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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!

## FROM RABBI METZ



If it is the summer, then we at Congregation Anshei Israel are in the midst of preparing for our High Holy Days. This year my messages and sermons will all be on the theme of "Making a Difference."

In our lives, we interact with many different people, from the person checking out our groceries to our immediate family members, and everyone in between. One small word or suggestion can make or break a person's day. It goes further than that, too - positive comments and suggestions can make a huge difference in another person's life. Even something as seemingly small as a piece of encouragement from a teacher can give us the confidence to pursue a certain career in which we succeed and help others.

We may never know the ways in which we have impacted the lives of others for the better. Sometimes these ripple effects take years to show themselves.

I would like to ask you to think of the times and people who have made a difference in your life. I am compiling stories to possibly include during our High Holy day services. Please email me at [RabbiMetz@caiaz.org](mailto:RabbiMetz@caiaz.org) with a short (less than 250 words) anecdote of how someone made a difference in your life. I will keep each story anonymous. When we share stories and hear the impact small actions have made in our lives, we inspire others to do that one extra thing to help another.

In this way, we are able to do even more good and bring Tikkun Olam to life!

B'Shalom,

**Rabbi Sara Metz**

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## Candle Lighting Times July/August 2022

Candle Lighting - July	
July 1	7:16pm
July 8	7:15pm
July 15	7:13pm
July 22	7:09pm
July 29	7:05pm

Candle Lighting - August	
August 5	6:59pm
August 12	6:52pm
August 19	6:45pm
August 26	6:37pm



## Calling all cooks!



Volunteers needed to assist with preparing & serving our delicious Shabbat, Festival and other meals. If interested, please contact Nancy Auslander at [Communications@caiaz.org](mailto:Communications@caiaz.org)

## 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 (520) 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!



## FROM THE PRESIDENT



During the month of July, our *parshot* (Torah portions) are from the Book of Numbers. This made me reflect on the fact that July begins our fiscal year at Congregation Anshei Israel. Just as they did during the time of our wandering in the desert, we count our *Kehilla*, our community. We don't take a census like they did then, but our own census as to whom is a member of our congregation.

Here at CAI, you are not just a number. You do count. You are indeed important to us. At times, in our busy lives, we wonder if we matter, if what we do matters, or are we just a number. I can assure you, that each of you does matter. You are not just a number. If you have not returned your blue membership commitment card yet, please do so.

As a member of our community, please join us for services, programs and classes as we learn together. When you come to Shabbat services, plan on staying for the *kiddush/oneg*, and schmooze with me and the other congregants. Maybe during the summer, you have some extra time to volunteer. Activities do slow down a bit in Tucson during the summer, but before you know it, we'll be getting ready for the High Holy Days.

Enjoy the summer. Stay cool, stay safe, and we look forward to you joining us at the "Cool Shul," your second home.

*B'Shalom,*

Evelyn Sigafus, [ESigafus@aol.com](mailto:ESigafus@aol.com)

### Interfaith Families Welcome

CAI welcomes all interfaith families and encourages them to participate in as much synagogue life as they choose within the framework of Conservative Judaism. For more information, go to [caiaz.org/resources](http://caiaz.org/resources) as part of CAI's "Myths vs. Facts" program.

### Chesed Committee



Did you know that you are a member of the *Chesed* Committee, the largest committee at Congregation Anshei Israel? Every congregant is a member!

*Chesed* means loving-kindness, grace, helping each other. We exist to help our members in times of need.

Please feel free to contact me.

Ron Gray, Chesed Committee Chair, [RonPsych@yahoo.com](mailto:RonPsych@yahoo.com)

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# EDUCATION

## Preschool



After a 6-month endeavor to recruit an Early Childhood Director, we are very pleased to announce that Tania Spivak will be joining the CAI family as our new Early Childhood Director, starting July 11, 2022. We deeply thank our Early Childhood recruitment committee who helped guide this process: CAI President Evelyn Sigafus,

Rabbi Sara Metz, Executive Director Debra Lytle, HR Committee Chair Donna Saffioti, and our two preschool families: Rachel and Joel Black and Brooke Rabe.

Tania holds a Master of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education from the American Jewish University, a Bachelor of Arts degree in Child and Adolescent Development, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology, both from California State University, Northridge.

Tania is a certified childhood educator with over 20 years of teaching and supervision experience in a school setting. Tania has been working as a classroom teacher at the Wise Preschool in Los Angeles since 2013, where she has designed and implemented early childhood best practices. Additionally, Tania has served as an "Assisting Camp Director" for Adat Ari El in Valley Village, CA, where she developed, administered, and supervised summer camp curricula for children ages 2 to 5 years old.

Tania's references described her as a team player, collaborator, passionate, compassionate, and a good communicator. She excels at curriculum planning and conflict resolution. Tania also has a background in accounting, marketing, and community outreach which will be an asset as we focus on growing and expanding our preschool program activities.

Tania is excited to join our Anshei Israel family! She is looking forward to building relationships with our youngest cohort. She will be moving to Tucson from Southern California, and we look forward to introducing her to our community as a whole and honoring her at an upcoming Shabbat. Stay tuned, preschool families, for opportunities to get to know Tania this summer. Tania will work closely with our Education Assistant, Kim Miller, and our Early Childhood Assistant Director, Tara Rathner, in addition to our outgoing Early Childhood Director, Kimmie Spitzer.

Thank you Kimmie for your dedication and support to our preschool over the past 2 and 1/2 years. We are excited that you will be staying with us as a lead teacher for the 2022-23 preschool year!

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## B'Yahad and USY

While some may think the summer is a time when B'Yahad and USY go on break, it has actually been a busy summer of getting things ready for a great Fall! We have been busy working on our curriculum, preparing materials for the year, starting to plan our collaborative student and family programs with the Kol Ami Religious School, and planning exciting opening programs for USY and Kadima! If you have not yet registered

for B'Yahad or USY for the 2022-23 school year, be sure to do so now. Registration forms can be found on our website.

B'Yahad classes resume on August 21, followed immediately by the first day of Kadima, with the USY opening program on Saturday evening, August 27. Be sure to also join us for our first Family Service & Dinner of the school year on Friday, August 12! Watch your email for details about the start of the 2022-23 school year. We look forward to a wonderful year of learning and being together!

*B'Shalom,*

**Nichole Chorny**

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### Red Cross Blood Drive

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# ADULT EDUCATION



## Devorah's Palm Tree

*NEW DATES - NEW BOOK!*  
Classes are held at 12:00pm  
the second Monday of every month

Join Rabbi Metz and Women's League the second Monday of every month. We will be studying a new book, *The Path of Blessing* by Rabbi Marcia Prager. It is not necessary to have the book in order to participate in the class. Your perspective makes for a lively discussion.

**Monday, August 8, 12:00pm**  
*The Name Beyond Name / Aleph*

*Our next Devorah's Palm Tree will be held on Monday, September 12 at 12:00pm. Topic: Adonai*

Call (520) 745-5550 for more information, to be added to our email list, or go to [caiaz.org](http://caiaz.org) to sign-up online.

## Read It and Meet



Please join Women's League on Zoom for Read It and Meet to discuss a wide variety of books by Jewish authors and/or about Jewish themes.

**Read It and Meet will reconvene on October 23, after the High Holy Days.**

### Schedule for 2022-2023:\*

DATE	TITLE	AUTHOR
10/23/22	The Stranger in the Lifeboat	Mitch Albom
11/20/22	Lilac Girls	Martha Hall Kelly
12/18/22	Jews Don't Count	David Baddiel
1/22/23	The Light of Days: The Untold Stories of Women Resistance Fighters in Hitler's Ghettos	Judy Batalion
2/26/23	The Hidden Palace	Helene Wecker
3/26/23	The Kill Artist	Daniel Silva
4/23/23	Have You Seen Luis Velez	Catherine Ryan Hyde

*\*Subject to change.*

*Watch your email for details and links.*

## Online Weekday Torah Study Group



Led by Rabbi Metz, this informal study group can lead to lively discussion. Held Thursdays on Zoom, 12:00pm until 1:00pm.

*Bring your Bible and your desire to learn together.*

Study materials can be found at [caiaz.org/resources](http://caiaz.org/resources)

*Check your email for details and Zoom link.*

## Upcoming Classes & Kollels you won't want to miss!

### Jewish Art Series

*An encore presentation with Adrienne O'Hare*

**Wednesdays, July 13, 20, 27 at 7:00pm on Zoom**

### Remix Judaism: Why It Matters Now More Than Ever

*with Rabbi Metz & guest author Roberta Rosenthal Kwall*

**Thursdays, July 12 & 19, Aug. 2 & 9 at 6:15pm on Zoom**

### High Holy Days Kollal

*with Rabbi Metz*

*Middah K'neged Middah - What goes around, comes around in our new year.*

**Tuesday, September 13 at 7:00pm on Zoom**

*Check your email for details and Zoom link.*

## Renew Your Membership for High Holy Day Tickets

Our synagogue is more than just a building. We are a spiritual, educational and social community, and we were excited to bring most of these programs and services back onto our campus this year while maintaining a hybrid atmosphere to be as inclusive as possible to all of our members. We've gotten rave reviews after bringing back our beloved Shabbat dinners, and new services and programs like *Shabbat Sovev*, which we embrace in the Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash.

Now is the time that we must continue to plan for our future. Our new fiscal year began July 1, 2022. We are anticipating a great year with even more programming to bring meaningful spiritual services, social activities and learning opportunities to our community in the coming year.

We thank all our wonderful members who enable everything we do, and want to remind you to **return your membership renewal materials**. Thank you again for your continued commitment to and support of Congregation Anshei Israel! **Your generosity assures that no one is ever turned away from our congregation due to an inability to pay.**



# COMING UP

## SHIV'A ASAR B'TAMMUZ

The 17<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> of *Tammuz* is observed on Sunday, July 17.**

## 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 *Haftarah* (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 *Haftarot* 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*.

**This year, *Shabbat Hazon* falls on August 5 & 6;**

***Shabbat Nahamu* falls on August 12 & 13.**

## TISHA B'AV A Time to Mourn

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 17<sup>th</sup> 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 August 6 and continues through August 7.**

### TISHA B'AV SERVICE TIMES

#### August 6

*Ma'Ariv*/Lamentations..... 8:00pm

#### August 7

*Shacharit*..... 8:00am

*Mincha*..... 12:30pm

### ROSH HODESH ELUL

The month of *Elul* (which immediately precedes *Rosh Hashanah*) is the time to prepare for the High Holy Days. Because these days are filled with so much meaning and potency, they require a special measure of readiness. At this service, we will greet the new month of *Elul* with anticipation of the beginning of a New Year, seeing it as an opportunity to begin to build our resolve to make the upcoming year of 5783 what we want and need it to be.

As is our custom, we will sound the Shofar (as it is on every weekday of *Elul*) for the first time at the conclusion of the service.

***Rosh Hodesh Elul* falls on August 27 & 28.**

Join us as we sound the *shofar* following services on Sunday, August 28 at 8:00am.

***Watch your email for details and links.***

## COMING UP



### FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE & DINNER

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 12**

**AT 5:45PM**

**DINNER APPROXIMATELY 7:00PM**

Join us for a family-friendly Shabbat Service  
in the Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash at 5:45pm  
followed by a chicken dinner with vegetarian  
option outside in the Sukkah area  
at approximately 7:00pm.

RSVP & payment for dinner required no later than  
**August 8.** RSVP at [caiaz.org](http://caiaz.org)



### Shabbat Sovev

**Friday, August 25 at 5:45pm**  
in the Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash

**Dinner approximately 7:00pm**  
outside in the Sukkah area

Join us for a spiritually moving Kabbalat Shabbat Service full of community and new melodies sung to traditional liturgy. *Shabbat Sovev* will help enhance our connection to our prayers through new melodies and *kavanot* (intentions), and allow us to connect to our community in a new way. During *Sovev* (surrounding), we will experience *davening* in concentric circles, close enough to hear one another's melodies and in relationship with one another across the room for beautiful spiritual enhancement.

After the service, join us for a chicken dinner with vegetarian option.

***This is an in-person only event.***

RSVP & payment for dinner required no later than  
**August 22.** RSVP at [caiaz.org](http://caiaz.org)

### Daily & Weekly Services

*Join us online for daily prayer services!*

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8:00am Sunday • 7:30am Monday-Friday

**Evening Minyan Service on Zoom**

5:30pm Sunday-Thursdays

*Please check your email for any scheduling changes.*

### Shabbat Services

**Kabbalat Shabbat Service**

5:45pm Friday

**ONLINE ONLY – July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29**

**Hybrid:** August 12 (*Family Service*)

**In-person only:** August 25  
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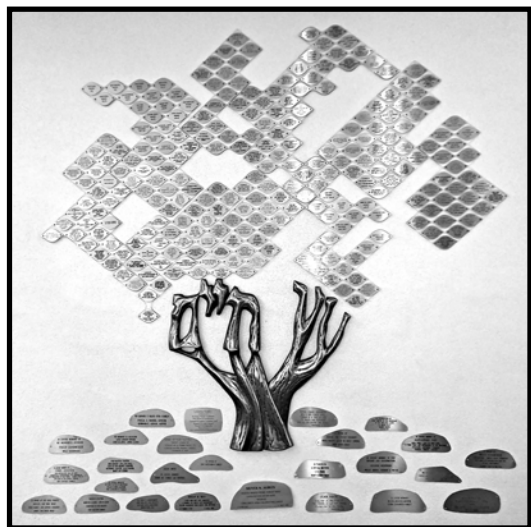
Yahrzeit plaques placed in the Congregation Anshei  
Israel Memorial Hall during the past year will be  
dedicated on *Shemini Atzeret*, Monday, October 17.

To ensure their timely arrival for this year's  
dedication, orders for yahrzeit plaques must be placed  
**NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1.**

We will make every effort to place your order; however,  
this is the manufacturer's deadline.

**Please contact** wat 745-5550, ext. 242  
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## Tree of Life - Etz Chayim



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of their loved ones. Our Tree of Life is displayed in the Honor  
Hallway by the Linda Roy Youth Center. You are invited to  
pause and share the special memories in the lives of our  
community.

For more information and to place your order for a leaf or  
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## Calendar of Major Jewish Holidays 5783

Holidays begin *the evening before* the day noted. Holidays noted in *italic* are holy days  
on which no work is permitted and absences from school or work should be excused.

*Rosh Hashanah*..... Mon & Tue, Sept. 26 & 27, 2022  
*Yom Kippur*.....Wed, Oct. 5, 2022  
*Sukkot (start)* .....Mon & Tue, Oct. 10 & 11, 2022  
*Shemini Atzeret*..... Mon, Oct. 17, 2022  
*Simhat Torah* .....Tue, Oct. 18, 2022  
Hanukkah ..... Sun, Dec. 18-Mon, Dec. 26, 2022  
Tu B'Shvat ..... Mon, Feb. 6, 2023  
Purim ..... Tue, Mar. 7, 2023

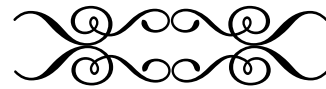
*Passover (start)*..... Thur & Fri, Apr. 6 & 7, 2023  
*Passover (end)*..... Wed & Thur, Apr. 12 & 13, 2023  
Yom Hashoah.....Tue, Apr. 18, 2023  
Yom Ha'atzmaut ..... Wed, Apr. 26, 2023  
Lag B'Omer .....Tue, May 9, 2023  
*Shavuot* ..... Thur & Fri, May 26 & 27, 2023  
Tisha B'Av .....Thur, July 27, 2023

Yom Hashoah is Holocaust Remembrance Day. • Yom Ha'atzmaut is Israel Independence Day.



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## Preschool Water Play Day - May 18, 2022



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# CATCHING UP

## Pre-K Promotion - May 20, 2022



### MAZAL TOV TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

#### CHARLOTTE BREGMAN

Graduated from: Catalina Foothills High School.  
Planning to attend Barrett Honors College at ASU where she will be studying International Business.

#### ETHAN COHEN

Graduated from: University High School.  
Planning to attend Barrett Honors College at ASU where he will be studying Computer Systems Engineering.

#### NOAM EMERSON-FLEMING

Graduated from: New Mexico Military Institute, where he served as a First Sergeant.

Planning to attend American University, where he plans to take part in the Cornerstone program, study International Relations, and join the Air Force ROTC program.

#### GABE GREEN

Graduated from: Catalina Foothills High School, and next year will be on Young Judea's Year Course to Israel. He plans to attend Barrett Honors College at ASU to study Business in Fall of 2023.

#### JORDAN PERSELLIN

Graduated from: Catalina Foothills High School.

#### ELLIS SELZNICK

Graduated from: Tucson High School  
Planning to attend Purdue University to study Engineering

#### MARTY WEICH

Graduated from: The Gregory School.  
Planning to attend University of Arizona.

#### SETH WINDHAM

Graduated from: Marana High School.  
Planning to attend Pima Community College to study Welding and Fabrication.

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# MAZAL TOV

## Birth Announcements

This column features the 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 Amber at (520) 745-5550, ext. 225 or [ExecAssist@caiaz.org](mailto:ExecAssist@caiaz.org)

### Hayden Addison Beltzer-Walton April 14, 2022

Hayden is the granddaughter of Sharon & Richard Walton, and Terry & Steve Beltzer. (Parents: Jessica Walton & Lindsay Beltzer)

### Shyla Beaux Chambliss-Beren April 30, 2022

Shyla is the granddaughter of Nessa & Peter Beren, and sister of Pierce Chambliss-Beren. (Parents: Simone Chambliss-Beren & Andrew Beren)

### Penelope Kay Polan May 7, 2022

Penelope is the great-granddaughter of Phyllis & Philip Lapin, Katherine & Larry Jones, and Malinda Ratliff, and the granddaughter of Terri & David Polan, and Angela & Robert Jones. (Parents: Ashley & Daniel Polan)

### Niv Cohen May 9, 2022

Niv is the great-grandson of Bob Cohen, and grandson of Susan & Avi Cohen (Parents: Madeleine Cohen & Andrew McCann Smith)

### Nadav Har Singer Hurvitz May 28, 2022

Nadav is the grandson of Shelley & Steve Singer and Udi z"l & Mickey Hurvitz. (Parents: Yaron & Emily Hurvitz)

### Noah Bailon May 31, 2022

Noah is the nephew of Marty Johnston and his big brother is Mateo Bailon. (Parents: Alison Johnston Bailon & Jorge Bailon)

## July Anniversaries

Date	Years
<b>2 Phyllis &amp; Don Cohen</b>	<b>69</b>
Nancy & Tidhar Ozeri	33
Stephanie & Spencer Roberts	33
Sheila Schiffman & Ron Stolov	49
<b>3 Kathy Hays &amp; Gerald Barkan</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Janet &amp; Stephen Seltzer</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>4 Elaine &amp; Howard Fagan</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Judy &amp; Cary Fishman</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>9 Barbara &amp; Sanford Selznick</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>14 Alayne &amp; Bruce Greenberg</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>22 Sharon &amp; Morris Barkan</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>23 Linda &amp; Shelby Silverman</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>27 Maya &amp; Josef Gonzales</b>	<b>24</b>

## Marriage

### Maddison Gan & Jared Podos On May 1, 2022

Maddison is the daughter of:  
**Jami Ober Gan**  
&  
**Scott Gan**

Jared is the son of:  
**Stacie & Ken Podos**

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## August Anniversaries

Date	Years
<b>1 Gail &amp; Ron Isaacs</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>2 Nichole &amp; Joel Chorny</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Rachel &amp; Jonathan Green</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Barbara &amp; Michael Schoenhals</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>3 Pat &amp; Dennis Citron</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Myrna &amp; James Frisch</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Terri &amp; David Polan</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>5 Susan &amp; Steven Weisman</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>6 Karen &amp; Gilbert Sokal</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>7 Rebecca &amp; Ronald Mann</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Carole &amp; Sylvain Sidi</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>9 Deanna Evenchik-Brav &amp; Garry Brav</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>10 Jackie and Paul Hoffman</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>11 Ina &amp; Gerson Goldberg</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Terry &amp; Jerry Neuman</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Joann &amp; Steven Weinstein</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>12 Margo &amp; Ron Gray</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>14 Sara &amp; Chuck Block</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Bertie Levkowitz &amp; Thomas Herz</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>15 Robin &amp; Mitchell Pozez</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Marilyn &amp; Ira Prensky</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>16 Joyce &amp; Bill Becker</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>18 Felisa &amp; Ruben Bien-Willner</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>19 Renee &amp; Michael Rhyner</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>20 Arlene &amp; Richard Bluth</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>21 Brooke Rabe &amp; Thomas Williams</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>23 Marjorie &amp; George Cunningham</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>24 Chaya &amp; Harvey Jurkowitz</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>25 Lyudmila Rytslina &amp; Ilya Tepelboym</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>26 Jennifer &amp; Jason Bailey</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>27 Miriam &amp; Athol Cline</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>30 Mirta &amp; Alberto Bien-Willner</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Susan &amp; Richard Glass</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Eleanor &amp; Don Jeck</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>31 Holly &amp; Steven Shenitzer</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Alice &amp; Joel Steinfeld</b>	<b>47</b>

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**Todah Rabah to Richard Walton, who spruced up and repainted the CAI arch at Evergreen Cemetery that leads to the Congregation Anshei Israel section.**

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### Thank you to the following congregants for sponsoring our Kiddushes

- Marsha Rosenblum, in memory of her husband Bob
- Brenda Frye & Sergey Cherkis, in honor of daughter Eleanor becoming a Bat Mitzvah
- Aaron Allinson & Dr. Roslyn Chosak, in honor of daughter Rabbi Sara Metz's installation at Congregation Anshei Israel

### Thank you to our "Yad Squad"

*(Those who read Torah and Haftarah in April & May)*

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## Condolences

### המקום ינחם אתכם

*The congregation mourns the loss of our members:*

Ed Feder  
Eugene Kellogg

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

Debby (Rabbi Robert) Eisen, sister Rachel Axelrod  
Aurora Kellogg, husband Eugene  
Marianne (Allen) Langer, brother Daniel Spear Marks  
Kimmie (Eric) Spitzer, father Phillip McFate & brother Michael McFate  
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### Tree of Life - Etz Chayim



**Todah Rabah to Naomi & Steve Spitzer & Family for purchasing two new leaves:**

- In memory of their dear friend Jerry Feder (Dec. 9, 2021)
- In celebration of the life of Phil McFate (April 20, 2022).

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