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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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up-to-date information.

# Shalom!

Please  
warmly

## Welcome

Our returning  
members:

Renee Keltner, and children Gabriel & Naomi "Yochi" Keltner  
Stuart Spivack



## CAI's 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting

**Monday May 8, 2023**

**5:30pm Hybrid Minyan in the Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash**

**6:15pm Dinner in Rabbi Breger Hall**

**Meeting immediately following in Rabbi Breger Hall**

Honoring outgoing President Evelyn Sigafus

Board of Trustee Reports

Year in Review

Election and Installation of the Board of Trustees

Please RSVP by Thursday, May 4

**RSVP at [caiaz.org](http://caiaz.org)**

## Shavuot

The *Shavuot* Festival, Feast of Weeks, was celebrated primarily as a thanksgiving for the wheat harvest; it falls seven weeks after the barley harvest, when an *Omer* of the new produce was offered. The Torah refers to *Shavuot* as *Hag Ha-Katsir* (The Feast of the Harvest) and *Yom Ha-Bikkurim* (The Day of First Fruits), observed by offerings of the best ripe produce of the fields (Exodus 23:16; Numbers 28:26).

In the course of time, and as a result of the transformation of the agricultural festivals into historical commemorations, the additional significance of *Shavuot* as the festival of the Giving of the Torah (*Z'man Matan Torateynu*) at Mount Sinai completely overshadowed its original significance. Though the Bible does not identify *Shavuot* with the anniversary of the giving of the Ten Commandments, the tradition, undisputed in the Talmud, has been that the Torah was given on the sixth day of *Sivan*.

In the observances of *Shavuot*, the historical as well as the agricultural aspects are reflected. The Ten Commandments are read in the synagogue on the first day. The first night of the festival is often spent learning with the community, called *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*. The Book of Ruth is read for its description of a summer harvest in Israel. Milk dishes are the customary foods, symbolizing the Torah which is likened to milk, according to the allegorical interpretation of the Song of Songs, "honey and milk are under your tongue."

— Adapted from *A Book of Jewish Concepts*  
by Phillip Birnbaum

*This year Shavuot begins  
at sundown on May 25*

*& continues through sundown on May 27.*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT



It is hard to believe that my 2-year term is ending May 8, 2023 when I will have the honor of becoming the Immediate Past President, joining the ranks of the wonderful Past Presidents who have served this congregation before me.

It has been my privilege to serve you, our congregants, as the President these past two years. Thank you. There are so many people to thank for their assistance to make my position what it was. Thank you to the clergy, staff, the Board of Trustees, and Past Presidents who have served as my mentors. Without your help I would not have been able to do my job.

Thank you to the congregation for your support and assistance. It takes all of us to make this congregation the best. I know that each of you financially support the congregation the best that you can. Please continue to do so in the future.

A special thank you goes to those who actively volunteer at our programs and services. We have amazing Torah readers and service leaders. We cannot say thank you enough. I also want to say an extra thank you to our *Shomrei Torah* members who go over and above with their financial support to allow us to maintain our beautiful building, programs, and services, as well as developing the next generation with our preschool, B'Yahad and youth programs. Your extra dollars provide the needed assistance that is so very much appreciated.

As I pass the torch to the next president, Jonathan Green, I wish you all the very best. I am not going away – you will still see me at services, programs, and classes, as well as my committee work. I love Congregation Anshei Israel, my spiritual home since I was 4 years old.

May you all have a wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing you at "Summer Shul."

*B'Shalom,*

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

### June is Membership Renewal Month!

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 once a month in the Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash.

Now is the time that we must continue to plan for our future. Our new fiscal year begins July 1, 2023. 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 **look out for membership renewal materials in your mail**. 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.***

## FROM RABBI METZ

We are stronger together!



Last month, Jewish communities around the world celebrated God bringing us out from slavery in Egypt and leading us to the promised land of Israel.

At the first collaborative Tucson community Passover Seder in April, over 135 community members from all over Tucson joined together to celebrate the second night of Passover at a seder. I led with Rabbi Stephanie Aaron of Temple Chaverim a fun and interactive seder. The seder was filled with thoughtful discussions, at least 4 questions, the sounds and laughter from many kids celebrating passover and of course songs and the retelling of our story. It was incredible to join in a community space with so many loved ones and new friends.

During the seder we remembered how bitter life in slavery was and we concluded the Seder with prayers for a rebuilt and peaceful Jerusalem. We cannot end our efforts simply with prayers. We must work together to help Israel live up to her own highest ideals.

One way we do this is by celebrating Israel and her successes. I am so thrilled to have joined with the Wientraub Center and community volunteers around Tucson to celebrate 75 years of Israeli statehood with a community-wide immersive festival experience for all ages. The event was an incredible success for the entire Jewish community. We had music, food, art, lectures, games, activities, vendors, inflatables, wine & whiskey tasting, face-painting, and so much more! I also taught a fun felting craft workshop!

The last big collaborative event coming up is our Tikkun Leil Shavuot event. I helped to plan the community-wide event on May 25th. Kol Ami, the JCC, Hillel and PJ Library. The event will include several all-night learning sessions. In each hour slot until 1 AM, there will be a kinetic or movement option as well as 1-2 traditional learning sessions with lots of snack and activities in between. At midnight I am planning a text study I'll be teaching in collaboration with community clergy and educators. Please join me!

Looking forward to receiving Torah with you!

*B'Shalom,*

**Rabbi Sara Metz**

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### 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)





# EDUCATION

## Preschool



Where has the school year gone? Over the last couple of months, we enjoyed being able to celebrate Purim in person with the children parading around the Sanctuary, singing their hearts out in the cutest of costumes. We also enjoyed a Passover Model Seder with Rabbi Metz. The children loved being able to help with

the telling of the Passover story, and sharing the symbols on their individual seder plates. Of course, their favorite part was singing the "Frog Song."

It's amazing how little time it takes to become attached to people. I have enjoyed every day of the last ten months. It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know everyone, and watching the children growing up. The days of a preschool parent are long but, the years are short. If only there was some way to freeze time, especially here in Tucson.

As the weather is warming up and we are getting closer to summer, I'm excited to share that our seven-week summer program begins Monday, June 5, and ends on Friday, July 21. We are looking forward to splashing around during our daily water play, as well as enjoying some exciting new themed camp weeks. Activities will include fun cooking projects, special in-person activities such as "Ready, Set, Rec's," Tie Dye Day, a day with the Circus Academy of Tucson, and an all-around favorite weekly visit with Mr. Nature. Registration is now available both in person and online. We welcome new and existing preschool children, and are looking forward to sharing the summer with you.

Even with all the excitement of summer around the corner, we will celebrate our children as they graduate to the next chapter of their lives at our closing program. We will welcome our youngest *Par Par* friends into the *Shemesh* class, our *Shemesh* friends will move up to *Kochavim*, and our current *Kochavim* students will become kings and queens of the hill when they return as *Halutzim* in the fall! It will be with a heavy heart that we say good-bye to our *Halutzim* graduates, sending them off to start new journeys. In addition to our *Halutzim* friends, we will be saying good-bye to my amazing predecessor, Kimmie Spitzer, who will be returning to THA. She has been a pillar for our preschool. We will miss Kimmie, and wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

*B'Shalom,*

**Tania Spivak**

**Early Childhood Director**

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**Look out for a new  
updated look for our  
preschool!**

## B'Yahad and USY



It is hard to believe that a whole school year has gone by already! Our B'Yahad classes for the year will come to an end on May 7 after a wonderful year of learning and being together,

and we will celebrate our accomplishments for the year with a special Family

Celebration (watch your email for details). For our last days of USY we are excited to invite our 6<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in Step-up Day for USY on May 6, and our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students

are encouraged to participate in Step-Up Day for the last day of Kadima on May 7.

A huge THANK YOU to our incredible teachers, madrichim, USY advisors, and parent volunteers for making this year a success! Stay tuned for details on next year, and registration for 2023-24 will be coming out soon.



Our last collaborative event of the year with Kol Ami was a blast as we prepared for Passover with fun activities and a Chocolate Seder together at Kol Ami! We look forward to continuing this collaboration with exciting events together next year.

A huge MAZEL TOV to our graduating Senior Madrichim this year: Nathan Cherkis, Dahlia Tolby and Abigail Wilson. We have been blessed to have you on our team and look forward to hearing about your college decisions & future careers in the coming weeks. We will miss you and appreciate everything you have contributed to our program!

2023-24 Registration for B'Yahad and USY will be coming out soon, and feel free to be in touch with any questions. Be sure to register before the Early Bird Deadline of June 1 to receive the discount.

Have a wonderful summer!

*B'Shalom,*

**Nichole Chorny**

**Cantorial Soloist and Education & Youth Director**

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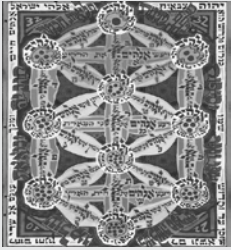
We were thrilled to have 13 Kadimanicks go to Camp Stein in March for the Kadima Kinnus along with Kadima Chapters from Phoenix and Las Vegas! They had a blast at their first-ever Kinnus!





# ADULT EDUCATION

Upcoming classes you won't want to miss!



## Let's Talk About Kabbalah

An In-Depth Study with Adrienne O'Hare

**Sundays, through August 13 at 11:00am on Zoom**

May 7 & 21 • June 11, 18 & 25  
July 9, 16 & 30 • August 6 & 13

Join us on Zoom for an in-depth look into Jewish Mysticism and Kabbalah taught by Adrienne O'Hare. Over the years, Adrienne has studied Kabbalah with rabbis and lay folk, read books, and listened to tapes and CDs as part of her journey to become an Interfaith Spiritual Director, deepening her appreciation and knowledge of this amazing area of study.

In this class, we will learn about the Zohar, a mystic interpretation of the Torah, and delve into the mysteries within our God, our world, and ourselves.

*Check your email for details and Zoom link.*

## Online Weekday Torah Study Group



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

## Candle Lighting Times May/June 2023

May		June	
May 5	6:49pm	June 2	7:08pm
May 12	6:54pm	June 9	7:11pm
May 19	6:59pm	June 16	7:14pm
May 25 (Erev Shavuot I)	7:03pm	June 23	7:15pm
May 26 (Erev Shavuot II)	7:03pm	June 30	7:16pm

## Know Someone New to Tucson?



If you know someone new to the Tucson community who you believe would be interested in learning 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!

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## COMING UP - SHAVUOT



Join a diverse group of Southern Arizona Jewish community leaders for a night of learning, eating, singing, movement, crafting, and a magical midnight gathering. Celebrate the anniversary of the Revelation at Sinai with programming for all ages, dinner, diverse *Ma'ariv* services, and your choice of multiple learning experiences every hour!

Visit [bit.ly/Shavuot2023](https://bit.ly/Shavuot2023) for a detailed schedule and to sign up for an optional dinner! Join us for part or the entire experience. Thank you to Jewish Philanthropies of Southern Arizona for the opportunity to bring this event to the Jewish community.

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### Shavuot Service Schedule

*Check your email for details and link to join.*

**Thursday, May 25**

**Meeting at the Mountain: A Community-Wide Shavuot Learning Experience at The JCC**

3800 E. River Road

**5:15pm-6:15pm**

*Family Program with kid-friendly activities*

**6:15pm-7:15pm**

*Pizza Dinner*

Register for dinner at [bit.ly/Shavuot2023](https://bit.ly/Shavuot2023)

**7:20pm until 4:00am**

*Ma'ariv services start at 7:20pm in person & on Zoom, followed by learning opportunities.*

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**Friday, May 26**

**9:30am**

*Hybrid Service in the  
Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash and on Zoom*

**5:45pm**

*Online Service on Zoom*

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**Saturday, May 27**

**9:30am**

*Hybrid Service and Yizkor in the  
Sanctuary and on Zoom*

## COMING UP

**Effective Saturday,  
April 15, 2023**

**New Start  
Time!**

Shabbat Morning Service will begin at 9:30am  
on a trial basis through Summer Shul.

Summer Shul will be held in the Rabbi Eisen  
Beit Midrash beginning on June 3, 2023.

### Daily & Weekly Services

*Join us online for daily prayer services!*

#### Morning Minyan Service on Zoom

8:00am Sunday • 7:30am Monday-Friday

#### Evening Minyan Service on Zoom

5:30pm Sunday-Thursday

*Please check your email for any scheduling changes.*

### Shabbat Services

#### Kabbalat Shabbat Service\*

5:45pm Friday

**Zoom Only** - May 5 & 19, June 2, 9, 16 & 30

**Hybrid Family Shabbat** - May 12

**Hybrid Shabbat Sovev** - June 23

*\*Subject to change - check your email for details*

#### Shabbat Morning Service

*In-person & online on Zoom*

9:30am Saturdays **through July 29**



### Tot Shabbat will return on August 25!

*Please check your email for RSVP information.*



### FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE & DINNER

**FRIDAY MAY 12**

**Family Shabbat Service at 5:45pm**

With Rabbi Metz and Cantorial Soloist Nichole  
Chorny in the Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash and on Zoom  
(approximately 1 hour)

Followed by a chicken dinner with vegetarian option.

RSVP and payment for dinner required

no later than **May 8**

RSVP at [caiaz.org](http://caiaz.org)



## Celebrate Pride Month

**Friday June 23 at 5:45pm**

**Pride Shabbat Sovev**

*Followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner*

**Saturday, June 24 at 9:30am**

**Shabbat morning service**

As always, our services are open to all,  
including the LGBTQ+ community and  
allies!

*Shabbat Sovev*  
**שבת סובב**

### Pride Shabbat Sovev

**Friday, June 23 at 5:45pm**

in the Rabbi Eisen Beit Midrash

**Dinner approximately 7:00pm**

Join us for a spiritually moving Kabbalat Shabbat Service  
full of community and new melodies sung to traditional  
liturgy.

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

RSVP and payment for dinner required no later than  
**June 20.** RSVP at [caiaz.org](http://caiaz.org)



## CATCHING UP

### Chesed "Caring" Committee



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

*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)

Elliott Farber visited members Enid & Wynn z"l Freedman on their 73rd wedding anniversary in February. *Todah Rabah*, Elliott! Sadly, Wynn Freedman z"l, passed away in April.



Lev Metz led the Psalms of Our Siddur class in March, and attendees participated in a lively discussion. *Todah Rabah*, Lev!



### Rabbi Arthur Oleisky z"l Memorial Bench

*Todah Rabah* to those who have made generous donations toward this initiative already:



Phyllis Bee

Nessa & Peter Beren

Sara & Chuck Block

Betsy & Michael Boxer

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Dvora Tager & Bob Dietz

Elaine & Howard Fagan

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Preschool Family Breakfast - Friday, February 8



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# CATCHING UP

Hamentaschen for Hunger - March 5, 2023



For Purim, we made 90 gallon-sized blessing bags for the Primavera Men's Shelter  
**Todah Rabbah** to Mark Lytle for delivering them!



## Ma'ot Hittim Donations

The following participated in the  
 2023 Ma'ot Hittim program for Passover.

Sharon & Morris Barkan  
 Brenda Frye & Sergey Cherkis  
 Molly Senor & Mel Cohen  
 Vickey Cook

Dvora Tager & Bob Dietz  
 Elaine & Howard Fagan  
 Fay Green, Sheryl Green,  
 Mona & Steve Karten

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Ron Kolker

Debra & Mark Lytle

Jessica &

Patrick Emerson McCormick

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Hedy Feuer & Mike Perlman

Todd Rockoff

Joan & Dennis Rosen

Anna & Myron Rottenstein

Saffioti Family

Barbara Selznick

Evelyn Sigafus

Linda & Shelby Silverman

Karen Skolnik

Harriet Silverman & Paul Smelkinson

Dawn & Leonard Steinberg

Sandra Tobin



# CATCHING UP

Purim in the Land of Oz & Megillah Reading - March 6, 2023



## Todah Rabah to our Purim Volunteers!

### Carnival

Lanette Garnett  
Irene Feldman Glass  
Ellie Griver  
Mielle Griver  
Mike Jacobson  
Mark Lytle  
Noah Lytle  
Della & Ben Perez  
Amanda Steinberg  
Donna Saffioti  
Laurie Serber  
Mitchell Serber

### Kitchen Helpers

Terri Cohen  
Elaine & Howard Fagan  
Linda Silverman

### Delivery Drivers

Marianne Langer  
Teri Thienhaus

### Social Action

*At CAI's Hamentaschen for Hunger, participants made 90 bags of food for the Primavera Homeless Shelter from your donations. Todah Rabbah to Mark Lytle for delivering the bags!*



# CATCHING UP

B'Yahad Chocolate Seder with Kol Ami - March 19, 2023

Preschool Model Seder- March 31, 2023



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# CATCHING UP

## Preschool Parking Lot Improvement Project - March 15-19, 2023

Thank you to Sunrise Asphalt Company, and a big TODAH RABBAH to Les & Eli Silberman, who were on site each day of our project making sure everything ran smoothly.





# CATCHING UP

Preschool Roofing Improvement Project - March 2023

Thank you to New Century Roofing.



**A hearty TODAH RABAH to  
Steve Shenitzer, Building & Grounds  
Chair, for overseeing all our projects!**

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Preschool HVAC Improvement Project - April 2023

Thank you to AirQuest.



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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)



### **Senna Lena Steinberg** **February 6, 2023**

Senna is the grandchild of Marilyn Einstein & Steve Sim, and Pamela & Michael Steinberg. (Parents: Gabrielle & Joshua Steinberg)

### **Stephen Ji-Li Green** **February 15, 2023**

Stephen is the grandchild of Joan & Richard Green, and Susheng Yang & Xue Lian Xue. Stephen's siblings are Maxwell & Charles Green. (Parents: Alexander Green & Sophie Yan Yang)

### **Remy Liam Eisen** **February 28, 2023**

Remy is the grandchild of Debby & Rabbi Robert Eisen. Remy's sibling is Reese Eisen. (Parents: Carly & Alex Eisen)



## Engagement

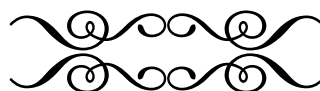
Mazal Tov to

**Noah Gan**  
&  
**Chloe Cheney-Rice**

Noah is the son of  
Jami Ober Gan and Scott Gan  
Chloe is the daughter of  
Celesta Cheney-Rice &  
(the late) Stephen Cheney-Rice

## May Anniversaries

Date	Years
2 Rachel & Joel Black	9
4 Marlene & William Hudson	43
6 Robyn & David Emmerson	19
7 Barbara & Gerald Goldberg	45
10 Carol & Lex Sears	19
13 Lisa Ungar & Robert Fridrich	27
14 Abigail & Noah Tolby	28
<b>21 Gail &amp; Calman Rudner</b>	<b>51</b>
22 Ricki Weinstein-Wolf & Jerry Wolf	24
23 Stuart & Eve Pinkert	30
24 Joyce & Michael Smith James and Beth McGinnis	43
25 Emily & Dustin Pendleton Jessica & Patrick Emerson McCormick	15
26 Deborah Oseran & Bobby Present	32
Kimmie & Eric Spitzer	32
27 Debbie & Bruce Frent	39
28 Monica & Eric Rudner	23
<b>29 Marta &amp; Steven Ketchel</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>31 Naomi &amp; Stephen Spitzer</b>	<b>59</b>



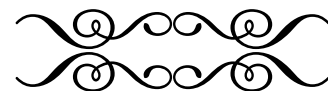
## Awards!

Mazal Tov to Dvora Tager, who has been selected to receive the National Service Member/Volunteer Award at the 20th Annual Governor's Volunteer Service Awards in honor of her many years of service to AmeriCorps and the Community Food Bank!

Mazal Tov to Deanna Evenchik Brav, Adina Karp, and Bobby Present who were honored at the 12 Torches ceremony for their service to the greater Tucson Jewish community!

## June Anniversaries

Date	Years
1 Marilyn Einstein & Steve Sim	43
Marcy & Jacob Friedman	16
2 Annette & Alan Miklofsky	44
Shelly & Edward Berger	39
Lisa & Dan Jurkowitz	27
3 Tracy & David Jeck	16
5 Ruthie & Mark Friefeld	35
<b>6 Sharon &amp; Frederick Klein</b>	<b>52</b>
Stephanie Stern & Joshua Melson	24
Brenda Frye & Sergey Cherkis	19
Jennifer & Amit Cher	13
<b>8 Sandra &amp; James Rothschild</b>	<b>55</b>
10 Shawn & Aaron Hellman	39
11 Iris Bernstein & David Karp	28
15 Laurie & Scott Weiss	37
16 Joan Auerbach Green & Richard Green	49
<b>18 Sarah &amp; Don Persellin</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Sue &amp; Sonny Ross</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Aletha &amp; David Kalish</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>20 Sara &amp; Tom Borin</b>	<b>52</b>
Nancy & Steven Auslander	41
22 Nicole Yuan & Jerel Slaughter	20
24 Julia & Robert Rawdin	45
Sharon & Richard Walton	44
<b>25 Caren &amp; Tom Newman</b>	<b>60</b>
Bri & Joshua Tennenbaum	12
<b>27 Alice &amp; Paul Baker</b>	<b>58</b>
Rabbi Sara & Lev Metz	13
<b>28 Barbara &amp; Mel Brodie</b>	<b>59</b>
29 Amy & Robert Direnfeld	37



## 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, visit [caiaz.org/resources](http://caiaz.org/resources) as part of CAI's "Myths vs. Facts" program.



## Honorable "Menschens"

### Todah Rabah to:

#### Hamentaschen for Hunger Volunteers

Loretta and John Becker  
Valerie Douglas  
Stephanie Harwick  
Julia Elitzer  
Danielle Larcom  
Adina and Noah Lytle  
Scott Phelps  
Brooke Rabe  
Josh & Bri Tennenbaum

#### Kitchen Crew

Rebecca Auslander  
Terri Cohen  
Elaine & Howard Fagan  
Vicki Pepper  
Abby Rosen  
Karen Skolnik  
Linda Silverman

#### Family Mishloach Manot Bags Assembly

Kala & Scott Phelps

#### Gabbaim

Lois Bodin  
Phil Bregman  
Ari Espinoza  
Ron Gray  
Rosie Kahn  
Vicki Pepper  
Joy Peskin  
Steve Singer

#### Matzah & More

Thank you to everyone who  
donated to our Matzah and  
More JFCS Drive, to help  
those in need purchase  
Passover food!

#### Kolenu Proofreaders

Evelyn Sigafus  
Teri Thienhaus

*If we missed you, we apologize. If you would like to be  
included in further announcements, please let us know.*

### Thank you to our "Yad Squad"

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

Ari Espinoza	Coby Jeck	Joy Peskin
Hillary Goldstein	Lisa Jurkowitz	Sandra Rothschild
Margo Gray	Ziva Mason	Leonard Schultz
Richard Green	Lev Metz	Steve Seltzer
Mike Jacobson	Phillip Pepper	Teri Thienhaus
Abigail Jeck		

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

- Ron & Margo Gray, in honor of Ron's 75th birthday
- Joan & Richard Green, in honor of Richard's 74th birthday
- Madeline & Barry Friedman, in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary
- Teri & Ole Thienhaus, in honor of their son Lukas' birthday & Bar Mitzvah anniversary
- Tracy & David Jeck, in honor of their daughter Abigail becoming a Bat Mitzvah

Please contact Debra Lytle at [ExecDir@caiaz.org](mailto:ExecDir@caiaz.org) to  
reserve a date to sponsor Kiddush

## Condolences

### המקום ינחם אתכם

*The congregation mourns the loss of our members:*

Wynn Freedman  
Lila Greisman  
William "Bill" Kugelman  
Anne Stein  
Mel Zuckerman

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

Enid Freedman, husband Wynn  
Annete (Alan) Miklofsky, her father Bill Kugelman  
Tidhar (Nancy) Ozeri, father Yechiel Ozeri  
Shoham, Eshed & Geva Ozeri, grandfather Yechiel Ozeri  
Kerry (Jeff) Winkelman, mother Lynette Smith  
Zev & Janna Winkelman, grandmother Lynette Smith  
Enid Zuckerman, husband Mel  
Amy & Jay (Stephanie) Zuckerman, father Mel  
Nicole (Ken), Talia, Colton & Riley Zuckerman,  
grandfather, Papa Mel

#### **May the Author of Life Comfort the Mourners**

#### **Memorial Plaques have been installed for**

Rose Hirsch Horwitz  
Irving Jeck  
Terry Major Jeck  
Julius Pesin

### 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 (520) 745-5550, ext. 242, to make arrangements or if you wish to reserve a space for the future.

### 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 (520) 299-3382.*

### Share your Simcha!

#### **Become a Kiddush sponsor!**

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