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THE CANTOR'S CORNER

BY CANTOR BRUCE SHAPIRO



The rebellion of **Korach**, detailed in Numbers 16, serves as a cautionary tale regarding the nature of power, ambition, and the definition of true leadership. Korach challenged Moses and Aaron by asserting, "The whole congregation, all of them, are holy...why do you raise yourselves above the Lord's assembly?"

(Numbers 16:3). While seemingly promoting equality, his approach **misunderstands leadership as status rather than service**. His rebellion was not a quest for genuine justice but a power struggle driven by envy and a desire for personal glory.

Today this story continues to resonate deeply within world Jewry, providing a mirror to today's political and religious structures. In an era often dominated by fragmented political and religious parties, Korach is recognized as the "taker" who disguises his ego under the support of a democratic challenge. In 2026, as in previous years, this episode serves as a vital reminder that leadership should not be about creating divisions but about working towards divine, selfless service.

His influence on modern Jewish thought highlights the crucial distinction between **constructive criticism** and **selfish destruction**. It warns against charismatic leaders who use grandstanding to promote personal agendas rather than the community's welfare. For the global Jewish community, the enduring lesson is to reject the temptation of "Korach-style" politics and to foster leadership grounded in humility, unity, and a shared commitment to a holy mission, emphasizing that true leadership is ultimately a form of service to others.

Adon Olam, Source of Life, provide guidance to our current and future leadership at all levels. May they bear in mind that the work they do is first in the service of G-d and secondly in service to the people they represent.

Get out and vote...it's your right! Have a fun, safe, and healthy summer!

Annual Membership Meeting & Elections

Sunday, June 14
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
- Board of Directors Elections
- Annual Year-in-Review Video

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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.

June

1 Elliott Robert Barkan*	16 Sivan
3 Ida Kofsky*	18 Sivan
7 Carl Barkan*	22 Sivan
8 Allen Leopold	23 Sivan
10 Aaron Severson	25 Sivan
10 Milton Werby	25 Sivan
12 Hannah Weinstein*	27 Sivan
15 Max Fogel*	30 Sivan
17 Marcia Abraham	2 Tammuz
18 Rosalie Schulman	3 Tammuz
18 Eva Dawe	3 Tammuz
18 Emily Bendix Jacobs*	3 Tammuz
18 Philip Tarshis*	3 Tammuz
20 Obby Agins*	5 Tammuz
21 Abraham Kmiotek*	6 Tammuz
22 Harry Bonn*	7 Tammuz
26 Lisa Schulman Schneider*	11 Tammuz
28 Theodore Schnee	13 Tammuz
28 Mary Greenstone	13 Tammuz
29 Jeffrey Schwimmer	14 Tammuz

July

1 Joseph Koren*	16 Tammuz
4 Craig Williams	19 Tammuz
5 Gilda Fink	20 Tammuz
6 Michael N. Busch	21 Tammuz
8 Sally Taks	23 Tammuz
8 Saul Cooper	23 Tammuz
8 Freda Kaufman Dratch	23 Tammuz
10 Henri L. Sinasohn*	25 Tammuz
13 Mitchell Izenman*	28 Tammuz
14 Anne Brandt	29 Tammuz
17 Samuel Martin	3 Av
17 Heinz S.F. Borchardt	3 Av
19 Sadie Levine Surkis	5 Av
20 Glenn C. Flint*	6 Av
21 Edmund Mercier	7 Av
21 Louis Bendix*	7 Av
23 Bertha Spiegel*	9 Av
26 Donald Lee Whitehead*	12 Av
26 Emile Bendix-Strauss	12 Av
28 Norman Newman*	14 Av
28 Taylor Alexandra Vasquez	14 Av
28 Leah Naomi Levine*	14 Av
31 Ronnie Agins*	17 Av
31 Jacqueline Fogel*	17 Av

* = denotes Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque

Refuah Shlema

Our Community Prayer for Healing

Joseph Agins Joyce Severson

Ronni Armstrong Felix Smith

Dr. John Busch Matthew Stein

Jan Davis Eileen Taks

Sheldon Friedberg Bruce Williams

Dennis Gilson Jackie Williams

Doreen Gilson Debra Wutzke

Stephanie Sachs

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.

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 April 26 - May 21.

Building Fund

Phil Agins

in memory of Obby Agins (z"l)

Mark and Paula Fogel

in memory of Harry Bonn (z"l)

Bruce and Marci Rouman

in memory of Allen Leopold (z"l)

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Mark and Paula Fogel

in memory of Max Fogel (z"l)

Bobby and Karen Spiegel

in honor of Richard Joseph "RJ" Spiegel's Confirmation

Education Fund

Lenny and Sharon Elkins

Bobby and Karen Spiegel

in honor of Richard Joseph "RJ" Spiegel's Confirmation

General Fund

Jeffrey and Annette Weiss

in memory of Sandra Shulman (z"l)

Trees Planted in Israel

Bruce and Jackie Williams

in memory of Sandra Shulman (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!

If you are interested in sponsoring an Oneg for a specific Shabbat or a special occasion, contact Call Gail Koren at 951-204-4757.

Thank you to the following Oneg sponsors:

June 5	Mark and Gail Koren -- in honor of Mark's birthday and their anniversary
June 12	Joan Zak -- as a Mitzvah
June 19	Joel and Cheryl Friedberg -- in honor of their 60th Anniversary
June 26	Lenny and Sharon Elkins -- in honor of their Anniversary
July 3	Bob and Kathy Stone -- as a Mitzvah
July 10	Phil Agins -- as a Mitzvah
July 17	OPEN
July 24	OPEN
July 31	OPEN
August 7	Joel and Cheryl Friedberg -- as a Mitzvah
August 14	Sam and Renee Miller -- in honor of their Anniversary
August 21	Joel and Cheryl Friedberg -- as a Mitzvah
August 28	Friends of CBS -- in honor of Brooklyn's Bat Mitzvah

Please feel free to leave some of your remaining treats and drinks at CBS if you don't want to take them home. Our Religious School students and their teachers will enjoy them.

CELEBRATING CBS MEMBERS

Mazal Tov to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries

Yom Huledet Sameach!

- June 2 Stephanie Sachs
- June 6 Mark Koren
- June 7 Joan J.
- June 12 June Yawnick
- June 22 Jonah Fusco
- June 25 Danielle Shapiro
- July 14 Deborah Wutzke
- July 19 Bruce Williams
- July 28 Ronni Armstrong
- July 31 Cindy Williams

Mazel Tov!

- June 1 Bruce and Marci Rouman
- June 2 Bobby and Karen Spiegel
- June 23 Danny and Jan Davis
- June 25 Mark and Gail Koren
- June 26 Lenny and Sharon Elkins
- June 29 Joel and Cindy Williams
- July 3 Joel and Cheryl Friedberg
- July 18 Daniel and Brenda Fusco
- July 25 Bruce and Jackie Williams



MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

The City of Norco hosted its annual Memorial Day Ceremony to honor the valor and sacrifice of the service members who came before us, who fought on our behalf, and who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country.



Thank you Cantor Shapiro for representing CBS by providing the invocation and blessings for the community event.



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The National Day of Prayer is held annually on the first Thursday of May, serving as a reminder of the power of collective faith and the importance of spiritual unity. Residents come together in places of worship and public spaces to offer prayers for our nation, community, leaders, and personal intentions. It's a time for reflection, hope, and renewal as individuals joined together in a shared commitment to seek guidance, healing, and blessings through prayer.



Thank you to Cantor Shapiro for representing CBS in the City of Norco's 2026 National Day of Prayer.

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.

A LIVING LEGACY: PLANTING TREES IN ISRAEL

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

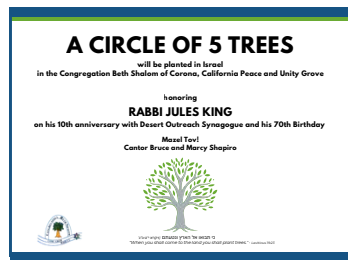
Over 100 years ago, Jewish National Fund-USA began restoring the natural landscape of Israel, replenishing the trees and vegetation that had been lost over time.



Rooted in Biblical tradition, the land was once abundant with olive, pine, cypress, tamarisk, acacia, and carob trees — species that continue to be planted today to renew, sustain, and nurture the land.

Planting a tree is a meaningful way to celebrate life's special moments while making a lasting impact. Whether marking a simcha or offering comfort, there is always a reason to plant: an anniversary, Bar or Bat Mitzvah, birthday, graduation, wedding, or new baby; in honor of a loved one, in memory of someone dear, or simply to say thank you, get well, or congratulations. Even milestones like retirement, Mother's Day, Father's Day, or honoring a beloved pet can be commemorated with this enduring gift.

Each tree planted is more than a gesture — it is a living legacy, deepening our connection to the land and to one another.



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

COLLECTING TOYS FOR CHILDREN AT SHRINERS HOSPITAL Tzipora's Bat Mitzvah Project



Shriners Hospital is dedicated to providing specialized care for children. Twice a year, once in December and again in July, members of the Free Masons collect toys to donate to the children receiving care there. While many toys are distributed during the holiday season, supplies begin to run

low by summertime.

For my mitzvah project, I am organizing a toy drive to support this effort and help ensure that children at Shriners Hospital continue to receive gifts throughout the year. I will be collecting brand-new toys as well as monetary donations to purchase additional items through July.

A donation box has been placed at the synagogue to make contributing easy and to help us keep track of all donations.

Your support will bring comfort, joy, and smiles to children who need it most. Thank you for being part of this meaningful effort.

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SAUL SHULMAN AND FAMILY
ON THE PASSING OF SANDRA SHULMAN (Z"l)
SHE WILL BE MISSED.**

Discover new books
and join the CBS

BOOK CLUB

At 5:30 PM in-person at the
Williams' home and on Zoom

Thursday, June 17

People Love Dead Jews by
Dara Horn

Thursday, July 15

Mona's Eyes by Thomas
Schlesser

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

Congregation Beth Shalom Adult Education

June's Topic:

Tikkun Olam—Part 2 Repairing the World

Learn ways that individuals and groups
can help repair what's broken in society.

Saturday, June 6th
9:30 AM
(on Zoom)

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

All are welcome!

JOIN THE FUN AT POKER NIGHT!

Join the CBS Brotherhood for
Poker Night

1st & 3rd Monday each
month

7:00 PM | CBS

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

Get Your Mahj On(g)!

Tuesdays at 6:00 PM

New and Experienced
Players Welcomed!

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

Monthly Torah Study

Saturday, June 20th
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.

DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE 2026

1	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
1	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
5	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Mark and Gail Koren	7:30 PM
6	Adult Education*	9:30 AM
12	Erev Shabbat Service led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by Joan Zak	7:30 PM
14	CBS Annual Membership Meeting	10:00 AM
15	<i>Rosh Chodesh - Tammuz</i>	-
15	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
16	<i>Rosh Chodesh - Tammuz</i>	-
17	Book Club*	5:30 PM
19	Erev Shabbat Service led by Cantor Shapiro oneg hosted by Joel and Cheryl Friedberg	7:30 PM
20	Torah Study	9:00 AM
20	Community Shabbat Morning Service	10:00 AM
21	Father's Day	-
26	Erev Shabbat Service led by Jessi Rouman oneg hosted by Lenny and Sharon Elkins	7:30 PM

JULY 2026

2	17th of Tammuz	-
3	Erev Shabbat Service led by Bob Stone oneg hosted by Bob and Kathy Stone	7:30 PM
4	Independence Day	-
6	Ritual Committee Meeting*	6:30 PM
6	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
10	Erev Shabbat Service led by Jessi Rouman oneg hosted by Phil Agins	7:30 PM
11	Adult Education*	9:30 AM
12	Board Meeting	9:00 AM
15	Book Club*	5:30 PM
15	<i>Rosh Chodesh - Av</i>	-
17	Erev Shabbat Service led by Corina Reiche oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM
18	Torah Study	9:00 AM
18	Community Shabbat Morning Service	10:00 AM
20	Brotherhood Poker	7:00 PM
23	Tisha B'Av	-
24	Erev Shabbat Service led by Joan Zak oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM
31	Erev Shabbat Service led by Tziporah Whittemore oneg hosted by OPEN	7:30 PM



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)