Temple Ramat Zion Temple Ramat Zion

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A Message from the President



Hi All,

We are now starting the two months of the calendar year that are very enjoyable to me. Purim, Pesach and my birthday always fall in the months of March and April.

March starts with the Shabbat Across America Dinner, Margulis Scholar-In-Residence, and Men's Club Shabbat all in one weekend. Join us for some invigorating praying and learning. Make sure to get your costumes ready for the Purim Carnival on March 24th. Also, on that Sunday, the Shelach Manot baskets will be delivered. Please help us make the Shelach Manot fundraiser a huge success by sending a basket to "ALL" congregants. We look forward to the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Mass on March 30th and congratulations to Jacob and his family.

April is actually my favorite month. After the very special day of April 3rd, we celebrate the 90th birthday of Lenny Kligman at Shabbat services on April 6th. The next day, April 7th, is the Sisterhood Torah Fund Play and Luncheon, honoring Karen Jackson with the Chai Ay Olam award. Come to support Torah Fund, enjoy a great play and honor Karen. The important holiday of Pesach starts on April 22nd. If you are looking for a place to go on the second night of Passover, make sure to sign up for our Community Seder on April 23rd.

As I have mentioned in the past, the newly organized Kibbutz Korner program on Wednesday mornings at 10am has been an extremely enjoyable hour. Yasher Koach to Rav Sela and Danielle Newland for creating different themes each week. If you are free during this time on Wednesdays come join us for fun and kibbutzing. Also, Happy Hour on Tuesday afternoons at 5:00pm on zoom is one of the longest running programs to start during covid and continue to survive. Join us on Tuesdays with your favorite beverage (hopefully alcoholic) and kibbutz some more.

Chag Sameach Purim v' Pesach,

Alan Osadchey

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A Message from Rav Sela



I was born in New Haven, CT. Yael and Gavi were born in New York and Eitan was born in Los Angeles, which is still part of the same country, but a world away from New York. My mother was born in New York, as was her father, and her mother was born in Poland. My father was born in Israel when it was ruled by the British, as was his father, although it was ruled by the Ottomans when he was born, and his mother was born in Hungary. Both of my grandfather's parents were born in Russia. I don't have any family left in Eastern Europe or Russia, but I do have family all across this country and across the globe, most of whom I have never met. I don't think that my family's story is that special, it is the story of the Jewish people. We have made homes in every corner of the globe, but we have always thought of home as Israel.

Every Spring, within a one-month period we celebrate Purim and Pesach. Purim is the ultimate archetypal story of what it means to live as a Jew in Diaspora. Most of the time, it is better to lay low and hide our identity. Sometimes we can achieve great things, but we are always at risk and our fortunes could change in an instant. We pray for a miracle or for a brave leader to save us, and sometimes things work out. Although we know enough Jewish history to remember that more often than not, for Jewish communities in the Diaspora, things did not work out and we were terrorized, kicked out, or murdered, and sometimes all three.

When we celebrate Pesach and reenact our journey from slavery to freedom, we are reminded that freedom alone is not what we ultimately sought. The Pesach story is just the beginning. The end is our arrival in Israel, the Promised Land. That is why we end each seder with the words, "Leshana Haba Be'Yerushalayim," Next Year in Jerusalem. Even Jews living in Jerusalem say this line on seder night. It may seem like they are not appreciating where they are. Although I suspect that it is because they know that even when we are home in Israel, next year is not a guarantee, as Jewish history has also taught us.

Yehudah Halevi was a Jewish poet, physician and philosopher who lived in Spain in the 11th and 12th centuries. He wrote in Hebrew, "Libi BaMizrach, Ve'Ani BeSof Ma'arav. My heart is in the East, while I am in the furthest West." Not a truer word has ever been spoken about any Jewish heart. Our hearts, our home, will always be in Israel, no matter where we find ourselves. Wherever we are journeying, our ultimate destination is always home, in Israel. Am Yisrael Chai.

L'shalom,

Ray Sela

Rav Sela





Purim's Resilience: Connecting Ancient Triumphs to Modern Struggles

Purim, the festival occasion embedded in our Jewish tradition, draws inspiration from the historical narrative that resonates with courage, resilience, and the triumph of the Jewish people over adversity. Sound familiar? As we celebrate this joyous holiday, the echoes of ancient struggles and victories provide a poignant backdrop against the complexities of the current challenges faced by the State of Israel

As we know, the roots of Purim extend back to ancient Persia, where the Jewish people faced an existential threat at the hands of the malevolent Haman. The Book of Esther chronicles the courageous intervention of Queen Esther, who, guided by her unwavering faith, thwarted Haman's genocidal plans. The victory, marked by divine providence and human bravery, became a defining moment in

our history.

In the present day, Israel grapples with a complex geopolitical landscape, once again, facing both external and internal existential challenges. The juxtaposition of the ancient Persian threat with the contemporary issues creates a powerful narrative that underscores the enduring self-determination of our people as we struggle to survive.

As Jewish communities worldwide come together to celebrate Purim, the resonance between the historical and the current state of affairs in Israel is palpable. Purim serves not only as a reminder of past triumphs but also as a source of strength and solidarity during challenging times. The festival becomes a bridge between the struggle of ancient Persia and the resilience required in the face of modern antisemitic tropes.

The Parallels between the Purim narrative and the current situation in Israel evoke a sense of shared destiny and collective responsibility within the Jewish community. The celebration of Purim becomes a call to action, urging us to reinvigorate our connection to our community and the broader Jewish people. The challenges faced by Israel serve as a reminder that the spirit of Purim, characterized by unity and courage, is as relevant today as it was in ancient times.

Furthermore, the festival customs and traditions take on new significance in light of contemporary events as well. The act of reading the Megillah with its tale of salvation against all odds, becomes a collective affirmation of hope and resilience. The donning of costumes, symbolizing hidden miracles in mystical interpretations, resonates with the idea that even in the face of adversity, there is a potential for unexpected victories.

Moreover, Purim's emphasis on charity, particularly the mitzvah of giving to the less fortunate, acquires a broader context in the current climate. As Jews we come together to support one another and contribute to communal welfare. As such, Purim can become a catalyst for strengthening the fabric of Jewish communities worldwide.

May this Purim be a rallying reminder, encouraging us all to rekindle our connection to our community and the broader Jewish people. May we remain resilient, unified, and always hopeful, continuously inspired by this truly timeless narrative. May the message of Purim serve as a guiding light, inspiring us all to actively contribute to the ongoing narrative of our people, both past and present.

As always, I look forward to seeing you at Temple.

L'shalom,

Hazzan Friedman

Hazzan Friedman

A Message from Julia Levine



Religious School Electives

This year, we added a twist to our Religious School electives- bringing in community members to teach! We have three classes that the students in Kitah Bet-Kitah Zayin (2nd-7th Grade) get to choose from:

Jewish Baking- students are learning how to bake classic Jewish foods like mandelbread, bourekas, kugel, hamantaschen and more!

Mah Jongg- students are excited to learn the basics of Mah Jongg!

Hebrew Art- students are exploring their artistic side with a beautiful Hebrew calligraphy project.

We are so grateful to our community teachers: Gloria Sher, Gayle Bishoff, and Meaghan Baitel, and to special guests: Joyce Newman and Lidia Markiz for bringing your expertise and passion to our students!

Do you have a talent or skill you'd like to share with the Religious School students? Contact Julia Levine, Religious School Director at (818) 360-1881 x. 118 or julialevine@trz.org

It's time for TRZ Religious School's annual Passover Candy Sale! To order, go to www.misschocolate.com Click on "Shop Online" and enter Seller ID# 158029. For free shipping have your items shipped to the Temple (they'll arrive before Passover) or pay for shipping directly to your home. Sale ends March 17, 2024 so order today!

Upcoming Religious School Events:**

Saturday, March 23- Purim Megillah Reading and Party

<u>Sunday, March 24 – Purim Carnival (NO Religious School)</u>

Tuesday, March 26-Sunday, March 31- No School- Spring Break

Tuesday, April 2- Religious School Resumes

Tuesday, April 23, 9:00 am- No School- Passover

Sunday, April 28, 9:30-11:30 am- Family Passover Program

Tuesday, April 30- No School- Passover

B'Shalom,

Julia Levine Julia Levine Religious School Director

^{**}Please see Religious School Calendar for all dates Religious School is in session.

A Message from Danielle Stein

Happy Spring From TRZ USY!!

What a great Winter season we have had. Celebrating holidays together, creative art therapy workshop, a soundbath, Skyzone, Maker's Spaces, Kadima Hogwarts, KadimOlympics, and always enjoying each others' company. We look forward to our upcoming events! See below

March Lounges & Events:

Teen Mental Health Program #3 - Sunday March 3rd 9:00am-4:00pm

With WolfTribe and APEX Wolves!

Kadima - Tuesday March 5th 6:00pm

- Tuesday March 12th 6:00pm (On Campus)

Spring Break - March 25th - April 1st

April Lounges & Events:

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Kadima - Tuesday April 2nd 6:00pm

USY - Tuesday April 9th 6:00pm (On-Campus)

USY Goes Sailing (Off-Campus Event) -Sunday April 21st

With Central Coast Ocean Adventures | Schooner Mystic Whaler

TRZ Events:

Shabbat Shelanu (2-12 year olds) - March 9th 10:15AM Megillah Reading - Saturday March 23rd 5:00pm

TRZ and The Chocolate Purim Carnival - Sunday March 24th 10:00AM
Shabbat Beyond With Hazzan Friedman - Saturday April 13th 10:00AM
Community Second Seder - Tuesday April 23rd 5:00PM

If you have any questions regarding USY or Kadima,

feel free to reach out at anytime.

Danielle Newland

Temple Ramat Zion Program Director danielles@trz.org (818) 360-1881

A Message from — ELC Director

ELCThe Early Learning Center



ELC Highlights

I want to express my deepest gratitude for the incredible honor and joy of being welcomed into the community of Temple Ramat Zion. Serving as the Center Director fills me with immense pride and excitement. I am truly humbled by the opportunity to contribute to such a meaningful institution and to work alongside such dedicated individuals. Thank you for entrusting me with this responsibility, and I look forward to collaborating with you all to further the mission and vision of our Temple Ramat Zion.



PLAY BASE LEARNING

Playing games like dress-up, make-believe, hide and seek I engages your child's imagination and creativity. Playing with sensory materials like playdough can develop your child's fine motor skills. Through play, children are given opportunities to explore and learn about the world around them in a way that is meaningful and interesting to them. We provide a variety of openended materials and experiences that encourage children to use their imaginations and creativity to come up with their own ideas for play.



New Program

18-24 months classroom
Yoga Class
Music Class
Israeli Dance
Mommy and Me
Weekly animal visit program
Shabbat at TRZ
Summer Camp (Soon)

Open For Registration 2024-2025

For more information Call us:818-360-1881 Email: elcdirector@trz.org

> B'Shalom Katrin Youssefzadeh

Mazel Toy Jacob Mass



Hi, my name is Jacob Mass and I attend Heschel Day School. My favorite subject is PE/Sports Exploratory because I love being active and hanging out with my friends playing sports. I also really like my history class this year because I have an amazing teacher that makes learning about history so much fun.

I am currently playing sports for my school teams. Soccer is my favorite sport, but this

year we are playing flag football, basketball and volleyball.

I have many interests, my first love is playing sports. Last summer I started fishing and hope to resume when the weather gets warmer again. I also want to teach myself how to be a D.J.

My favorite Jewish holiday is Hanukkah because it has the best food, like brisket and latkes.

I don't know what I want to be yet, but I want to do something involving the use of math and science.

Celebrate with Jacob, his family and friends on Saturday, March 30th at 9:00am!



Shabbat Across America and Canada Friday night, March 1, 2024

With our Scholar in Residence

Services 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm

Dinner Pricing
Adults (18+): \$18.00
Child (4-18y.o.): \$12.00

Join hundreds of synagogues across the continent taking part in a renowned Jewish event to celebrate what unifies all Jews — Shabbat! Everyone is invited, so no matter your age, or if you are a single, couple or family, large or small - we want you right there with us!



Schmoozing with Sisterhood

Once again, TRZ's Sisterhood had a successful Mah Jongg Card Fundraiser. Our "Mahj" ladies are looking forward to playing new hands beginning in April. Looking ahead, our annual Mah Jongg Tournament will be held on Sunday, August 4th, 2024.

By the time you read this, Sisterhood Shabbat will have come and gone. It was a spectacular morning with over 40 women involved....ranging in age all the way up to 100. We celebrated Rosh Chodesh and spoke about Jewish Slavery Laws. Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard to put this together and to all who participated. And a Yasher Koach to all the men who served the Kiddush Lunch.

Sisterhood has brought art, cooking and Mah Jongg to the Religious School students. The students have electives as part of their curriculum and are "expanding their horizons." A few Sisterhood women are volunteering their time and expertise to teach these subjects.

Make your plans to be with us on Sunday, April 7, 2024 for our annual Torah Fund Luncheon and Play. We will be celebrating Karen Jackson and honoring her with the Chai Ay Olam Award. This is always a special event and you don't want to miss it!! Look the flyer in this Shofar. You can still pledge to Torah Fund....why not add it to your RSVP for the Luncheon.

Would you like to get involved in our award winning Sisterhood? It's easy....just contact Carol Maller, our Nominating Chair at (818) 772-9581 or division10@aol.com. We would love to have you!!

Sisterhood is planning a Social Action program sometime in May. It will include a representative from Newborns In Need. Watch your emails for more information.

Last, but definitely not least, the Pacific Southwest Region of Women's League will have their annual Conference and Installation of Officers for 2024-2027 on Sunday and Monday, April 14th and 15th at the Queen Mary in Long Beach. *Our very own Gina Seeman will be installed as the new President. We are so very proud of her and wish her Mazel Tov on this new chapter in her Sisterhood life.*

B'Shalom,

Gayle & Sheree
Sisterhood Co-Presidents

MARGULIS SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE

FRIDAY MARCH 1ST - SATURDAY MARCH 2ND

Topics of discussion:

- 1. Ruth Bader Ginsburg
- 2. Elie Wiesel
- 3. Antisemitism

SCHEDULE

FRI. MARCH 1ST 7:45PM

SAT. MARCH 2ND 1:00PM

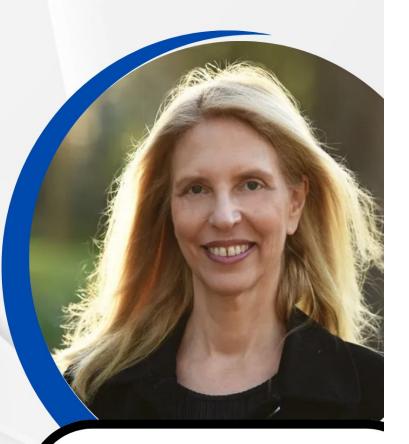
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Meals For Purchase:

Friday Night Dinner

REGISTER NOW

- 818-360-1881
- www.trz.org



Nadine Epstein

Editor of Moment Magazine

MARGULIS SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FRIDAY MARCH 1ST - SATURDAY MARCH 2ND

Friday March 1st

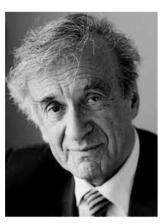
6:00pm Shabbat Services 7:00pm Shabbat Dinner (RSVP and Payment Required) 7:45pm RGB



Saturday March 2nd

9:00am Shabbat Services
12:00pm Shabbat Lunch (RSVP Required)
12:45pm Elie Wiesel

7:00pm Havdallah and Antisemitism 7:45pm Dessert (RSVP Required) Book Sales and Signing



To purchase her book for \$15 and we need orders by Feb. 23rd

Her just-released book, RBG's Brave & Brilliant Women: 33 Jewish Women to Inspire Everyone, written in collaboration with the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, has received tremendous praise.

RBG's Brave and Brilliant Woman: Jewish Women to Inspire Everyone

Which Jewish women inspired Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and why did she think they are great role models for everyone?

Elie Wiesel: An Extraordinary Life and Legacy

Insights into the life and legacy of Elie Wiesel, and the lessons we can learn from him to help navigate the world today.

Understanding Antisemitism in America today from Right to Left

Why the current range of American antisemitism is more complicated than most people assume - and globally connected. Why the Nation of Islam, Black Lives Matter, QAnon and variety of other white supremacist groups need to be part of the conversation.

MEN'S CLUB SHABBAT

Saturday March 2nd 9:00AM



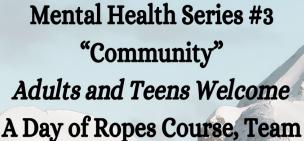




SAVE THE DATE

Sunday March 3rd 9:00am - 4:00pm

Off-site @ Temescal Canyon Gateway Park



Building, and Live Wolf Pack

Sign Up Today







March

Rebecca & Michael Amir	7 years
Ricardo & Clara Dyk	46 years
Steven & Linda Zucker	54 years
Philip & Joyce Newman	40 years
Hannah & Eric Villhauer	8 years
Aimee & Seth Katz	16 years
Sheldon & Marlene Ochitill	58 years
Joseph & Iris Moss	59 years
Louis & Ethel Magier	55 years
Barry & Joni Greenberg	39 years
	Ricardo & Clara Dyk Steven & Linda Zucker Philip & Joyce Newman Hannah & Eric Villhauer Aimee & Seth Katz Sheldon & Marlene Ochitill Joseph & Iris Moss Louis & Ethel Magier

April

4/4	Michael & Michelle Bennett	53 years
4/14	Michael & Parvin Davidson	59 years
4/22	Sean & Stacy O'Rourke	18 years
4/24	Samuel & Marlies Heller	14 years
4/25	Maurice & Nikka Berkowitz	7 years





Long Time Member Shabbat

Celebrating Milestone

Years:



Friday March 15th 6:00PM - Services

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TRZ Sisterhood Proudly Honors KAREN JACKSON

With the Chai Ay Olam Award At Our Annual Torah Fund Lunch And Show

NOW STREAMING, "MASHUPS"



Sunday April 7, 2024 NOON TRZ Social Hall

Return with Payment to: TRZ Sisterhood by March 24, 2024 17655 Devonshire St Northridge, CA 91325 Attention: Diane Schwarz

Minimum Torah Fund Pledge: \$18 per Family

Name	My Torah Fund Pledge \$
Phone#	Adults @\$36 each \$
EMAIL	Children@\$18 each \$
Please seat me with:	
	TRZ is a Secured Campus

MARCH 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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APRIL 2024

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Thoughtful Donations

Al Levy/Manny Rubinfeld Scholarship Fund

Bonnie & Jeff Stern IHO donation

Hazzan's Fund/Ann Littman Music Fund

Rachel Steinman IHO donation Sheree & J.P. Wolk IHO Hazzan Friedman's Cantor's Concert

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Laurie & Art Dubron IMO Andrew Gruber and **Pearl Gorelick**

Cheryl & Stuart Shapiro IHO Jeff Stern's 70th birthday

Beverly, Dennis and Sam Chester IHO Jeff Stern's 70th birthday

Mark & Blanche Kraveitz IMO Aunt Phyllis Mark & Blanche Kraveitz IMO Roger Steinberg Joni & Barry Greenberg IHO Jeff Stern's 70th birthday

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Steph & Alan Osadchey IHO Judi & Barry Greenberg's anniversary

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On behalf of the Officers and Board of Trustees of Temple Ramat Zion, we wish to express our heartfelt condolences.

Glenda Snitkoff passed away on December 25, 2023. Glenda is survived by her husband, Michael.

Leonard Mendelsohn passed away on December 31, 2023. Leonard is survived by his wife Helen, sons Michael and Rob (spouse: Lois), and grandchildren Noah, Eli, Steph (spouse: Josh), and Matt (spouse: Cassie).

Harvey Grant, father of Sari Currier passed away on January 22, 2024. Harvey is survived by his children Sari Currier, Susan (spouse: Rob) Anker, and David (spouse: Nancy) Grant; grandchildren Jeffrey (spouse: Amy), Stacey (spouse: Neil), Jake, Molly, Kara, Hayley, and Morgan; and greatgrandchildren Andrew, Emma, and Beau.

Roger Steinberg passed away on January 29, 2024. Roger is survived by his wife Rose, his children David (spouse: Scott) and Sharon (spouse: Mark), and his grandchildren Samuel and Cayla.

Nanci Zarachoff passed away on January 29, 2024. Nanci is survived by her former spouse Michael and her son Matthew.

Joel Teplinsky passed away. Joel is survived by his brother Allan, his wife Arleen, and his children David (spouse: Kimberly) and Aimee

זכר צדיק לברכה

May the memory of the righteous be for a blessing.

TRZ always appreciates your donations. Here is a list of the various funds through which you might remember a loved one or honor a simcha or achievement. Envelopes are available on the Shabbat table or in the Temple office.

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To provide scholarships to L.A. Hebrew High.

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To provide for the musical needs of the congregation.
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Provides scholarships for TRZ members and their children.

EARLY LEARNING CENTER EDUCATION FUND To enrich educational programs for the Early Learning Center.

ERIC KUPFER ADULT EDUCATION FUND

To fund Adult Education at Temple Ramat Zion

HAZZAN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

To support charitable and other worthy causes.

LAPIDES RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

Provides financial aid to families with children in our TRZ Religious School.

LIBRARY FUND

To purchase books and equipment for the synagogue library.

MAJOR GIFTS FUND

Provides endowment funds for the synagogue's future.

MITZVAH FUND

To fulfill cultural and educational activities.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

To support charitable and other worthy causes.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL EDUCATION FUND

To enrich educational programs for the TRZ Religious School.

SAM FOX YOUTH LOUNGE FUND

Provides funds for improvements made directly to the Youth Lounge.

TNM STEIN & JACOBS FUND

To help fund scholarships for children who wish to attend camp.

TNM SALTZ FUND To provide for youth scholarships, conventions, and other youth related functions.

TRZ FOOD PÁNTRY/SOVA

Helping to support **SOVA** and our community to feed the hungry.

WENDY TABACKMAN / USY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

To assist our youth in attending USY events.

Your thoughtful contributions to TRZ enables us to carry out many programs and are very much appreciated:

Please send your check to: **TEMPLE RAMAT ZION** 17655 Devonshire Street Northridge, CA 91325

Please specify to which fund you are contributing, and in whose honor or memory. A note will be sent to the families and recognition of your contribution will appear in the Shofar.

Todah Rabbah!

Men's Club Updates:

Happy Spring everyone! The TRZ Men's Club hopes you have been having a great start to 2024! This is your friendly neighborhood TRZ Men's Club President with an update on exciting upcoming events! As we have done annually, it was our pleasure to serve the Kiddush Luncheon for the Sisterhood Shabbat. At the beginning of March we will be holding the Men's Club Shabbat service – if you are interested in participating with a Torah Reading or leading a part of the service, please contact me as soon as possible. Later in March, we will be proudly serving lunch at the annual Purim Carnival and providing celebratory libations at the Megillah reading. In April, we will be recognizing the generations before us, especially those that senselessly perished in the Holocaust, with the synagogue's annual Yom Hashoah program. As always, we will be fundraising by selling the Yellow Candles, which can be purchased starting now for \$18 each. Lastly, in April, we will be hosting another Poker Night – the buy in is \$25 and includes poker chips, snacks, and refreshments. If you are interested in assisting Men's Club leadership in program and membership development, please contact me at any time. L'Chaim!

Men's Club President Marc Osadchey mbosadchey@gmail.com





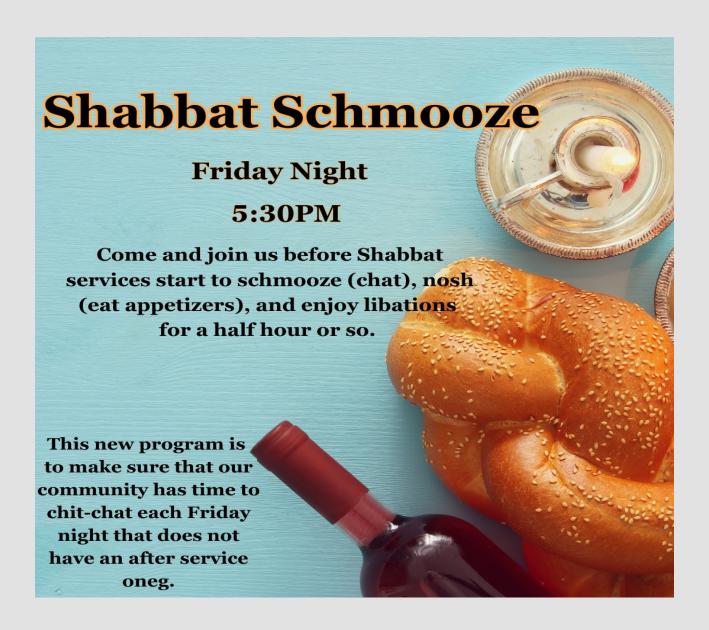
- Shabbat Beyond =

SHABBAT BEYOND IS FOR ALL AGES TO COME AND EXPERIENCE SHABBAT OUTSIDE OF A SHUL SETTING BUT STILL SURROUNDED BY COMMUNITY.

WE WILL BE MEETING AT NORTHRIDGE PARK AT THE CORNER OF LEMARSH AND ETIWANDA FOR A MORNING FULL OF SPIRIT, MOVEMENT, AND MUSIC.

HAZZAN FRIEDMAN WILL BE LEADING US IN ALL SORTS OF FUN, SO WEAR PLAY CLOTHES, BRING ANY TOYS/GEAR THAT YOU WOULD NORMALLY BRING TO THE PARK, BRING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT, AND A BLANKET & CHAIRS FOR LOUNGING. FOR AFTER OUR PROGRAM; BRING A DAIRY PICNIC TO ENJOY WITH FRIENDS.

April 13th with Hazzan Daniel Friedman









Kibbitz Korner Has Been Such a Highlight of the Week

We love seeing everyone and enjoying the fun hour, but could use a couple more paper goods, coffee pods, and coffee creamer. If you are at the store and want to support the



fun, please pick up a couple to keeps things stocked.

Thanks! See you every Wednesday!



SELL YOUR CHAMETZ

A FEW NOTES FROM RABBI SELA

Since we are not permitted to eat, own, or derive any benefit from chametz during Passover (Ex. 12:19-20), we must try to use up or give away all chametz--all foods not acceptable during Passover (please refer to the "Pesach Guide") before the holiday begins, i.e. April 22, 2024. Should this be impossible, the chametz may be stored in such a way that we are sure not to use it during the holiday, and the actual ownership may be transferred to a non-Jew (who is allowed to own chametz) until the holiday ends.

If you desire to follow this practice, please detach and complete the accompanying form and return it to the synagogue office as soon as possible, but no later than Monday morning, April 22nd, or come in person to morning Minyan on Monday, April 22nd at 8am and I will arrange the sale. Please be aware that if you do this, you will not own your chametz on Passover, and eating it or deriving any benefit from it would constitute theft!

It is customary, before Pesach, to make a contribution for *ma'ot hittin*—funds designated to helping the poor celebrate the holiday. You may do this by either making your check to the TRZ Mitzvah Fund, or directly to the major Jewish hunger relief organization, Mazon (10495 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 100, L.A. 90025 or at www.mazon.org) or your favorite hunger relief organization. Such donations are in the true spirit of the holiday, echoing the words of the Haggadah: "Let all who are hungry come and eat..."

Of course, should you have any questions at all about this procedure, or about the observance of Passover in general, please do not hesitate to call on me.

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metz which may be in my possession, where	hereby authorize Rabbi Ahud Sela to dispose of all cha- e it may beat home, place of business, summer home, the requirements and provisions of Jewish Law.
Name (please print)	
Address	
Approximate value and location of Chametz	
Date	

THE RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY

PESAH GUIDE

FOODS



The Torah prohibits the ownership of pan (hametz) (flour, food or drink made from the prohibited species of leavened grain: wheat, oats, barley, rye or spelt) during Pesah. Ideally we burn or remove all ממץ (hametz) from our premises which may be effected by donations to a local food pantry. In some cases, however, this would cause prohibitive financial loss. In such cases, we arrange for the sale of the חמץ (hametz) to a non-Jew and its repurchase after Pesah.

Prohibited foods

Since the Torah prohibits the eating of pan (hametz) during Pesah, and since many common foods contain some pan (hametz), guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for Pesah. Prohibited foods (γπ – hametz) include the following:

biscuits

- coffees containing cereal derivatives leavened bread

cakes

crackers

pasta

These are foods that are generally made with wheat, barley, oats, spelt or rye (grains that can become pan (hameta)). Any food containing these grains or derivatives of these grains must be certified kosher for Pesah. Flavorings in foodstuffs are often derived from alcohol produced from one of these grains which would render that food produced. Such products also need Pesah supervision.

– קטניות – Kitniyot

Ashkenazi Rabbinical authorities added the following foods (שניות / kitniyot) to the above list of prohibited foods:

 beans • millet rice • com peas • soy

These and some other plant foods (e.g. mustard, buckwheat and sesame seeds) are not permitted for eating on Pesah. They need not be sold or disposed of before Pesah. The processed products, whether liquid or solid, from סטנית (kitniyot) are also forbidden by most Ashkenazic rabbinical authorities. These might include but not be limited to ascorbic acid (vitamin C), corn oil, com sweetener, and soy oil.

Most Sephardic authorities permit the use of all the קטניות (kitniyot) foods other than those that might have come in contact with the prohibited grains. Israeli products are often marked "contains kitniyot" and thus Ashkenazi Jews who do not use קטניות (kitniyot) need to be vigilant when purchasing Israeli products for Passover.

Our Movement's Committee on Jewish Law and Standards has permitted the use of peanuts and peanut oil on Pesah provided said items have proper year round kosher certification and do not contain any חמץ (hametz) ingredients.

Rav Sela <u>permits</u> the eating of kitniyot in their <u>whole form,</u> such as whole corn kernals, but <u>prohibits</u> the eating of kitniyot in their <u>derivative forms</u> such that they are used to make bread-like products, i.e. com meal to make com bread. For further clarification on this leniency please contact Rav Sela.

Permitted Foods

An item that is kosher all year round, that is made with no many (hametz), and is processed on machines used only for that item and nothing else (such as ground coffee) may be used with no special Pesah supervision. As we learn more about the processing of foods and the ingredients they contain, relying on the kashrut of a product for Pesah without a Passover הכשר (hekhsher) may be problematic. Wherever possible, processed foods ought to have a " לפסח כשר" ("kasher l'Pesah") מפשר (bekbsher) from a reliable source. Since that is not always possible, however, our guidelines reflect some alternatives that are acceptable.

NO PESAH HEKHSHER REQUIRED

Products which may be purchased without a Pesah הכשר (hekhsher) before or during Pesah:

- baking soda
- bicarbonate of soda
- eggs
- fresh fruits and vegetables
- Nestea (regular and decaffeinated)
- pure black, green, or white tea
- unflavored tea bags
- unflavored regular coffee
- whole or gutted fresh fish
- fresh or frozen kosher meat (other than chopped meat)
- whole or half pecans (not pieces)
- olive oil (extra-virgin only)
- whole (unground) spices and nuts

NO PESAH HEKHSHER REQUIRED IF PURCHASED BEFORE PESAH

Products which may only be purchased without a Pesah הכשר (hekhsher) before Pesah. If bought during Pesah they require a Pesah הכשר (hekhsher):

- all pure fruit juices
- non-iodized salt
- unsalted Grade A butter

• filleted fish

- pure white sugar (no additives)
- white milk

- frozen fruit (no additives)
- quinoa (with nothing mixed in)

Frozen, uncooked vegetables may be processed on shared equipment that uses אמר (hametz). It is preferable to purchase those with a " מפטר " ("kasher l'Pesah") label.

PESAH HEKHSHER ALWAYS REQUIRED

Products which require reliable לפסח כשר (kasher l'Pesah) certification (regular kosher supervision being not sufficient) whether bought before or during Pesah:

- all baked goods
- farfel
- matzah
- any product containing matzah
- matzah flour
- matzah meal
- Pesah cakes
- all frozen processed foods

- candy
- canned tuna
- cheeses
- chocolate milk
- decaf coffee
- decaf tea
- dried fruits
- herbal tea
- ice cream

- liquor
- non Grade A butter
- oils
- soda
- vinegar
- wine
- yogurt

Regarding cheeses and non-Grade A butter, an inspection by a rabbi of a local dairy may suffice to resolve potential questions in some cases.

Baby food with a Passover הכשר (bekhsher) is sometimes available. Of course, home preparation of baby food, using לפטח (kasher l'Pesah) utensils and kitchen items is always possible. Pure vegetable prepared baby food that is עשר (kasher) the year round is acceptable for Pesah. The use of א קטנית (kitniyot) for babies is also acceptable with care taken that this baby food does not mix with food from the rest of the family. Separate dishes and utensils are recommended. Most infant formulas are made from soy and the use of א קטניות (kitniyot) does not apply to infants. Thus infant formula products, עונים (kasher) the year round, are acceptable for Pesah. Here as in baby foods, the bottles, nipples and formula should be kept away from the general kitchen area and clean up should be done out of the kitchen area (e.g. a bathroom sink).

Prescription medicines are permitted. Non-prescription pills and capsules are permitted; for liquids, check with your rabbi.

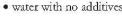
NON FOOD ITEMS

Any detergents, cleaners, etc. which are not a food stuff and which are not eaten, may be used for Pesah with no *hekhshered* supervision. This would include:

- aluminum products
- ammonia
- baby oil
- bleach
- candles
- contact paper
- charcoal
- coffee filters
- fabric softener
- isopropyl alcohol

- laundry and dish detergent
- oven cleaner
- paper bags
- paper plates (with no starch coating)
- plastic cutlery
- plastic wrap
- polish
- powder and ointment
- sanitizers

- scouring pads
- stain remover







MEMBERSHIP MENTIONINGS

Our TRZ family extends its sincere sympathy and caring to:

Sari Currier, on the passing of her beloved father, Harvey Grant. He will be deeply and dearly missed by his children, Sari, Susan and Bob and David and Nancy and his beloved grandchildren, Jeffrey and Amy, Stacey and Neil, Jake, Molly, Kara, Hayley and Morgan, and great-grandchildren, Andrew, Emma and Beau. Harvey had a wonderful 94 years. His career was as a lawyer. He loved to travel and enjoy all of life's blessings. A special mensch.

Joni and Barry Greenberg on the passing of their beloved brother-in-law, Andrew Gruber. He will be deeply and dearly missed by his wife, Julie, sister Lisa Rego, nieces and nephews, Shannon and Jamie, Chris, Alex and Bradley and Kate and great-nephews, Braydon and Leo. Andy was a CPA in Las Vegas where he and Julie have lived for over 30 years. He was incredibly kind to everyone he met.

Helen Mendelsohn, on the passing of her beloved husband, Leonard. Dearly and deeply missed by his children, Michael, Rob and Lois and his grandchildren, Noah, Eli, Steph and Josh and Matt and Cassie. Always a pleasure to speak with everyone, Leonard will be remembered as a true mensch. The Mendelsohn family joined Temple Ner Tamid in 1963, then continued with the merger with Maarav. The Mendelsohns came over to TRZ in 2012 and were most welcomed into their new family. Helen and Leonard would have celebrated 72 years together in June. Leonard was able to celebrate 95 + good years.

Michael Snitkoff, on the passing of his beloved wife of 53 years, Glenda. Before her medical challenges, Glenda participated in the Monday morning knitting sessions. A very talented lady, a real Aishes Chayil.

Rose Steinberg, on the passing of her beloved husband, Roger. He will be deeply and dearly missed by his children, David and Scott and Sharon and Mark, and his beloved grandchildren, Samuel and Cayla. Roger was a real gentleman and a mensch when he passed at age 87. Before his medical challenges, Roger enjoyed being at the many TRZ events. The Steinbergs have been members of TRZ since 1977 and would have celebrated their 60th anniversary this August. Roger was always Rose's best supporter, when she was Sisterhood President or whenever she helped around TRZ. First and foremost, Roger was a family man, 19 years younger than his closest brother. But he kept in touch with all the nephews and nieces and their families. Roger also kept up with his many friends and co-workers in the cosmetics industry. He was an avid traveler who enjoyed meeting new people, walking around towns and listening about their history. After retirement, Roger and Rose were able to travel globally on land trips and cruises. Another long-time member who will be watching over his TRZ family.

Allan Teplinsky, on the passing of his beloved brother, Joel. Joel will be deeply and dearly missed by his wife Arleen and his children, David and Kimberly and Aimee. Joel was a plastic surgeon helping burn victims to heal. He travelled globally teaching other doctors how to treat and heal burn patients. He loved reading and learning. Jewish education was a priority in his life. A real mensch.

May the beautiful memories of Harvey Grant, Andrew Gruber, Leonard Mendelsohn, Glenda Snitkoff, Roger Steinberg and Joel Teplinsky always be for blessings.

MEMBERSHIP MENTIONINGS - (cont.)

Mazal Tov to Lee and Ron Robinson on the birth of their grandson, Jasper Leon Robinson. Proud parents are Jason and Bri. He joins big sister Sophia and cousins Isla and Ruby. Mazal tov to Great-Aunt and Great-Uncle, Shayne and Joel Marine.

Mazal Tov to our congregants celebrating milestone birthdays

Marvin Abrams, Michael Davidson, Dr. Paul Deiter, Dorothy Epstein, Larry Fiber, Audrey Gold, Len Kligman, Ina Kosoy, Howard Langfus, Iris Lasky, Mort Lasky, Jerry Leventhal, Ken Levitt, Dr. Bruce Littman, Gayle Bishoff, Maxine Luck, Diane Schwarz and Joyce Tessler.

Special Mazal Tovs to our young-at heart congregants, Len Kligman celebrating his 90th, Marvin Abrams celebrating his 93rd and Lionel Sterne celebrating his 98th birthday.

May they all celebrate many more happy and healthy birthdays.

Mazal Tov to our congregants celebrating milestone anniversaries

Michelle and Michael Bennett celebrating 53 years, Linda and Steve Zucker celebrating 54 years, Ethel and Louis Magier celebrating 55 years, Marlene and Sheldon Ochitill celebrating 58 years, Parvin and Michael Davidson and Iris and Joe Moss celebrating 59 years.

Rebecca and Michael Amir	7 years	Stacy and Sean O'Rourke	18 years
Dr. Maurice and Nikka Berkowitz	7 years	Joni and Barry Greenberg	39 years
Hannah and Eric Villhauer	8 years	Joyce and Philip Newman	40 years
Marlies and Sam Heller	14 years	Clara and Ricardo Dyk	46 years
Aimee and Seth Katz	16 years		

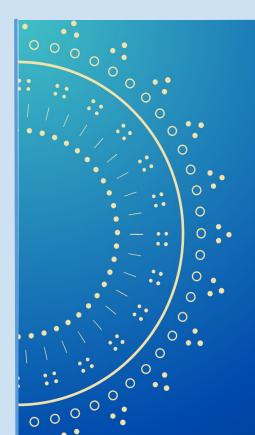
May they all celebrate many more happy and healthy years together.

Your TRZ family enjoys celebrating and reading about their fellow congregants' simchas, milestones and graduations. We want to highlight all your nachas news and graduation events in the May/June Shofar. Please forward your family information by April 5th to division10@aol.com.

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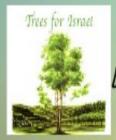
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Plaques, both inside and on the wall in our Memorial Garden, or in the amphitheater are \$400 for members, and \$500 for non-members. Plaques must be paid in full at the time of your order, whether reserved or named. They can be paid for by check or credit card.

If you want to add additional plaques to those you may have on one of the other four TRZ Boards, and have them put together on the new boards, we can do that for you.

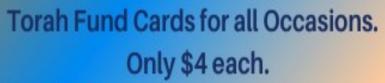
There are no additional charges when "Reserved" plaques are named years later.

Forms are available on the TRZ website and in the TRZ office.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me for additional information.

Carol Maller, Memorial Plaques Chair division10@aol.com or 818-772-9581

Sisterhood





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Sympathy



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The Membership Committee of TRZ would like you to know that we support you in all aspects of synagogue life.

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Day	Month	Date	Time	Special Event	Book of the Torah	Candle Lighting/ Parsha of the Week
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Friday	March	1	5:00pm	Bim Bam Bimah		
Friday	March	1	6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services		Light @ 5:33pm
Saturday	March	2	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services	Exodus	Ki Tissa 30:11-34:35
Friday	March	8	6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services		Light @ 5:39pm
Saturday	March	9	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services	Exodus	Vayak'hel 35:1-38:20
Friday	March	15	6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services with Long Time Member Shabbat		Light @ 6:45pm
Saturday	March	16	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services	Exodus	Pekudei 38:21-40:38
Friday	March	22	6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services		Light @ 6:50pm
Saturday	March	23	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services	Leviticus	Vayikra 1:1-5:26
Friday	March	29	7:30pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services with Anniversary & Birthday Celebration		Light @ 6:55pm
Saturday	March	30	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services & Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Mass	Leviticus	Tzav 6:1-8:36
Friday	April	5	5:00pm	Bim Bam Bimah		
Friday	April	5	6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services		Light @ 7:01pm
Saturday	April	6	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services	Leviticus	Sh'mini 9:1-11:47
Friday	April	12	6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services		Light @ 7:06pm
Saturday	April	13	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services	Leviticus	Tazria 12:1-13:59
Friday	April	19	6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services		Light @ 7:12pm
Saturday	April	20	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services	Leviticus	Metzora 14:1-15:33
Monday	April	22	8:00am	Passover Minyan, Fast of the firstborn & Siyyum		
Tuesday	April	23	10:00am	Pesach Services		Light @ 8:09pm
Wednesday	April	24	10:00am	Pesach Services		
Friday	April	26	7:30pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Services with Anniversary & Birthday Celebration		Light @ 7:17pm
Saturday	April	27	9:00am	Shabbat Morning Services - Hol Hamoed Pesach	Exodus	Ki Tissa 30:12-34:26
Monday	April	29	9:00am	Pesach Services	LAGGEO	Light @ 8:13pm
Tuesday	April	30	9:00am	Pesach Services & Yizkor		



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