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The Newsletter for Congregation Anshei Israel

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Congregation Anshei Israel shall serve as a source of spiritual, educational, and social enrichment in order to encourage and ensure Judaic values in accordance with the Principles of Conservative Judaism.

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Shalom!

**Worship provides sanctuary
from everyday life.**



Please keep the outside world
outside by refraining from
* **talking**
* **texting**
* **video taping**
from your phone or
smartphone during services
and on Shabbat or holidays.

Tot Shabbat Service and Dinner

For families with young children, Rabbi Robert Eisen holds a special Tot Shabbat Service with stories and songs **the first Friday of most months at 5:45pm** on the Bimah in the sanctuary. A kid-friendly Shabbat dinner follows at **6:15pm**. Join us on **November 2** when CAI's 4-year-olds' class, Shomrim will host.



NEW! We're inviting our regular participants to "BOGO: Bring One, Get One" with us on **December 7**. For each family that brings a Jewish family who has not experienced this service and/or dinner with us before, we'll cover the cost of dinner for the host family and their guests! Otherwise, dinner is: \$25 per family (two adults and up to four children); additional adults \$10 per person. RSVP needed for dinner only (for either date) to Kim at 745-5550, ext. 224.

Kiddie Corner

One of the most important values we can share is the importance of Shabbat worship, together as families. Should your little one(s) get restless, we offer a spot in Rabbi Breger Hall for them so parents can listen, see and participate in the service, as their children play with Shabbat-friendly toys and books.

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.

Shabbat Afternoon Torah Study

Torah discussions are held **every Saturday, one hour prior to the Mincha Service** and are 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 Emilia at 745-5550, ext. 225.

Talmud on Tuesday

Learn about the law and lore in the "sea" of Talmud with Rabbi Robert Eisen as we dig deep into the "who, what, where, when, why and how" of living Judaism. Join us in the Epstein Chapel **immediately following 5:30pm Minyan**. (Not held December 25).

Weekday Torah Study Group

Led by Rabbi Robert Eisen, this informal study group can lead to lively discussion. Held **Wednesdays** in the Library, **11:00am to 12noon**.

Junior Congregation

Join us on **Saturdays, November 10 & December 8 at 10:30am** for this teen-led Shabbat service for kids of all ages that includes the Torah service so the youth can take ownership of the service. For more information, contact Rabbi Barkan at 745-5550, ext. 227 or EdDir@caiaz.org

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Family Shabbat Experience Service & Dinner

Please join us on **Friday, November 16**, at **5:45pm** as we transition into the "Rhythm of Shabbat," followed by dinner at 7:00pm.

At this service, we welcome Shabbat with rhythm, movement, ruach and song. Then we share Shabbat dinner, followed by Open Lounge in the Linda Roy Youth Center with games and fun.

NEW! We're inviting our regular participants to "BOGO." You've heard of "Buy One, Get One" at many retailers. Well, we're offering a different kind of "BOGO": "**Bring One, Get One.**" For each family that brings a Jewish family who have not experienced this service and/or dinner with us before, **we'll cover the cost of dinner for the host family and their guests!**

Let us share the spirit of SHABBAT and help others live their Judaism together... with us.

RSVP needed for dinner only by November 12.

"BOGO" Price: Bring a Jewish family who have not experienced this Shabbat dinner, both families FREE. Otherwise: Dinner \$25 per family (two adults & up to 4 children) for CAI members; guest family \$30; adults (13+) \$10 per person. Visit caiaz.org or call 745-5550.

We will also hold "FSE" on **December 21.**

CAI TZEDAKAH BOXES

From November 26 thru December 31, 2018, Rabbi Eisen will be accepting your CAI Tzedakah Boxes for donation toward our sister synagogue, Shevet Achim in Gilo, Israel. All donations received via these boxes will be matched!



Please bring your box to the administrative front desk during office hours. Let us know that you are donating the contents (however much they may be) to our "Gilo Campaign" and pick up a new box to continue your tzedakah efforts into the new secular year.

Don't have a CAI Tzedakah Box? We have plenty ... come in to get yours!

Targum Shlishi with Special Guest

We are taught to read the Torah Portion of the week, each week, twice: In/From the Torah text (*Shnayim Mikra*), and again in translation (*Targum Shlishi*) to ensure



that we understand both the form and the function of Torah – what it teaches, and how it can be applied. On **Saturday, December 15**, we will hold a discussion following the Kiddush **with Rotem**

Rapaport, one of our *Shinshinit* (young Israelis doing a year of service here in Tucson on behalf of Israel through the Jewish Federation). Rotem will share her experience growing up living half a mile from Gaza on kibbutz Netiv Ha'asarah, the closest Jewish community to the Gaza border. Rotem is 18-years-old and a recent High School graduate. She loves the desert in Tucson and in the Negev.

The Tenth of Tevet Asarah B'Tevet

Date of the fast in 5779:

December 18, 2018

Coming as it does a week after the last day of Hanukkah, the fast on the 10th of the month of Tevet (Asarah B'Tevet) might easily be overlooked. It occupies, however, an important niche in the story of Israel and the history of our people.

The text in II Kings (25:1-4) tells us that on the 10th day of the 10th month, in the ninth year of his reign, (588 BCE), Nebuchadnezzar, the Babylonian king, began the siege of Jerusalem. Three years later, on the 17th of Tammuz, he broke through the city walls. The siege ended with the destruction of the Temple three weeks later, on the 9th of Av, the end of the first Kingdom and the exile of the Jewish people to Babylon. It can thus be considered part of the cycle of fasts connected with these events: Tzom Gedaliah (3rd of Tishrei); Shiva' Asar B'Tammuz (17th of Tammuz) and Tisha B'Av (9th of Av).

The first mention of this fast appears in Zechariah (8:19) where it is called the "fast of the tenth month..." (counting from the month of Nisan, which was the first month in Biblical times). Other references to the fast and the affliction can be found in Ezekiel 24:1-2 (the siege); Jeremiah 52:4-6.

However, although the fast is historically tied in with events surrounding the destruction of the First Temple, the purpose of the fast is not the commemoration of an historical event, but the state of affliction of the Jewish people.

- As with all Jewish fasts, the prayers for Asarah B'Tevet include Selihot, marking the day as an occasion for each of us to devote time to Teshuvah (repentance), the introspection that motivates us to reexamine our actions and change our ways. As the Talmud in Brachot says, "one who is afflicted should examine his or her actions and do Teshuvah."

- Asarah B'Tevet is the day of mourning for people whose last resting place or date of death is unknown (the Kaddish Clali).

- Asarah B'Tevet is one of four public fasts which begin at dawn (alot hashachar - about an hour before sunrise), but do not carry additional restrictions, such as washing oneself or wearing leather shoes, etc. (while Yom Kippur and Tisha B'Av begin from dusk the night before). However, it is the only fast which is not brought forward or postponed if it falls on a Friday, a mark of its immense significance.

~ Social Action ~

PROJECT ISAIAH Update

Todah rabah to the Anshei Israel family for your generosity in this year's High Holy Days Hunger Project benefiting the Community Food Bank. Because of you, we collected 870 pounds of food and \$626!



"Turkey & More" Drive November 1 - 20

Every year, CAI collects food and money to purchase kosher turkeys and other food items for Jewish Family & Children's Services to help enhance the Thanksgiving celebration of families in need. Food items may be dropped off in the marked box in the Lynne Falkow-Strauss Foyer. Monetary donations may be dropped off at the front desk or mailed in. *Please make checks payable to CAI and note "Turkey Drive" on it.* Thank you!



Daily Minyan Services & "Jewry" Duty

Our Minyan is expected to be there when someone needs to say *Kaddish*, but there are times when it is difficult to get a *Minyan*. Along with your "Jewry Duty," please consider 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 CAI's web site. Shown below is a combined list of Minyan attendees and those fulfilling their "Jewry" Duty during August and September. *Todah rabah!*

MeMe Aguila
Joshua Anbar
Kathy Hays & Jerry Barkan
Morris Barkan
David Ben-Asher
Lois Bodin
Phyllis Broad
Barbara & Mel Brodie
Kevin Chess
Miriam Cline
Terri Cohen
L. Elliott Farber
Neneng Fassler
Hedy Feuer
Judith & Cary Fishman
James Frisch
Emanuel Furst
Shirley Goldberg
Margo & Ron Gray

Marty Johnston
Dan Jurkowitz
Chaya & Harvey Jurkowitz
Boris Kozolchik
Marianne Langer
Aaron Leonard
Barbara Levkowitz
Daniel Levkowitz
Debra Lytle
Ziva Mason
Levi Mendel
Pam & Stuart Mendel
Arnold Merin
Gail & Marc Offenhartz
Betejoy & Rabbi Arthur Oleisky
Rina Paz
Jessica Priester
Abby Rosen

Sara Ross
Howard Schwartz
Sarah Segal
Steve Shenitzer
Evelyn Sigafus
Michelle Sigafus
Linda & Shelby Silverman
Steve Sim
Marcia & Paul Simon
Karen Skolnik
David Stoler
Tammy Strobel
Sandra Tobin
Moshe Toister
Art Weinenger
Jerry Wolf
Joanne Wolf
Robert Wolk



**American
Red Cross**

**SAVE THE
DATE
Blood Drive
Sunday,
January 6, 2019
9am-2pm**

Thank you to our "Yad Squad"

(Those who read Torah and Haftarah
in August and September)

Bill Abraham
Malka Abraham
Joshua Anbar
Rabbi Ruven Barkan
Nathan Cherkis
Nichole Chorny
Katya Cohen
Shira Dubin
Rabbi Robert Eisen
Margo Gray
Aaron Green
Gabe Green
Marshall Heyman
Mike Jacobson
Dan Jurkowitz
David Jurkowitz
Lisa Jurkowitz
Corey Karp
Stanley Lehman
Natalie Leonard

Ziva Mason
Jerry Neuman
Geva Ozeri
Phillip Pepper
Jessica Priester
Helen Rib
Rachel Rudner
Donna Saffioti
Eric Saffioti
Leonard Schultz
Steve Seltzer
Ellis Selznick
Lily Selznick
Jerel Slaughter
Eri Svenson
Sophia Temyanko
Moshe Toister
Elia Tolby
Gary Windham
Seth Windham

**We're continuing to go green!
Help us add a
drinking fountain with a
bottle-filling station
by supporting us
November 27 on**

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**#GIVING
TUESDAY**



From the President



Why does this place exist? Gone is the day when all of our activities revolve around our synagogue. For many of us, the High Holy Days are the main reason we stay. But why?

I know for me, the melodies of our prayers take me back to my grandparents and their love of Judaism. And as I got older, I learned about our people and our history. It gave me a foundation, something in which to believe. I wanted my children to be raised Jewish to ensure

that they, too, would have a strong foundation.

And, then, my mother died. I needed this place, my foundation. That was when I fully grasped that it's not just about me or ensuring my children have a good foundation; it's also about ensuring our people will continue. The fact that my mother was gone and I needed this place showed me that it was necessary on a much grander scale. Not just for me, but for all of us.

I know each of you have your own reasons and needs. That's the meaning of our tagline, "Living Y/Our Judaism Together." It's about getting what we as individuals need while living Judaism together in a community. We all need this place and it never fails to be here for us when we do. You may not come very often, maybe only on the High Holy Days, but you know that if and when you need it, it will be here for you.

In 1965 Congregation Anshei Israel was a vibrant Conservative synagogue on 6th Street and Martin near the University of Arizona. The Baby Boomers were already booming and Tucson was a burgeoning town; schools, homes and stores were built to accommodate the growth. And Anshei Israel had outgrown its building. During Shabbat and Festivals, people not only filled up the sanctuary, they had to set up chairs in all the adjacent rooms just to accommodate everyone. The "*machers*" had a lead on a choice piece of land "way out" East on 5th Street and Craycroft. It was perfect ... except the congregation didn't want to move.

People had bought homes specifically to be near their *shul* and now their *shul* wanted to move. Saul Tobin — of blessed memory — was anxious to get this piece of land and start building, but they needed approval and they needed to raise the money. At the time, Morris "Mac" Benisch — of blessed memory — was the President and knew how to get things done. The story goes like this: The High Holy Days were approaching and it was still hot in Tucson, and the building on 6th St./Martin was not a cool and inviting place to be: It was hot. To ensure the evaporative cooling worked as well as possible, the windows HAD to be left open. Mac saw his opportunity. He contacted the maintenance department at the UofA and suggested that, while he realized that the practice field behind the synagogue sorely needed fertilization, he hoped that they would be sure to do it before Yom Kippur so as not to interfere with the congregation's worship. The UofA maintenance crew were happy to do it and fertilized the field the day before Yom Kippur... Well, the land purchase occurred shortly thereafter! The architect came up with a unique and modern concept that, to this day, is held up as one of the premier examples of mid-century architecture in Tucson. We moved in on April 20, 1969.

So there you have it. We are coming up on "50 years on 5th Street." It's time to celebrate and it's time to honor those that had a hand in planting the seeds that have grown into this wonderful congregation. Mac Benisch loved this congregation and committed himself to doing everything in his power to preserve it for future generations. Saul Tobin was willing to go out and ask others to "pony up" and "put some skin in the game" — and crucially, he was willing to lead by example and be the first to do so. Mel and Enid Zuckerman, and Paul and Alice Baker have always been there for us in the background, ensuring that we have the resources necessary to be the Congregation we all need.

There are others who took this building and worked to make it our home, our congregation... Meyer Feldman — of blessed memory — and his son, the Honorable Stanley Feldman, supported the Esther B. Feldman Preschool/Kindergarten, allowing us to grow and nurture our most precious seeds. Phyllis Broad has taught many of us, whether we were born Jewish or chose to be. There have been others who have made us what we are today including Harris Amhowitz — of blessed memory — and Melanie Amhowitz who saw a need and stepped in to help; now we have a much-needed ramp so that Abby Rosen and others can easily ascend the *Bimah* for *aliyyot*. Stanley Lehman and family endowed the creation of our wonderful "Rabbi Arthur Oleisky Courtyard," allowing for services and programs under the stars. Jane Kivel has worked long and hard with us to create the beautiful and inviting "Rabbi Lee and Jane Kivel Foyer" outside the sanctuary. When you are there, take a look at the antique Megilla and 16th Century bible that we've been blessed to receive. And so many of you contributed to the new Lynne Falkow-Strauss Courtyard and Foyer, updating our administrative entrance in an attractive and inviting way. And what about all of the rest of us? Giving what we can when we can, giving of ourselves, our time and our resources. All of us have planted vital seeds for us and our future generations.

And so, in the coming year, we will be celebrating "L'Door V'Dor: 50 Years on 5th Street." You will see that the first "Dor" is spelled with two O's as in "Doors." Did you know that there are 42 doors leading into this building? Which is the right one for you? Different phases of life equates to different needs and perhaps using different doors. The amazing thing about our synagogue is there are 42 ways which one might enter. It doesn't matter what it is you need, Saul Tobin and his contemporaries made sure that the right door is here for you to enter.

Please save the date for our 1969-themed "L'Door V'Dor" Come Together Gala on Saturday, February 9, 2019. Whether you are third or fourth generation members or new to Anshei Israel, we want to celebrate with you. Was your family here then? If so, please share your pictures and memories. Over the coming months we will be gathering them for our celebration. We will be honoring those who opened these doors for us while at the same time making way for those of us who want to ensure that they stay open for generations to come. Literally, "L'Door V'Dor."

Stephanie Roberts
241-8559, president@caiaz.org

Thank you to the following for their donations toward the purchase of new grey chairs:

Madeline & Barry Friedman
 Jean & Marvin Glassberg
 Brina Grusin
 Aurora & Gene Kellogg
 Marianne & Allen Langer
 Deborah Oseran & Bobby Present
 Esther Sherberg
 Evelyn Sigafus
 Marilyn Einstein & Steve Sim



THANK YOU TO THE JFSA

Two years ago the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona, as part of its allocation process, established a special committee called the "Synagogue Funding Group" with the purpose of supporting Synagogue activities/programming especially for families with children 18 years and younger. CAI is applying the funds that we received to enhance our Preschool, Religious School and Youth programming/engagement in a number of different areas.

We appreciate and thank the Federation for this support.

FUN-Day at Golf n' Stuff September 9



Selihot • September 1



Blessing of the Pets October 7



Tashlich at the Park September 16

Senior Transportation for all Jewish seniors!

FREE door-to-door shared rides & safe secure transportation.

JFSA provides rides to synagogue services, educational programs, and social events for Jewish seniors and Jewish adults with disabilities.



**Call Beverly at
577-9393 to register!**

Jewish Federation
OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA

TEMPLE EMANU-EL &
CONGREGATION ANSHEI ISRAEL
PULPIT EXCHANGE



in commemoration
of the
80th Anniversary of
KRISTALLNACHT
NOVEMBER 9/10

For more information,
see insert.

CHANUKAH
CANTATA

SEE INSERT
FOR DETAILS!

12/8
7:30PM

featuring CAI's
Cantorial Soloist
Nichole Chorny



Sunday,
Dec. 9,
6:00pm

JOIN US ON THE 7TH NIGHT OF HANUKKAH!

- "Scrumdiddlyumptious" dinner buffet with "Oompa Loompa" latkes
- Chocolate fountain with sufganiyot
- Non-alcoholic "Fizzy Lifting" drinks
- "Golden" tickets hidden in chocolate gelt
- Dreidel games and activity stations for the kids
- Lighting the hanukkiah (bring your own if you'd like)
- Hanukkah YouTube videos
- Sing-a-long led by Cantorial Soloist Nichole Chorny

**\$6.13 per person (all ages) with paid
RSVP thru Dec. 3; \$13 after & at the door.
To RSVP, visit caiaz.org or call 745-5550.**

Latkes & Vodka's 2018

Save the Date:
Sat., Dec. 1, 6pm
WATCH YOUR MAIL!

Back by Popular Demand!

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~ A MITZVAH MOMENT ~

Our congregation is once again volunteering to help Pantano Christian Church, 1755 S. Houghton (between 22nd St. & Golf Links) with its childcare on Christmas Eve, **Monday, December 24**. Along with family services, they provide "alternative programming" for children too young to participate in the services themselves. They need our volunteers to help their "lead teachers" who will be in each room. Our presence will allow that many more of their families to worship together at this, one of their most sacred seasons. Volunteers are needed to help with babies, toddlers, preschoolers and older preschoolers. There are four 1-1/2 hour shifts (12:45pm, 2:45pm, 4:45pm & 6:45pm). Please let us know you can help when requests go out in early December.

**SAVE THE
DATE**

Scholar-in-Residence
January 11 - 12, 2019



RABBI DR. SHAI HELD
President & Dean
Mechon Hadar,
New York City

Rabbi Dr. Held's visit will include a Shabbat dinner and presentation, and he will deliver the Shabbat morning D'var Torah and an afternoon presentation on Saturday.

WATCH YOUR MAIL FOR DETAILS!

AFFILIATE/SOCIAL GROUPS



Women's League

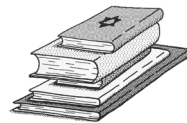
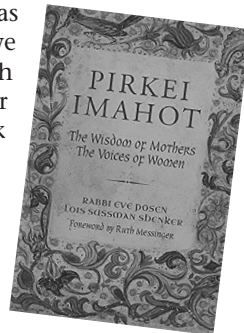
Why not try one of our ongoing activities?

Open Mah Jongg Play will be held on **Mondays, 10:00am to 12:00pm**. All levels of experience are welcome. It's casual, it's social and it's fun!

Our **"Women's Study Group"** will be held on **Mondays, November 5 and December 10 at 12noon**. Rabbi Robert Eisen will lead the monthly group session using *Pirkei Imahot: The Wisdom of Mothers, The Voices of Women* as the core for discussion. Each month we explore the depth of their teaching with an eye to seeing how we might apply their lessons to our lives. Volumes of the book will be available at each class session. No charge to attend. Bring your own dairy lunch; beverages and dessert provided.

"Gentle Chair Yoga" will be held on **Wednesdays, 9:30 – 10:30am**. Increased balance, strength and flexibility in a supportive group setting is the focus. Meditation and deep relaxation at the 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.

The **2018-19 Torah Fund** campaign continues with Debby Eisen as Torah Fund Pin Chair. Torah Fund ensures our legacy to future generations of Conservative Jews by providing rabbis, cantors and educators and more. For more information and how you can receive this year's beautiful Torah Fund pin, pick up a form at the front desk in the administrative office, on the Shalom Cart, or visit caiaz.org



"Read It & Meet" Book Discussions

Please join us on **Saturday, November 3**, when we'll discuss *The Patriots* by Sana Krasikov, with moderator Eric Flank.

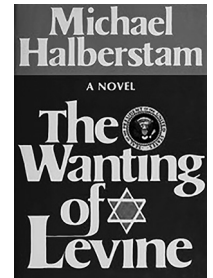
For the **December 1 "RIM,"** moderator Joan Belzer, is providing 10 copies of *The Wanting of Levine* by Michael Halberstam to "check out" on loan through November 30. (The book was written in 1978 and is out of print.)

Synopsis: In this decades-old political novel, Halberstam has captured some essential truths about politics, politicians, race, antisemitism, and America. It's a fascinating book because the issues that he illustrates are still with us. Levine has echoes of Obama, and there is plenty of Clinton, as well as our current political drama with Trump. The best part is Halberstam's understanding of people, their motivations, strengths and weaknesses.

Books are available at the Front Desk in the administrative office on a first-come, first-served basis. Please be kind: Treat the book as your own, read it as quickly as possible, and return it so others may enjoy it. Questions or comments? Call Joan at 298-6324.

Check out our reading list for the coming year, as well as moderators for each book. You can find them on our website: <http://caiaz.org/getting-involved/affiliate-social-groups/read-it-meet/>

Monthly book discussions are held on Shabbat (**approx. 12noon**) and everyone is welcome. Selected books by Jewish authors or with Jewish content are discussed and moderators facilitate discussions. For more information, contact Helen Rib at 299-0340 or helenrib@yahoo.com



Men's Club

NEW! Men's Club will hold a Breakfast & Panel Discussion on **Sunday, November 4, 9:30am** in the Cantor Falkow Lounge.

All are welcome as aficionados Josh Anbar, Max Ellentuck and Eric Flank present **"Science Fiction, Fantasy & Judaism."** The event includes our delicious breakfast buffet. There is no charge for Men's Club members; guests are welcome for \$4 per person. For more information, contact Eric Flank at 256-7575 or eflank45@gmail.com

PANEL DISCUSSION

Nov. 4

"Science Fiction, Fantasy & Judaism"



Josh Anbar



Max Ellentuck



Eric Flank

Men's Club will help with CAI's Hanukkah Party on **Sunday, December 9**. We may be cooking latkes, helping with dinner and setting up, monitoring activity stations for the kids, or something else. Let's have a positive presence at the event as we participate and help the congregation. Come be a part of the fun! If you'd like to help in any way, please contact Eric Flank at 256-7575 or eflank45@gmail.com

Preschool/Kindergarten

The High Holy Days were a busy time for the children: learning about apples and honey, hearing the shofar, making round challahs, reading *Jonah and the Whale*,



We made round challahs!

having snacks in the *sukkah* and marching with the Torah. Now we're back in the swing of full weeks and for our enrichment programs to kick into high gear. The kids will learn music with Susan, PE/Movement with Miss Kirby, Science, Spanish and, new this year, the always wonderful and engaging

"Mr. Nature" will be visiting once a month!

In October I scheduled a series of informal get-togethers with parents, and had a great time getting to know these wonderful, warm families, and look forward to working with them. It is these families that make our preschool and synagogue community so special.

The preschool staff and I also started learning about the Arizona State Early Learning Standards through a series of webinars. These training sessions will strengthen our understanding of the age group and developmentally appropriate social, emotional, physical and academic skills that we incorporate in our lesson plans and other programming. This will ensure that we are reaching the goals and milestones for our children, setting them up for successful, happy and healthy lives.

Don't miss the **Usborne Book Fair Nov. 5-9**. Stop by the school wing hallways to peruse the beautiful, colorful, award-winning children's books that make reading and learning fun, promote literacy and the love of reading, while raising funds for our school.

Our **"Danishes with Dad" Breakfast** will be held on **Friday, Nov. 9 at 8:00am**. Children of the preschool and their dads (or grandpas, uncles, etc.) enjoy a breakfast of Danishes, pastries, knishes and more prepared by the moms. The event includes a fun Home Depot project! Kids \$5; adults \$10. RSVP by Nov. 7 to Kim at 745-5550, ext. 224 or edasst@caiaz.org

Nancy Auslander, Preschool/Kindergarten Director
745-5550, ext. 229, PKDirector@caiaz.org

Religious School & USY

- Our annual "Turkey and More" Drive is Nov. 1-20 (see page 4). Join the Religious School on Sunday, Nov. 18, 9:30am, as Debbie Crowder with Jewish Family and Children's Services tells us about Jewish families in need in our community. The money we raise through our Turkey Drive provides kosher Thanksgiving turkeys for them.
- Junior and Senior USY will lead a Shabbat Service and share their own Shabbat dinner on Friday, Nov. 2. Meet at the synagogue at 5:40pm.
- Kadima will have a game lounge on Sunday, Nov. 4, 12-2pm and on Sunday, Dec. 2 will join the Religious School Maccabiah, followed by special bonding and a Hanukkah activity, 12-2pm.
- Join Far West USY at our Annual Encampment at Camp Ramah, CA, for a weekend of *ruach*, laughter and fun Nov. 9-11. Cost of the weekend is \$295. Please register for Encampment at https://www.regpacks.com/reg/templates/build/?g_id=100888221
- All families are invited to join us on Saturdays, Nov. 10 and Dec. 8 for "Shabbat's Cool," 9am-12pm. This service, led by and for kids of all ages, includes the reading and exploration of Torah, with a parallel learning session for parents. On Nov. 10, in honor of Veterans' Day, we will hear from some veterans from the congregation. This Shabbat experience provides ample time for kids to be together outside and over lunch.
- Come relax with other parents on Sundays, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16, 9-10am. These gatherings are sponsored by the Parent Havurah. For more information, email Kerri Haefflinger, kerri_haefflinger@yahoo.com
- Religious School Madrichim and Senior USY will meet on Sundays, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16, 12:15-1:15pm to learn about their role as leaders in the context of the Tucson Jewish community.
- USY Kinnus for Seniors will be held Nov. 30-Dec. 2 at Valley Beth Shalom in Los Angeles.
- Our Hanukkah Family Workshop and Maccabiah will be held on Sunday, Dec. 2, 9am-12pm. After we learn about the themes of the holiday, the Maccabiah will include relay races, sports competitions, and a water balloon toss. We'll conclude with Hanukkah songs and foods.
- Don't miss the congregational "Hanukkah & the Chocolate Factory" Party on Sunday, Dec. 9 at 6pm (see page 7 for details). It's sure to be scrumdiddlyumptious!
- Our *shinshinit* Rotem Rapaport will be the guest speaker at the Dec. 15 Targum Shlishi (see page 3 for details). Come hear about her experiences being raised on a kibbutz close to the Gaza border.
- Last day for this semester of Religious School and Junior USY is Dec. 18; last Senior USY is Dec. 19.
- Our Skate Party is back on Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1-3pm at Skate Country, 7980 E. 22nd St (see page 7 for details). Everyone is welcome!

Rabbi Ruven Barkan, Education & Youth Director
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Celebrating Becoming Bar Mitzvah at CAI



Markus Joshua Pedro Gonzales Nov. 3

Markus is the son of Maya & Josef Gonzales; the grandson of Dolores & Hans Liebel; Diane Liebel; Elke & Calvin Jackson; and Charles Gonzales; and brother to Jakob. Markus's Bar Mitzvah project involves collecting donations for care packages for children at Casa de los Ninos. A student at Marana Middle School, Markus's interests include football, karate and building things.



Michael Jurkowitz • Dec. 22

Michael is the son of Lisa & Dan Jurkowitz; the grandson of Joan & Andre Klein, and Chaya & Harvey Jurkowitz; and brother to David. Michael's Bar Mitzvah project involves volunteering at Handmaker Jewish Services for the Aging and 1st Rate 2nd Hand Thrift Store. A student at Alice Vail Middle School, Michael's interests include Boy Scouts, Tucson Arizona Boys Chorus, and playing piano and percussion in his school's symphonic and jazz bands.

MAZEL TOV!

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 call Debra Lytle at 745-5550, ext. 242, so we can speak to them about all of the many religious, spiritual, educational and communal opportunities the synagogue has to offer!

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 the clergy assistant at 745-5550, ext. 225.

Levi Bennet McAllister

Born July 21

Levi is the grandson of Hannah & Ron Meyerson. (Parents: Barrie & Brendan McAllister)

Alyssa Mara Fortman

Born August 18

Alyssa is the granddaughter of Sorale & Marvin Fortman and the great niece of Shirley Goldberg. (Parents: Lisa & Brian Fortman)

Devorah Gila Sonnenblick

Born August 18

Devorah is the great-granddaughter of Phyllis Broad. (Parents: Sarah & Ariel Sonnenblick)



**Eleanor Dahlia
Farber**

Born October 8

Eleanor is the
granddaughter of L.

Elliott Farber. (Parents: Lauren & Sam Farber)



Rayna Gila Kovach
Born October 15

Rayna is the
granddaughter of
Margo & Ron Gray.

(Parents: Naomi Gray & Josh Kovach)

November Anniversaries

Date	Years
1 Joan & Barry Beroth	37
2 Judith & Ted Direnfeld	61
8 Heather & Michael Gordon	15
Joshua & Ashley Hurand	4
13 Raquel & Edward Gold	63
14 Bettie & Murray Baker	42
Joan & Irvin Belzer	53
Margie & Bob Douglas	48
15 Mindy & Fred Hirsh	37
17 Pamela & Stuart Mendel	39
20 Anna & Myron Rottenstein	35
24 Vicki & Phillip Pepper	44
25 Nancy & Steve Lipson	31
28 Eve Scarborough & John Kaufmann	36
Michelle & David Ollanik	19
30 Shelley & Marshall Heyman	10

Interfaith Families Welcomed

CAI 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 access it at caiaz.org/resources as part of CAI's "Myths vs. Facts" program.

December Anniversaries

Date	Years
1 Peggy & Richard Langert	39
2 Susan & Rick Levy	45
6 Felicia & Ari Cohen	20
Rita & Martin Hall	45
7 Elena & Erik Boskoff	10
Adrienne & Lawrence O'Hare	34
10 Norma & Stanley Feldman	40
Evonne & Alan Ravitz	54
19 Joan & Dennis Rosen	36
Carol & Alvin Stern	64
20 Rebecca & Richard Fink	49
21 Judith & Stanley Abrams	38
Martha & William Sampson	32
22 Lois & Everett Broder	61
Carrie Gottschalk & Zachary Clark	3
23 Marta & Willy Kats	40
24 Sarah & Mortimer Segal	66
27 Ruth & Art Solomon	59
29 Sandra & Elliott Heiman	55
30 Sarah & Jeff Artzi	28
30 Joan & Robert Mutterperl	39

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Brenda Frye & Sergey Cherkis
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Ronnie Sebold
for sponsoring the November 3 Third Meal in honor of the naming of her granddaughter, Sloane Lillian Taylor

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We welcome sponsorships — in whole or part — toward Kiddush and/or Seudah Shlesheet (Third Meal). All contributions are acknowledged in *Kolenu*. If you wish to honor someone or simply to help, please call Debra at 745-5550, ext. 242.

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

Arlene Bluth - her mother, Molly Shenitzer
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Steve Shenitzer - his mother, Molly Shenitzer

May the Author of Life Comfort the Mourners



~ Anshei Israel Memorial Hall ~

Installation of a memorial plaque is a beautiful way to perpetuate the memory of a loved one. Each year on the anniversary of your loved one's death, the synagogue will send you a reminder of the Yahrzeit and light the light adjacent to their memorial plaque. Call Debra at 745-5550, ext. 242 to make arrangements or if you wish to reserve a space for the future.

*Thank you to my family at Congregation Anshei Israel
for your heartfelt condolences
after the passing of my mother, Viola Horst.*

— Adeline Horst

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.



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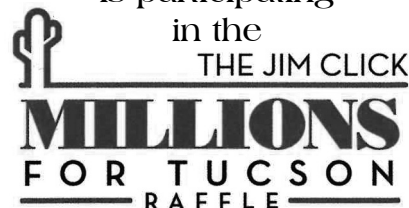
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