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News & Events from Kehillat Ma'arav

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Religious School students celebrating Sukkot in the KM sukkah.

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Classes are located at KM and begin November 6th.

SANCTIFYING OUR TIME

RABBI MICHAEL GOTLIEB

Having just celebrated Rosh Hashanah and, with it, a message of new beginning, our ongoing challenge is to make the year that lies ahead count.

Think about the days of the year in the following way: let's say each morning your bank gives you \$86,400. You're free to do with it as you may, but there's a catch. Only you wish spend it, if you don't spend the full amount, nothing carries over, and everything you didn't spend during each 24-hour period will be taken away from you at the end of the day. What's more, the bank can pull the money away from you at any time without notice.

What would you do? Would you be a spendthrift, knowing the money would be replenished each day? Would you come to expect it and take it for granted? Would it make you more generous? Would you try to spend every penny and savor it to its fullest? Would you give large amounts of it to others, strangers included?

Now realize, each day we are ideally given 86,400 seconds. When the day is done and midnight strikes, we start out with another 86,400 seconds. If we haven't used all the seconds given to us in the manner in which we had hoped, the day is gone and can never be relived. The same holds true for the hours granted us. There, the number is more sobering. 86,400 seconds still sounds like a lot of time. In one year, there are only 8,760 hours. That's it!

So, now that the year is underway, what should we do? Let me suggest that we begin by sanctifying time, striving to make it holy. Think about it: celebrations have an ability to sanctify time--a birthday, an anniversary, a graduation, getting a new job, or the purchase of a new car or a new home. Yes, even marking the date of a divorce, especially if the marriage was particularly incompatible, can sanctify and make time holy. Celebrating having survived a brush with death, that might

involve overcoming a severe accident or a life-threatening illness.

Every time we give of ourselves in order to help and acknowledge others, we sanctify time and make it holy. Seemingly simple things, like: saying thank you, giving a kiss hello and goodbye to loved ones. Saying I love you. Words of encouragement. Being more patient, driving more cautiously, being generous. All these gestures and more, sanctify and make time holy.

86,400 seconds to a day, 8,760 hours to a year, that's all. But, no matter how large the number of seconds we're given or how many hours we have, life quickly passes. So, as we begin anew yet another year, remember this: more important than counting time, the seconds in a day, the hours in a year, is making time count. That is our ongoing challenge, not just for this New Year, but for as many years God grants us.

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THE END OF AN ERA



MANNY BAKER, President

In mid-September, another Roll 'n Rye closed its doors for good. It was the last delicatessen in the Culver City/ Westchester/Marina area. For me, it was a sad day.

Long ago, delis abounded in Jewish areas, but they have been going out of business for some time now. As a kid visiting relatives in Brooklyn, it seemed that there were kosher delis on just about every corner between the subway station and where our relatives lived. We'd stop at the Hebrew National deli and pick up some pastrami, corned beef, and rye bread, and when we got home, we'd have a tasty late evening snack. In Newark, Cohen's was a favorite Saturday night hang out to get a knish or hot dog. Cohen's closed their place on Hawthorne Avenue many years ago, but they still sell their kosher miniature hot dogs in a blanket and knishes in frozen food cases. When I went to NYU's uptown campus in the Bronx and lived in the dorm, there were four kosher delis within walking distance. Spivack's, on the corner of Jerome and Burnside, was my favorite.

We became acquainted with the Roll 'n Rye when we moved to Fox Hills around 1972 and used to frequent their deli pretty regularly. Their prices were right, and the food was good. We got to know the owners, Dave and Belle Zide, very well. Dave catered the Bar Mitzvahs of our two sons. Howard, their deli counter man, was an unusual character. A good counterman, he had the distinction of being the only tattooed Jewish biker I knew. Dave and Belle's son, Solly, worked in the business for the first few years we were there, and then struck out on his own. He opened his own delis in the Valley, which eventually were sold to Jerry's Deli. The one in Sherman Oaks still bears his name. When Dave and Belle decided to retire, they sold the business to their daughter, Rita. It was a seamless transition. She continued the same food quality and price structure. Rita was also known for closing the restaurant on Thanksgiving and treating the seniors living at the Freda Mohr Center in Fairfax to a Thanksgiving dinner.

We moved from Culver City early in 1985. Whenever we were in the area, we would stop in and have a bite at the Roll 'n Rye. Rita always remembered who we were. I will miss them. They made a great lox, eggs, and onions omelet.

KM'S SUKKAH HOP

EVEY BERGER AND SUSIE YURÉ, Membership Committee

Celebrating Sukkot at the KM Sukkah Hop event on Sunday, October 12th, was a very special evening shared with our community. In the warmth and beauty of congregants' backyards, a fabulous potluck gourmet dining experience was enjoyed by all. The food was lovingly prepared and brought by those in attendance.

About 60 people were welcomed into three Sukkah dwellings with different structures and decorations to enhance the holiday celebration. We started with appetizers at the home of Sue and Paul Hoffman, followed by dinner at Kathy and Dennis Gura's, and dessert at Rabbi and Jill's home to round out the festive Sukkah Hop.

Thank you to our most generous hosts whose hospitality was so appreciated. Although the sukkahs may be temporary, the new friendships and continued relationships will linger all year long.



WITH THANKS



**KATHIE ROSE
Executive Director**

If you had the pleasure of attending our High Holy Day services this year, we hope you found them meaningful, spiritual, and filled with a deep sense of community. To all who attended for the first time and to our many new families: welcome! We're excited to have you as part of

our KM community.

Thank you to all involved, too many to name, who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to transform the Olympic Collection into our sanctuary for five days and helped to make our High Holy Day services so special. We sincerely appreciate your time and dedication. Many thanks to the team of volunteers who put up our Sukkah and to all who continued celebrating 5775 with us through Sukkot and Simchat Torah. We hope you enjoyed our Community Break Fast following Yom Kippur Services, the Next Gen Appletini mixer, our annual Sukkah Hop, and our many other events this fall.

We're excited to report that we are 67% of the way to our annual fundraiser target. It's not too late to contribute and no amount is too small or too large. Please, help us grow our community together and reach our goal of 100% participation!

This month we'll be visiting Israel as a congregation, investigating licensing our own KM preschool, and more. I look forward to another year with our community as we continue to learn and grow together.

YOUTH & NEXT GEN EVENTS

CINDY ROTH, Youth Director and Event Coordinator

Kadima

And they hooped, and they hooped, and they hooped, until they could hardly hoop no more! After the first Sunday of Religious School, the Kadima Kids grades 3-7 joined Lu Lu Lamm, a Hula Hoop specialist from "Hoopnotica," and learned all sorts of tricks and exercises. The music was blasting, the kids were enthusiastic, and the dancing was infectious. The kids each chose from an array of colorful hoops and it was truly a blast. There were plenty of giggles and all of the kids—even the boys—enthusiastically got into the act. We had around 16 kids and unlike some of the hula hoops around their waists, their energy never petered out!

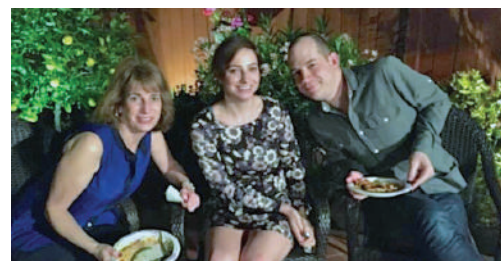
Later in the month, we enjoyed Krav Maga. This gave our students an opportunity to hone a different type of skill with specialist Jarrett Arthur. We had a wonderful afternoon as we enjoyed pizza and practiced this Israeli art of self-defense.

NextGen

What makes any event great you ask? Try 1¼ shots of Absolute Vodka and ½ shot of Apple Pucker! Yes, our Appeltini mixer was very well received. After Erev Rosh Hashana services, the NextGen sponsored an Appeltini Mixer for the entire community in the back of the ballroom at The Olympic Collection. Those who stayed enjoyed the tasty beverage along with some festive nosh. The opportunity to hang out and socialize briefly after services was a delightful way to start the new year!

In October, we enjoyed "Scotch, Cigars and Simcha" at the home of Rabbi Michael and Jill Gotlieb. We had a good turnout (almost 30 people!) as we enjoyed quality food and drink and, more importantly, each other's company (pictured to the right).

Keep a lookout for our Latke & Vodka event in December and a Santa Barbara wine tour lunch and bike ride in the spring. Do you have an idea for a NextGen event? Would you like to visit the swanky new restaurant in town, take a trip, host a meal, or try a new activity? Contact Cindy Roth; we'd love to hear from you!



THE JEWISH CLOCK



CANTOR SAMUEL COHEN

Over the High Holy Days, Rabbi Gotlieb spoke about time and how valuable it is. How there are so many hours per year and so many seconds per day, but it is what we do with our time that really makes the experience valuable.

Time goes by silently, or does it? Today, very few look up to the sky and judge the position of the sun to tell time. Instead, we mark time with clocks, which make noise.

Even digital clocks beep on the hour to tell you the time. We have city bells, church bells, and even the little wristwatch that goes "tick tock."

We mark time in the Jewish calendar by moving from festival to festival. Some of the many ways we mark these festivals, of course, are by melodies and songs that are specific to that time or date. Take Yom Kippur as an example: there are at least four different parts of the service. One can enter the synagogue and, as long as you are familiar with the structure of the service, you can tell what part of the service the community is davening.

Similarly, Sukkot has its own melody; the prayer for rain is a special prayer once a year on Sukkot. When I was growing up in London, Sukkot was a very fun time. Most of the city consists of parallel streets with houses on the outside and gardens in the back. When we would play in the backyard, our neighbors were on either side and across from us, and we could see the gardens along the entire street full with sukkot. On the days that it did not

rain, which was rare during that time of the year, we would eat and sing in the sukkah. The entire block knew us as "the singing family" and when we would start to sing in the sukkah, the block would be quiet. I remember one year we told our neighbors which songs we would be singing and they all sang along, sukkah-style surround sound—it was amazing.

Sound and noise are more than just a marker in time but are also proof of life. When the *Kohen Gadol*, the High Priest, would enter the Holy of Holies once a year on Yom Kippur, he would wear bells attached to the bottom of his apron. The tinkling of the bells is how the community would know that he was still moving and alive inside. When I am in middle of leading services and I hear a baby make noise, it brings a smile to my face as I get that feeling that there is new life all around.

The High Holy Day season is closed with Simchat Torah, the day where we complete the reading cycle of the Torah and rejoice, sing, and dance with the Torah scroll. It is written that "we should serve God with joy," that when one is happy and singing, one is alive. Where there is life and song, there are wonderful times and markers. I find that when I am happy and enjoying myself, I spontaneously sing. Sound is not only a marker of time but can also be an indicator of happiness and joy—so sing!

I would like to thank all of those who participated in leading the services together with Rabbi Gotlieb and me on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. I know how hard you all worked to prepare and lead with joy and spirit. You all truly participated beautifully and enhanced the services for the entire community. *Kol Hakavod!*

MEN'S CLUB EVENTS

STEPHEN SHAPIRO, Men's Club President

UPCOMING EVENTS: On Monday, November 17 at 7:00 pm, we will present *As Seen Through These Eyes*, narrated by Maya Angelou and produced, directed, and written by Hilary Helstein. The documentary film features the incredible art & interviews with those artists who survived the Holocaust. Q&A after film. Requested donation \$5. Please RSVP to the KM office at 310-829-0566.

Monday, January 12 at 8:00 pm is our Annual General Planning Meeting. All are invited and encouraged to participate.

PAST EVENTS: Our October "Classical Music at KM" of Chopin, "poet of the piano" and Henryk Wieniawski, "Chopin of the violin," featured Pianist Diana Volman and Violinist Ludmila Adzhemova, who brilliantly performed the technically demanding pieces.



GIFT SHOP: HANUKKAH ALERT

Candles and latke season begins on December 17.

We are ready to help with ALL your Holiday Needs.

We have great collections of Menorahs and candles and beautiful gifts for celebrating Shabbat and other joyful occasions.

Not only do we have a large collection of mezzuzot, but as a special service, we sell Kosher parchments at cost.

In addition to regular hours, we will be happy to make an appointment to open the shop and be your Personal Shoppers, all at your convenience.

If that isn't enough incentive, we offer a 15% discount on all Tallitot for Bar and Bar Mitzvah families who use our services.

And remember, ALL profits from the gift shop benefit our synagogue.

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GIFT SHOP HOURS

First Tuesday of every month
3:30-6:30 PM and by appointment

From November 18 until Hanukkah,
EVERY Tuesday afternoon and
by appointment.



Available for sale in our gift shop.

WE HAVE A DREAM



MASHA SAVITZ, Head of Early Childhood & Arts Programs

"If you will it, it is no dream."

Theodor Hertzl

The big news is that as part of our initiative to expand the scope of our early childhood education programs, we are investigating and working on the requirements to potentially provide a KM preschool. We will be working very hard throughout the coming year to see if we can make this dream a reality, possibly as early as 2015.

We are hiring qualified licensed preschool teachers to add to our growing services, including offering a Parent & Me class on Thursday mornings at 9:30am at KM. This is a great opportunity

for parents to bond with their young ones and with each other in a relaxed, joyful Jewish environment.

In the meantime, we are continuing with our successful PJ Library on the first Friday of every month and, of course, Tot Shabbat every Saturday morning.

If you have the skills, interest, or simply a passion for this kind of program development, please contact me so that we can work together to launch new programs. We are invested in growing our KM family through future generations.

For more information about all of our programs, please contact the synagogue office at 310-829-0566.

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KM Students decorating and enjoying the sukkah, celebrating Simchat Torah, and making graham cracker sukkahs.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL UPDATE



SHARONE WEIZMAN, Director of Education

Shalom Chaverim! Our Religious School halls have been filled with your children's laughter and enthusiasm during the opening months of school. We are excited to celebrate an increase in our school's overall enrollment this year and welcome all our new families. Thank you to our parents who have been spreading the news about our school. We are excited about our school's quick growth and are looking forward to inviting even more

new families and members to our ever-growing KM family.

I would like to welcome our new teachers who have joined our committed team and thank our talented faculty, who are making learning in each of our classrooms meaningful, fun and engaging. Additionally, I would like to thank our *madrichim* (teen assistants) for their hard work and dedication. If you have not yet had a chance to see our Religious School in action, we invite you to be our guests to experience what is happening every Tuesday evening from 3:45pm-6:30pm.

After two years of reflection and changes, this year's Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur children's programming were our best yet and well-received by the kids and parents alike. We hired fabulous facilitators and each of the students rotated to four different stations before coming together for a youth service with over 50 students and parents in attendance. I would like to thank our parents for entrusting us with their children's education and being partners in helping to sign-in and sign-out students as part of our new safety system.

Thank you to all our parents who attended our Back-To-School morning. It was wonderful to see so many parents getting involved in their children's Jewish education, learning more

about the curriculum, meeting our faculty, and joining us for our Parent-Student day!

Please be sure to review your school calendars for all our upcoming family programs. Our first family "Shabbat B'Yachad – Together as One" program will be on Friday, November 21st. Join us for an interactive family Friday night service, activities, and Kabbalat Shabbat dinner. Our next family "Shabbat B'Yachad – Together as One" program is on Saturday, December 6th. The morning will begin with students and parents singing Shabbat morning T'fillot in the back classrooms, followed by parents joining the main service while students help to lead aspects of the service with Cantor Samuel Cohen. Our students will rotate through various Shabbat activities and lead the closing services with Rabbi Gotlieb and Cantor Cohen, concluding with a community Shabbat lunch. Families, please remember that our students are expected to attend at least one Shabbat a month as part of their Religious School experience, and these informal educational parent/child experiences engage the entire family in lifelong learning. Please enjoy these pictures of our Religious School students decorating and celebrating in our Sukkah!

Mark Your Calendars!

- **Friday, November 21st:** Shabbat B'Yachad Family Kabbalat Shabbat dinner, service and program
- **Saturday, December, 6th:** Inter-generational Shabbat morning service, program and lunch
- **Tuesday, December, 16th:** Hanukkah Promenade Candle Lighting and RS Dinner with synagogue

Meet the Bar Mitzvah

WILLIAM SHAPIRO



Hello! My name is William Shapiro, and I am becoming a Bar Mitzvah on November 8th. I am in 7th grade and I go to Lincoln Middle School. When I am not in school, I am making movies with my friends.

My Torah portion is Vayera; it means "And He appeared," because the first story describes how The Lord appeared to Abraham one day as he sat outside his tent. Out of many tests he was given, the most extreme one is where The Lord tells Abraham to sacrifice his son, Isaac. Of course, in the end The Lord tells Abraham not to go through with it. Still, the portion makes me wonder what I would be willing to do for something that I believe in.

I have enjoyed my time at KM mostly because I am free to argue my way of looking at things. The Rabbi, Cantor and my teachers never try to change my mind or influence my opinions (probably because they know it would be pointless!). I'd like to thank them for all their patience, and for allowing me to be myself.

Thanks to everyone who supported me and I will see you all soon! (Yikes!)

A PRAYER FOR RAIN

DENNIS GURA, Ritual Committee

In 2007, local poet Diane Berland published a selection of prayers originally written by Fanny Neuda in German in the mid-19th century, entitled *Hours of Devotion: Fanny Neuda's Book of Prayers for Jewish Women*.

As we enter the winter, we add to our daily liturgy the prayers for rain (*mashiv ha-ruach v'morid ha-geshem, who causes the wind to blow and the rain to fall...*). We might recall during this terrible drought in California how nature's ways humble humankind.

Here is a part of Berland's rendition of Fanny Neuda's "A Prayer for Rain in Time of Drought". It is my prayer that by the time you might read this, we won't need it.

Parent of All, in earnest, passionate prayer
We beg for your heavenly blessing:
O God, please do not continue to withhold
The generous deluge of your rain,
Without which all your creations will die

And fade back into the earth.

Command the clouds to let your tranquil, quenching,

Fruit-bringing rain flow down on us,

So that under this renewing and refreshing stream

The flowers will blossom forth anew,

The seeds will lift themselves up and be fulfilled,

Everything that thirsts will be refreshed,

And all that has wasted away

Will revive and return to life —

That nature, in accord with her true being,

Will once more become rich with fruits and gladness,

That she will once more be a joyful and delighted mother

To your creations, so that we might turn

Our own joyous and elated gaze toward her,

And, in her blessings and riches,

See your grace and parental love

Manifest themselves before us again.

Then, as we witness nature's wondrous beauty,

And watch it blossom, we might once more perceive

The brilliance of your eternal glory and honor it. Amen.

SIMCHAT TORAH "REWIND"!

Chag Sameach! We finished off High Holy Days 5775 with an energetic Simchat Torah celebration. KM Members and friends of all ages danced with and around the Torah to lively music from accross the world. Children ran after the Torah, scooping up the candy as Rabbi Gotlieb tossed it around the dance floor as we danced the night away.

Cantor Samuel Cohen and the band played songs from Russia, Italy, and many other countries. Playing off the theme of the Torah "Roll," revelers snacked on jelly rolls, elephant ear cookies, and a variety of wrapped and rolled treats. Kids enjoyed activities and created beautiful art projects.

The evening concluded with group *ali-ot* and a blessing for the children as we read the Torah together. Thank you to Cindy Roth for putting together this beautiful event. Enjoy pictures from the event to the right and on page 7.



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Ira Fistell, on the passing of his cousin, Stuart Perelman, on Wednesday, October 1, in Chicago.

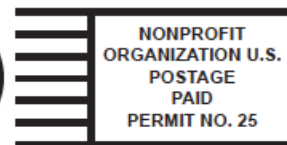
Linda Nord, on the passing of her mother and founding KM member, Lillian Heller, in Orange County.

Marcia Kurtz, on the passing of her husband, Maurice, on Sunday, October 5, in Los Angeles.

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Breakfast & Service INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING

Can you believe it's already November? It's time to start looking forward to our annual Thanksgiving Interfaith service and breakfast with Brentwood Presbyterian Church. Our 31st Annual breakfast will be hosted by BPC this year. The interfaith breakfast is a wonderful reminder of our roots as a synagogue and our connection to other communities in the Los Angeles area. The warm, inclusive service will be led by clergy from both congregations. Take a few hours out of your busy holiday morning to join us—you'll be glad you did. Please bring a donation of a can of food or \$3.

Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 27th
8:30am
Brentwood Presbyterian Church
12000 San Vicente Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90049



2013 Interfaith Breakfast at KM



Upcoming Events at Kehillat Ma'arav

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Thursday
NOVEMBER

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9:30am

“PARENT & ME” BEGINS!

Parents are welcome to bring their babies and toddlers to our weekly “Parent and Me” class every Thursday at 9:30am. Bond with your baby through art, music, sensory experiences, and movement in this hour long class. Contact Masha Savitz at 310-829-0566 for more information.

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through

NOVEMBER

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KM STANDS WITH ISRAEL IN ISRAEL

This Israel trip is FABULOUS and has something for everyone as we help to breathe life and tourism back into Israel. We're two days in Tel Aviv, one day up north in the Kinneret, and we finish off our journey with four days in Jerusalem as we explore the country and show our support. We'll tour an Iron Dome battery, distribute gifts for soldiers, meet Israeli artists, and more. We're looking forward to sharing pictures with you when we return!

Monday
NOVEMBER

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7:00pm

“AS SEEN THROUGH THESE EYES”

Join our Men's Club for a showing of *As Seen Through These Eyes*, narrated by Maya Angelou and produced, directed, and written by Hilary Helstein. A Q&A session with Hilary Helstein will follow the film. Requested donation: \$5. All are welcome.

Friday
NOVEMBER

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5:45pm

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SHABBAT B'YACHAD

Our first Religious School family “Shabbat B'Yachad – Together as One” program will be on Friday, November 21st. Join us for an interactive family Friday night service with activities for the whole family and Kabbalat Shabbat dinner. \$10 per person.

Thursday
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8:30am

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING BREAKFAST

Our 31st Annual Thanksgiving Interfaith Breakfast and service with Brentwood Presbyterian Church will be held this year at the church, located on the corner of Bundy and San Vicente. The service will be led by the clergy from both congregations. Please bring a donation of a can of food or \$3.

Tuesday
DECEMBER

16

6:30pm

HANUKKAH CANDLELIGHTING AT THE PROMENADE AND DINNER

Welcome the first night of Hanukkah with us as we participate in the community candlelighting at the Promenade. Religious School will let out early so we have time to join in song and celebration together. Continue the festivities with a delicious dinner (details to follow).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2014

HESHVAN/KISLEV 5775

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Shabbat Club Fun & interactive services for kids grades 2-6	Tot Shabbat Energetic services for kids	PJ Library Books, crafts, and dinner for preschool-aged kids on the 1st Friday of every month.	Parent & Me Bond with your baby through art, music, and movement.	Westside Chai A joint community High School Program with Kehillat Ma'arav, Adat Shalom, and Mishkon Tephilo.	OCTOBER 31	1 9:30am Shabbat Services 11:00am Shabbat Unplugged & Tot Shabbat
2 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS	3	4 ELECTION DAY 3:45pm Religious School	5 7:15pm KM Choir	6 9:30am Parent & Me 12:00pm Lunch & Learn w/ Rabbi 6:30pm Intro to Judaism Class 7:30pm Investment Comm. Mtg	7 4:38pm Candle Lighting 5:00pm PJ Library 6:30pm Shabbat Services	8 9:30am Bar Mitzvah of William Shapiro and Shabbat Services 11:00am Shabbat Unplugged & Tot Shabbat
9 9:00am Religious School CONGREGATIONAL MISSION TO ISRAEL	10 CONGREGATIONAL MISSION TO ISRAEL	11 VETERANS DAY 3:45pm Religious School 6:00pm Westside Chai CONGREGATIONAL MISSION TO ISRAEL	12 7:15pm KM Choir CONGREGATIONAL MISSION TO ISRAEL	13 9:30am Parent & Me 6:30pm Intro to Judaism Class 7:00pm JNET CONGREGATIONAL MISSION TO ISRAEL	14 4:33pm Candle Lighting CONGREGATIONAL MISSION TO ISRAEL	15 9:30am Shabbat Services 11:00am Shabbat Club & Tot Shabbat CONGREGATIONAL MISSION TO ISRAEL
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23 1:00pm Kadima Day	24	25 3:45pm Religious School 6:00pm Westside Chai	26	27 THANKSGIVING 8:30am Interfaith Breakfast at BPC	28 4:27pm Candle Lighting	29 9:30am Shabbat Services 11:00am Shabbat Unplugged & Tot Shabbat
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Happy Birthday!

(Celebrants 18 & Younger)

Adar Broekman	Eve Leah Melzer Levenson
Sadie Fay Finn	Joshua Avi Papernik
Ricky Gibson	Billy Shapiro
Sophie Goldberger	Jeremy Alex Steiglitz
Steven Lenkin	Regina Weber

Happy Anniversary!

Susan Charette & Michael Amster
16th Anniversary
Ron & Ruth Barnett
56th Anniversary
Louis & Sandi Diamant
55th Anniversary
Irena & Rick Gibson
19th Anniversary

Ted & Amy Kahan
25th Anniversary
Leon & Doreen Lewin
46th Anniversary
Massoud & Azita Nemanim
27th Anniversary
Louis & Dina Sneh
63rd Anniversary