vasquez 14 Av
 8 Leah Naomi Levine* 14 Av
 11 Ronnie Agins* 17 Av
 11 Jacqueline Fogel* 17 Av
 16 Lenore Carrillo 22 Av
 19 Richard Joseph Gillerman* 25 Av
 19 Teddy Fox 25 Av
 20 Rose Grace Karl* 26 Av
 29 Helmut Brandt 5 Elul
 29 Louis Friedberg* 5 Elul

SEPTEMBER

14 Hilda Berggrun 11 Elul
 16 Brunette Meyer* 13 Elul
 16 Steve Fine 13 Elul
 18 Jack Itzkowitz 15 Elul
 22 Suzanne Williams 19 Elul
 22 Arthur Kofsky* 19 Elul
 23 Tessie Barkan* 20 Elul
 26 Anne Amsel* 23 Elul
 26 Kelly Pratt 23 Elul
 27 Beate Brunette Antonetty* 24 Elul
 28 Seymour Amsel* 25 Elul
 29 Bernard Stark* 26 Elul
 30 Charlie Shapiro 27 Elul

* = denotes Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque

MEMORIALIZE YOUR DEAR ONES

Yahrzeit Memorial Plaques commemorate the passing of a relative or loved one. Each plaque includes the Hebrew and English name and date of death according to both Gregorian and Hebrew calendars.

Plaques can be purchased through CBS; forms are available at the synagogue.

Orders normally take 6-8 weeks, and the cost is \$450 (includes the plaque and shipping). Payment can be arranged over a 6-month period, if needed. Contact Bruce Rouman at 951-847-4632 for more information.

TREES FOR ISRAEL

Trees are planted and cared for throughout the Land of Israel and serve as a living tribute.



Over 100 years ago, Jewish National Fund-USA began to replenish the native vegetation in Israel that had disappeared or been destroyed. The Bible tells us that G-d originally filled the land with olive, pine, cypress, tamarisk, acacia, and carob trees. These are the species that are planted today to renew and nurture the land.

There's always a reason to plant trees: Anniversary, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Birthday, Congratulations, Mother's Day, Father's Day, For Your Pet, Get Well, Graduation, Quinceañera, In Honor Of, In Memory Of, New Baby, Retirement, Thank You, Wedding, etc.

If you wish to purchase trees, please email info@CBSofCorona.org. A custom certificate will be printed recognizing your donation, and mailed to your home, relative, or friend.

Refuah Shlema

Our Community Prayer for Healing

Ronni Armstrong Renee Ryan
 Myra Belgrei Dave Severson
 Dr. John Busch Joyce Severson
 Jan Davis Sandra Shulman
 Joel Friedberg Matthew Stein
 Dennis Gilson Eileen Taks
 Doreen Gilson Bruce Williams
 Dennis Itzkowitz Jackie Williams
 Sandy Kaye Dixie Wutzke
 Renee Miller Janyce Wutzke

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 June 27 - July 28.

Brotherhood Fund

Joel & Cheryl Friedberg
in memory of Louis Friedberg (z"l)

Building Fund

Bob & Karen Spiegel
in memory of Brunette Meyer (z"l)

Bob & Karen Spiegel
in memory of Simon Meyer (z"l)

Bob & Karen Spiegel
in memory of Beate Brunette Antonetty (z"l)

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Arnie & Joan Bonn
in memory of Harry Bonn (z"l)

Mark & Paula Fogel
in memory of Harry Bonn (z"l)

Bob & Karen Spiegel
in memory of Richard Joseph Gillerman (z"l)

Chesed Fund

Dennis & Barbara Brandt
in memory of Anne Brandt (z"l)

Joel & Cheryl Friedberg
in memory of Louis Friedberg (z"l)

Joan Zak
in memory of Eva Dawe (z"l)

Education Fund

Lenny & Sharon Elkins

Facility Fund

Eileen Taks
in memory of Teddy Fox (z"l)

General Fund

Bill & Myrna Elkins
in honor of Lenny Elkin's 2nd Bar Mitzvah

Youth Development Fund

Bob & Karen Spiegel
in memory of Bertha Spiegel (z"l)

SPONSOR AN ONEG

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

Co-host with another family or friend, celebrate a birthday or anniversary, mark a milestone, memorialize a loved one, create community at CBS, celebrate the joy of Shabbat, or as a Mitzvah! Call Gail Koren at 951-204-4757 to reserve your date(s)!

Thank you to the following Oneg sponsors:

August 1	Sam & Renee Miller -- in honor of their Anniversary
August 8	Joan Zak & Dennis Brooks -- as a Mitzvah
August 15	Joel & Cheryl Friedberg -- in honor of Russel's birthday
August 22	Whitemore Family -- in honor of Ada, Xime, and Tzipporah's birthdays
August 29	Corina Reiche and Alice Henderson -- as a Mitzvah
September 5	WAITING FOR YOU -- Call Gail
September 12	Mark & Paula Fogel -- in honor of their Anniversary
September 19	WAITING FOR YOU -- Call Gail
September 26	Ronni Armstrong -- as a Mitzvah

SUPPORT THE CBS RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Turn everyday shopping into fundraising dollars!



BUY GIFT CARDS OR SHOP ONLINE!

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

S'lichot Program

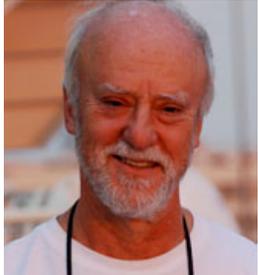
S'lichot is more than just the kick-off to the High Holy Day season, it's also a chance to express our love and support for Israel, our Jewish community, and for each other. S'lichot are penitential poems and prayers recited leading up to the High Holy Days, emphasizing self-reflection, repentance, and seeking G-d's compassion.



This year's S'lichot program will feature guest speaker Professor Howard Wettstein, who will lead a discussion following the S'lichot service. He will come onto Zoom at 8:30 PM.

Join Cantor Shapiro for Havdalah and the S'lichot program on Saturday, September 13 at 7:00 PM on Zoom or in-person at CBS in preparation for the High Holy Days.

About Professor Wettstein:



Howard Wettstein holds a B.A. from Yeshiva University and a Ph.D. from City University of New York. He is currently a Professor of Philosophy at UC Riverside, where he has held the position of Chair of the Philosophy Department and Director of the University Honors program.

Previously, he held positions at the University of Notre Dame and the University of Minnesota, Morris, and visiting positions at Stanford University and the University of Iowa. His main research areas are the philosophy of language and the philosophy of religion. He has been the editor of "Midwest Studies in Philosophy" since 1974, and has written three books, the latest being "The Significance of Religious Experience" (Oxford UP, 2012). He lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Dr. Barbara Wettstein, and they have two children and two grandchildren.



9/11-PATRIOT DAY

24th Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony



24 years ago, our nation was attacked on our soil. Thousands of innocent lives were taken from loved ones. America made a pledge to **NEVER FORGET**.

The Corona Chamber Foundation will honor those words, and place American Flags on the grounds of Corona's Historic Civic Center on Tuesday, September 9th, beginning at 4:00 PM. Placing 2,977 Flags will take a large group of volunteers, and the Foundation welcomes all that can assist, even if it is only for 30 minutes! Once the Flags are in place, the solemn grounds will be watched over.

On Thursday, September 11 at 5:00 AM, they will honor the lives lost through prayer, speeches from local officials, ringing of the BELL, and remembering our Corona connection to the tragic day. They will begin reading the 2,977 names of those lives lost at 5:30 AM.



To sign up as a volunteer or more information, please visit www.CoronaChamberFoundation.org.

COMMEMORATE THE SPECIAL MOMENTS

Honor a family member, friend or congregant with an engraved leaf on the Tree of Life

The Tree of Life Simcha Board is our opportunity to celebrate life's wonderful events perpetually.

Our Tree of Life is a significant marker of simchas that have occurred in the lives of our congregants – births, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, conversions, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, and more!



Leaves are available for a tax-deductible contribution of \$180 each. Forms are available at the synagogue.

For more information, please contact President Bruce Rouman at 951-847-4632.

CELEBRATING CBS MEMBERS

Mazal Tov to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries

Yom Huledet Sameach!

August 10 Adeline Shapiro
 August 14 Stephanie Shapiro
 August 17 Jessica Rouman
 August 17 Rebecca Spiegel
 August 21 Ada Whittemore
 August 27 Sandra Shulman
 August 27 Xime Whittemore
 August 29 Tzipporah Whittemore
 August 30 Sharon Elkins

September 1 Eileen Taks
 September 14 Pam D'Agostino
 September 17 Bruce Rouman
 September 25 Phil Agins
 September 27 Cheryl Friedberg
 September 30 Sol Shapiro
 September 30 Rachel Spiegel

Mazel Tov!

August 4 Sam & Renee Miller
 August 26 Mark & Paula Fogel
 September 1 Roy & Alice Henderson



Todah Rabah!



Todah Rabah to Mark & Paula Fogel for opening their home (and pool) to host the 4th of July BBQ & Erev Shabbat Service! And thank you to Cantor Shapiro for leading services.



**Not everyone who attended is pictured. Photos provided by Alice Henderson.*

SIGN UP TO BE A LAY LEADER

Are you interested in leading an Erev Shabbat service? Leading services is a way to enhance your own understanding and commitment to Jewish worship.

Contact Jackie Williams for future date openings at 714-296-4079.

PRE-SHABBAT DINNER CHAVURAH

Did you know that a group of synagogue members meet up for a Pre-Shabbat dinner every week?



The Chavurah meets at a different restaurant in the Corona-Norco area each week and enjoy dinner together and schmooze.

Interested in joining the Chavurah for Pre-Shabbat Dinner? Contact Renee M. to be included on the communications for the weekly meet-up time and location.

Discover new books
and join the CBS
BOOK CLUB

in-person at the Williams'
home and on Zoom

Thursday, August 21*
5:30 PM

Book: Goyhood

**Author Reuven Fenton
will be joining via Zoom to
discuss his book*

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

August's Topic:

Jewish Differences Practices and Beliefs

How do the different branches of
Judaism differ in theology?
How do they differ in customs?

Saturday, August 2nd
9:30 AM
(on Zoom)

CBS Zoom:
Meeting ID: 584 849 5878
Passcode: 989345

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, August 16 at 9:00 AM
(in-person and 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.

High Holy Days 2025/5786

Services will be conducted by Cantor Bruce Shapiro,
and held in-person at Congregation Beth Shalom and on Zoom

S'LICHOT

Saturday, September 13	Havdalah and S'lichot Program	7:00 PM
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ROSH HASHANAH

Monday, September 22	Erev Rosh Hashanah	7:00 PM
Tuesday, September 23	Rosh Hashanah, Day 1	9:00 AM
Tuesday, September 23	<i>Optional Lunch Together</i>	--
Tuesday, September 23	<i>Tashlich</i>	4:00 PM
Tuesday, September 23	Rosh Hashanah Evening Service	6:30 PM
Wednesday, September 24	Rosh Hashanah, Day 2	9:00 AM

YOM KIPPUR

Wednesday, October 1	<i>Optional Dinner Together</i>	--
Wednesday, October 1	Kol Nidre	6:15 PM
Thursday, October 2	Yom Kippur	9:00 AM
Thursday, October 2	Yizkor Service	11:15 AM
Thursday, October 2	Musaf Service	
Thursday, October 2	Discussion of Jonah	3:00 PM
Thursday, October 2	Mincha-Neila	4:00 PM
Thursday, October 2	Break-the-Fast	Following services

SUKKOT

Sunday, October 12	Sukkot - Breakfast in the Hut* <i>*at the home of Bruce & Marci Rouman</i>	10:00 AM
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SIMCHAT TORAH

Tuesday, October 14	Yizkor Service	6:15 PM
Tuesday, October 14	Shemini Atzeret / Simchat Torah / Consecration Service	7:00 PM

For additional information on High Holy Day Services,
please contact Jackie Williams, Vice President of the Ritual Committee, at 714-296-4079.



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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

AUGUST 2025

1	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Sam & Renee Miller	7:30 PM
2	Adult Education*	9:30 AM
3	Tisha B'Av	-
4	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
6	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
8	Erev Shabbat Service led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by Joan Zak & Dennis Brooks	7:30 PM
10	Board Meeting	9:00 AM
10	Legacy Luncheon Committee Meeting	10:30 AM
15	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Joel & Cheryl Friedberg	7:30 PM
16	Torah Study	9:00 AM
16	Community Shabbat Morning Service	10:00 AM
17	First Day of Religious School	8:30 AM
17	First Day of Confirmation Class	10:00 AM
18	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
21	Book Club* Zoom and in-person at the Williams' home	5:30 PM
22	Erev Shabbat Service led by Corina Reiche oneg hosted by Whittemore Family	7:30 PM
24	<i>Rosh Chodesh (New Month) - Elul</i>	-
24	Religious School	8:30 AM
24	Confirmation Class	10:00 AM
29	Erev Shabbat Service led by Bob Stone oneg hosted by Corina Reiche and Alice Henderson	7:30 PM
31	No Religious School	-

SEPTEMBER 2025

1	Happy Labor Day	-
3	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
5	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM
6	Adult Education*	9:30 AM
7	Religious School	8:30 AM
8	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
12	Erev Shabbat Service led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by Mark & Paula Fogel	7:30 PM
13	S'llichot Program and Havdalah	7:00 PM
14	Religious School	8:30 AM
14	Board Meeting	9:00 AM
14	Confirmation Class	10:00 AM
14	Legacy Luncheon Committee Meeting	10:30 AM
15	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
19	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM
20	Torah Study	9:00 AM
20	Community Shabbat Morning Service	10:00 AM
21	Religious School	8:30 AM
22	Erev Rosh Hashanah Service	7:00 PM
23	Rosh Hashanah Service, Day 1	9:00 AM
23	Tashlich Service*	4:00 PM
23	Rosh Hashanah Evening Service	6:30 PM
24	Rosh Hashanah Service, Day 2	9:00 AM
26	Erev Shabbat Service led by OPEN oneg hosted by Ronni Armstrong	7:30 PM
28	Religious School	8:30 AM
28	Confirmation Class	10:00 AM