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HEARTS, HELPS HEAL THE WORLD AND
SUSTAINS OUR JEWISH HERITAGE. WE ARE
DEEPLY ROOTED IN JEWISH TRADITION AND
WELCOME ALL TO OUR COMMUNITY FOR
CELEBRATION, LEARNING, EDUCATION AND
PRAYER.



RABBI'S REMARKS

Rabbi Ron Koas

August Classes and Programs with Rabbi Koas

As summer continues, I invite you to join us not only for worship and study, but also for friendship, support, learning, and community. One of the greatest blessings of Beth Ami is that we walk life's journey together—celebrating joys, marking milestones, and helping one another through difficult times.

Whether you are looking for Torah study, social connection, outdoor activities, or a supportive place to share your experiences, there is a place for you at Beth Ami.

Grief Support Group

Tuesday, August 18, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Grief does not follow a schedule. Whether your loss is recent or many years ago, the absence of a loved one can still be deeply felt.

This support group, facilitated by Neil Herring, offers a safe and compassionate space for those who are grieving and seeking understanding, support, and connection with others who share a similar journey. All are welcome.

Torah Study Every Shabbat at 8:45 to 9:45 am when Rabbi Koas leads Services, which follow at 9:45 a.m. Join us as we explore the weekly Torah portion and its relevance to our lives today.

Prayers and Breakfast: Sunday, August 16, 9:00 a.m.

Begin the morning with prayer, conversation, and breakfast together.

Torah on the Trails: Sunday, August 16, 10:30 a.m.

Enjoy a gentle walk while discussing God, creation, and the spiritual lessons we find in nature.

Explore the Siddur: Monday August 17 5:30 pm inviting participants into a deeper exploration of Siddur Hadash, the prayer book that shapes our communal worship and spiritual life.

Prophets: Neviim Class Monday

August 17, 6:30

pm Rabbi Koas will lead us in looking at the books of the Prophets

Lunch and Learn

Wednesday, Au-

gust 19, Lunch at

noon; Class 12:00–1:30 p.m.

An opportunity for study, discussion, and community.

Introduction to Judaism / B'nai Mitzvah

Class Wednesday, August 19, 7:00 p.m.

A welcoming introduction to Jewish life, traditions, beliefs, and practice.

Torah on Tap, Thursday, August 20, 6:30

p.m. We provide the beer; you provide the nosh. A relaxed evening of Torah, conversation, and community.

Havdalah Gathering: Saturday, August 15,

8:00 p.m. Gather as we say goodbye to Shabbat and welcome the new week with music, refreshments, and friendship.

Taco Tuesday Bike Ride: Tuesdays (when Rabbi Koas is in town) A casual community bike ride followed by tacos and conversation.

A Personal Note

One of the things I cherish most about Beth Ami is seeing people connect with one another. Judaism is not meant to be lived alone. We study together, pray together, celebrate together, and support one another through life's challenges. I hope you'll join us for one or more of these programs and help us continue building a warm, vibrant, and caring Jewish community.

All are welcome at Beth Ami.

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Ron Koas





PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Esther Baruch, President

Greetings from the Prez

During my tenure as your president, I'd love to hear from each one of you: what would you like to see at Beth Ami? A new program? The revival of a program we once had, or one you've seen elsewhere?

Bring your ideas, energy, and friends.

I would say "my door is always open," but I don't have an office. However, my mailbox in the Beth Ami office and my email inbox are always open.

Under the leadership of Rabbi Koas these past two years, we've had 21 new members join. Let's work together to build on that momentum, strengthen our connections, and ensure that Beth Ami continues to thrive for years to come.

*Whatever
you can do
Or dream
you can,
Begin it.*

*Boldness
has genius,
power, and
magic in it.*

—Goethe



Esther Baruch

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EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Condolences to the family of:

Edith "Edie" Friedman

Welcome to our new member:

Kendall Jewett

Wishing *Refuah Shlemah* to:

Sybille Anbar	Miryam Gevirtz
Dennis Judd	Michele Baime
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FROM THE BOARD

Annual meeting reports
and future plans

V.P. of Administration Report

This year, we continue to update and streamline office processes. You can now use PayPal to pay for CBA events and to make donations. If you want to make a reservation for a dinner or event instead of calling the office during office hours, please remember you can leave a message by phone or email, too.

One of our biggest issues with office expenses is the transaction fees we pay every time a credit card payment is made. If you would please include the credit card processing fee of 3%, or use ACH (online check payments) that cost 1%, or better yet mail in a traditional check that has no transaction fee for us, we would save a significant amount of money. A single credit card payment processing fee for the year on a single full membership is \$43; an ACH is \$15 and a mailed in check is the cost of a stamp of 78 cents. Please consider always using a check for payment or telling us in the office to charge the fee to your account.

And as always, if you see something we can do better, please let me or Elizabeth Jarlsberg, our Office Manager, know. We appreciate your support.

B'Shalom, Barb McGee

VP of Administration, Past President.

V.P. of Membership Report

Part of my role is helping existing members feel connected to Beth Ami. My chavurah team, Nancy Sherman, Carolyn Orlik, and Barbara Tomin, and I gathered people who were interested in being in a chavurah, a fellowship group, and helped three new chavurot start up. One longtime chavurah that had become dormant was inspired by this new energy to start meeting again, and the members have re-discovered that they really do still want to be a chavurah. Next on the agenda is restarting the women's Rosh Chodesh group.

Another part of my role is looking out for the safety of our members while they're at

Beth Ami. Alex Schellenger was a great choice for the role of Security Chair. He's very dedicated, full of good ideas which he actually implements, and is ready to cheerfully stand out in the rain greeting and screening guests with me as they arrive for the Chanukah party and other events. We've had the Federation's security team out here twice for trainings on spotting and dealing with problems and keeping everyone safe.

Alex has also started the Chaverim social group, which had its popular first meeting last month, wine tasting in Sebastopol.

Activities I've been involved in that overlap two umbrellas are Tot Shabbat, where I keep in touch with parents and remind and invite them and help make them feel welcome; and the amazing and beloved Teddy Bear Project, under the auspices of the Israel Committee, which has handmade and shipped 350 teddies so far to Israeli kids impacted by the wars.

I am grateful for the opportunity to help strengthen our community, welcome new members, deepen existing connections, and support the many programs that make Beth Ami such a vibrant congregation

Esther Baruch, past V.P. of Membership

Facilities Committee Report



Spreading silicone coating on the roof of the sanctuary and social hall to seal leaks.

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This year was significant for two reasons: number one, we took an economical approach to controlling the rain coming in our roof. As you know, it no longer comes through our walls, but I engaged with Heritage roofing to spread silicone coating on our roof on the sanctuary and social hall and multipurpose room. It was very successful combined with sandbagging to divert the remaining water away from the untreated area to the treated area. We had a very successful reduction in water leaks, including the worst one at the entrance to the sanctuary. As a result, I'm going to have the carpet blocks there replaced with nice new ones.

Secondly, we just completed replacing the lighting in the sanctuary where the ark and bimah are located. We now have excellent lighting there, with modern LED equipment.

We also added power to supply two fans on the soffit lighting to direct air up into the clerestory during the winter to bring all that lovely expensive heat back down in the room.

We installed motion sensor lighting control in the kitchen to prevent lights being left on.

Richard Kahn, V.P. of Facilities

Religious Practices Committee Report

Richard Kahn has been taking our Torah scrolls down to San Diego to be cleaned and repaired one at a time. He and Jeff Sternfeld have been rotating them every few months from rest to Shabbat readings, to Second Torah for holidays. This way the Shabbat Scroll does not wear out faster than the others. Thank you, Richard and Anne, for keeping him company on their several trips to San Diego!

The Committee has agreed that when a two-day festival falls on Weekdays, we will have services on the first day and not on the second day. However as in the case of Shavuot this year, the second day fell on Shabbat so we skipped the first day on Friday except for our usual Kabbalah Shabbat evening service. The



We are so happy to announce that Jessie will be back with us as our cantorial soloist for the High Holidays.

Committee has found that a second day week-day service barely got a Minyan.

Rabbi Koas began a series of conversations and discussions on interfaith marriages. These will continue through the year.

We are thrilled that Jessie will return as our Cantorial Soloist.

We have celebrated all the major Festivals and thanks to the Kitchen Committee we had onegs following all of them. Thank you! We have had monthly dinners on Friday nights and many of them featured Klezmer Creek... thank you chefs and band members!

The Committee is looking for more people to be Gabbaim at the Bima during the Torah Service as well as strong people to lift and wrap the Torahs. If you are interested, please contact Barb McGee. Also, if you like to cook or want to help out in our kitchen, please see Janet Stein-Larson or Barb McGee about helping, or becoming a Mashgiach. It is a good way to learn more about keeping Kosher in general.

If you are interested in leading a part of the Shabbat service or reading Torah or Haftarah, please contact me, Lee Feinstein, Leanne Schy or Rabbi Koas.

Lee Feinstein, Chair: Religious Practices Committee

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Social Action Committee

The Social Action Committee has a long history of helping those in need in our community regardless of race, religion, or ethnicity. Our mission is Tikun Olam which means to repair the world. It is one of the strongest tenets of Judaism. This year along with the Advocates of Justice we have concentrated much of our efforts on immigration issues.

We also continue to provide bi monthly dinners at the Palms, The Palms is a residential facility run by Catholic Charities, that provides housing and assistance to previously unhoused individuals. We also had a wonderful holiday party with great food and a large amount of winter clothing for every resident. There are over 100 people that live there. This event is always successful in large part to the contributions from the synagogue. Thanks so much! We continue to support the Redwood Empire Food Bank as they have had a very hard year as a result of federal cuts to food funding. They no longer pick up from the shul. However, we still have baskets in the foyer for the food bank and the food does get delivered to the facility. It is also easy to drop food off at all local supermarkets. Financial Donations and volunteering is also a wonderful way to help.

This year we have been helping a local non-profit organization, The Homemakers. They help non-unionized workers such as domestics, gardeners etc. We have a basket for clothing of all ages in the foyer.

This fall we restarted the Infamous Soup Sisters. We have made two batches of delicious, hearty vegetable soup provided in quart containers.

This soup is for anyone in our community or a friend, whoever, is in need of some TLC. It is frozen. It is in the back freezer in the social hall. We will make another batch in the fall. Thanks to Susan Miller and Judy Gunnar for heading this project.

We, along with Advocates for Social Justice, participated in the Pride Parade along with Shomrei Torah and Nir Shalom. We are hoping this will be a yearly event as we try to forge greater relationships with all our Jewish neighbors.

The SAC meets monthly, usually on a Tuesday, at various members' homes. We generally serve dinner at the Palms on the third Wednesday of the month. We are serving dinner this next week June 17th.

The fabulous members of the committee are: Susan Miller, Judi Hyman, Judy Gunnar, Bobbie Rosenthal, Carol Swanson, Michelle Zyguelbaum, Fredrika Gross, Leanne Schy, Lenore Holloway, Marlene Lowenthal, Andy Fleming, Ellen Mundell, Karen Herskovic, Charlene, Bornstein, Cheryle Miller, Rabbi Koas, & Lyla Nathan.

If you are interested in joining or want to participate in any way, you are always welcome. You can reach me: Lyla Nathan 7074864905

B'Shalom, Lyla Nathan, Chairperson



Members of the Social Action Committee at the Palms, June 2026.

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Advocates for Social Justice Committee Report

Reverse Tashlich – to honor the High Holy Days, we joined the international effort of Reverse Tashlich, cleaning the earth as we clean our souls. This was our third year participating. It was another success this year. We found plenty of opportunities to beautify Doyle Park. We plan on continuing this tradition next year.

Welcome Banner - Our committee is continuing to work on designing and creating a banner that supports an important social justice issue, welcoming the stranger. Guided by Rabbi Koas, it will represent a quote from Leviticus, about being strangers in new lands in both Hebrew and English. We hope to hang it above the entry to our sanctuary.

Tzedakah box for VIDAS - Vital Immigrant Defense Advocacy Services of Sonoma County. We have made a tzedakah box to help provide funds to immigrants who are needing legal support.

Guest speaker, Monica Vincent - We sponsored a guest speaker, Monica Vincent, executive director of V.I.D.A.S., at one of our shabbat dinners. She provided a great presentation on what V.I.D.A.S. does for our community.

Ukrainian immigrants that our committee sponsored - We continue to stay in touch with Yana Kalmykova and her family, the Ukrainian immigrants that our synagogue welcomed at our Friday, Shabbat service three years ago. They are doing well, now living in the Los Angeles area.

Collaboration with other Jewish congregations - Our committee has been attending meetings with other chairpersons from other Jewish congregations. It has been wonderful to meet other Jewish people in the community who are interested in working on similar issues as we are. We have formed a coalition called, Jewish Allies for Justice. Our intention is to

establish a friendship based on our common interests in social advocacy and a working relationship so we can collaborate on projects together. This is a very exciting development and something we have been pursuing for some time. Some members of our committee have been attending social justice events at Shomrei Tora and Ner Shalom.

Speakers, Max Alper and Mayor Mark Stapp

- We sponsored Mayor Mark Stapp and Max Alper as speakers on immigration, labor and other issues in our Santa Rosa Community. This was at our August 1st shabbat service and dinner. It was an informative presentation and robust discussion after.

Sonoma County Pride Parade – Many of our members attended and marched with CBA. We were also very proud to march and sing Jewish songs together with the new Jewish Allies for Justice. Our new county wide coalition of Jewish congregations. We look forward to coordinating efforts on future social advocacy projects together.

Our committee- We meet every month on the third Thursday at 12:00, noon, at CBA. Please join us. Members: Bonnie Boren, Rabbi Koas, Lyla Nathan, Myrna Morse, Michelle Zygielbaum, Barb McGee, Susan Miller, Tamar Landau-Camarillo, Judy Gunnar, Bobbie Rosenthal, Carol Swanson, chairperson.

Submitted by Carol Swanson, Chairperson



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Kitchen Committee Report

Whether it be for setting up, for purchasing, preparing and storing the food for the event, or setting up and preparing the social hall and serving the food for a meal, and then taking care of the clean-up of kitchen and social hall, washing & putting everything away (including leftover food and linens); this takes much effort and many volunteers.

For those of you who contributed your help, your food, your donations of supplies, or your money as a member of our CBA community; and/or if you are a member of the Kitchen Committee as a mashgiach, organizer, chef, or helper we want to thank you for all your help. All of the events at CBA, big or small, have grown over the past year and they could not have been done without you.

Small regular events like the Friday night or Saturday, Shabbat potlucks or simple holiday meals, and big events like the Shir Shabbat dinners, and major holiday celebrations, all of this takes work in the kitchen and social hall. We are a community, and since our kitchen is set up to cook for large or small events, we want to make certain that all of this is done as safely as possible to avoid any injuries to our volunteer helpers or to our guests, and since CBA's kitchen is kosher, all the food prepared in the kitchen must be kosher according to Rabbi Koas' standards. That is why the Kitchen Committee doesn't just maintain the kitchen, but has Mashgichim in the kitchen to assist the event coordinators when they use the kitchen.

Thank you for all the volunteers and mashgichim - David Kahn, Betty Boyd, Myrna Morse, Barb McGee, Mark Rosen, Janet Stein-Larson, & Rabbi Koas for their support. Special thanks to Marge for her help every Saturday. There will be more activities in the kitchen so we will need people to bring in more potluck items and donations. Any questions, call Myra at (707) 287-0786 *by Janet Stein-Larson & Myra Thomas-Stern (chairperson)*



Israeli dancing two Monday evenings a month at Beth Ami: July 6 & 20, August 3 & 17, at 7:00 pm.

Bring dance shoes and dance socks.

You can also exercise every Wednesday at 10:30 am with Jeff Sternfeld.

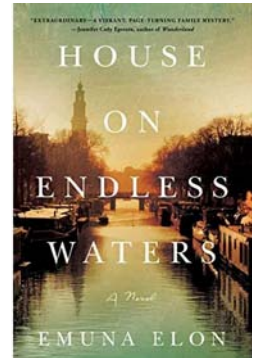
CBA BOOK GROUP

Linda Emblen, Coordinator

Firstly, thanks to Barbara Tomin for being such a gracious hostess for our last discussion meeting.

In *HOUSE ON ENDLESS WATERS* by Israeli writer Emuna Elon (fiction, 310 pgs.; Hebrew, 2016, English translation, 2020), an Israeli writer returns to his birth-city, Amsterdam, where he learns of his mother's and others' WWII experiences. The Dutch people are very close-mouthed about those horrific times. But the novel isn't full of gory details, but includes lots of human moments, beautiful place descriptions and a definite feeling of mystery; what is going to happen next.

We'll discuss the book in mid-July in a member's home. We have 12 copies, + 1 in Hebrew, borrowed from the SF Jewish Community Library. We are part of their Book Club in a Box. All CBA members and friends who read the book are welcome to participate. It is a very fluid and interesting group --- some come often, some come now and then, and some only for a particular book. All OK. Phone Linda 707-544-4532 (landline) with comments or to borrow a book.



The Tot Shabbat program at Congregation Beth Ami invites young children and their siblings, family and friends to a Friday Erev Shabbat celebration.

**5:00 pm Friday, August 21 at
Congregation Beth Ami**



Challah Making

Songs & storytelling

**6:00 pm potluck
Shabbat dinner
with the Beth Ami
community**

**7 pm congregational
Kabbalat Shabbat
service**

**This is a FREE EVENT, no membership required.
Everyone is welcome: interfaith and all faiths.
We are an LGBTQ-friendly community.**

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SERVICES AT BETH AMI

We welcome you to join us for services.

For additional information or to verify the times, call the office at (707) 360-3000 or view calendar on the Beth Ami website at www.bethamir.org.

All Shabbat Morning Services will be held in person and on Zoom.

Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat will be held in person and Zoom unless noted below.

Also, see Calendar <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/> at the Beth Ami website.

Monthly Sunday Morning Services start at 9:00 am. followed by a light breakfast

Sunday - Thursday 7 pm Evening Services only if a Minyan is requested to say Kaddish.

To schedule an evening Minyan service call the office one week prior.

July 2 Fast of Tammuz

July 3 Friday

6:00 pm Sing in Shabbat with Leah Gerber, Zoom only

NO Shabbat Dinner in July

July 4 Saturday

9:30 am preliminary Psukei
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service lay led, potluck lunch

July 10 Friday

6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat lay led

July 11 Saturday

9:30 am preliminary Psukei
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service lay led, potluck lunch

July 17 Friday

6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat lay led

July 18 Saturday

9:30 am preliminary Psukei
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service lay led, potluck lunch

July 22, Wednesday

8:00 pm Tisha B'Av evening service and reading of Lamentations.

8:30 pm Fast begins

July 23, Thursday

9:05 pm Tisha B'Av Fast ends

July 24 Friday

6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat lay led

July 25 Saturday

9:30 am preliminary Psukei
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service lay led, potluck lunch

July 31 Friday

6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat lay led

August 1 Saturday

8:45 am. Torah Study
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service with Rabbi Koas, potluck lunch

August 7 Friday

6:00 pm Shir Shabbat with Rabbi Koas and Klezmer Creek
6:45 Shabbat Dinner



ABOUT TISHA B'AV: Tisha B'Av ("the ninth of Av") is an annual fast day in Judaism, on which a number of disasters in Jewish history occurred, primarily the destruction of both Solomon's Temple by the Neo-Babylonian Empire and the Second Temple by the Roman Empire in Jerusalem.

Tisha B'Av is regarded as the saddest day in the Jewish calendar. The observance of the day includes five prohibitions, most notable of which is a 25-hour fast. The Book of Lamentations, which mourns the destruction of Jerusalem, is read in the synagogue, followed by the recitation of kinnot, liturgical dirges that lament the loss of the Temples and Jerusalem. Some kinnot also recall events such as the murder of the Ten Martyrs by the Romans, expulsions from England, Spain and elsewhere, massacres of numerous medieval Jewish communities during the Crusades, and the Holocaust.

—Wikipedia

August 8 Saturday

8:45 am. Torah Study
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service with Rabbi Koas, potluck lunch

August 14 Friday

6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat with Rabbi Koas
6:45 pm potluck dinner

August 15 Saturday

8:45 am. Torah Study
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service with Rabbi Koas, potluck lunch

1:00 pm Conversational Hebrew
8:00 pm **Havdallah gathering**

August 16 Sunday

9:00 am. Morning Service in person and Zoom followed by **light breakfast**, then **Torah on Trails** weather permitting

August 21 Friday

5:00 pm Tot Shabbat
6:00 potluck dinner

7:00 pm Erev Shabbat service

August 22 Saturday

8:45 am. Torah Study
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service with Rabbi Koas, potluck lunch

August 28 Friday

6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat lay led

August 29 Saturday

8:45 am. Torah Study
9:45 am. Shabbat morning service with Rabbi Koas, potluck lunch



GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR CONGREGATION

We are very grateful for your support and think it's important that your donation is acknowledged in the Shofar. Donate online at [BethAmiSR.org /giving/](http://BethAmiSR.org/giving/)

General Fund

In honor of Evelyn Gurevitch's birthday —*Elisabeth Van Nuys*

In honor of Evelyn Gurevitch's birthday —*Barry Sovel & Carol Newman*

In honor of the birth of Caleb Uri Sherman, grandson of Nancy & Ed Sherman —*Richard Kahn & Anne Brown*

In honor of Evelyn Gurevitch's 104th birthday —*Tish Levee*

In memory of Renee Newman —*Anonymous*

In memory of Edie Friedman —*Barry Sovel & Carol Newman*

In honor of multiple calls to the bimah —*Ivan Barta*

In honor of the great naches shepped by all the Shermans at the birth of Caleb Uri Sherman —*Mark Stoelting & Leanne Schy*

In memory of Lillian Judd —*Ivan Barta*

In memory of Renee Newman —*Anonymous*

In memory of Edie Friedman —*Evelyn Gurevitch*

In memory of Doar, William, Edith & Herman Wand —*Joseph Wand*

In memory of my father, Stanley Williams —*Lenore Holloway*

A thoughtful donation —*Elisa Watkins*

Thank you Patti Gregg and Klezmer Creek for your klezmer & folkdance music at April Shir Shabbat —*Anonymous*

In memory of my father, Irving Decker —*Melvin Decker*

In memory of Lillian Judd —*Tish Levee*

Toda Raba to Lauren Kalmanson —*Anonymous*

In honor of Evelyn Gurevitch's birthday! —*Michael & Lauren Newman*

Grateful thanks to the blintz team: Myrna, Barbara, Jeffrey & Janet —*Anonymous*

Mazal tov to the Post -Bet Din cohort: Kel, Kendall, and Jeremy —*Anonymous*

In honor of Rabbi Ron Koas' Installation —*Anonymous*

In memory of Howard Moss —*Adrea Moss & family*

Speedy recovery to Dennis Judd —*Anonymous*

Happy Birthday to Evelyn Gurevitch —*Anonymous*

In memory of Renee Newman —*Anonymous*

Mazal tov to grandparents, Nancy & Ed Sherman and parents Rachel & Aaron upon the birth of Caleb —*Anonymous*

Many thanks to the "Kibbutz Shavuot Celebration" crew: Mark R., David K., Mark D., Anne, Barb, Myra and so many others - Kol Hakavod. —*Anonymous*

In memory of Caroline Schoenbach, mother of Hannah Schoen Caratti —*Anonymous*

In memory of Betty & Oscar Mann —*Anonymous*

In memory of Lillian Judd —*Anonymous*

Better health to Rebecca Youlin —*Anonymous*

In memory of Edith Friedman, with condolences to the Friedman family —*Anonymous*

In memory of Everett Shapiro —*Anonymous*

Speedy recovery to Michelle Zygielbaum —*Anonymous*

Thank you, Tamar Landau for your kindness —*Anonymous*

Speedy Recovery to David Kahn —*Anonymous*

General Fund: Shabbat Lunch

In honor of a wonderful community —*Craig Jio*

A thoughtful donation —*Anonymous*

In honor of Beth Ami —*Craig Jio*

In memory of my mother, Ellen Abrams —*Anne Steirman*

A thoughtful donation —*Anonymous*

Children's Education Fund:

In honor of Barb McGee's 5 years of dedicated service as CBA President and V.P. of Administration —*Mark & Carol Rosen*

Torah Restoration Fund:

In memory of Howard Moss —*Susy Boimoil Starr*

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In memory of Rita Kagan, RN —*Ned Hoffman & Robin Lowitz*

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Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In honor of my mother, Marilyn Diamond and Edith Newman and all that Rabbi Koas did to help.

—*Michael & Lauren Newman*

In memory of Edith Newman

—*Barry Sovel & Carol Newman*

Simcha Board Dedications

(so far— more to come)

Happy 104th Birthday Evelyn Gurevitch. —*Rabbi Ron Koas*

For the blessing of Brandi

—*Alex & Connie Schellenger*

HIGH HOLIDAY PREVIEW:

September we have no catered Shabbat dinner. Sept. 4th is a potluck with Klezmer Creek playing at the service.

Sept. 5th Selichot at 7:30 begins with a potluck, dressing the Torahs and service.

Sept 11th Erev Rosh Hashanah Champagne/Apple Cider and Honey Cake oneg.

Rosh Hashanah day one is Saturday, Sept. 12th

Erev Yom Kippur - Kol Nidre on Sunday Sept. 20th

Break-the-fast is on Mon. Sept 21st in CBA Social Hall, RSVP by Sept 16th at noon.

Sukkot starts on Friday, Sept 25th.

Renewal membership packets will be out in late July

High Holiday information out mid to late August.

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July and August Yahrzeits

Secular dates correspond to Hebrew date of death.
Observance of yahrzeit begins at sundown the previous day.
All yahrzeits observed at Beth Ami.

Announced on July 3 & 4

- July 5 Eulalio Camarillo
Father of Roy Camarillo
- July 10 Morton Goldstein
Grandfather of
Lauren Newman

Announced on July 10 & 11

- July 11 Charles Sternfield
Father of
Edee Sternfield-Squires
- July 14 Jeanette Dolgoss Friedman
Grandmother of
Joslyn Metzger
- July 14 John Ballo
Father of David Ballo
- July 17 Aaron Baruch
Father of Esther Baruch
- July 17 Edwin Dudley
Father of Ruth Wilson
- July 17 Marion Dudley
Mother of Ruth Wilson

Announced on July 17 & 18

- July 18 Saul Gordon
Father-in-Law of
Marjorie Gordon
- July 19 Ursula Schussheim
Mother of Karen Herskovic
- July 22 Audrey Hyman
Sister of Bobbie Rosenthal
- July 24 Eric Batzdorff
Son of
Rose & Jon Batzdorff

Announced on July 24 & 25

- July 25 J.J. Mattson
Son of Tish Levee
- July 26 Anita Herman
Grandmother of
Howard Glickman
- July 27 Herbert Newman
Father of Carol &
Michael Newman
- July 27 Cass Alex Leung
Friend of Riva Orr
- July 28 Bertha Brunstein
Grandmother of
David Brunstein
- July 28 Milton Quint
Father of Emily Freeman
- July 29 Ruth Weiss
Mother of Dan Weiss
- July 30 Sylvia Goldman
Mother of Ben Goldman
- July 30 Sylvia Williams
Mother of
Lenore Holloway

Announced on July 31 & Aug. 1

- Aug 1 Pearl Nathan
Mother of Asher Nathan
- Aug 4 Patricia Kauffman
Mother of
Raphael Kauffman
- Aug 5 Anne Goldstein
Aunt of
Edee Sternfield-Squires

- Aug 5 Joseph Landau
Father of Tamar Landau
- Aug 7 Willy Cohn
Father of Henry Cohn

Announced on August 7 & 8

- Aug 8 John Rosenbach
Husband of
Rhonda Rosenbach
- Aug 10 Alice S. Miller
Mother of Susan L. Miller
- Aug 11 Flora Brown Stern
Mother of Judith Stern
- Aug 12 Manuel Stern
Father of Jim Stern
- Aug 13 Josephine Sherman
Mother of
Edward Sherman

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July Birthdays

- Patty Bernstein
- Zelda Bettman
- Henry Cohn
- Emily Freeman
- Connie Goldman
- Terry Gurevitch
- Raphael Kauffman
- Rabbi Ron Koas
- Lee Mehlman
- Michael Mundell
- Andrea Nett
- Lauren Newman
- Rhonda Rosenbach
- Rad Sommer
- Anne Steirman
- Jim Stern

July Anniversaries

- Lee & Paul Feinstein
- Rayme & Michael Shapiro
- Miriam Wald & Daniel Pickar



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Announced on August 14 & 15

- Aug 18 Ernest Rosenthal
Father of Bobbie Rosenthal
- Aug 20 Pnina Loeb
Wife of Jeff Richman

Announced on August 21 & 22

- Aug 22 Nora Banwell
Grandmother of
Wendy Stern
- Aug 23 Dorothy Drain
Grandmother of
Janet Stein-Larson
- Aug 24 Elie Negrin
Father of Ronit Glickman
- Aug 24 Ruth Newman
Mother of Jerry Newman
- Aug 25 William Hahn
Grandfather of
Carol & Michael Newman
- Aug 25 Harry "Huck" Schulman
Cousin of Judith Helman
- Aug 25 Bitty Gladstone
Mother of
Connie Goldman
- Aug 26 Selby Morse
Husband of
Myrna Morse
- Aug 27 Susan Yelin
Mother of
Francie Rogovin
- Aug 28 Estelle Kahn
Mother of Richard Kahn
- Aug 28 Carolyn Simon
Grandmother of
Judi Hyman

Announced on August 28 & 29

- Aug 31 Dan Ben Hershel
Nephew of
Evelyn Gurevitch
- Sept 1 Donald Glickman
Father of
Howard Glickman
- Sept 2 Joshua Maurice Cohen
Father of Leonard Cohen
- Sept 2 Morris Marks
Grandfather of
Myrna Morse
- Sept 2 Allen Weiss
Husband of Debbie Weiss
- Sept 3 Vivian Frye
Friend of Ellen Mundell
- Sept 3 Karen Brodsky
Wife of
Mark Dierkhising

August Birthdays

- Ivan Barta
- Marc Bernstein
- Susy Boimoil Starr
- Sakina Bryant
- Suzie Friedman
- Paul Kobetz
- Susan Miller
- Signe Minuskin
- Lyla Nathan
- Francie Rogovin
- Mark Rosen
- Stuart Schy
- Michael Shapiro
- Debbie Weiss

August Anniversaries

- Eleanor & Leonard Cohen
- Kim & Bill Cordell
- Karen & Arnold Herskovic
- Judy Kupfer & Joslyn Metzger
- Lauren & Michael Newman
- Blair & Dan Pleasant
- Wendy & Jim Stern
- Elizabeth & Dan Weiss

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July and August Candlelighting

July 3 - 4

Pinchas

Candle Lighting—8:20 pm
Havdalah—9:26 pm

July 10 - 11

Mattot/Masei Shabbat

Rosh Chodesh Av

Candle Lighting—8:18 pm
Havdalah—9:23 pm

July 17 - 18

Devarim

Shabbat Hazon

Candle Lighting—8:14 pm
Havdalah—9:18 pm

July 22

Erev Tish'a B'Av

Fast begins—8:30 pm

July 23

Tish'a B'Av

Fast ends—9:05 pm

July 24 - 25

Va'etchannan

Shabbat Nachamu

Candle Lighting—8:10 pm
Havdalah—9:12 pm

July 31 - August 1

Ekev

Candle Lighting—8:03 pm
Havdalah—9:05 pm

August 7 - 8

Re'eb Shabbat

Mevarchim Chodesh Elul

Candle Lighting—7:56 pm
Havdalah—8:56 pm

August 14 - 15

Shoftim

Candle Lighting—7:47 pm
Havdalah—8:47 pm

August 21 - 22

Ki Tetzei

Candle Lighting—7:38 pm
Havdalah—8:36 pm

August 28 - 29

Ki Tavo

Candle Lighting—7:28 pm
Havdalah—8:26 pm

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