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The Voice of Congregation Beth Shalom

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THE CANTOR'S CORNER

BY CANTOR BRUCE SHAPIRO



It's ok to get excited! This month, we announce the new month of Kislev, which contains Hanukkah! But, that is not what this month's article is about... I just wanted you to be excited about reading it!

The month we are in now is known as **MarCheshvan** (bitter Cheshvan), because there are no Jewish holidays in it. That is why I mentioned the coming of Hanukkah (in December)! During November, we read the Torah portion **Toldot**, about the story of Isaac and Rebekah. Although Rebekah was "barren" at the moment, "Isaac pleaded with the Lord **on behalf of his wife...and Rebekah conceived.**" (Gen 25:21). If we dig a little deeper into the message, we could say that Isaac was praying for his wife's fulfillment, ensuring that she obtains what she needs and does what means most to her in life.

So often we hear that woman are unfulfilled or placed in a position where they cannot achieve what they want, or in a marriage that does not allow them to grow as an individual. Our predecessors had even thought of that back in a time when a woman held a certain position in the family and in society.

Adon Olam, Source of Life, as we move forward in 5786, may we all find fulfillment in the lives we live and the activities we partake in, so that we are able to do what we "love" to do. The pundits say, "if you do what you love, you will never work a day in your life". B'hatzlacha...to your successes in 5786!

Congregation Beth Shalom's Religious School

Holiday Bazaar & Brunch!



FIND THOSE SPECIAL HOLIDAY GIFTS!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025
10:30 AM - 2:30 PM
 Brunch ends at 1:00 PM

Local Artisans and Craft Vendors
 (Handmade Holiday and Home Decorations, Jewelry, Textiles, Accessories, Children's Goods, & much more!)

 **Box Brunch, Beverages & Desserts**
 Adults (10 & up): \$15
 Children (3-9 years): \$7
 Kids under 3: Free
 RSVP to Marci Rouman: 951-733-3980

 **Congregation Beth Shalom**
 500 Harrington St. Ste A1, Corona, CA 92878

ANNUAL KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION PROGRAM

KEEPING THE STORIES ALIVE:

REFLECTIONS

Join us to hear
Second-Generation Holocaust Survivors
 talk about the Dutch Resistance to the German occupation.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6 | 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

CORONA PUBLIC LIBRARY
 650 S. MAIN STREET, CORONA, CA 92882

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM | ADMISSION IS FREE
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

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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.

NOVEMBER

2 Bella Baer Elkins*
 3 Harry Schulman
 4 Ida Wissner*
 8 Betty Agins Hoffman*
 8 Eugene Miller*
 8 Sue Kaufmann
 10 Freida Tarshis
 11 Gilbert Rouman*
 12 Theresa B. Jacobs*
 13 Celia Schwartz*
 15 Bertha Smith
 16 Dr. Hermann Hirsch*
 17 Henny Bendix Pels*
 19 Mathilda Hirsch*
 19 Roselene Hirsch*
 19 Werner Hirsch*
 20 George Smith
 20 Michael Beckman
 21 Dorothy Itzkowitz*
 23 Jack Sachs
 23 Sol Karl*
 24 Bennett Oberstein*
 24 Rachel Miriam Friedman*
 29 Charles Lich
 29 Roberto Maya*

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 5 David Berggrun
 5 Ethel Scharfman*
 7 Rudolfo Hirschfeld
 8 Herman "Rocky" Stone*
 8 Sandy Rubin
 10 Margo Weil*
 11 Hermann Schwartz*
 12 Herbert Guber*
 13 Joseph Driz*
 14 Bela Koren*
 14 Herbert Spiegel*
 16 Kay Goldstein*
 16 Fanny Lewett Baumgarten*
 21 George Williams
 22 Nick Schwartz*
 22 Mindel Eisen*
 23 Pauline Fiardo*
 26 Bryan Jay Newman*
 27 Kenneth Dawe
 27 Gertrude Cooper

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* = 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 \$400 (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.

Refuah Shlema

Our Community Prayer for Healing

Ronni Armstrong Dave Severson

Dr. John Busch Joyce Severson

Jan Davis Sandra Shulman

Joel Friedberg Matthew Stein

Dennis Gilson Eileen Taks

Doreen Gilson Bruce Williams

Lisa Gesson Jackie Williams

Dennis Itzkowitz Janyce Wutzke

Renee Miller



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*. Consider making a financial gift to Congregation Beth Shalom in your Trust or Will!

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations received September 28 - October 28.

Building Fund

Bob & Karen Spiegel

in memory of Kay Goldstein (z"l)

Education Fund

Lenny & Sharon Elkins

Kristallnacht Commemoration Program

Tanya Spiegel

in memory of relatives who perished in the Holocaust

2026 Legacy Luncheon

Joan Zak & Dennis Brooks

Tree of Life

Spiegel Family

in honor of Bobby Spiegel's 70th Birthday

Youth Development Fund

Bob & Karen Spiegel

in memory of Herb (Opa) Spiegel (z"l)

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.

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.



**OUR CONDOLENCES TO
DAVE & JOYCE SEVERSON AND FAMILY
ON THE PASSING OF THEIR DAUGHTER,
TERESA SEVERSON**

CELEBRATING CBS MEMBERS

Mazal Tov to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries

Yom Huledet Sameach!

November 3	Danny Davis	December 5	Renee Ryan
November 3	MaKenna Spiegel	December 6	Katelynn Spiegel
November 8	Bryn Barkan	December 8	David Baurembaum
November 11	Oliver Fusco	December 15	Dennis Brooks
November 11	Renee Miller	December 20	Joyce Severson
November 22	Zophia Lindenbaum	December 26	Molly Shapiro
November 27	Isaac Spiegel	December 27	Ethan Whittemore
November 28	Arnie Bonn		
November 30	Shirli Driz		

Mazel Tov!

November 18	Michael & Stephanie Sachs
December 24	Dennis Brooks & Joan Zak
December 26	Ken & Joan J.
December 29	Ethan & Ada Whittemore



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.

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:

November 7	Sam & Renee Miller -- in honor of Renee's Birthday
November 14	Joan Zak -- as a Mitzvah
November 21	Shirli Driz -- in honor of her Birthday
November 28	OPEN
December 5	Corina Reiche & Alice Henderson -- as a Mitzvah
December 12	Mark & Paula Fogel -- as a Mitzvah
December 19	Cantor & Marcy Shapiro -- Happy Chanukah!
December 26	Ken & Joan J. -- in honor of their Anniversary
January 2	OPEN
January 9	Joan Zak -- as a Mitzvah
January 16	Sam & Renee Miller -- in honor of Sam's Birthday
January 23	OPEN
January 30	OPEN

AROUND THE SYNAGOGUE



Todah Rabah to Cantor Shapiro for leading High Holy Day services. A special todah rabah to Molly Shapiro for assisting Cantor in leading services.

Y'shar kochachem to all the High Holy Day Torah readers and Haftorah readers: Morrie Baurembaum, Joel Friedberg, Corina Reiche, Marci Rouman, Jessi Rouman, Marcy Shapiro, Molly Shapiro, Bob Stone, and Joan Zak. And Arrianna W. for blowing of the Shofar.

Todah Rabah to Joan J., Marci Rouman, Kathy Stone, and Jackie Williams for preparing everything for the High Holy Days. And todah rabah to Mark Fogel, Ken J., Sam Miller, Joel Notick, Josh Spiegel, Renee Miller, Joan Zak, and Dennis Brooks who were front door greeters.

Todah Rabah to Paula Fogel and Renee Miller for coordinating our annual **Break-the-Fast**.



Todah Rabah to Bruce & Marci Rouman for hosting **Breakfast in the Hut**. It was a wonderful morning of delicious food, friendship and celebrating Sukkot. Thank you to Cantor Shapiro for leading the prayers and ruach.



Thank you to those that assisted in setting up the Sukkah.



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 Miller to be included in the communication for the weekly meet-up time and location.



Light Up The Night!

JOIN US FOR
CHANUKAH SHABBAT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19 AT CBS

SHABBAT DINNER | 6:00 PM
MENORAH LIGHTING AND RUACH | 7:00 PM
EREV SHABBAT SERVICES | 7:30 PM

Don't forget to wear your Chanukah shirt or sweater - and bring your favorite menorah from home. Let's light up the CBS Sanctuary!
All are welcome!

RSVP by 12/15 to Tanya Spiegel at 951-751-9841



CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM

19th Annual Legacy Luncheon

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, March 15, 2026 | 11:00 a.m.

Eagle Glen Golf Club

Tzedakah Award
CIRCLE CITY ROTARY
Shatuf Tzedek Award
(Business Partner)
DO IT AMERICAN MFG

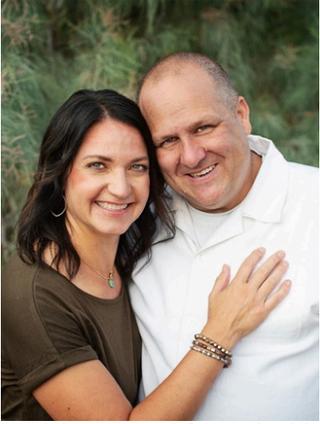
Tzedakah Award
CORONA ROTARY
Shomer Tzedek Award
(Guardian of Righteousness)
TOM & SUNNY RICHINS

BY SPONSORING ONE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES BELOW, YOU STRENGTHEN OUR SYNAGOGUE COMMUNITY WHILE BEING RECOGNIZED FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

- AUDIO VISUAL SERVICES
- AUCTION SERVICES
- AUCTION TRACKER SOFTWARE
- AWARDS
- INVITATIONS
- LUNCHEON UNDERWRITER - *Bobby & Karen Spiegel*
- JNF GROVE - *Sam & Renee Miller*
- PHOTOGRAPHY - *Joan Zak & Dennis Brooks*
- POSTAGE
- PROGRAM PRINTING
- SECURITY
- TABLE SPONSORSHIP - *Multiple available at various levels*

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT EVENT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, CONTACT RENEE MILLER AT 909-228-5945

SHOMER TZEDEK AWARD RECIPIENT -- TOM & SUNNY RICHINS



Congregation Beth Shalom (CBS) is pleased to honor Tom & Sunny Richins with the coveted Shomer Tzedek Award (Guardian of Righteousness). This recognition will take place on Sunday, March 15, 2026, as part of the synagogue's 19th Annual Legacy Luncheon. Additional honorees are Do It American Mfg Company LLC, who will receive the Shatuf Tzedek Award (Business Partner), and Circle City Rotary and Corona Rotary who will each receive the Tzedakah Award.

Sunny was born in Salt Lake City and later moved to Grand Terrace, California. A love of blueprints inspired her to pursue architecture. After earning a bachelor's degree in architecture from the University of Arizona, she joined Ware Malcomb in Irvine, designing manufacturing facilities for clients like Boeing and Oakley. She later became a licensed architect and founded her own firm, Align Architecture, in Corona, where she continues to serve loyal clients.

Tom was born in Provo, Utah and moved to Cypress, California, where he excelled in sports and earned the rank of Eagle Scout. After serving a mission for the LDS Church, he began a career in construction, rising from laborer to superintendent, working with clients such as The Irvine Company and the U.S. Navy.

In 2016, Tom and his best friend at work quit their jobs and started an electrical contracting business, naming it Strong Electric, after Tom's great-grandfather, Ernest Strong. The business, based in Corona, has grown to 15 employees and continues to grow each year.

Tom and Sunny first met at a church dance in Huntington Beach while Sunny was working as an architect and Tom was working as a contractor. They both shared a common interest in construction and history. Sunny has always loved historic architecture, and Tom has always loved American history. They were married in Kirtland, Ohio in 2003 on a self-guided history vacation they planned themselves.

Tom and Sunny moved to Corona in 2003 and bought their dream house in Corona's historic downtown at the end of 2010 when their oldest son, Porter (now 15), was almost 1 year old. They spent 2 years remodeling it together, utilizing their resources in the construction industry. By the time they finally moved into the house, Porter was 3 years old and their second oldest son, Wyatt (now 13) had been born and was 1 year old. River Belle was born 3 years later (now 9).

Tom and Sunny immediately joined the Corona Historic Preservation Society (CHPS) and started learning about all things Corona history. CHPS was trying to make sure the historic design guidelines were being followed by businesses in the historic downtown area, updating their buildings, so they asked Sunny, as an architect, to help by attending the Planning Commission meetings and other meetings they were having with building owners, architects, and city council members. Tom started participating and they quickly learned to make a difference by getting involved. Tom went on to serve as the CHPS President and then decided he could make even more of a difference by running for City Council. In 2020, Tom was elected to the City Council and in 2024 served as the mayor of Corona. His two main focuses became updating the Heritage room at the Corona Public Library to make access to historic documents more readily available to the public and revitalizing Corona's historic downtown. Tom has also advocated for funds to go to help preserve historic buildings in Corona such as the Women's Improvement Center.

The Heritage Room has been remodeled since Tom became a Council Member, and he spends time each week uncovering documents and photos from Corona's history. He posts his discoveries on his Facebook page "History of Corona" which has over 9,000 followers. He is excited to see more people becoming enthusiastic about Corona history and using the Heritage Room for their own research.

In addition to advocating for Corona history, Tom and Sunny have had the opportunity for their house to be on the home improvement TV show "Restored" with Brett Waterman, and Sunny was also featured on Restored, talking about another historic home in Corona as the resident "Architectural Historian". Recently, Tom and Sunny had the opportunity to buy another historic home and could not pass up the chance. They bought the house immediately adjacent to their current home and just finished remodeling their second historic house (fourth house overall) together.

Discover new books
and join the CBS
BOOK CLUB

in-person at the Williams'
home and on Zoom

Thursday, November 20*
5:30 PM

Book: Revelations

**The author, Ruth Drabkin,
will join us in person to
discuss her 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

November's Topic:

Conservative and Reform Judaism

History, Practices, and Beliefs

In November, our discussion on
Conservative Judaism will conclude.

We'll begin a discussion on Reform
Judaism.

Saturday, November 1st
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, November 15th
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.

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SPIEGEL.TANYA@YAHOO.COM

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER 2025

1	Adult Education*	9:30 AM
2	<i>Daylight Saving Time ends</i>	-
2	Religious School	8:30 AM
2	Annual Holiday Bazaar & Brunch <i>CBS parking lot</i>	10:30 AM
3	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
5	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
6	Kristallnacht Commemoration Program* <i>Corona Public Library</i>	6:30 PM
7	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Sam & Renee Miller	7:30 PM
9	Religious School	8:30 AM
9	Board Meeting	9:00 AM
9	Legacy Luncheon Committee Meeting	10:30 AM
9	Confirmation Class	10:45 AM
11	Happy Veterans Day	-
14	Erev Shabbat Service led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by Joan Zak	7:30 PM
15	Community Shabbat Morning Service	10:00 AM
16	Religious School	8:30 AM
17	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
21	Erev Shabbat Service* led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Bob & Kathy Stone	7:30 PM
22	Torah Study*	9:00 AM
23	Religious School	8:30 AM
23	Confirmation Class	10:45 AM
21	<i>Rosh Chodesh - Kislev</i>	-
27	Happy Thanksgiving!	-
28	Erev Shabbat Service led by Xime Whittemore oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM
30	No Religious School	-

DECEMBER 2025

1	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
3	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
5	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Corina Reiche & Alice Henderson	7:30 PM
6	Adult Education*	9:30 AM
7	Pearl Harbor Day	-
7	Religious School	8:30 AM
7	Confirmation Class	10:45 AM
12	Erev Shabbat Service led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by Mark & Paula Fogel	7:30 PM
14	Religious School	8:30 AM
14	Board Meeting	9:00 AM
14	Legacy Luncheon Committee Meeting	10:30 AM
14	Confirmation Class	10:45 AM
15	Happy Chanukah!	-
15	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
19	Chanukah Shabbat Dinner	6:00 PM
19	Congregational Menorah Lighting	7:00 PM
19	Erev Shabbat Service* led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Cantor & Marcy Shapiro	7:30 PM
20	<i>Rosh Chodesh - Tevet</i>	
20	Torah Study	9:00 AM
20	Community Shabbat Morning Service	10:00 AM
21	No Religious School	-
26	Erev Shabbat Service led by Corina Reiche oneg hosted by Ken & Joan J.	7:30 PM
28	No Religious School	-
31	New Year's Eve	-

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

Services, Classes, and Meetings are also offered via the
synagogue's Zoom
(Meeting ID: 584 849 5878 | Passcode: 989345)