

Our Mishpacha

BETH SHALOM OF WHITTIER
14564 HAWES ST, WHITTIER, CA 90604

Hazzan's Notes

*A Word from Hazzan Lance
Tapper*

As we have begun to leave our current building and prepare to move into our new space, we pause to enjoy the fruits of our labor in this congregation and building that has served us all for many years. I appreciate all those who have and will continue to help us make this a smooth transition for all of us as we say goodbye to the edifice that has meant so much to so many for so long. Our future is bright and what will come will allow us to make Beth Shalom a true representation of who and what we are- a still vibrant and representative congregation of our people in the Whittier community and environs.
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I want to wish you all a
happy, healthy, and sweet
New Year!
(from September 2018)

Hazzan's Notes (continued)

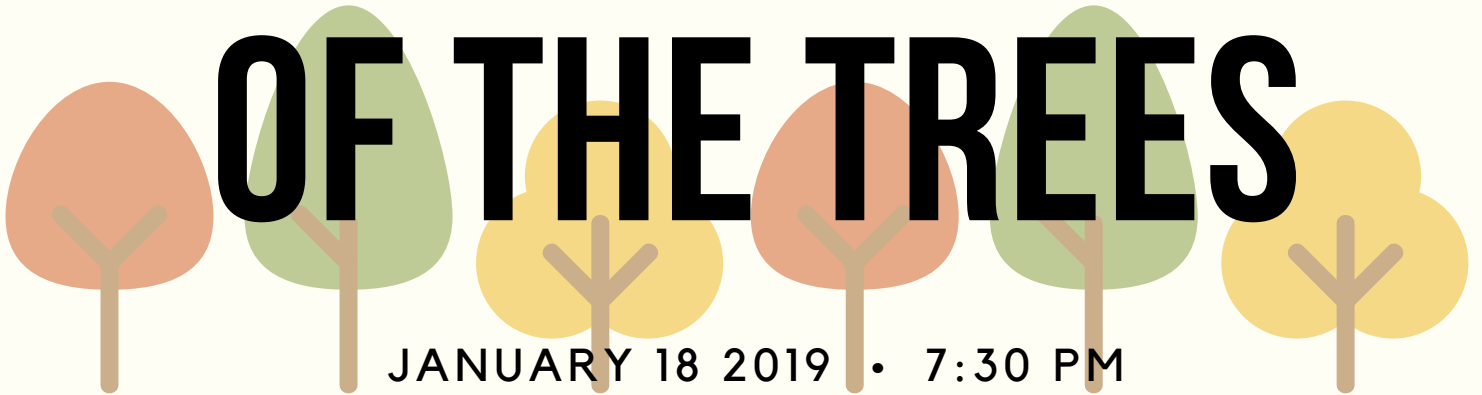
On Shabbat evening, Friday, January 18, we will be hosting our last Sisterhood Shabbat in our current building. This will be a time where the Sisterhood will participate in the service and many of them will be honored for their help in making our transition to our new space smooth and seamless. Sisterhood has been one of the backbones of our congregation and we continue to enjoy all that Sisterhood provides us from Oneg Shabbat repasts each week to this annual service in which they take part. We know you will want to be at this specific service to show your gratitude to our Sisterhood's membership for all they do for our congregation. We will also celebrate Tu Bishvat and the importance of nature to our people. The ladies of Sisterhood have always connected themselves to the rebirth and rejuvenation that Tu Bishvat brings, and we know that added dimension will continue.

I wish you a warm and inviting mid-winter at Beth Shalom.

Hazzan Lance Tapper

Celebrate Sisterhood Shabbat

TU B'SHEVAT THE NEW YEAR OF THE TREES



JANUARY 18 2019 • 7:30 PM

Join us for our annual Sisterhood Shabbat services
conducted by Hazzan Lance.

We will specially honor Sisterhood members who are
working diligently to assure a smooth transition out of
our building.

*A special oneg featuring traditional Tu B'Shevat
refreshments will be served following the service.*



JANUARY CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES & CLERGY SCHEDULE

SHABBAT - JANUARY 4 - 4:38 P.M.
HAZZAN LAURIE RIMLAND BONN AND MARK PETERSON

SHABBAT - JANUARY 11 - 4:44 P.M.
HAZZAN LANCE AND MARK PETERSON

SHABBAT - JANUARY 18 - 4:51 P.M.
SISTERHOOD SHABBAT
HAZZAN LANCE AND MARK PETERSON

SHABBAT - JANUARY 25 - 4:58PM
HAZZAN LANCE AND MARK PETERSON

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This is *Our Mishpacha*! -Christine Singer,
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SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



sunday, january 20, 2019
10:00 a.m.

Our building has sold. What's next for
our congregation?
Join the Beth Shalom of Whittier Board
of Directors in the sanctuary as we
discuss what steps we are taking
towards the future of Beth Shalom.
Light refreshments will be served
following the meeting.



Sabbath Service

Article by Samuel Pearlman

The Sabbath is the greatest and noblest Holy day of our religion. It is associated with our Torah and G-d's creation of the world. The way we live our lives on the Sabbath represents a day devoted to spiritual growth and attention to prayer, rest, study, and socializing with our people. It is a day when all of G-d's creatures, human, and beasts of burden are to rest. For we are all G-d's children, and on this day we dedicate our service to him alone. The Sabbath is thus our obedience to the fourth commandment (Exodus XX:8-11) "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work; but the day is a Sabbath unto the

Lord thy G-d: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor your convert who is within your gates..." As a result, the Sabbath is our great institution that contains the ideals of human spirit formed in the image of G-d's commandments.

L'Cho Dodi

After the lighting of the Sabbath candles on Friday, I can think of no better tribute than the custom of meeting the "Queen" of the Sabbath. It is reflected in our Beth Shalom in the prayer L'CHO DODI. This prayer was composed by a mystic in the city of Safed, during the 16th century. The Safed mystics would dress in white on Friday afternoon towards sunset, and go out into the fields to greet the arrival of the Sabbath. To this day the arrival is practiced in our Synagogues, It is when the entire congregation, already risen and faces the Synagogue entrance when the last verse of this prayer, "Come my beloved (ISRAEL), welcome bride Sabbath" is recited. More on the Sabbath and our prayers will follow in the fourth coming issues of Our Mishpacha.

~~Samuel Pearlman~~



Happy
BIRTHDAY



Myra Weiss on January 1
Abdon Narembaum on January 2
Susan Lieberman on January 19
Jay Weinschenker on January 31

Brain Games

Answers on Last Page

Finish the Proverb...

1. The early bird gets the _____.
2. After all is _____ and done, more is said than _____.
3. From _____ beginnings come great _____.
4. Don't _____ horses while crossing a _____.
5. There are three kinds of _____; those that make _____ happen, those that watch things _____ and those who don't know what's _____.
6. The frog does not _____ the pond in which he _____.

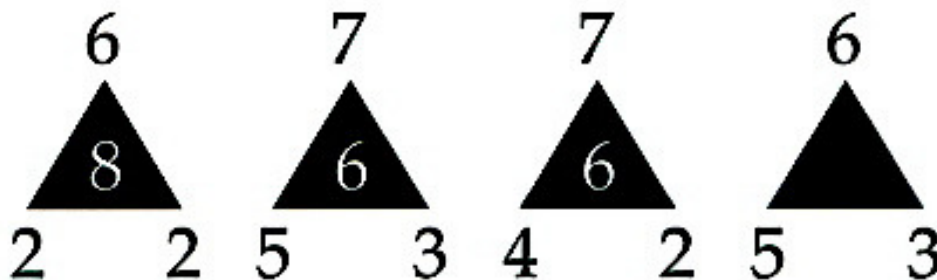
The Blind Beggar

A blind beggar had a brother who died. What relation was the blind beggar to the brother who died?
"Brother" is not the answer.



The Empty Triangle

Which figure should be placed in the empty triangle?



Yahrzeit Observances

January

- Etta Arnold - Mother of Susan Lieberman
Ruth Becker - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Sophie Carnow - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Jacob Chais - Step-Father of Phyliss Kudler
Ethel Chesler - Mother of Joel Chesler
Freda Cripes - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Irving Cirulnick - Uncle of Mona Di Natale
Mabel Cutler - Grandmother of Jeffrey Kolnick
Yetta Fink - Mother of Bernard Fink
Jennie Goldberg - Mother of Morton & Helene Goldberg
Janchel Groisman - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Leigh Hess - Father of Richard Hess
Sol Jaffee - Son of Eugene Jaffee
Saul Korduner - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Siegbert Mergruen - Husband of Christel Mergruen
Meir Militeanu - Father of Klara Wein
Julia Morris - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Louis Ossofsky - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Bertha Paul - Step-mother of Sidney Paul
Harry Paul - Father of Sidney Paul
Max Popkin - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Evelyn Resnick - Sister of Sidney Paul
Esther Rosen - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Abraham Rubin (Paloma Bat Eliahu v' Ricula) - Husband of Dorothy Rubin
Samuel Rubins - Grandfather of Susan Lieberman
Abe Small - Brother of Dorothy Rubin
Sylvia Squier - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Esther D. Tapper - Grandmother of Hazzan Lance H. Tapper
Joseph David Unger (Yassel) - Beth shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit board
Bernard Weissman - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Rebecca Wiener - Beth shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Harvey Ziskin - Beth Shalom of Whittier Yahrzeit Board
Ida Zuckerman - Mother of Madelon Alpert-Herman
Helen Zuckoff - Aunt of Frieda Melcer

Yahrzeit Donations

December 2018

William Pollack - Father of Jordan Pollack
Emmanuel Morzinsky - Uncle of Michelle Hess
Gail Goodstein - Sister of Rita Rubin
Pauline Newman - Aunt of Myra Becker
Julius Schwartz - Uncle of Michelle Hess
Socorro Torres - Grandmother of Mina Cano

Yahrzeit Donations

January 2019

Leigh Hess - Father of Richard Hess
Myer Forman - Father of Jordan Pollack
Siegbert Mergruen - Husband of Christel Mergruen
Norma Shreiber for 2 Yahrzeits
Samuel Kuhn - Father of Bernard Kuhn



We honor the memory of our loved ones who have departed this earth as we kindle the Yahrzeit candle in remembrance. May their memory endure as an eternal blessing.

Thank you for your donations.

BOOK CLUB

The Beth Shalom book group will meet to discuss **The Laws of Gravity** by Liz Rosenberg. This story is about what it takes to be a family, what it takes to save a life, and the lengths we will go to protect the ones we love.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019
HOME OF MICHELLE HESS
12:00 PM


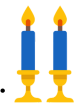




THANK
YOU

Alita Sevin
Liz Herrera
For your Donations to Sisterhood

January 2019

Tevet-Shevat 5779

Happy **NEW** Year

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Office Closed			Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. 	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
				Minyan 2:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. 	Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Lay Study 9:45 a.m. 
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				Minyan 2:30 p.m. Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Sisterhood Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. 	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		Book Club: "The Laws of Gravity" 12:00 p.m.	Sisterhood Board Meeting 1:00 p.m.	Minyan 2:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. 	
27	28	29	30	31		
				Minyan 2:30 p.m.		

Brain Games

Answered

Finish the Proverb...

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3. From small beginnings come great things.
4. Don't change horses while crossing a stream.
5. There are three kinds of people; those that make things happen, those that watch things happen and those who don't know what's happening.
6. The frog does not drink up the pond in which he lives.

The Blind Beggar

The blind beggar was
the sister of her brother,
who died.

The Empty Triangle

ANSWER: 3

SOLUTION: The top number minus the bottom left-hand number is multiplied by the bottom right-hand number to give the number inside the triangle.