

Refuah Sheleimah – A Complete Recovery

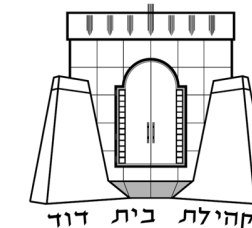
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Ze'ev Shamsha ben Sara Pela, Scott Evan Davis (son of Barbara Davis)
Mark Schaengold (friend of Andrea & Steve Linder)
Cathy Hebert (friend of Michael Schaffer)
Ruth Diamond Levinson (aunt of Davida Adelberg)
Lucille Janofsky (mother of Eric Janofsky)
Lauren Phillips (sister of Janet Witkin)
Raizel bat Tova (mother of Bonnie Slavitt Moore)
Julie Rubin (friend of Sandi Diamond)
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Gary Kipnis (member)
Aaron Yaakov ben Yitzchak, Al Kass (member)
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Daniel & Patricia Williamson (friends of Christel Sanders)
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Chaya Leah bat D'vera Riva
Baruch Shalom ben Fraddel
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Wolf Lev ben Hannah (father of Jane Blumenthal)
Rivka bat Chaya Ettl (member)
Yisrael ben Perel, Irwin Solomon (member)
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Shoshana bat Eita (niece of Hy Burdman)
Zelda Yudit bat Shena Fayag, Carol Gergis (cousin of Lawren Farber)
Shlomo ben Chaya (father of Ricki Gafter)
Rich Carlson (friend of Dori Jaroslow)
Avraham ben Yehudit (father of congregant)
Judy Trigger (cousin of Wendy Glasser)
Zipporah bat Etkha, Phyllis Maus (cousin of Lance Glasser)
Arlene Nodleman (friend of Dina Yevelev)
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Luba Pasumansky (relative of Yulia Shvarts)
Julie Seltzer-Firsty (friend of the Labovitz's)
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Michael Acevedo (son-in-law of Ron & Alison Ruebusch)
Harvey Stone (cousin of Wendy Glasser)
Miriam bat Sarah, Miriam Molecke (grandmother of Ricki Gafter)
Susan Dresser (friend of Myrtle & Joel Schwartz)
Hinda bat Yisrael v' Bayla, Diane Zitman (member)
Diane Fornwalt (relative of Helaine Green)
Yehudit bat Eitah (niece of Hy Burdman)
Faiga bat Ruth, Phyllis Zis (member)
Ruth bat Rahel, Ruth Harary (mother of Susan Murai-Raider)
Hiroko Caster (friend of Barbara Davis)
Meir ben Ze'ev, Milton Wiener (father of Barbara Davis)
Yehuda ben Rivka (member)
Leah Esther bat Leibisch, Laura Sharpe (member)
Fishel Hirsh ben Zvi, Philip Wesler (father of Laura Sigura)
Hoogare bat Salman (cousin-in-law of Dave Hoffman)
Ruth Karpman (friend of Rita Kertzman)
Leib ben Chaya, Leib Nodelman (brother of Doysa Markova)
Donna Stone (cousin of Wendy Glasser)
Chris Adamson (friend of Wendy Glasser)
Yitzhak ben Aron (father of Phyllis Newman)
Yitzhak Rahamim, Ike Isaac (brother of Myrtle Schwartz & Eli Isaac; brother-in-law of Joel Schwartz & Lorraine Isaac)
Jerry Boyajian (friend of Wendy Glasser)
Ephraim ben Chayyim, Philip Lempert (brother of Dennis Lempert)
Lucas Fazekas (family friend of Gafter family)
Walter Fulde (friend of Leonard & Sylvia Metz)
Miriam Shoshana bat Bracha, Meredith Israel (friend of Jack Moore & Bonnie Slavitt-Moore)
Reut bat Nehama (friend of Strod Family)
Malkah Zahava bat Bracha Leah, Marla Becker (sister of Michele Hittleman, daughter of Betty Becker)
Izabella Letskin (friend of Yulia Shvarts)
Tzivia bat Shandel, Harriette Kirschen, (mother of Sandy Mayer)
Mia Rose Nusbaum (daughter of friend's of Stephen & Lynne Kinsey)
Shayna Rochal bat Yehudit (sister of Lynne Kinsey)

Michael ben Sarah (Michael Applesmith)
Ellen Efron (friend of Susan Murai-Raider)
Maximillian Schaffer (son of Michael Schaffer)
Gary Heit (friend of Michael Schaffer)
Chaye Reizel bat Ruchel
HaRav Avraham ben Miriam (friend of Krongold family)
Yehuda Zalman ben Leah (father of Andrew Raider)
David ben Hasya (friend of Yulia Shvarts)
Zelda bat Miriam, Stephanie Lewis (friend of Benjamin Leitner)
Elisheva bat Yehudit (friend of Sue Maltiel)
Eliana bat Malka, Eliana Green (daughter of Steve & Helaine Green)
Harriet Gluck (cousin of Dave Hoffman)
Sivia bat Chava, Sylvia Gilvarg (aunt of Rachel Schwab)
Ilene Mason (friend of Rhonda & Naomi Raider)
Chaim ben Faegele, Herman Stone (brother of Henry Stone, Uncle of Linda Weiss)
Yosef ben Esther, Jeff Sohn (friend of Rosa & Izak Bencuya)
Moshe Chaim ben Zev ha Kohen (member)
Fae Melmon (member)
Irit Shirah bat Rivka, Irene Bricker (member)
Ruben Abraham Moses Ben' Moshe (friend of Myrtle Schwartz)
Rachmiel ben Yoheved
Karen Carp (friend of Gafter family)
Hodel bat 'Bracha, Helen Schulman (mother of Barbara Knaster)
Dan Winkler (friend of Scott Knaster)
Steve Wilson (friend of Tanya Lorien)
Yehudit bat Eshke, Eunice Coleman (mother of Lynne Kinsey)
C. Vincenzo de Sepio (friend of Tanya Lorien)
Joe Sorger (member)
Avraham ben Sarah, Gary Taylor (brother-in-law of Myrtle Schwartz)
Louis Halper (brother of Bill Halper)
Kevin Hoch (friend of Mallorie Burak)
David Pinhas ben Breindal (member)
Monya Riva bat Sheva, Marilyn Auerbach (sister of Sondra Goldberger)
Tamar Michal bat Batya (daughter of Barbara Biran)
Pircha bat Yehuda v'Leah, Pam Imsen (daughter of Hal & Lil Silberstein)

Yahrzeit

Ella Ader, Mother of Allan Ader
Pauline Ammerman, Mother of David Ammerman
Dorothy Diamond Bergen, Aunt of Davida Adelberg
Samuel Bolshoun, Grandfather of Louis Witkin
Morris Davis, Grandfather of Leslie Kramer
Amalia Dreifuss, Mother of Herbert Dreifuss
Fay Edel, Aunt of Lynne Snyder
Sam Eisner, Brother-in-law of Olga Farber
Charlotte Faneuil, Sister of Michael Meltzer
Ruth Fenton, Aunt of Karen Ceppos
Dorothy Fihn, Mother of Melvin Fihn
Elise Fine, Sister-in-Law of Louis Dombro
David Horovitz, Father of Amir Horovitz
Alexander Khait, Uncle of Marianna Yanovsky
Elec Koenigsberg, Uncle of Lynne Kinsey
Peggy Kolberg, Mother of Sharon Gordon
Lillian Krongold, Mother of Israel Krongold
Sara Mizrahi, Mother of Yosi Mizrahi
Leib Pevzner, Father of Mendel Pevzner
Iraida Plotkin, Aunt of Doysa Markova
Pearl Poons, Mother of Judith Cohn
David Raifasen, Uncle of Michael Schaffer
Isadore Rasnick, Father-in-Law of Donald Fernandez
Jack Rayman, Father of Emily Gannes
Molly Rayman, Mother of Emily Gannes
Gil Rice, Step-father of Myrna Gluck
Louis Richman, Grandfather of Charles Adelberg
Alexander Scher, Father-in-Law of Gerald Daniel
Solomon Shalik, Grandfather of Israel Sternheim
Polina Shuzko, Mother of Laura Raitburg
Howard Simon, Brother of Rita Blumstein
Sally Sinensky, Mother of Michael Sinensky
Jack Skolnik, Grandfather of Elaine Hamilton
Irvin Smith, Father of Nancy Newman
Herb Stein, Father of Susan Gavens
Marie Thompson, Aunt of Barbara Biran
Ralph Thunick, Grandfather of David Hoffman
Ruth Thunick, Grandmother of David Hoffman
Aharon Utzitel, Grandfather of Iris Bendahan
Georges Weg, Grandfather of Lorna Borestein
Mildred Wolf, Aunt of Richard Kramer
Rose Yeshman, Mother of Frances Wasserman
Joseph Zatkin, Father of Cheryl Zatkin-Steres

We extend our condolences to Dafna Mizrahi on the passing of her Mother, Esther Sorokin on January 22, 2010.



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Congregation Beth David

There's a Place for Me at CBD!

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Parashat Bo

8 Shevat, 5770 / January 23, 2010

Triennial Cycle III: Exodus 12:29-13:16

Humash Etz Hayim, page 387

Haftarah: Jeremiah 46:13-28, page 395

- (12:29-36) The first-born of Egypt all die, and the Egyptians capitulate. The Israelites prepare to leave.
- (12:37-42) The Israelites leave Egypt.
- (12:43-13:10) The laws of the Paschal lamb sacrifice for future generations, the dedication to God of the firstborn, and further details concerning the observance of Passover.
- (13:11-16) Laws concerning redemption of the first-born, the telling of the Passover story, and the tefillin.



Candle lighting time for Friday, January 22, 5:03



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The Rewards Of Remembering

And Moses said to the people, "Remember this day, on which you went free from Egypt, the house of bondage, how the Lord freed you from it with a mighty hand; no leavened bread shall be eaten.

Exodus 13:3

[From this verse] I only know [that one should explain the significance of the Passover offering] when he has a son. How does one know [that if one does not have a son, he should explain it] to himself or to someone else? The Torah teaches: "And Moses said to the people, "Remember this day, on which you went free from Egypt..." **Mekhilta De Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai, Ch. 13** The command to remember was directed not merely to the generation of the Exodus but to all generations. Hence the verses from Numbers 15:40-41 are recited twice a day, at morning and evening prayers. Only in the days of the Messiah will this no longer be necessary. **The Torah, A Modern Commentary; based on the Mekhilta ch. 16**

Thus you shall be reminded to observe all My commandments and to be holy to your God. I the Lord am your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God; I, the Lord Your God. **Numbers 15:40-41**

Ours is a long and rich history....And yet the Bible...and the rabbinic literature... does not have a word for "history." Do you know how to say "history" in modern Hebrew? The word is, "historia" clearly an adopted and adapted word. Jews don't have a word for history—but we have another word—a more powerful word: and that word is *Zachor—memory*. To paraphrase a brilliant insight by Dr. Jonathan Sacks: history is this" story—memory is "my" story. History can often be a conglomeration of facts, dates, events, and happenings. Memory is different. It molds, shapes, and guides ones identity. History happened to someone *else—once* upon a time; "memory is the past as present, as it lives on in me."

I recall a retort that Elie Wiesel offered an interviewer: "Professor you seem to live in the past," was the comment. To which Elie Wiesel—or should I say, Reb Eliezer Wiesel—grandson of a pious Chasidic Jew, Dodve Feig from the shtetl of Sighet, Transylvania, responded: "I don't live in the past. But what can I do—the past lives in me." That's not a statement about history—that's a statement about identity. **Rosh Hashanah Readings, 201, Rabbi David Gutterman**

...in modern cultural understanding, time is perceived as only linear; once lived, it is gone. Hence there is a strong tendency to put aside the past as irrelevant. Indeed, many modern movements dismiss sacred time as pure projection, as an opiate of the masses. Yet Judaism insists that the past is available and still normative. Judaism celebrates it as a present channel of access to the Eternal and as a source of hope and renewal for the masses. Through the holiday cycle of the year and other rituals, the past can be summoned up to infuse the present with meaning. Passover, the Exodus, is not some antiquarian past experience: It is present reality. The taste of perfection in a Passover or a Shabbat creates dissatisfaction; that prevents the Jew from slipping into equilibrium with the current reality that he/she inhabits. Thus, in true Jewish dialectical fashion, time is both linear and cyclical. **Greenberg, The Jewish Way** The Hebrew stem ZKR connotes much more than merely the remembrance of things past. It means "to be mindful, to pay heed" and signifies a sharp focusing of attention on someone or something. It embraces concern and involvement, and always leads to action. **Etz Hayim on Exodus 2:24**

Announcements

Celebrate Jewish Life & Learning

**BE A PART OF THE FIRST EVER "JEWBILEE"
Sunday, January 24, 2010 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

We'd like to invite you and your family to join us for a very special festival day sponsored by the Center for Jewish Life and Learning of the Addison-Penzak Jewish Community Center. An afternoon of classes, programs, & performances with an open Kosher Buffet, Jewish Film Festival Screenings, programming for families and complimentary daycare!
\$7.00 Adults - \$4.00 Seniors/Students; Under 4 yrs - Free
For more information, a full calendar of events & to reserve your spot visit the Jewbilee website <http://www.svjcc.org/jewbilee>

Triple Simcha Shabbat!

On Shabbat, January 30, 2010, the 15th Day of Shevat, Rabbi Pressman will return to Beth David from his Sabbatical to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah. This celebration will be in conjunction with Beth David's Board Installation as well as Volunteer Appreciation Shabbat.
Please RSVP at <http://beth-david.org/rsvp/>.

Volunteer for Super Sunday

Sunday, January 31, 2010

Levy Family Campus, Los Gatos

Represent Congregation Beth David at the Jewish Federation of Silicon Valley's Super Sunday. Your participation helps Congregation Beth David get additional funding next year, helps our local community and Jewish communities abroad as well as makes you eligible for prizes including Warriors tickets, gift certificates and more. There are three shifts throughout the day, training and snacks provided. Please register online at www.jvalley.org to help change our Jewish world for the better, **remember to note you're with Congregation Beth David**. If you aren't able to join us, please answer the call! Contact JewsNextDor@beth-david.org with questions.

Hadashot Religious School

Next Youth Congregation: January 23 at 10:00 am.

Next Haverim: January 23 at 10:30 am.

Next Family Ed: Bet on January 24, Zayin on January 31, 11:30 am.

Siddur Ceremony for Gimel and New Dalet-Zayin January 31 at 11:00 am.

Wander our *Wiki* for all announcements, photos, Hodsheet newsletter, and info (see education- religious school tab on website).

Please Join us for Hagigat Noar

A Celebration of Youth Achievements

Friday, February 5, 6:30 pm

Shabbat Mishpaha service will be led by Scouts (any troop/pack), Torah Reader's Club inductees, and Pre-Bnei Mitzvah students receiving their Etz Hayim Humash.

Join us for a wonderful Shabbat Supper after the service.

RSVP for Shabbat Supper at <http://beth-david.org/rsvp/>

Contact Iris at bendahan@beth-david.org for your scout to join in!

Jews' Next Dor

Solomon Schechter Awards

Saturday, February 6, 2010, 9:30 am

At the recent Biennial International Convention of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, CBD was recognized with three different Solomon Schechter Awards created to recognize outstanding synagogue programs. We received awards for our Jews Next Dor Program, our Membership Outreach efforts, and our Teen High Holiday program. Please join us as the awards are formally presented to our Congregation during Jews Next Dor Shabbat.

Sisterhood News

Gift Shop

The Gift Shop open days: Jan. 24, & Feb. 7th, 9:30 am -1:00 pm.

Feb. 21 12 noon - 1:00 pm.

March 14 Passover Bazaar 9:30 am - 2:00 pm.

Queen Esther's Kitchen

Please join Myrtle Schwartz in Beth David's kitchen to make Hamantaschen and Stuffed Cabbage for the Purim Carnival.

Come join in this fun and sociable culinary experience!

Days & times: Jan. 26 at 10:00 am, Feb. 2, 16, 23, and 24 at 9:00 am.

February 3, 16, 17, and 24 at 5:00 pm.

If you can help, please contact Davida Adelberg,

adelbergfam@me.com or 408-777-8875. **All welcome!**

Cheaper by the Pre-ordered Dozen!

To pre-order Hamantaschen, Stuffed Cabbage and Potato Knishes, please complete the forms in the lobby and deliver to the Beth David office along with your check made payable to "CBD Sisterhood."
Hamantaschen, \$8.00 for 1 dozen (prune, poppy, cherry, or apricot)
Vegetarian Stuffed Cabbage, \$25.00 for 1 dozen (without meat)
Stuffed Cabbage, \$28.00 for 1 dozen (with meat)
Potato Knishes, \$12.00 for 1 dozen
Arrange pick-up times with Myrtle Schwartz, (408) 253-0845

2nd Used Cookbook Sale

Sisterhood will run a second used Cookbook Sale at the Purim Carnival. If you can assist with this sale, please contact Deborah Estreicher at destrei@yahoo.com or (408) 323-1066.

Women in your 20s, 30s, and 40s come join Z'havah!

Sunday, February 7, 10:15 (after Minyan) in the Social Hall

Z'havah is a new division of CBD Sisterhood for women in their 20's, 30's, and 40's. We'll be adding to the calendar for 2010. For more details, contact Cheryl at cbdzehava@gmail.com or 377-4768.



BE GREEN



Electronic Recycling Is Returning To Beth David!

Plan ahead!

Beth David is holding its 3rd **ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT**.

This will be a THREE-DAY recycling extravaganza.

Feb 10: Noon - 7:30am, Feb 11: 9am - 8:30pm, Feb 12: 9am - Noon

Check the calendar online for details of what to bring.

Hazak

Jews & Chocolate: A Love Affair

Sunday February 14, 7pm at Congregation Beth David

Dr. Marjorie Freedman explores the history of chocolate and the role that a Portuguese crypto-Jew played in cacao processing as well as other aspects of chocolate craving and neurochemical effects. RSVP deadline Feb. 10, hazak@compular.com

Social Action Committee

"Blanket the Community with Warmth and Love"

As one can imagine with our winter weather, blankets and coats for the less fortunate are really in demand and greatly appreciated!

Donations are being accepted in the lobby for new or gently used blanket(s) and outerwear.

For more information, contact Seema Cicerone at 408-741-5466

It's Time for Purim!

CBD's annual Purim Carnival is on

February 28, from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm.

This event is fun for all ages and includes

carnival games, arts and crafts, food from

Queen Esther's Kitchen, and a silent auction. *The success of the*

carnival depends on volunteers. We need help before, during, and

after the carnival. There are jobs for all kinds of abilities and time

limits. If you would like to volunteer, or for more information, please

contact Cheryl at CBDpurim@gmail.com.



The Mitzvah of Making a Minyan

Come one, come all and join us every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. and Monday – Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. for daily minyan. When it is your week, we invite you to look at your schedules and commit to at least one night to attend this important endeavor.

Upcoming Fourth Week of the Month Families S-Z

Adult Education

Upcoming Adult Education Classes

All classes are held at Congregation Beth David and are open to both members and non-members. Register at registration@beth-david.org your account will be billed or register and pay at the first session. Classes are \$35/member, \$55/non-member unless noted otherwise

Pirkei Avot Discussion Group: NEW

First Session Monday, February 8, 7:30 pm

Study "Perkei Avot", a tractate in the Talmud that contains the ethical wisdom of our forefathers. We will use a weekly ethical theme-based discussion format, led by a facilitator, which would rotate among those wishing to lead a session. **Classes are free.**

Reading and Understanding Hebrew Prayers IA Beginning Class

First Session Wednesday, February 10, 11:45am-12:45 pm

For those who wish to improve their understanding of the *Shemoneh Esrei*, the heart of every synagogue service.

Talmud Study with Rabbi Schonbrun: Ongoing Class - Fridays 8:30-9:30 am

Come explore the "Sea of the Talmud" with us. Study Tractate Berachot, which deals with prayers, ritual, spirituality, theology, and leads to lively side discussions on more general Jewish practices and ethics. Newcomers are not only welcomed, they are nurtured! **This class is free.**

Modern Hebrew IIIB Continuing Class

First session Wednesday, February 10, 10:00-11:30 am

This course is designed for those who wish to improve their Hebrew skills and increase their comfort level in reading, vocalizing, and understanding general Hebrew texts as well as Hebrew prayers.

Lunch and Learn Seminar

Sunday, February 7, 12:30 p.m.

Good King or Bad King? – The Story of King David

Nitzhia Shaked, Lecturer in Jewish Studies, Sonoma State University.

Jewish history has few more beloved or fascinating characters than King David, a hero who went from a peaceful boyhood as a sensitive shepherd to bloody, sinning years as King of Israel, shockingly breaking most of the Ten Commandments. This presentation will examine both the positive and negative sides of this outstanding king, whose dark side cast a huge shadow over his impressive achievements and has generated disputes throughout the ages. **Warning:** This talk will involve adult situations, sex, and violence!

Conversations in Jewish Learning

Tuesday, February 9, 7:30 pm

Zionism and Human Rights - Two Sides of the Same Coin

With examples from his recent book, *Triumph over Tyranny: the Heroic Campaigns that Saved 2,000,000 Soviet Jews*, author Philip Spiegel will focus on Natan Sharansky as the quintessential refusenik and prisoner of Zion.



Mazel Tov to Kenneth and Michele Hittleman on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Ryan Hittleman.

Our thanks to Kenneth and Michele Hittleman for sponsoring the Kiddush luncheon.

A belated Mazel Tov to Michael & Heather Harris on the birth of their daughter Jacquelyn Elizabeth Harris, November 17, 2009!