



## Rabbi Michael Robinson Memorial *Tisch* Stanford Professor, Clayborne Carson

Selma 50 Years Later – American Jewish  
Community and the Civil Rights Movement

August 14 – 6:15 PM

It has been nine years since Rabbi Michael Robinson passed away. May his name be for a blessing. Rabbi Michael was an avid civil rights activist for years before and after he came to Shomrei Torah. He worked with the late Martin Luther King, Jr. among others. How fitting that this year's memorial service will feature Stanford Professor Clayborne Carson, who has spent much of his life devoted to the workings of Dr. King.

Rabbi Michael was arrested and put in jail with MLK Jr. during a march in St. Augustine, Florida. In the 1950s, the rabbi was often on the same podium with Dr. King.

Clayborne Carson was selected by Coretta Scott King to publish her husband's papers. *The King Papers Project* has produced seven volumes of King's speeches, sermons, correspondence, publications and even unpublished writings.



Carson's latest work traces his life from teenage participant in the 1963 March on Washington to international King scholar. He is also the editor of the "Eyes on the Prize" television series on the civil rights movement and edited a companion volume of readings widely used in college level American history classes.

The Rabbi's *Tisch* will begin with *Shabbat* blessings at 6:15 PM and dinner. Be sure to reserve your space for dinner by calling the office at 578-5519 or emailing [denise@cstsr.org](mailto:denise@cstsr.org).

Suggested donation is \$18.

The Rabbi Michael Robinson Memorial *Tisch* is a project of the Social Action Committee and funded by the Rabbi Michael Robinson Fund for Social Justice.

## Ruth Robinson Art Exhibit

To honor Rabbi Michael Robinson's legacy and  
benefit the CST Mortgage Fund

August 14 – 5:00 PM

A woman of many talents, Ruth Robinson was primarily known as "the Rabbi's Wife" when she was married to Shomrei Torah's late rabbi, Michael Robinson. They were married 53 years until his death in 2006. Ruth was a formidable painter and later a printmaker. She continues to be a CST member and is active on both the Social Action and Environmental Action Committees.

At age 13, Ruth discovered watercolors and has never stopped. After studies at Miami Art School, she received a BA in studio art from Roger Williams University in Rhode Island. She lived and painted in the Hudson River Valley. She also took her paints to Europe and Israel, where she was the first international artist to work at the newly established atelier, the Jerusalem Print Workshop, and exhibited at the Florence Miller Gallery there. Ruth's art portrays judaica themes, flowers, oceans, skies, buildings, people, abstracts, and more. Her work has been featured in many

corners of the United States. Ruth has opened her home studio in Sebastopol for Art Trails for several years and Art At The Source as well. Her paintings, original monotypes and etchings are in private and public collections across the U.S.

You can see samples of her work at [www.ruthpaints.com](http://www.ruthpaints.com).

On August 14, Shomrei Torah will host the annual Rabbi Michael Robinson Memorial *Tisch*. In conjunction with that event, Ruth has graciously offered to exhibit and sell several of her paintings. Thanks to Ruth's generosity and dedication to CST, all of the proceeds will go to the CST Mortgage Fund. Artwork will be on display in Shalom Hall from Tuesday, August 11 through Sunday, August 16. Please join us for a wine and cheese reception with the artist on Friday evening preceding the *tisch* beginning at 5:00 PM. Please note that no money will be accepted on *Shabbat*, but you will be able to reserve the selections of your choice.

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## High Holy Day Volunteers Needed

We need your help to ensure that everyone who joins us for the High Holy Days feels welcome. Please volunteer to be a greeter or an usher at one (or more) of our services. Evening services will be held September 13 and 22 and morning services will be held September 14, 15, and 23. Please help share the Shomrei Torah hospitality and contact 707-578-5519 for more information.

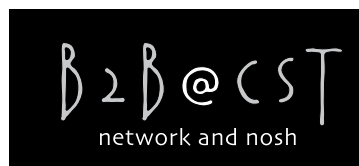
## Lifelong Learning Seminar

**“An Introduction to Meditation: Where Judaism and Buddhism Meet”**

4 sessions: August 5, 12, 19, 26

Wednesdays at 7:00 PM in the Kolbo Room

Rabbi George will share his experience in meditation in both Buddhist and Jewish settings with instructions and teachings and plenty of time to practice. No previous knowledge or experience necessary.



**B2B@CST Business  
Networking Group**  
*August 11 – 7:30 AM*

Are you a business person or professional searching for opportunities to grow your business? Congregation Shomrei Torah has just the opportunity for you. Join our B2B@CST Business Networking Group and meet an interesting variety of business people just like you. Each of us are members of CST and are committed to growing our businesses and helping you grow yours through leads that we share within the group.

You'll meet an eclectic mix of members including financial planners, chiropractors, tax preparers, estate attorneys, asset managers, business and employment consultants, realtors, home remodelers, fine artists, graphic artists, photographers, dance instructors and more. Not only is the B2B@CST group good for business, but you'll forge and strengthen new friendships and alliances to connect to our robust community. Sonoma County is a great place to live and joining B2B@CST will make your life here even richer!

We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 AM at Congregation Shomrei Torah. For more information, contact Denise at 707-578-5519.

**It's not too late to register your child for STaRS! Don't miss out! This year we are offering online registration.**



No student will be turned away due to financial constraints. If you are requesting a Religious School Scholarship, please fill out the scholarship section of the registration process. And to continue this long standing tradition, please consider making a donation to our Scholarship Fund to help pass down our tradition from generation to generation.

The STaRS schedule for 2015-16 is:

**Kindergarten-3rd Grade:** Sundays from 9:00-11:15 AM  
(All School T'filla: Sundays from 11:00-11:15 AM)

**4th Grade-6th Grade:**  
Sundays from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM AND Wednesdays from 4:00-6:00 PM

**7th Grade:** To be announced.

For more information or to register, please email Julie, the rabbinic assistant at [ra@cstsr.org](mailto:ra@cstsr.org).

## Join us for the Sunday, September 6 meeting of the Men's Bagel Club

*September 6 – 9:30 AM*

Shomrei Torah  
President  
Rachael  
Cutcher, who  
was re-elected  
in May, will  
give us her spin



on what is new and what is being planned at our congregation. Rachael has a unique perspective on life at CST from her many years in leadership roles and will be open to input from the audience.

The morning will start at 9:00 AM in the sanctuary with a delicious brunch of lox, bagels and cream cheese with all the trimmings. All of this for a donation of only \$7. In honor of Walter Kuttner, women are always welcome. RSVP to [cstbagelmen@gmail.com](mailto:cstbagelmen@gmail.com) to reserve your breakfast.

## Register Now For 5th Biennial CST Men's Retreat

**Renewal—Relationships—Reflection**  
*Friday, October 16 - Sunday, October 18*  
*Enchanted Hills Retreat Center in Napa*

The 5th Shomrei Torah Men's Retreat is right around the corner and we don't want you to miss out on a weekend of camaraderie, contemplation, *kibitzing*, and of course, good food.

The Enchanted Hills Retreat Center features excellent facilities for sports, hiking and swimming in a beautiful setting, and the food, prepared by a professional staff, is amazing! Come to just kick back with other guys and to enjoy a stress-free weekend.

For more information, or to register, email [denise@cstsr.org](mailto:denise@cstsr.org).

You can download a registration form from the CST website at [www.cstsr.org](http://www.cstsr.org).

# Special Message about NEW ADULT B'NEI MITZVAH Classes

## PURPOSE:

The Adult B'nei-Mitzvah Training Program is an opportunity for students to learn about Judaism and Jewish life, as adults. This 13 month course will delve into Jewish theology, liturgy (prayers) and the Jewish canon (Torah, Midrash, Talmud, etc.). Class time will also be devoted to the mastery of parts of the Shabbat morning service. The course culminates at the Shabbat morning service on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016, during which students will share in leading the service.

## Format:

Regular class will be on Saturdays from 1-2:30 pm, beginning on November 7th, 2015.

The 90-minute sessions will be taught by Rabbi Gittleman, Rabbi Kramer and a number of guests (to be announced). There are no prerequisites for the course except some ability to read Hebrew. (If you would like to take the class but don't know how to read Hebrew, please be in touch. We would be happy to suggest a tutor for Hebrew reading. It's never too late to start!)

In addition to Saturday class, students will occasionally attend Life Long Learning lectures on Wednesday nights. Included in the class is also 5 hours of private tutoring in preparation for reading Torah on the day of the B'nai Mitzvah.

## Adult B'nei Mitzvah Training Program:

*Interested in joining this class or have questions?*

Please be in touch with Denise by emailing: [Denise@cstr.org](mailto:Denise@cstr.org)

Class size will be limited, an early response will ensure your seat.

**Registration Deadline: SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

## Topics of Study:

- Meaning of Mitzvah
- Structure and meaning of the Shabbat Morning Service
- Introduction to the Jewish Canon
- Jewish approaches to the Divine
- What happens when I die?
- Jewish response to death and mourning
- Israel
- Introduction to *Kabbalah*
- Jewish movements
- How to approach writing a *D'var Torah* (sermon)
- Basic Torah Trope
- Torah Study of specific *parshah* verses
- *Parshah* Tutoring: Chanting of 1-3 specific lines of Torah (5 hours of private study with tutor)

## Program's expectations of student:

- Regular attendance at program classes
- Completion of occasional readings and/or homework assignments
- Attendance at Shabbat morning services at least once-a-month during the entire study period
- Regular access to a desktop or laptop computer that will run Trope Trainer Software (PC or Mac)

## Cost to Student:

\$1310 tuition and materials\*

*\*Scholarships available upon request*



"My adult B'not Mitzvah with 10 other women,  
taught by Rabbi George with Rabbi Stephanie was  
one of the most meaningful experiences of my life."

~Sue Lewis



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## "I am somebody."

### Reflections on Hosting The AIDS Memorial Quilt Display

The inspiration for bringing the quilt to Shomrei Torah came from last year's congregational Civil Rights Tour of the South. First stop was Atlanta, the birthplace of Martin Luther King and the home of the Names Project/ AIDS Memorial Quilts. I had last seen the quilt some 30+ years ago in Oakland during the height of the AIDS epidemic. I lived in San Francisco then and men were dying all around me, in the apartment building where I lived, at the office where I worked. It was frightening, gut-wrenching and so sad. The quilt took me by surprise. I did not know what to expect. It was intimate. Their names, stories, pictures. So many people, so many lives. It was emotionally overwhelming. Looking back I realize how traumatized we were... the living and the dead.

We included the Names Project on our trip because of our 20+ years of advocacy for LGBTQ rights. The quilts are housed in a large warehouse, nothing fancy, barebones. It was hot and muggy the day we toured the sight. The place is cavernous, dark and musty. Quilts are piled in 12' by 12' squares in rows that reach so deep into the building that they fade into darkness as if they go on forever. We were stunned, cracked open, just being in the space, and when we found out that sections of the Quilt Memorial could be



Rabbi George

brought to Shomrei Torah, it was "a done deal," at least in theory.

It actually took a year of planning to bring the Quilt Memorial to Shomrei Torah. Shirley Liberman led the effort with help from a long list of dedicated volunteers. Thanks to all of you who made the dream of bringing the Quilt Memorial to Shomrei Torah a reality!

As with my first experience with the Quilt Memorial, we underestimated the emotional impact it would have on all involved. It wasn't until Shirley and crew began to unpack the quilts and hang them that the depth of the experience became apparent.

Everyone's experience was different, but all were moved. The impact was most immediate for those whose loved ones are memorialized in the quilts. I watched a few people walk into the sanctuary, search and then find their name, their quilt, their family member or friend. Three families in the congregation had quilts made

so that their dear ones could be a part of the memorial. Those new additions moved me the most. Others, like my daughter Sophie just home from college, encountered the Quilt Memorial and the AIDS epidemic for the first time.

It was hard for her to grasp at first but then she saw a quilt that touched her where she lives. It was from her college sorority memorializing their dead. And then I walked with her over to the new quilts and I asked her if she recognized anyone. It took her a moment but then she said, that guy – there is a picture of Perry on the quilt – looks just like Jason and Corey Bornstein." "Yes," I replied. "That's Linda's brother Perry. Ruth's son. Cory and Jason's uncle. He died of AIDS. Marcia made a quilt for them... isn't it beautiful?" We were both crying...

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*Shabbat* with the Quilt Memorial was challenging since we are not supposed to mourn on *Shabbat*. I've never bought into the idea that we can just turn on and off our emotions and so we ignored this traditional prohibition and shed more than a few tears while still celebrating *Shabbat*

with a *tisch*, a baby-naming and a *bat mitzvah*!

Jewish tradition believes that memory can be redemptive even to the point of changing the past. When the folks memorialized in the Quilt Display were alive, many were likely not welcome in the synagogues and churches of their families of origin. They were not welcome, they could not marry, they were at best ignored and at worst demonized. During the *Shabbat* of the Quilt Memorial we changed all that; they were our honored guests, "dear ones" whom we welcomed with open arms and open hearts.

In the Torah cycle of the synagogue we are reading *b'midbar*, in the wilderness, and the English name for the book that describes that journey is Numbers because there are a number of censuses taken in the book. Rashi, the great medieval rabbi, asked the question, "Why all the censuses? Why all the counting?" He responds that counting is a form of endearment. The image is that of a collector who occasionally brings out her collection just to appreciate what she has. These quilts are a form of counting, of naming, of appreciating loved ones, dear ones, our children, siblings, lovers, partners, friends. It's a way to say, as one of the quilts proclaims, "I am somebody," somebody dear, special, beloved, *B'tzelem Elohim*, created in the image of God. Precious.

**B'shalom,  
Rabbi George**

## Planning for Our Financial Future

At our annual meeting, Martin Stein spoke about the current status of our mortgage. Since this is such an important and timely topic, I would like to take this opportunity to share Martin's speech with you in case you missed it or would like to review the details again:



Martin Stein

I would like to spend a few minutes to discuss our challenge regarding the mortgage for Shomrei Torah. The facts about this mortgage are not well understood and, as we approach the March 2017 deadline, it is important that we all understand the situation.

Our current monthly mortgage payment of \$9,305 is not reflected in the annual budget that Garry just presented and has never been reflected in any annual budget. These payments have been held in a separate fund. Just to be clear, when we say the annual budget is close to breakeven (really, a \$35,000 deficit), it excludes \$9,305 times 12, or \$111,660 per year.

When we obtained a mortgage, the residual from our building



Rachael Cutcher

fund was used to pay the monthly mortgage. In March of 2017 the mortgage ends and we will owe the bank \$1,569,000. Let me repeat, \$1,569,000. Unfortunately, at that time, the mortgage fund will be depleted. We do not have the \$1.5 million and even if we could refinance, there is no money to pay a mortgage of \$9,000 – 10,000 per month.

It may not be quite as bleak as it sounds because previously pledged, multi-year donations will still be coming in and might—and I say “might”—

*“When we obtained a mortgage, the residual from our building fund was used to pay the monthly mortgage.”*

give us another year if the bank will allow us to do so. However, like with a flat tire, we can put on a “weenie” wheel spare, but it won't last forever. This is the major challenge we face and it is urgent we start to address it now.”

*“The Finance Committee and the Board have been working on a solution that will be finalized in the near future and be presented to the membership as a whole.”*

The Finance Committee and the Board have been working on a solution that will be finalized in the near future and be presented to the membership as a whole. I can tell you that this solution will be egalitarian and involve participation over and above the regular dues for every member. Everyone will be asked to participate in a fair manner.

Only 40% of the current membership has contributed to the building fund. We must strive for 100%. To be fair, 40% is partially a function of new members who were not here for the building fund. Those who contributed in the past raised \$7 million to build Shomrei Torah; now we must all work together to raise another \$1.6 million.

There is no easy solution to this problem, just as there was not an easy solution when we originally built Shomrei; but I am confident that we will all work to make this happen and, with a little pain, will achieve our goal.

## Environmental Action Committee Update



As California suffers with the lingering effects of our lack of rain and snow for the past 4 years, the Environmental Action Committee has been exploring the variety of issues that are involved. One interesting arena is the many productive water solutions that have been enacted in Israel. Israel is the world's leader in drip irrigation, use of reclaimed water, desalination, and even the use of salty inland water for fish-farming. Check out a very well-done 11 minute video at [www.cbn.com/tv/2648187707001](http://www.cbn.com/tv/2648187707001) to learn more of their achievements.



Closer to home, regarding the drought, the wine industry has come under increasing pressure to monitor and curtail their use of water resources. One local company's innovative actions are featured in an article that can be found at <http://santarosapressdemocrat.ca.newsmemory.com/?token=171841E8-379D-4344-B62F-8B5102F6EDD2>.

## Environmental Action Committee

### *Tip of the Month*

*Where there is no vision, the people perish.*

—Proverbs 29:18

Are you overwhelmed by the amount of waste and garbage your household produces each year? If so, the solution is close at hand—in fact right on your computer screen in the 2015 Sonoma County Recycling Guide!

The handy guide is full of information about where to recycle virtually anything—

- Electronics to eyeglasses
- Carpets to corks
- Medications to mattresses
- Printer cartridges to paint cans
- ...and much more!

Improving and increasing recycling is one of the best opportunities to preserve our environment, conserve our natural resources, and save our economy.

When you need information about where to recycle, simply go to:

[www.recyclenow.org](http://www.recyclenow.org)

or call the Sonoma County Eco-Desk at 565-3375.

## Kudos to the Fundraising Committee!

This past year the Fundraising Committee raised \$65,000 directly benefitting Shomrei Torah. In addition to producing the CST Membership Directory and the Annual Gelt-a-thon, the Fundraising Committee produced a series of four fantastic events: The CST Performance Series. The year kicked off with mentalist Marc Salem which brought people to their feet. The second event in the series featured musical duo Fineman and Hurd for an intimate musical performance. Cantors David Frommer and Josh Breitzer sang their hearts out at the first ever Dueling Cantors event featuring Nolan Gasser on piano. People enjoyed an evening full of interactivity, community and song. Our final event of the series “The Mama-logues” had the audience in stitches as they laughed for hours. It was compiled, produced and directed by Shomrei Torah member Laurie Levy.

Special thanks to Bruce Falstein for his leadership of the committee this past year and a huge thanks to the entire Fundraising Committee for the countless hours of time spent putting all these fabulous events together!



## Bat Mitzvah

**Julia Sawyer**

*August 8, 2015 - 23 Av 5775*

Help us celebrate when our daughter, Julia, is called to the Torah as a *Bat Mitzvah*. Light *oneg* to follow the service.

— Russell Sawyer  
— Kimberly Sawyer

## Bar Mitzvah

**Lucas Navarro**

*August 22, 2015 – 7 Elul 5775*

Please join us in celebration as our son, Lucas, is called to the Torah to become a *Bar Mitzvah*. The service will be followed by a *kiddush* luncheon.

— Jillian and Ed Navarro



## Bar Mitzvah

**Adam Zimmer**

*August 29, 2015 – 14 Elul 5775*

Please join us in celebration as our son, Adam, is called to the Torah to become a *Bar Mitzvah*. The service will be followed by a *kiddush* luncheon hosted by Adam's grandparents, Ann and Asher Sheppard.

— Julia and Larry Zimmer

## JCC Chaverim News

Happy Summer to all *Chaverim* teens and their families. We won't bother you or ask for much, only that you go to [jccsoco.org](http://jccsoco.org) (teens tab) and sign your 8th-12th grader up for another great year of dinner/discussions. It's pretty much click and register; it's that easy.

**Rick Concoff, Director**

*Chaverim*  
JCCSOCO



## Tot Shabbat

### Dearest Families,

Hope you are having a healthy and fun-filled summer.

We look forward to seeing you at

our upcoming Tot Shabbats on Friday, August 21 at 5 PM with a focus on *Rosh Hashanah* and Saturday, September 26 at 9:30 AM with a focus on *Sukkot*.

Blessings,  
Tot Shabbat Lauren



## Babies & Bagels

Sunday, August 2 – 10:30 AM  
(at a private home)

It takes a village to raise a child, or in our case, a tribe! We'd love to get together with you and your little ones. The



Babies and Bagels group meets once a month, usually on Sunday mornings. Join us for a light *nosh* and some refreshing adult conversation while you watch your children interact and play with others in their age group.

Please RSVP by calling the CST office at 707-578-5519 or emailing [denise@cstsr.org](mailto:denise@cstsr.org).

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# Dedicate. Celebrate. Remember. Inscribe it here.

### A New *Machzor* (High Holy Days Prayer Book) for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

The Reform Movement is publishing a new *machzor* (High Holy Days prayer book) in time for this year's *Yamim Nora'im*, the Days of Awe. Here's your chance to dedicate one or more copies in time for the holidays.



Donating or dedicating a copy of the *machzor* is a long-standing Jewish tradition, an enduring way to express your support for Shomrei Torah, honor a friend or loved one, celebrate a lifecycle event, or remember someone you've lost.

### Order Book Plates for our new Prayer Books

Book plates, available for \$18 per volume, will be attached to the inside cover of the *machzor*. Use the order form below to indicate the number of volumes you want to dedicate and the message you would like to inscribe on the book plate.



Dedicate \_\_\_\_\_ volumes at \$18 per volume = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Charge my account on file with the CST office

☐ Use Credit/Debit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration (MM/YY): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Or return this form to the office with your check made payable to Congregation Shomrei Torah.

Message to be inscribed on the book plate (maximum 100 characters, including spaces):

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Please use space on reverse for additional messages.

**Message** *Donated by the Goldman family.*

**Samples:** *Dedicated by Judy Goldman in loving memory of my father, Ben Goldman.*

*Donated by Doris Goldman in celebration of the birth of our first grandchild, Adam Goldman.*



## Annual Meeting & Fair photos by Phyllis Steinman Nesbitt



Our beloved bagelmen prepared a delicious feast for the Annual Meeting and Congregational Fair held in May.



Lisa Ehrlich and Marcia Gladstone at the Ritual Committee table during the Congregational Fair.



Rabbi George addresses a packed house during the Annual Meeting.



Janet Gelfman putting the finishing touches on our new Board Presidents Wall of Honor in Shalom Hall outside the Kolbo Room.

## SCTribe

Are you (or someone you know) a Jewish twenty or thirty-something? Come join the Sonoma County Tribe! We meet once a month to celebrate holidays, eat delicious food, and just hang out. This month we will be celebrating *Havdalah* with Rick Concoff. Rick will lead us in a night of learning. Light snacks and dessert will be provided. Please RSVP for the address.



For upcoming events, questions, or to join our mailing list please contact us at [sonomacountytribe@gmail.com](mailto:sonomacountytribe@gmail.com).

## CST Joined Local Community in Shared Prayer Service: A Spiritual Response to Church Massacre in Charleston

Through the efforts of the North Bay Organizing Project (NBOP), our local community quickly gathered together in prayer to remember and honor those recently killed. Three days after the horrific mass shooting, over 250 people came together at the Community Baptist Church in Santa Rosa for a service led by Reverend Lee Turner. Numerous clergy involved with NBOP, including our own Rabbi Kramer, contributed moving prayers and reflections. On short notice over 40 Social Action Committee and other CST members participated. Photos of the nine victims flashed on the wall, as people stood holding hands, praying, singing, and crying together. The NBOP clergy reminded us that healing also involves a call to action to deal with racism and gun violence.

## Board of Directors

The Board of Directors met on May 14, 2015, and took the following actions:

- Approved a new sick leave policy for CST employees
- Welcomed one new member family to CST

Any Shomrei Torah member is welcome to attend temple committee meetings and board meetings. Please contact the committee chairperson or board president to find out meeting times and agenda items.



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## The AIDS Memorial Quilts Display

The AIDS Memorial Quilts Display was a year in the making, and brought out hundreds of people on a Sunday to see the powerful and moving quilt memorials created to honor the many who died of AIDS. 75 Quilts were on display including three new ones made for the son of Congregant Ruth Turner and brother of Linda Bornstein; the son of Sue and Ed Smith; and a friend of Marlene and Marty Stein.



Three new quilts made by CST members and donated to the Names Project. [Photo by Phyllis Steinman Nesbitt]

Face2Face, Food For Thought, and local free clinics were there to present information for people on dealing with HIV or AIDS. Brava to Shirley Liberman and her committee that produced this moving and powerful community event. The event was preceded by a sold out Rabbi's *Tisch*, with special guest speaker Andrew Ramer from Congregation Sha'ar Zahav in San Francisco.



Sue Smith with the quilt she made in memory of her and Ed Smith's son, Peter. [Photo by Bill Skoonberg]



Rabbi George offering a prayer during the AIDS Quilt Display community event. [Photo by Phyllis Steinman Nesbitt]

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OF SONOMA COUNTY

## Pancake Breakfast @ CST

Sunday, August 30, 2015,

10:00 AM – 12:00PM

Entry: \$18 Adults

\$10 Children age 13 and under

Buy an 8-top table for \$125

Sponsor us:

- At the "syrup" level - \$250
- At the "pancake" level - \$500
- At the "all the toppings" level - \$1000

Sponsorship includes 2 free entry tickets.

Raffle tickets: \$20 each or 3 for \$50

Prizes include:

- Plane ride over Sonoma County
- Weekend stay in Bodega Bay beach house
- 4 tickets to Disneyland

For more information contact [director@sonomahillel.com](mailto:director@sonomahillel.com).

## GENERAL FUND

*In memory of my mother, Steffi Ingersol Black*  
**Kate Black**  
*Wishing a speedy recovery to Coleen Rothenberg*  
**Judy and Larry Carlin**  
**Judy Freedman and Bill Skoonberg**  
**Sue Lewis and David Silacci**  
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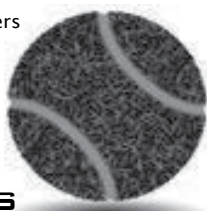
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## AUGUST SERVICES

### Saturday, August 1

Weekly Torah portion: *Vaetchanan*

8:45 am – Torah Study led by Rabbi George

10:30 am – Shabbat Service

### Friday, August 7

6:15 pm – Shabbat Service

### Saturday, August 8

Weekly Torah portion: *Eikev*

8:45 am – Torah Study

10:30 am – Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of Julia Sawyer

### Friday, August 14

6:15 pm

Rabbi Michael Robinson Memorial Tisch

### Saturday, August 15

Weekly Torah portion: *Re'eh*

8:45 am – Torah Study led by Meredith Cahn

10:30 am – Shabbat Service

### Friday, August 21

5:00 pm – Tot Shabbat

6:15 pm – Shabbat Service

### Saturday, August 22

Weekly Torah portion: *Shoftim*

8:45 am – Torah Study led by Rabbi Kramer

10:30 am – Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah of Lucas Navarro

### Friday, August 28

6:15 pm – Shabbat Service

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### Saturday, August 29

Weekly Torah portion: *Ki Teitzei*

8:45 am – Torah Study led by Stan Roodman

10:30 am – Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah of Adam Zimmer

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## THE PURPOSE OF THIS CONGREGATION

- To worship God in accordance with the beliefs and teachings of Reform Judaism.
- To cultivate and nurture in ourselves and our children a love and understanding of Jewish heritage.
- To develop a sensitive, caring and supportive congregational community where all are welcome and included.
- To act with responsibility and compassion in our community.
- To support the principles of equality, freedom and shalom among all peoples.