

NEWSLETTER

CONGREGATION TIFERETH ISRAEL

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Tu B'Shvat is a Jewish holiday occurring on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat, Monday, January 21. It is also called "Rosh HaShanah La'Ilanot", literally "New Year of the Trees." In contemporary Israel, the day is celebrated as an ecological awareness day, and trees are planted in celebration. It is often celebrated by planting trees, eating fruits, and honoring our connection to and dependence on the world around us.

The custom on Tu B'Shvat is to eat fruits from the seven species for which the Land of Israel is praised: "...a land of wheat, barley, [grape] vines, fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and [date] honey" (Deut. 8:8).

Kabbalistic tradition even includes a mystical Tu B'Shvat "seder" service (conceptually similar to the Passover seder), where the inner dimensions of fruits are expounded, along with blessings, songs and deep discussion. The 16th century kabbalist Arizal taught that eating 10 specific fruits and drinking four cups of wine in a specific order can bring one closer to spiritual perfection.

(From Aish.com by Rabbi Shraga Simmons)

From the President...

I hope everyone had a joyous and fruitful Chanukah. Unfortunately we had to cancel our yearly Chanukah party due to lack of participation. We would like to plan other fun activities but we cannot do it without all of you. If you have any suggestions please let me or Betty & Jay Polonsky know.

Thank you to Marvin Menovich and Nancy Duerr who attended a discussion on safety which they will present to CTI at our next congregation meeting. We have instituted a policy of locking our doors at 7:45 PM whenever we hold a Shabbat service, or 15 minutes after the start of any meeting or event, so please be on time.

We are now living in trying times so be aware of your surroundings and be cautious of scams. I will be planning a talk on scams with Officer Cameron of the Peabody police department. Please email me if you are interested. Date and time will be announced.

If you have an article or a story you would like to put in our *Newsletter* please contact Joanne Pressman at joanne@jpcom.com.

Sons of Israel services are held on the first Friday of the month at 7:30 PM and every Saturday and Sunday morning beginning at 9:00 AM.

Please continue to bring in non-outdated food for the Haven from Hunger, and your Tzedakah boxes

*Elliot Hershoff,
President*

SPRING DATES

Board of Directors Meeting	March 28, 2019, 7:00 PM
Congregation Meeting	April 28, 2019, 9:30 AM
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	May 5, 2019, 10:00 AM

Thank you to the following members and friends who have made donations to CTI in memory of their loved ones whose Meldathos were observed during recent Shabbat services and those members who have recently passed on:

<u>Donated by</u>	<u>In Memory Of</u>
Millie & Jerry Becker	Emili Pernitchi - Grandmother
Kathy & Barry Blair	Max Blair - Father
Nancy Duerr	Kenny Furtado - Brother
Diane Elefson	Harold Sumberg - Father
Libby Gans	William Barber - Grandfather,
Libby Gans	Michael Lanes - Grandfather
Robert Gibeley	Esther Gibeley - Mother
Judith & Arnold Gitter	Edward Baum - Father
Doris Hershoff	Jack Yonis - Brother
Elliot Hershoff	Mark Kasarjian-Nephew
Freda Kravetz	Morris Becker - Brother
Tobie Podradchik	Ralph Polonsky - Father
Tobie Podradchik	Joseph Polonsky - Grandfather
Betty & Jay Polonsky	Ralph Polonsky - Father
Betty & Jay Polonsky	Joseph Polonsky - Grandfather
Phyllis Potash	David Levin - Brother
Phyllis Potash	Florence Levin - Mother
Joanne & Jerry Pressman	Emili Pernitchi - Grandmother
Ann Segal	Ada Millstein - Mother
Adele Shackelford	William Barber - Grandfather,
Adele Shackelford	Michael Lanes - Grandfather
Adele Shackelford	Lynn Shackelford - Husband
Fran & John Shaheen	Robert M. Hasday - Brother
Lucille Sherman	David H. Sherman - Father
Marcia Smokler	Matthew Smokler - Husband
Patricia & Harry Stewart	Max Blair - Father
Joe Yonis	Jack Yonis - Brother

DEATHS

Our congregational family extends its deepest sympathy to Joseph Yonis and his family on the passing of his son, Richard Yonis, and to Marcia Smokler and her family on the passing of her brother, Marshall Yudin.

May G-d comfort all of you in your moment of sorrow.

To the following members who have made donations to the **Happy Day Fund:**

<u>To - Occasion</u>	<u>Donated by</u>
Doris Hershoff - In Memory of nephew, Richard Yonis	Millie & Jerry Becker Sally Francis & Dan Leavitt
Marcia Smokler - In Memory of brother, Marshall Yudin	Doris & Elliot Hershoff Bebe & Bob Karelitz Bonnis & Lenny Klapper Joanne & Jerry Pressman Wendy Tirck
Joseph Yonis - In Memory of son, Richard Yonis	Millie & Jerry Becker Joanne & Jerry Pressman Fran & John Shaheen

CONGRATULATIONS AND MAZEL TOV

To Elliot Hershoff, who was recently installed as Chaplain of North Shore Post 220 Jewish War Veterans. Also to Jack Romo installed as Vice Senior Commander.

To Michael Becker, son of Millie and Jerry Becker, on his engagement to Caitlin Murphy, daughter of Diane and Richard Murphy.

THANK YOU

To Heidi August and Lewis Freedman for sponsoring our November Oneg Shabbat and Jan and Marvin Menovich for sponsoring our December Oneg Shabbat.

To Nancy Deurr and Marvin Menovich for representing CTI at a recent security seminar presented by CJP and ADL

GET WELL WISHES

To Jerry Becker, Samantha Cohen, Donald Deveau, Barbara Forbes, Libby Gans, Victoria Linsky, Ryan Podradchik, Phyllis Potash, Jack Romo, Sheila Romo, and Gloria Sontz.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE DATES

Shevat - January 11	Adar I - February 8
Adar II - March 8	Nisan - April 12
Iyar - May 10	Sivan - June 14
Tammuz - July 12	Av - August 9
Elul - September 13	

All services begin at 7:30 P. M. and include the reading of the Yahrzeit memorial names for that Hebrew month. An Oneg Shabbat follows each service. Please make every effort to attend.

YAHARZEIT - MELDATHOS

JANUARY	SHEVAT	FEBRUARY	ADAR I
Service Friday, January 11, 7:30 PM		Service Friday, February 8, 7:30 PM	
7 Lloyd Silverman	1	6 Donna Behar	1
7 Rose Hasday	1	6 Ida Elefson	1
7 Nelson Gediman	1	7 Ruth Leavitt	2
8 Joseph Havian	2	7 Mildred Freedman	2
8 Ruth Parkin-Goodman	2	9 Reva Pomerantz	4
8 Mildred Freedman	2	10 Harold Jagher	5
9 Alice Stein	3	10 Robert Yudin	5
9 Joseph Pernitchi	3	11 Richard Yonis	6
10 Samuel Stein	4	15 Matilda Barber	10
11 Robert Yudin	5	15 Shirley Shapiro	10
12 Richard Yonis	6	15 Sara Yonis	10
14 Victoria Eskenas	8	15 William Podradchik	10
16 William Podradchik	10	16 Evelyn Menovich	11
17 Joshua Eskenazi	11	16 Marshall Yudin	11
17 Tillie Polonsky	11	17 Theodore Linsky	12
17 Marshall Yudin	11	18 Saul Prager	13
21 Millicent Lutt	15	23 Alice Gibeley	18
22 Robert Furtado	16	23 Mary Sumberg	18
23 Albert Gibeley	17	24 Florence Silverman	19
23 Sadie Behar	17	26 Simon Levin	21
25 Solomon Levy	19	26 Charles Segal	21
25 Morris Barnett	19	28 Sarah Gibely	23
30 Marshall Sherman	24	28 Asa Polonsky	23
31 Charlotte Harsfield	25	MARCH	
31 Jack Gibely	25	2 Leonard Elefson	25
FEBRUARY		2 Sumner Pomerantz	25
2 Sara Bengar	27	4 Izzy Havian	27
4 Susan Kunian	29	6 Heidi Sue Gitter	29
5 Joshua Yonis	30	6 Rose Romo	29
		6 Susan Kunian	29

BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

1 Joel Havian
 3 Jerry Pressman
 4 Erin Arsenault
 4 Stephanie Fain
 4 Jonathan Jagher
 4 Mae Simone Jagher
 4 Ralph Yonis
 7 Francine Black
 8 Harvey Goldberg
 9 Elizabeth Thibault
 12 Gary Arsenault
 13 Steven Linsky
 15 Terri Barron Simon
 16 Rebecca Havian
 17 Christine Jagher
 17 Sandra Jagher
 17 Gloria Sontz
 20 Derek Cohen
 20 Adam Grossman
 21 Eric Black
 21 Gary Simon
 23 Rebecca Sands
 24 Stephanie Linsky
 28 Edward Garber
 29 Howard Kosovske
 30 Maya Arsenault
 31 Doris Hershoff

FEBRUARY

1 Ian Freedman
 1 Arnold Gitter
 5 Vanessa Becerra
 5 Danica Jane Guidice
 6 Craig Podradchik
 7 Max Feldman
 7 Mark Linsky
 8 Jay Polonsky
 9 Leo Feldman
 10 Jonathan Stewart
 11 Tiffany Polonsky
 12 Michael Gitter
 12 Ayla Goldberg
 18 Maria Becerra
 18 David Podradchik
 19 Jerry Becker
 19 Michael Becker
 24 Jayden Polonsky
 26 Ian Paul Gleich
 26 Jill Pressman
 27 Joanne Pressman
 27 Cecile Rowen
 27 Idina Podradchik

ANNIVERSARIES

JANUARY

1 Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Simon

FEBRUARY

4 Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Pressman