



# shofar

# Sandra Cohen 2018 Woman of Valor Shabbat

Friday, March 2, 2018



Participation in community is very important to Sandy. Volunteering gives her a sense of belonging to different aspects of the community. Growing an organization and being part of leadership or the support crew vitalizes her. Meeting new people and getting to know them is an added benefit derived from her volunteer work.

Sandy arrived at Temple Beth El in 1975, a new transplant from rural New Jersey. TBE had 75 members then and no rabbi. She became involved in Sisterhood early on and served as Sisterhood treasurer, among other Sisterhood work, when we were a growing congregation. She met wonderful women who became lifelong friends.

Sandy has quietly contributed to other aspects of synagogue life—helping out in the kitchen for Brotherhood and continued on page 4

### **Passover**

Interfaith Passover Study Tuesday, March 13, 7:00 PM

Interfaith Seder Thursday, March 22, 6:00 PM

Erev Passover Friday, March 30

Passover Saturday, March 31

Family Passover Seder Saturday, April 7, 5:00 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 16





for families

with children of all ages.
5:45 PM—Vegetarian potluck
Shabbat singing dinner

6:30 PM—Fabulous engaging Shabbat activities for all ages ~Child friendly hands-on

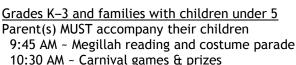
- Jewish activities
  ~PJ Our Way (ages 9-11)
  activities
- RSVP to Sarah Clarkson sclarkson@tbeaptos.org to save your place at dinner.

Purim—1st Day

Thursday, March 1

### Children's Purim Activities

Sunday, March 4



### Grades 4-6

9:45 AM ~ Classroom activities 11:00 AM ~ Megillah reading and costume parade 11:30 AM with Parent(s) ~ Carnival games & prizes

# TBE Community Seder

Saturday, March 31, 6:00 PM, doors open at 5:00 PM

Join us for fun, being together, yummy traditional and new treats, as well as lots of singing. It's also a reminder that when it comes to Jewish identity, we walk together. Organize a table and let someone else do all the work! Adults: \$36, children 12 & under: \$12. Childcare will be available during the service. Make your reservation now using the form on page 11. It takes a village, so please sign up to help with cooking, setting up, serving, or cleaning up. Contact Melissa Sunberg at <a href="mailto:msunberg@tbeaptos.org">msunberg@tbeaptos.org</a> or (831) 479-3444.

# Judaism as a Spiritual Journey

with Rabbi Shifra Weiss-Penzias Sundays, March 11, 18 & 25, April 15, 29, and May 6, 12:00–1:30 PM The class will use the book *A Book of Life* by Michael Strassfeld.

### Shabbat Learner's Service & Potluck

Saturday, March 3, at 10:00 AM ~ Learn the melodies and deep meaning of the prayers in a fun participatory service.

# Spirituality

### THOUGHTS FROM RABBI PAULA



Rabbi Paula

"Israel had to lose its freedom before it could cherish it." -Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

When I was in rabbinical school, Rabbi Carla Howard <sup>1</sup> came to teach a session of my pastoral

counseling class. There were 12 people sitting at the table and she gave each of us six Post-it notes. She asked us to write one ability we had that we cherished on each note and place them on the table in front of us. She told us that these didn't have to be remarkable, they just had to be abilities that made us feel grateful for our lives.

After 10 minutes or so, she began walking around the room and removing a Post-it or two from each person's collection. One of the abilities I wrote on a note was my voice. Another one was my ability to travel to see friends and family who live far away. There was one about my ability to listen to music. As she came near me, my whole body tensed in fear of what she would remove from my notes.

After the exercise was over, Rabbi Howard explained that this is the way it might feel to become sick, or to age. At that point, I was incredibly moved. I value my physical, emotional and spiritual strength differently than I had before that class. Each of us had a visceral experience of losing our strength, our independence, our freedom.

Our Passover story begins with the words, "my father was a wandering Aramean." As we begin the Passover Seder, we move from this unencumbered movement. But we lose the ability to pick up and relocate when necessary. The story continues and we descend into slavery.

Every year as we sit around our Seder

tables, we read that in each generation we are to relive the Exodus. In each and every generation, a person must see themselves as if they had gone out from Mitzrayim (the narrow places—Egypt). We are told to imagine what it felt like not to be free. We eat the bitter herbs and dip our parsley into the tears of salt water. And the Post-it notes begin to disappear. First the people had bricks to build and next, they had to make the bricks themselves.

This is what some of the sages teach about our bondage in Mitzrayim. Oppression taught our ancestors that struggling for liberation was worth it. That the suffering made some of us cry out and imagine that life could get better. If our people went straight from the period of the matriarchs and patriarchs, the sages say, we might have taken our freedom for granted. By being enslaved, by losing our Post-it notes, we had a real experience of how bondage was wrong, that slavery can break the spirit. And this experience strengthened our capacity for compassion to protect the liberty of others as well.

Some of us have already lost Post-it notes, and maybe we discover new ones. Not all of our people were able to experience the blessings of freedom. May we find our way through the narrow places in our lives, so that we discover the different faces of freedom, for ourselves and for others.

### -Rabbi Paula Marcus

<sup>1</sup> Rabbi Carla Howard is the Founder and Executive Director of Jewish Healing Center of Los Angeles.

# Interfaith Passover Study

Tuesday, March 13, 7:00 PM

Join us for our Annual Interfaith Passover Study with Rabbi Paula and Deacon Patrick Conway. We will meet at TBE.



# Interfaith Seder

Thursday, March 22, 6:00 PM

Please join us for our longstanding community collaboration with Resurrection Catholic Community. This is a wonderful opportunity to share our Passover tradition with our neighbors. We will gather to help with the set up in the afternoon. For the Seder we need to bring the ceremonial foods-hard boiled eggs, charoset, parsley, lettuce, horseradish, lamb bone, wine, matzah and seder plates. Please contact Melissa at msunberg@tbeaptos.org or (831) 479-3444 to register, to volunteer, or if you have any questions.





### Youth

### TEMPLE SCHOOL NEWS



Rabbi Shifra

We are committed to responding to the needs of each and every temple school student. This is where our "audacious hospitality" comes in, as we strive not just to ensure that all students are

learning, but also that their Jewish community is a place where they feel great about themselves and their Jewish heritage. I am particularly proud of how Temple School has expanded its capacity to respond to children with special needs. Many children are misunderstood, judged or mislabeled as "misbehaving" when, in fact, they are just having difficulty doing what the majority of students are comfortable doing. Over the years I have heard from many of these students how Temple School has become a safe place for them, where they feel accepted by their friends, nurtured by their teachers, welcomed and at home in the community and temple facility. Often they have talents and abilities that allow them to excel in particular types of learning, and we make every effort to provide this. We also help families with tuition, b'nai mitzvah fees and transportation. We need your help. Please consider making a donation to the Temple School Scholarship Fund because your financial support makes this work possible.

Temple School fosters a love of Jewish learning in a joyful, engaging and supportive community.

-Rabbi Shifra Weiss-Penzias



### TEMPLE SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sunday, March 4 9:45-11:30 AM TS Grades 4-6 only, NO TEMPLE SCHOOL GRADES K-3. Purim Special Schedule & Carnival: 9:45 AM Megillah Reading & Costume Parade for Grades K-3 & 10:30 AM Purim Carnival for Grades K-3 with Parents.

9:45-11:00 AM TS Classes & 11:00 AM Megillah Reading for Grades 4-6, 11:30 AM Purim Carnival for Grades 4-6 with Parents.

Wednesday, March 7 TS Grades 4-6, KEF, Hebrew, 7th Grade & Hebrew High Sunday, March 11 TS Grades K-6, Mazel Tots Wednesday, March 14 TS Grades 4-6, KEF, Hebrew, 7th Grade & Hebrew High, 10th Grade Parent Meeting

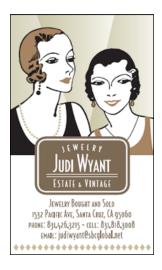
Friday, March 16 Beth El Bim Bam & Rock Shabbat Sunday, March 18 TS Grades K-6, Brotherhood Brunch

Wednesday, March 21 TS Grades 4-6, KEF, Hebrew, Model

Passover Seder, 7th Grade & Hebrew High

Sunday, March 25 TS Grades K-6, 4th Grade Parent **Participation** Wednesday, March 28

NO TEMPLE SCHOOL Saturday, March 31 TBE Community Passover Seder



### Purim for Young Families

It's that time again! Get out your costumes and groggers! Our little ones wait all year for the Purim Carnival and the SRFY temple youth group is hard at work planning for their biggest fundraiser of the year! Come celebrate Purim, laugh, play games, eat treats... AND support our active high school youth group so that they can participate in fun, educational and spiritual activities all year long. Tickets for food and games are available at the event and the prize room will be stocked with fun things to take home. Get your face painted by Kerith Koontz, play the carnival games, do a candy walk and bounce in the bounce house.

Sunday, March 4

9:45 AM young families Megillah reading

10:20 AM ~ costume parade (roughly) 10:30 AM ~ carnival games and food

Don't stop there! March is full of Young Families activities! Check the temple website or Shofar calendar and remember to invite your friends! Membership is not required.



- Mazel Tots is fun activities for children 5 years old & under with their families
- Drop-in (NO reservations needed) \$5 donation suggested
- Everyone welcome (members & nonmembers)
- Sunday morning from 9:45 to 11:15 AM at Temple Beth El
- · Bring a healthy snack to share

### Other Fun Events for Families:

- Purim Carnival—Fun for all ages on March 4
- Young Families Project Family Seder on April 7
- Mitzvah Day April 22
- Questions? Contact Sarah at sclarkson@tbeaptos.org

# Synagogue News

# Gifts in Honor of Life Cycle Events

Our wonderful Temple Beth El rabbis have supported me during happy times and sad. They have celebrated with me at my daughter's and granddaughter's baby naming and my daughter's bat mitzvah. They have mourned with me at my father's and mother's funerals. Like many of you, at each life cycle event, I wanted to make a financial contribution to the temple to recognize our rabbis' help, but, no doubt, like many of you, I wondered where to give it to and, yes, how much to give.

So I asked our rabbis what is customary and appropriate. For minor life cycle events, a gift of \$540 to \$1,080 is typical, assuming the congregant can comfortably afford it. For larger events, such as an expensive wedding, a larger gift would be welcome and in order. As to where to direct the gift, the rabbis appreciate most of all, gifts to the temple's General Operating Fund because that money is flexible and can be used where the need is greatest. Gifts to the rabbis' discretionary funds, while appreciated, are less flexible, as are gifts to other funds.

Of course, ALL gifts are much appreciated and it goes without saying that gifts to the temple are voluntary and should be in line with a congregant's financial capacity. These are gifts, not fees for service, and should come freely and from the heart.

-Margaret Gordon, Fund Development Committee

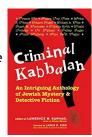
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# Those Mysterious Jews: Library Highlights

This month we want to feature our nascent (but growing) collection of mystery and suspense writing—please refer to <a href="http://bit.ly/2HfQ5kF">http://bit.ly/2HfQ5kF</a>. You will find selections from some names you already know—



Kemelman, Kellerman and Kaminsky—and some you might not. Did you know Ellery Queen was Jewish (actually two Jews)? Or that Biblical scholar Joseph Telushkin wrote mysteries? Have you encountered Israelis D. A. Mishani or Batya Gur? Or the anthologies of Jewish mysteries compiled by UCSC alum Rabbi Lawrence Raphael? But there are many more we hope to add in the near future. Who would you like to see on the shelves? Daniel Silva? Michael Kahn? Sara Paretsky? Rochelle Krich? Send your suggestions to librarytbe@gmail.com.

# In The Temple Family NEW MEMBERS Ruth Carsch Stefanie Elkin Eliahu & Miryam Weber MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE FOR A BLESSING None in January

### **APRIL 2018 SHOFAR DEADLINES**

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# Caregiver Support Group Forming

Providing care for a chronically ill family member or friend is an act of lovingkindness that is rewarding, and challenging, and can, over time, lead to burnout, health problems, and emotional symptoms in caregivers. The good news is that talking about it helps.

The TBE Caring Committee is offering a Caregiver Support Group. We will have an information meeting when 6-12 people are interested. If you are interested, please contact me. I look forward to meeting you.

Jenny Wells Kaupp, Ph.D. <u>jkaupp@drkaupp.com</u> (831) 429-9414

### Woman of Valor 2018 Sandra Cohen

Continued from the cover

Sisterhood sponsored events, volunteering for backstage work at the cultural fairs—adding energy and ideas in a quiet way to support this Jewish community.

Sandy has a love of music and has shared her voice, for 17 years, with all of us who enjoy the synagogue choir. Music has steered other intensive volunteer work for the Cabrillo Festival of Contemporary Music and the Music in May Chamber Music Festival.

Many community organizations have also benefited from Sandy's energy. She joined the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Exploration Center as a docent when it first opened in 2012. She is active with Village Santa Cruz, a national non-profit, member-based organization that seeks to support senior aging in place as long as possible. The Baytree Homeowners Association, where Sandy lives, has also benefited from her commitment where she is currently its president.

Sandy raised her two children, Gena and Ari, in Santa Cruz. Gena lives here with her husband and two sons.

Please join us in honoring this year's Woman of Valor at a Shabbat evening service, March 2, at 7:30 PM.

### General News

### Sisterhood Gift Shop

Wednesdays from 2:30 to 6:00 PM Sundays from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM Or make an appointment by calling Ruth at (831) 476-1154 or Shirley at (831) 685-2710.



TBE represented at the Women's March on January 20th.

# Fighting Climate Change is a Jewish Value

Genesis says "The human being was placed in the Garden of Eden to till it and to tend it"-not to destroy it. The impacts of climate change-increased storms, rising seas, disrupted food supply, mass migration—are real.

Our congregation and many families have taken concrete actions. Given the lack of leadership in Washington, meaningful action can still happen in cities and states.

In California, the Jewish community has a real opportunity to lead. While California already has the cleanest energy system in the nation and innovative programs to protect our ocean resources, it is time to take the big step and go to 100% clean electricity. As the sixth largest economy in the world, this would be significant!

Reform Jewish leaders, Reform California, and the Religious Action Center of the URJ, are supporting California SB 100, the California Clean Energy Act. SB 100 sets a target of 100% clean energy for California by 2045 and accelerates benchmarks beginning in 2026 toward this goal.

SB 100 passed the Senate with bipartisan support and now is in the state Assembly. We need a clean bill without restrictive amendments that limit local control or exempt utilities. Please help by contacting the Governor and Chair of the Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee.

Governor Edmund G. Brown State Capitol, Suite 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 445-2841

Chris Holden, (D-Pasadena) State Capitol, Room 5132 Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 319-2041

Together, we can make a lasting difference.

-Andrew Goldenkranz





### Adult B'nai Mitzvah Poem

Our Adult B'nai Mitzvah class was encouraged to write six word poems to express their feelings about becoming B'nai Mitzvah. Rabbi Shifra put their words together into this one beautiful poem:

Blessings and gratitude my Jewish heritage

My traditions come from many paths Teaching, learning, loving gratefully living life

Heritage family you are here today Now I know the secret handshake Gratitude is the path to joy Opening my heart to greater love My heart entwined within deep roots Ancestors built my spiritual

foundation there I wish heaven had visiting hours Mom if you were here today Grandma, Zayde...this is for you.

Authors in order; Shana Phelan, Denise Miller, Martha Jacobson, Shoshana Coplan, Paia Levine, Kerry Edelman, Carolyn Rosevelt, Sherry Ascher, Eric Sanders, Jen Kanter, Judy Dekalb, Carol Skolnick.

# Calendar Highlights

### New Approaches for Handling Crime and Homelessness in Santa Cruz

Brotherhood Brunch with Speaker Santa Cruz Police Chief Andrew Mills

Sunday, March 18, 10:00 AM

Our wonderful city of Santa Cruz faces ongoing issues with crime, homelessness, illegal drug use and traffic congestion. To address these issues, Chief Andrew



Mills, new to our community, is steering police enforcement in novel directions, such as lessening criminal consequences of outdoor camping and, instead, redirecting police attention directly to public safety. A recent article in the Sentinel suggests that these strategies have benefits, with acts of vandalism and aggressive solicitation down by 25%. Will these benefits continue? Will the result be expansion of encampments in San Lorenzo Park and along the Hwv 1 corridor? Please join us for our next brunch featuring Chief Mills as he presents his vision for the future of policing in Santa Cruz. Beginning at 10:00 AM, we'll enjoy our always delicious all-you-can-eat lox and bagel brunch, take care of a little Brotherhood business, followed by Chief Mills' talk at 11:00, concluding around noon. Recommended donation is \$5 for Brotherhood members, \$7 for non-Brotherhood members. All are invited!

# Car Wash Tickets Support Simcha



What better time than the coming of spring to get your car washed! Simcha is selling tickets for the *Full Enchilada* carwash at Cruz Car Wash on 41st Ave. Tickets are \$28 each. (This is the same price you would pay going there, but the preschool will receive a portion of each ticket sold!) Tickets are available upstairs in the Simcha Office. Or call Silvia at 479-3449 to make arrangements to have them sent to you or to pick them up.

# Senior Connections

March 12

Age Well Drive Smart program with California Highway Patrol Officer Drake. Take the class, learn safety tips and get a reduction on your insurance.



March 26
Passover Past and Present: A
Musical Retrospective with
our Santa Cruz County
cultural treasure, Mark Levy.

Programs are on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month, 2:00–3:30 PM in the TBE Library. (Come at 1:30 to nosh & schmooze.) Open to the public. Free.

# Santa Cruz Jewish Film Festival

April 14-18

Mark your calendars; don't miss this superb program of films, kicking off with some tasty noshes and great raffle prizes at our opening night reception at Temple Beth El, Saturday, April 14, starting at 5:45 PM. We'll celebrate Israel's 70th birthday with the film, Ben -Gurion: Epilogue, winner of the 2017 Israeli Film and TV Academy Award for Best Documentary. The festival continues on Sunday, April 15, 1:00 PM, at the Cabrillo College Watsonville Forum with the screening of the delightful Tijuana Jews. And on Monday, April 16, we gather at the Del Mar Theater for two films exploring the joys and struggles of life in the diaspora starting at 6:30 PM. On Wednesday April 18, we return to the Del Mar for two films, starting at 6:30 PM, closing with Oslo Diaries. Watch for full details in the April Shofar.

# Book Discussion & Signing

At the twilight of the Crusades in the year 1290, Knight Templar Jonathan St. Clair apprentices himself to the eminent Rabbi Samuel of Baghdad, to learn how the inmost teachings of Kabbalah might unlock the secrets of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. But time is running out... Discussion and signing with author, Michael J. Cooper. Sunday, April 8, 4:00–6:00 PM, at Santa Cruz Hillel, 222 Cardiff Place.

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# Calendar Highlights

### LIFELONG LEARNING

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# Economic Inequity in Israel

presented by Achshav Yisrael with Professor Michael Shalev March 25, 3:00-5:00 PM

Economic inequality in Israel is amongst the highest in the developed world and follows national, ethnic and class lines. Our speakers will talk about why economic issues play such a modest role in Israeli politics and why there has rarely been a unified countermovement of the disadvantaged. Professor Shalev is a visiting professor at UC Berkeley's Institute for Jewish Law and Israel Studies and a Professor Emeritus of Sociology and Political Science at Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

# Wise Aging for 70+ Seniors

with Rabbi Richard Litvak March 5 & 19, 1:30-3:00 PM

We will explore the rich wisdom of Jewish tradition and the latest contemporary knowledge focusing on becoming happier, stronger and more resilient as we face the opportunities and challenges of the later decades of life. Please purchase the book, Wise Aging: Living with Joy, Resilience and Spirit by Rabbi Rachel Cowan & Dr. Linda Thal.



Family Passover Seder Saturday, April 7, 5:00 PM

SC Jewish Film Festival
Begins Saturday, April 14, 6:00 PM

Mitzvah Day Sunday, April 22, 9:00 AM

# K'vod Conversations End of Life

with Holly Blue Hawkins and Rose Ashford March 8, 7:00–8:30 PM

Please join us for this continuing series on how to make end-of-life plans in keeping with our personal values and wishes. Co-sponsored with Chadeish Yameinu.



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# March 2018

### Temple Beth El Jewish Community Center • Adar–Nisan 5778

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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				Pilates Class 10:00am	Coonerty Women of Valor Shabbat Service	Learner's Service & Potluck10:00am
				Lunch & Learn with Purim Potluck 12:00pm	7:30pm	Shabbat Morning
				Library Staffed 3:00pm		Service (Ki Tisa) 10:00am
4					00	
No TS K-3/TS 4-6 Only 9:45am				Purim	5:44pm	
Megillah Reading & Costume	5	6	7	8	9	10
Parade K-3 9:45am	Wise Aging 1:30pm	Pilates Class 10:00am	Healing Circle 12:30pm	Pilates Class 10:00am	Erev Shabbat Service 7:30pm	ShabbASANA Shabbat Yoga 10:00am
Purim Carnival K–3 with Parents 10:30am		Meditation 7:00pm	Simcha Pizza My Heart Fundraiser 4:00pm (out)	Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Library Staffed 3:00pm	7.00pm	Shabbat Service with
2nd Megillah Reading Grades 4–6 11:00am			Temple School 4th–6th Grades, KEF 4:00pm	K'vod Conversations	Ď.	CY (Vayak'hel/Pekudei) 10:00am (out)
Purim Carnival Grades 4–6			7th Grade & Hebrew	7:00pm	5:50pm	
with Parents 11:30am			High 6:45pm		Sisterhood Retreat	Sisterhood Retreat
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Mazel Tots 9:45am	Senior Connections 1:30pm	Pilates Class 10:00am	Temple School 4th–6th Grades, KEF 4:00pm	Pilates Class 10:00am	Beth El Bim Bam 5:45pm	Comblatt Bar Mitzvah 10:00am
Temple School K–6 9:45am  Judaism as a Spiritual Journey	1.50ріп	Meditation 7:00pm	7th Grade & Hebrew	Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Library Staffed 3:00pm	Rock Shabbat Service	Shabbat Morning
12:00pm		Easter-Passover	High 6:45pm	Library Staned 3.00pm	7:30pm	Service (Vayikra) 10:00am
Sisterhood Retreat		Interfaith Study with Resurrection	10th Grade Confirmation Parent		6:57pm	
Daylight Savings Time		7:00pm (out)	Meeting 6:45pm		NFTY Spring Conclave	NFTY Spring Conclave
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Temple School K-6 9:45am	Wise Aging 1:30pm	Pilates Class 10:00am	Healing Circle 12:30pm	Pilates Class 10:00am	Simcha Children's Model Seder 11:00am	Torah Study w/Rabbi Paula 9:00am
Brotherhood Brunch 10:00am		Meditation 7:00pm	Temple School 4:00pm	Lunch & Learn 12:00pm	Erev Shabbat Service	Shabbat Morning
Judaism as a Spiritual Journey 12:00pm		·	TS Model Passover Seder 5:00pm	Library Staffed 3:00pm Interfaith Seder at	and Oneg honoring Ruth & Shirley 7:30pm	Service (Tzav) 10:00am
			7th Grade & Hebrew High 6:45pm	Resurrection 6:00pm (out)	100	
NFTY Spring Conclave			Women's Song Circle	(out)	7:03pm	
25	26	27	7:00pm (out)	29	30	31
TS 4th Grade Parent Participation 9:45am	Senior Connections 1:30pm	Pilates Class 10:00am	28	Pilates Class 10:00am		Shabbat Morning Service (PESACH)
Temple School K-6 9:45am	1.συριίι	Meditation 7:00pm		Lunch & Learn 12:00pm		10:00am
Judaism as a Spiritual Journey 12:00pm		General Board Meeting 7:00pm		Library Staffed 3:00pm	7:09pm	TBE Community Seder 6:00pm
Economic Inequity in Israel Salon 3:00pm (out)			No Temple School or Hebrew High		First Night of Passover No Shabbat Service	Passover

You get the best out of others when you give the best of yourself.

-Harvey S. Firestone



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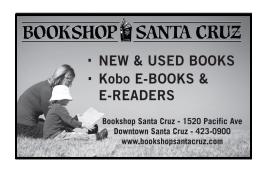
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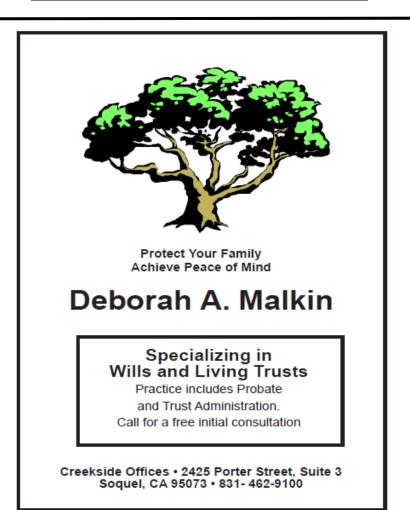
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The office will only accept PAID reservations by cash, check or credit card.

First & last name	Phone #	
Email Address		
# of adults at \$36 each	# of children 12 and under at \$12 each	
# of Vegetarian Main Course	TOTAL	
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