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even during Summer!

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Weekday Torah Study Group

Led by Rabbi Robert Eisen (July 2 lay-led; Rabbi in Israel), this informal study group can lead to lively discussion. Held **Wednesdays** in the Library, **11:00am to 12noon**. Everyone is welcome!

Tot Shabbat Service

For families with young children, Rabbi Robert Eisen holds a special Tot Shabbat Service with stories and songs **the first Friday of the month at 5:45pm (July 4 and August 1)** on the Bimah in the sanctuary.

Summer Shul

For several weeks each summer, we move our 9:00am Saturday service from the sanctuary to enable us to set a different mood. We set up Cantor Falkow Lounge as a Sanctuary: the chairs are placed in the pattern of a horseshoe (concentric semi-circles) around a Reader's Stand and the Aron Kodesh is placed against the Eastern Wall. This enables us to see and hear each other during the course of the service ... and to find our worship strengthened by our sense of togetherness. Please plan to join us **July 5 through August 9** ... beat the heat and stay cool in shul!

Shabbat Afternoon Torah Study

Torah discussions are held **every Saturday, one hour prior to the Mincha Service**. This is a great opportunity to become more involved in "Living Judaism" and your congregation. Times of study are listed on the calendar in each issue of *Kolenu*. If you would like to lead a Torah discussion or for more information, call Michelle at 745-5550, ext. 225.

K'Ton Time

This service is held the **third Saturday each month (July 19 and August 16) at 10:30am** in the Epstein Chapel to allow young families to share songs, prayers, stories, games and playground time; then partake of a kid-friendly Kiddush. Geared to families with kids ages 1 to 6, but everyone is welcome!

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL SERVICE TIMES FOR:

TISHA B'AV

**August 4: Mincha/Ma'ariv/
Lamentations 7:00pm**

**August 5: Shacharit 7:30am
Mincha 12:30pm**

**~ SEE PAGE 4 FOR MORE
INFORMATION ~**

*Something old,
Something new,
Something "borrowed" ...
Something for YOU!*

Beginning **August 15, 2014**, and continuing throughout the rest of the year (except for Jewish holidays), we will hold a **Family Service and Dinner the third Friday each month**. The service will be held as our regular congregational Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv Service, but will include melodies and interactive activities geared toward young families.

We'll take the traditions that define us, adapt them to best meet our present needs, taking some of our (and others') "best practices," and create new traditions to make Shabbat "that much more." Become part of a vibrant branch of the synagogue community!

The service will begin as usual at 5:45pm, and is, of course, open to all who wish to attend. The Shabbat dinner will be reasonably priced at \$25 per family (*family includes two adults and up to four children. Additional adults (13+) \$10 per person.* Reservations will be required for the dinner only).

Watch your mail for further information later this summer!

SHIV'A ASAR B'TAMMUZ

The 17th of *Tammuz* is observed as a fast commemorating the breaking down of the wall of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar and the cessation of Temple worship during the siege of Titus. It ushers in the three weeks of mourning which end with *Tisha B'Av*, the fast of the ninth day of *Av*.

The three weeks between *Shiv'a Asar B'Tammuz* and *Tisha B'Av* are referred to as "between the straits," a phrase borrowed from Lamentations 1:3. The *Mishnah* mentions five misfortunes that befell the Jewish people on the 17th of *Tammuz* and five on the ninth of *Av* (*Ta'Anit* 4:6).

The three weeks are concluded with the so-called Nine Days, from the first to the ninth of *Av*, during which the mourning is intensified until *Tisha B'Av* itself — the saddest day of the Jewish year.

This year the 17th of Tammuz falls on July 15.

Special Shabbatot

SHABBAT HAZON and SHABBAT NAHAMU

The Sabbaths surrounding the Ninth of *Av* carry a clear message relating to the holiday. The prophetic readings for the three weeks preceding the holiday — the first two from Jeremiah and the third from Isaiah — are full of admonitions in preparation for this mournful time. Following *Tisha B'Av*, there are seven prophetic readings of consolation — all from Isaiah — providing comfort after this somber occasion and preparing the individual emotionally and spiritually for the upcoming High Holy Days. The Sabbaths that immediately precede and follow *Tisha B'Av* each have a special name reflecting the message of the respective *Haftorah* (prophetic reading).

The Sabbath immediately preceding the Ninth of *Av* is known as the Sabbath of Vision (*Hazon*) for the prophetic reading Isaiah 1:1-27. After recounting heinous transgressions, it offers the hope of reconciliation, which will come when the people "cease to do evil, learn to do good." The Sabbath of Vision and *Shabbat Nahamu*, which provides words of consolation a week later, embrace *Tisha B'Av* from opposite sides, cushioning the blow of the day of destruction, allowing the mourners to go into it knowing there is salvation and emerge from it reassured that redemption will come. The entire portion [of *Shabbat Hazon*] may be chanted to the melody of *Eicha* (Lamentations); more appropriately, only the verses of admonition are rendered in the subdued chant.

The upswing of hope begun on the afternoon of *Tisha B'Av* continues on the following *Shabbat*. Called *Shabbat Nahamu* (Console) after the first line of the day's prophetic reading (*Nahamu, Nahamu Ami*, "Console, console my people ...") (Isaiah 40:1-26), it is also the first of seven *Haftorot* of consolation, all drawn from the book of Isaiah, that deliver a message of comfort in the seven weeks following *Tisha B'Av* and lead us to the period of *Rosh Hashanah* (49:14-51:3; 54:11-55:5; 51:12-52:12; 54:1-10; 60:1-22; 61:10-63:9).

**This year, *Shabbat Hazon* falls on August 2;
Shabbat Nahamu falls on August 9.**

TREE
OF
LIFE



Celebrate the happy events and people who touch our lives. Share your family's *simcha* with a leaf or stone on our Tree of Life to make a permanent dedication. CAI's Tree of Life is located outside the sanctuary doors. To place your order, call Brittany at 745-5550, ext. 240.

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW
MEMBER: Deborah Kaye

KNOW SOMEONE NEW TO TUCSON?

If you know someone new to the Tucson community who you believe would be interested in finding out about CAI, please contact Barb Neuman at 745-5550, ext. 242 so that we can speak to them about all of the many religious, spiritual, educational and communal opportunities the synagogue has to offer!

INTERFAITH FAMILIES WELCOMED

Congregation Anshei Israel welcomes all who seek the spiritual comfort found within our sacred community. We warmly welcome interfaith families and encourage them to participate in as much synagogue life as they choose within the framework of Conservative Judaism. For more information, pick up a brochure at the Shalom Cart or at the front desk in the administrative office. It is also accessible at www.caiaz.org/resources as part of CAI's "Myths vs. Facts" program.

COMFORT FOR BABIES & MOMS

We have a designated room for moms who wish to nurse their babies in a quiet private space. The bride's changing room (at the back of the Epstein Chapel) will comfortably accommodate one or two moms at a time.

THE MITZVAH OF BIKUR HOLIM

Federal healthcare privacy regulations make it difficult for us to know when a member of CAI has been admitted to a hospital. Become a partner in the mitzvah of *Bikur Holim*—visiting the sick—by advising our clergy when you, a relative, or a friend is hospitalized. We can stay informed ONLY if a family member or friend provides the information to us. Please call 745-5550 to speak with Rabbi Robert Eisen, ext. 230 or Clergy Assistant Michelle, ext. 225.

DEALING WITH GRIEF AND LOSS?

Are you having difficulty dealing with grief and loss? Perhaps it would be helpful to talk with a trained counselor. A synagogue volunteer would be happy to speak with you confidentially. Please call Norma Karp at 299-3382.



The ninth day of *Av*, mentioned in Zechariah 8:19 as the “Fast of the Fifth” month, commemorates such national calamities as the destruction of both Temples, the fall of Bar Kokhba’s fortress, Bethar, and the expulsion from Spain in 1492. According to tradition, both the First and Second Temples were destroyed on the ninth of *Av*, the day referred to as predestined to misfortune. *Tisha B’Av* resembles *Yom Kippur* in its restrictions upon eating and bathing, maintained from sunset to sunset.

The three weeks between the 17th of *Tammuz* and the ninth of *Av* are observed by abstaining from all festivities and joyous celebrations. But when the month of *Av* has begun, all enjoyment should be reduced. It has long been the custom in Israel to eat no meat (except on the Sabbath) from the first day of *Av* until after the fast.

On the ninth of *Av*, when the Book of Lamentations and other dirges (*kinot*) are recited, before congregations seated on low stools as a sign of mourning, the curtain (*Parokhet*) is removed from the Ark (*Aron Ha-Kodesh*), and visits are made to cemeteries, in order to stress the sense of mourning. The morning service is recited without *tallit* or *tefillin*; these are worn during the *Mincha* service. The elegies known as *kinot* are descriptive, not only of the calamities connected with the destruction of Jerusalem, but also of the Jewish catastrophes that occurred in various lands of persecution.

This year, the Ninth of Av observance/fast begins on the evening of Monday, August 4 and continues through Tuesday, August 5.

CAI’s administrative office, Preschool/Kindergarten and Religious School classrooms, and kitchen recycle more than just paper!

We are helping the environment by recycling:

- Junk mail, catalogs, magazines & newspapers
- Copy paper/flyers
- Phone books
- Cereal/snack boxes
- Cardboard
- Plastic containers
- Steel/tin/aluminum items
(No food, liquids or oils)



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Daily Minyan Services & “Jewry” Duty

Our Minyan is expected to be there when someone needs to say *Kaddish*. We hope you will consider being there for others, as there are occasions when it is difficult to get a *Minyan*. Along with your “Jewry Duty,” we ask that you consider committing to being part of the *Minyan* at least one morning or afternoon per month on a regular basis. Service times are on the calendar in each newsletter and on the synagogue’s web site, www.caiaz.org. Shown below is a combined list of Minyan attendees and those fulfilling their “Jewry” Duty during April and May 2014. *Todah rabah!*

Ellen Alster	Shirley Goldberg	Trenty & Michael
Murray Baker	Hyman Goodman	Mendel
Jerry Barkan	Allen Gordon	Arnold Merin
Phyllis & Merrill Broad	Linda Gorsky	Rina Paz
Meryl Bressler	Margo Gray	Bea Paulus
Barbara & Mel Brodie	Brina Grusin	Joy Peskin-Owens
Miriam Cline	Schlomit Haber	Helen Rib
Bob Cohen	Sarah Johnston	Abby Rosen
Terri Cohen	Aurora & Eugene	Robert Ross
Rabbi Helen Cohn	Kellogg	Judith Schneider
Judy & Ted Drenfeld	Steven Ketchel	Charles Schultz
Dennis Dawson	Jane Kivel	Barbara & Michael
Emily Ellentuck	Sallie & Mort Kranitz	Schoenhals
Joan Epstein	Murray Kraus	Barbara Selznick
Judy Esbit	Barbara Levkowitz	Evelyn Sigafus
L. Elliot Farber	Jerry Levy	Marilyn Einstein &
Sharon Farquhar	Sam Levy	Steve Sim
Walter Feiger	Scott Lewis	Arthur Solomon
Hedy Feuer	Sandra Lictor	Carol Stern
Ralph Freund	Barbara Stern Mannlein	Moshe Toister
Irene Stern Friedman	& Martin Mannlein	Art Weinenger
& Ellis Friedman	Ziva Mason	Steven Weisman
James Frisch	Levi Mendel	Jerry Wolf
Rayna & John Gellman	Pam & Stuart Mendel	Robert Wolk
Vivien & Jacques		Steve Wool
Gerstenfeld		

Thank you to our “Yad Squad”

(Those who read Torah and Haftarah in April and May 2014)

Marlene Abraham	Natalie Leonard
Rev. Nachman Berkowitz	Scott Lewis
Miriam Blum	Leah Mann
Dylan Bluth	Joy Peskin-Owens
Lawrence Cassen	Helen Rib
Nichole Chorny	Stephanie Roberts
Margo Gray	Donna Saffioti
Richard Green	Ron Sandler
Marshall Heyman	Leonard Schultz
Mike Jacobson	Steve Seltzer
Adina Karp	Linda Silverman
Corey Karp	Erika Spivack
Dave Karp	Alan Strauss
Jenna Langert	Teri Thienhaus
Aaron Leonard	Gary Windham
Katherine Leonard	Arthur Zoref

MA'OT HITTIM FUND 2014 FOOD FOR PASSOVER APPEAL

OUR SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO ALL WHO MADE CONTRIBUTIONS.

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Nancy & Michael Apsell
Bettie & Murray Baker
Kathy Hays & Jerry Barkan
Sharon & Morris Barkan
Janice Wezelman &
David Bartlett
Hannah Berg
Betty & Rev. Nachman Berkowitz
Bella Bleier
Miriam & Bennett Blum
Phyllis & Merrill Broad
Brenda Frye & Sergey Cherkis
Molly Senor & Melvin Cohen
Phyllis & Allen Cohen
Shiffy & Bob Cohen
Rabbi Helen Cohn &
Dennis Dawson
Janet Deutch
Dvora Tager & Robert Dietz
Amy & Robert Direnfeld
Valorie & Andy Douglas & family
Emily & Max Ellentuck
Elaine & Howard Fagan
Fern & Ed Feder
Bobbie & Leroy Feig
Hedy Feuer & Michael Perlman
Enid & Irwin Freedman
Rayna & John Gellman
Allen Gordon
Margo & Ron Gray
Fay Green
Rachel & Jonathan Green & family
Joan Auerbach Green &
Richard Green
Gloria Goldstein
Zandra Goldstein
Linda Gorsky
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Jerry Levy
Susan Lee & Scott Lewis
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Dorleen Mallis
Barbara Stern Mannlein &
Martin Mannlein
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Ziva Mason
Rhea & Arnold Merin
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Dawn Moriarty &
Leonard Steinberg
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Bobby Present
Jill & Dan Ranucci
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Helen Rib
Todd Rockoff
Sue & Sonny Ross
Anna & Myron Rottenstein
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Ronnie Sebold
Sarah & Morty Segal
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Nathan Shapiro
Molly Shenitzer
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Linda & Shelby Silverman
Marilyn Einstein & Steven Sim
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Shelley & Steven Singer
Karen & Howard Skolnik
Paul Smelkinson
Annie Stein
Lynne Falkow-Strauss &
Jack Strauss
Darlene Streicher
Lee & Earl Surwit
Marianne & Stuart Taussig
Keya Tehrani
Sara Turkin
Arthur Weinenger
Hyla & Gary Windham
Jerry Wolf
Mary & Robert Wolk
Al Zehngut



A Message from the Board of Trustees

In a continuing effort to keep everyone informed of our activities, it is with great pleasure that I announce that we have engaged Sarah Artzi to serve as our interim Religious School Administrator. A long time (life time!) member of Congregation Anshei Israel, Sarah brings to the position a love of learning and teaching, as well as her experience as a Religious School teacher and an active member of so many of our local institutions and organizations. We know that, as she works along with Rabbi Robert Eisen and our Cantorial Soloist Nichole Chorny, our Religious School will continue to thrive.

At the same time, as we have already shared with you, later in the summer and/or early fall, our Search Committee will reconvene and begin looking for a permanent Education Director to run the Religious School and work to enable all of us to increase our engagement with learning (and living!) Torah.

Please see page 9 for messages from Sarah and Nichole.

Thank you,
Richard Fink, President

Oh, Those Lazy Days of Summer

You are invited to donate blood at CAI's Blood Donor Drive on August 10, 9:00am - 2:00pm in the Cantor Falkow Lounge. According to Rabbi Joel Roth, "(it) is permissible, indeed, desirable and praiseworthy, to donate blood."

After that mitzvah, you can enjoy some "me time" hanging out in the Cantor Falkow Lounge and chatting with other blood donors over bagels and beverages. All donors will also receive a Red Cross tote.

Please contact Margo Gray at 298-8831 or ronpsych@yahoo.com to schedule your appointment, to volunteer, or for more information.



Social Action

On May 7, 2014, a group of Social Action advocates met at CAI and carpooled to Tucson Community Food Bank to help sort 2000 pounds of food collected at this year's USPS mail carrier food drive (see photo below). In addition to those pictured, we also want to thank Jami Gan, Tom Herz and Bertie Levkowitz.



Thanks to everyone who helped with Social Action projects this year. We are always looking for more volunteers, as well as new projects for the coming year. Please bring your ideas to us. We look forward to your participation!

Hedy Feuer, hedy.feuer@gmail.com / 885-8819

Jane Poliakoff, jmpoliakoff@gmail.com

Social Action Committee Co-chairs



(l. to r.) Nancy Stoler, Rick Langert and Jerry Wolf at the Community Food Bank

LIKE TO VOLUNTEER?

Volunteers and all that they offer are always welcome to help with a variety of ongoing projects. From serving on committees, participating in social action, helping in religious services, working in the Gift Shop and more, there is something for everyone. We can always use your help!



For more information about volunteering at CAI, contact Barb at 745-5550, ext. 242 or pick up a Volunteer form at the front desk in the administrative office or at the Shalom Cart outside the sanctuary. You can also access the form online at www.caiaz.org/getting-involved/volunteer-opportunities/. Thank you!



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C O M I N G U P . . .

PLUS: DON'T MISS THE INSERTS FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION!



Can't take the **HEAT**?
Then, get out! And share
Shabbat with family and
friends at CAI.

Join us for services at 5:45pm,
followed by a delicious BBQ chicken
Shabbat dinner with sides & dessert.
CAI members: Adults \$12, children \$8
Guests: Adults \$15, children \$10

Please RSVP by July 8.

**Visit www.caiaz.org
or call 745-5550.**

High Holy Days Services

The High Holy Days begin
September 24, Erev Rosh Hashanah.
Congregation Anshei Israel welcomes everyone to
attend this year's High Holy Days services.

A free* one-year membership is offered
to anyone who hasn't been affiliated with any
synagogue for two years. The membership
includes High Holy Days tickets.

**Free general admission tickets for High
Holy Days services are offered to all
unaffiliated Jews age 20 to 39, as well as
college students and military personnel.**

NEW THIS YEAR:

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah is open to all!

**For more information about membership
or High Holy Days tickets,
call Barb at 745-5550, ext. 242.**

** Yearly Mortgage & Maintenance fee required.*

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SUMMER FILM SERIES
SUNDAYS AT 7 PM
JULY 13 - AUGUST 10

• Enjoy a movie, popcorn and
• lemonade at CAI. It's all free!

**OPEN
TO ALL**

• See insert for more information. •

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Please join us for our
**HIGH HOLY DAYS
KOLLEL**



Looking Forward,
Looking Back:
How to Make the
New Year "New"

Wednesdays, Aug. 27, Sept. 3 & 10

7:00 - 7:45pm

Teshuvah, Maimonides and "Me"
with **Rabbi Dr. Howard Schwartz**

7:50 - 8:35pm

Six Things Worth Remembering From Years Gone By
with **Rabbi Robert Eisen**

**\$18 for the 3-week series
PLUS food or cash donation
for the Community Food Bank**
(Kindly bring items to class.)

**Please RSVP
by Aug. 25.
Visit www.caiaz.org
or call 745-5550.**



**Saturday,
January 24, 2015
Celebrating
CAI's 85th Anniversary!**



Women's League

Our wonderful "Gentle Yoga Plus" class continues on **Wednesdays, 9:30-10:30am**. Focus is on increased balance, strength and flexibility in a supportive group setting. Meditation

and deep relaxation at end of each class leaves participants with positive healing energy and uplifted spirits. Dress comfortably. Members of Women's League: \$6 per class; non-members \$8 per class. For more information, contact Evelyn at 885-4102.

All Jewish women 18+ are invited to share a "SWEET" lunch (Sexy Women Eating Elegantly Together) on **Wednesday, July 9, 12:15pm** at Trattoria Pina, 5541 N. Swan (near Sunrise). Trattoria Pina has excellent Italian fare with several vegetarian options. Join us to share some laughter, delicious food and good company. "Dutch treat." Please RSVP by July 6 to Evelyn at 885-4102 or esigafus@aol.com (We will also hold another "SWEET" lunch on August 27. Watch your mail for more information.)

The "Women's Study Group" continues **Mondays, July 14 and August 4 at 12noon** using *The Five Books of Miriam: A Woman's Commentary on the Torah* as the core for discussions led by Rabbi Robert Eisen. Topics can be interesting, insightful and inspiring. Portions are in the administrative office or at www.caiaz.org/events-calendar/. Click on "Study Materials" for each date listed above and print. No charge to attend. Bring your own dairy lunch; beverages and dessert provided. For more information, call Helen Rib at 299-0340.

P.S. Please see the Women's League application insert in this issue so you can join us. Members receive discounts!



"Read It & Meet"

We're still working on finalizing the reading list for the coming year, but have selected a few books so far.

Read ahead over the summer: *Invisible City* by Tova Mirvis (**first "RIM" of the new year Oct. 11, 2014**); *Ten Green Bottles* by Vivian Kaplan (Nov. 1, 2014); *A Guide for the Perplexed* by Dara Horn with Rabbi Robert Eisen as moderator (Dec. 6, 2014); *My Promised Land* by Ari Shavit (Jan. 3, 2015), and *The Family* by David Laskin (date not yet decided).

"Read It and Meet" is held most months and is open to all. Selected books by Jewish authors or with Jewish content are discussed. Most discussions take place on Shabbat (**approx. noon**) in the Epstein Chapel. Moderators facilitate each discussion. For more information, contact Vicki Kaufman at vickauff@juno.com or Rayna Gellman at 887-8358.



Men's Club
of Congregation Anshei Israel

Men's Club

We are in the middle of planning events for the coming year for Men's Club. Our Club will have some very interesting speakers at our breakfast meetings.

Also, the Men's Club Board is planning some interesting ways to revitalize our membership. We need to get more men interested and to help us with the various events we will hold for next year. You may receive a phone call from one of our board members in the near future about this.

The first breakfast meeting will be held **Sunday, August 24**, and the next is scheduled for **Sunday, September 14**. They are held in the Cantor Falkow Lounge at 9:30am and include interesting guest speakers and our delicious breakfast buffet. There is never a charge for Men's Club members; guests are welcome for \$4.

If you know of anyone who would like to speak to our group or for more information about Men's Club, contact Mark Levine at 886-8825 or marsher18@gmail.com

P.S. Please see the Men's Club application insert in this issue so you can join us!



Psssst!

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I am thrilled to be continuing as Congregation Anshei Israel's Cantorial Soloist. Growing up in the CAI community spiritually, educationally, and professionally gives me a unique viewpoint to help better our community, enhance the programs that are already in place, and expand opportunities for your participation.

As many of you know, my journey with CAI began as a child as I grew up in our very own Religious School. In CAI, I became a Bat Mitzvah, attended Hebrew High, and then worked in various capacities in the Religious School, B'nai Mitzvah program, and as a service leader. My studies in music education and vocal performance led me to teach choral and general music in public schools in Virginia and Arizona, but I was always drawn back to Anshei Israel — my Jewish community.

A little background on me: I met my husband, Joel, in Israel on a Taglit Birthright trip many years ago, and we are excited that our two-year-old daughter, Tzipora, will be starting CAI preschool in the fall. The support and love this community has offered me and my family has been truly touching, and I thank you so much for that.

As we approach the new year, you may hear me introduce some new melodies in services, as well as mix in many "traditional" melodies of our *shul*. I look forward to joining with you in heightening our *kavanah* (intention) and *ruach* (spirit) through the music of our services. I also look forward to hearing many of you participate in reading Torah and Haftorah, and welcome anyone who wants to join our "Yad Squad" of readers.

I hope to see many of you at our exciting new monthly Family Service on the third Friday of each month (see page 2). I will be adding my own "flare" to the High Holy Days Family Services this year as well. You will continue to see our talented adult and youth choirs at community events and services, and I welcome any new singers who want to join us in bringing more music to our *shul*.

It has already been a pleasure working with Rabbi Robert Eisen and Sarah Artzi, and I look forward to our further collaboration as we continue to create and expand our community. I look forward to seeing you at services and throughout the year. Thank you for welcoming me into my new position with open arms and joyful song.

Nichole Chorny, Cantorial Soloist
745-5550, ext. 228, cantorialsoloist@caiaz.org

Thank you to all those who contributed to the 2014 Passover Food Drive to benefit families and individuals in need through the Community Food Bank's Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program. CAI donated 356 pounds of food! Todah rabah.



**Community Food Bank
of Southern Arizona**

Dear Religious School Families:



I am most delighted to be writing today to tell you about my new role as Religious School Administrator for the coming year. In this new position, I will be handling the responsibilities you came to expect from Rabbi Ben Herman, including the day-to-day operations of the school, its teachers and its students. In addition, I will continue to work closely with Nichole Chorny (our congregation's new Cantorial Soloist and longtime beloved Religious School teacher), Rabbi Robert Eisen, our Religious School/Education Committee, and, of course, our fabulous teachers to build a strong sense of community and *ruach* (spirit) within our school.

For those of you who may not know me, allow me to give a brief introduction: Aside from my work as a Religious School teacher at CAI, I am a lifelong member of Congregation Anshei Israel and an active participant in the Tucson Jewish community. My academic background is in Judaic Studies and my professional work has always been in Jewish communal service. Not only did all three of our children go through preschool and kindergarten and become B'nai Mitzvot here, I did, too! I am thrilled to be taking on this new role in a place I consider my second home.

Most importantly, I adore working with your children. They deserve a Religious School experience that EXCITES them and motivates them to come on their own each and every Tuesday and Sunday. To this end, I will be asking you, our parents, for your participation, involvement, input and effort. I truly feel that together we can create a vibrant and meaningful program for our kids. I hope you'll join me in this mission.

In the meantime, please reach out to me with your questions and thoughts about the year ahead. I welcome — and encourage — your communications.

Enjoy your summer, and let's be in touch!

Sarah Artzi, Religious School Administrator
745-5550, ext. 227, rsadmin@caiaz.org



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REMINDERS

First day of school • Sunday, August 17

Have you completed and returned your child's application?



PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN REMINDERS

First day of school • Monday, August 11

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PAC Welcome Back Party • Sunday, August 17

Parent-Tot Class resumes • Tuesday, August 19



USY REMINDERS

First day of Kadima • Sunday, August 17

First day of Junior USY • Tuesday, August 19

First day of Senior USY • Wednesday, August 20

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Birth Announcements

This column features children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of CAI members. The announcement and photo (if available) will appear in the issue of Kolenu within appropriate print dates. Please notify Michelle at 745-5550, ext. 225.

Phoebe Aida Bien-Willner

Born Nov. 10, 2013

Phoebe is the granddaughter of Felisa & Ruben Bien-Willner. (Parents: Lenee & Gabriel Bien-Willner)

Judah Nathan Reichman

Born Apr. 17, 2014

Judah is the grandson of Felisa & Ruben Bien-Willner. (Parents: Carina & Matthew Reichman)



Naomi Ariel

Ellentuck

Born May 9

Naomi is the daughter of Emily & Max Ellentuck, the granddaughter of Heidi Rib Brent & Wayne Brent, and the great-granddaughter of Helen Rib.

Caleb Joseph Erbst

Born April 23

Caleb is the son of Gabby & Avi Erbst and the grandson of Marta & Willy Kats.

Michael Fredric Jacobs

Born May 20

Michael is the son of Lori & David Jacobs.



Eli Judah Langert

Born April 9

Eli is the grandson of Peggy & Richard Langert and the great-grandson of Sally Julian. (Parents: Leah & Joshua Langert)

Emelia Roselle Licavoli

Born April 22

Emelia is the granddaughter of Liz Licavoli and the great-granddaughter of Sallie & Mort Kranitz. (Parents: Whitney & David Licavoli)

Miles Wallace Wynn

Born April 30

Miles is the great-grandson of Margot & Gunther Marx. (Parents: Regan & Wes Wynn.)

July Anniversaries

Date	Years
1 Trudy & Howard Schwartz	52
2 Phyllis & Don Cohen	61
Deborah & Larry Kotz	25
Barbara Stern Mannlein & Martin Mannlein	48
Nancy & Tidhar Ozeri	25
Stephanie & Spencer Roberts	25
Kathryn & Sheldon Wald	35
3 Kathy Hays & Gerald Barkan	23
Janet & Stephen Seltzer	54
4 Elaine & Howard Fagan	43
Judy & Cary Fishman	53
Rhea & Arnold Merin	40
Kathryn & David Unger	49
5 Laura & David Tick	23
9 Stephanie & Michael Hoffman	8
Barbara & Sanford Selznick	14
13 Tracy Salkowitz & Richard Edwards	12
14 Alayne & Bruce Greenberg	41
15 Phyllis & Merrill Broad	63
16 Ellen & David Alster	25
19 Gail & Alan Cohn	21
23 Melanie & Harris Amhowitz	34
Linda & Shelby Silverman	42
26 Lisa Robinson & Kenneth Rosenthal	2
Marlene & Ronald Sandler	61
27 Maya & Josef Gonzales	16
29 Bobbie & Leroy Feig	58
Adriana & Zachary Naiman	11



Mazel Tov!

Recognition

Alice Baker, Jami Gan, Esther Sherberg & Kathryn Unger selected as four of the 12 women honored in the Weintraub Israel Center's 2014 "12 Torches" Ceremony as part of the JFSA's Israel 66 Celebration

Scott Gan

to be sworn in September 19, 2014, as the next Federal Bankruptcy Judge in the District of Arizona

August Anniversaries

Date	Years
1 Gail & Ron Isaacs	4
2 Nichole & Joel Chorny	5
Rachel & Jonathan Green	22
Barbara & Michael Schoenhals	44
3 Pat & Dennis Citron	39
Sorale & Marvin Fortman	56
Myrna & James Frisch	39
Terri & David Polan	34
Adrienne & Thomas Reilly	23
5 Trenty & Michael Mendel	35
Susan & Steven Weisman	35
6 Karen & Gilbert Sokal	8
7 Marilyn & Austin Agron	56
Rebecca & Ronald Mann	26
Charne & Morrie Shoob	48
Carole & Sylvain Sidi	43
11 Terry & Jerry Neuman	46
Joann & Steven Weinstein	19
12 Jennifer & Mark Cassius	24
Margo & Ron Gray	41
14 Sara & Chuck Block	59
15 Hannah & Ronald Meyerson	44
Robin & Mitchell Pozez	33
Marilyn & Ira Prensky	49
Nancy & David Stoler	43
16 Joyce & Bill Becker	55
18 Felisa & Ruben Bien-Willner	41
Ruth & Ronald Kolker	51
Karen & Myles LeVine	12
19 Gail & Marc Offenhartz	30
20 Arlene & Richard Bluth	47
Janis & William Krauss	64
21 Arlene & Howard Brody	54
Fern & Edward Feder	65
Rayna & John Gellman	59
23 Marjorie & George Cunningham	45
24 Suzanne & Ross Freund	22
Chaya & Harvey Jurkowitz	45
25 Lyudmila Rytslina & Ilya Tepelboym	25
26 Jennifer & Jason Bailey	7
Karen & Howard Skolnik	52
27 Miriam & Athol Cline	43
Lila & Bernard Greisman	64
Lorraine & Sidney Hellring	42
29 Ori & Julian Parnaby	22
30 Mirta & Alberto Bien-Willner	39
Susan & Richard Glass	44
Eleanor & Don Jeck	50
Helene & Fred Mittleman	48
Jill & Daniel Ranucci	34
31 Holly & Steven Shenitzer	39
Alice & Joel Steinfeld	39

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for donating a Hebrew puzzle

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for creating a "water play relay" system for the PK Summer Camp

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for disassembling old directories for shredding

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for sponsoring the May 10 kiddush
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Condolences

המקום ינחם אתכם

The congregation mourns the loss of our members:

**Bryna Ben-Asher
Stephan Herron
Harry Offenberger
Rev. Aaron Polinsky**

*Our condolences to these members who mourn
the loss of their loved ones:*

David Ben-Asher - his wife, Bryna Ben-Asher
Jonathan Ben-Asher - his mother, Bryna Ben-Asher
Eleanor Herron - her husband, Stephan Herron
Faylene Licker - her father, Harry Offenberger
Rose Offenberger - her husband, Harry Offenberger
Nancy Ozeri - her mother, Bryna Ben-Asher

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the memory of a loved one. Each year on the anniversary
of your loved one's death, the synagogue will send you a reminder
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Call 745-5550 to make arrangements or if you wish to
reserve a space for the future.

Did you know?

The children in CAI's Kindergarten, Religious School
and USY make birthday cards throughout the year to
be mailed to all congregants 80+ years of age.

Recently, one such congregant, **Donald Cohen**,
received a card, and sent this poem in reply.

To the students at Congregation Anshei Israel:

Yom Holedet Sameyach

*It's not every day that I read with delight
The mail I receive, most of which I toss out
But there on "my" day I beheld in plain sight
The orangiest card I've received, not a doubt*

*On that day my years numbered 80 and one
My day until then appeared somewhat prosaic
On reading your message, my day had begun
It said on your card, "Yom Holedet Sameyach"*

Todah l'kulam, l'kulam gam col tuv
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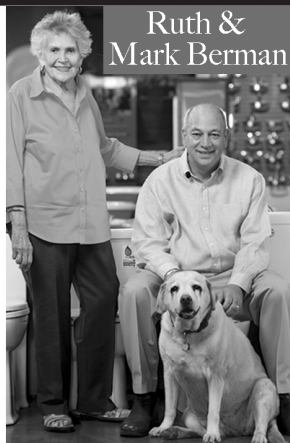


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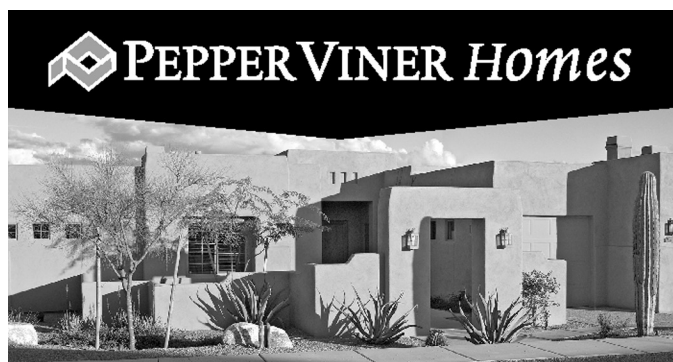
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