

Welcome to Congregation Ner Tamid!

Be a part of our Family! Call 415-661-3383 for Membership Information or to be put on our mailing List.

☆ PERSONAL EVENTS IN OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILY ☆

Yom Huledet Same'akh! ~ Happy Birthday Wishes to:

Moshe Blum (12/04); Steven Ganz (12/06); Susie Straus (12/11)
Charles Drucker (12/15); Dina Cefalu (12/18)

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*REFUAH SHELEMA ~ We wish a recovery to:*

Tom Lagerquist; Yaffe bat Margit; Lila Kluger  
Adele Davis; Malka Mina bat Miriam; Miryam bat Chai Raizel

Please inform us of any illness or life cycle event, so *Rabbi Shana* can call or visit.



Please remember the victims of the terrible fires this Hanukkah with any size donation to one of the many organizations that is providing relief. Also please consider a gift to **AFIKIM**, an organization in Israel that helps at-risk children. **THANK YOU!**



With sadness, we announce the passing of our dear long-time members, **Martin T. Lyon** and **Sarah Davis**.

A Memorial Service will be held here at Ner Tamid this **Sunday, December 9**, at **11am**, for **Marty**, who will be laid to rest at the military cemetery in Dixon at a later date.

The graveside funeral service for **Sarah** will be this **Sunday, December 9**, at **9:30am**, at Salem Memorial Park.

*Zichronam Liv'racha ~ May their memories be forever a blessing.*

**📖 MAY THEIR MEMORY BE A BLESSING 📖**

**YAHREZITS THIS WEEK**

**Norman Shelub; Erna Heissman; Sami Hassid; Bella Fox Slamovich  
Faina Melnikoff; Goldie Littman; Lena Blumenthal  
Leanna Stein Vucci; Albert C. Freeman; Richard Goldman  
Salomon Steinlauf; Ruby Currier; Thelma Woolf; Betty Tatro  
Katie Lapove; Bernard J. Stevens; Braina Weinger; Morris Schlocker  
Marc Leo Schnitt; Jennie Rosenthal; Max Goldman; Milton Upsher  
Max Hacker; Karl Blick; Eva Berger**

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**Todah Rabbah** to everyone who gave so generously to our Shalom Bayit project to brighten the holidays for a family in need. To learn more about Shalom Bayit, visit [www.shalom-bayit.org](http://www.shalom-bayit.org).



**... EVENTS THIS MONTH ...**



**This Shabbat, December 8, 1 PM:** *Mussar* The 3rd of our Shabbat Series. *Middah:* **ZERIZUT/Enthusiasm**, and beginning **HAKARAT HATOV/Gratitude**.

**Thursday, December 13, 9:30 AM:** *Torah Study Breakfast*, hosted by **Pablo Libedinsky**

**Thursday, December 13, 12 PM:** *Read Hebrew IV*, with Rabbi Shana.

**Saturday, December 15, following Services:** *Kiddush Luncheon* sponsored by **Charles Drucker**, celebrating Charles's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Please join us!

**Tuesday, December 18, 3 PM:** *Reservations Deadline for Discover Shabbat*

**Tuesday, December 18, 7:30 PM:** *Board of Directors' Meeting*

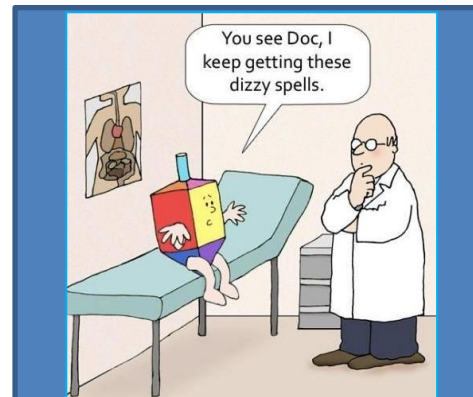
**Thursday, December 20, 12:00 PM:** *Four Synagogues Rotating Lunch n' Learn*, with **Rabbi Pam Frydman**, at Or Shalom, 625 Brotherhood Way. Stay to make sandwiches for the homeless in the **Tikkun Olam Hunger Project**.

**Thursday, December 20, 6:30 PM:** *C3's Jewish Film Night* showing of "**The Wedding Plan**." Dessert \$6/person with RSVPs by noon on December 18; \$9/person at the door.

**Sunday, December 23, 9:30 AM:** *Volunteer to serve meals at St. Anthony's*. RSVP to Mel Margolis at [tekres@pacbell.net](mailto:tekres@pacbell.net) or call (415) 215-4072

**Tuesday, December 25:** *Office Closed*

**Friday, December 28, 6 PM:** *Discover Shabbat Services & Festive Seasonal Dinner*, sponsored by **Charlotte & Jerry Hyman**. Musical program: A Tribute to Leonard Cohen.



Help Ner Tamid meet its budget.

**Make your last minute contributions before the end of 2018.**

Contact the office if interested in making a Securities Donation.

If you haven't done so yet, please remember Ner Tamid in your will.

Torah Readings:

**Aliyot 1-6**, p. 265 ~ *The Story of Joseph and his Brothers*

**Aliyah 7**, p. 930 ~ *Sacrifices brought on Shabbat and Rosh Chodesh*

**Maftir**, p. 808 ~ *Sacrifices brought on the Sixth Day of the Dedication of the Tabernacle – in Honor of the Sixth Day of Hanukkah*

**Haftarah:** p. 1269 *Shabbat Hanukkah*

**Parashah Miketz Summary – Genesis 41:1 – 44:17**

*by Rabbi Shana*

Joseph remains in prison, and this time, the dreamer is Pharaoh himself. His night visions of thin cows who eat fat cows, yet remain just as thin, and of scrawny ears of grain that eat strong grain and also stay thin, puzzle him greatly. The cup-bearer remembers Joseph and repents for his sin of omission, telling Pharaoh that a “Hebrew lad” in prison might be able to interpret the dreams. Joseph does, and forecasts seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine. He advises a system of storage and rationing to see Egypt through the years of want, and Joseph is appointed the highest vizier in the land. He is given an Egyptian name and a wife of high stature, with whom he has two sons, Ephraim and Menasseh.

In Canaan, where the famine is hard, Jacob sends all of his sons (except Benjamin) to Egypt to obtain food. Joseph recognizes his brothers, but of course they do not know him. They bow to him, fulfilling Joseph’s adolescent dreams. But Joseph tests his brothers, first calling them spies, and then forcing them to leave Simeon behind while bringing their missing and youngest brother to him. He returns to their sacks the money they had brought with which to buy food, prompting recrimination and cries of “I told you so!” within the family. Judah emerges as the family leader, swearing to take upon his shoulders whatever results arise from the sorry situation, as the brothers return to Egypt with Benjamin in tow.

Joseph still does not reveal himself to his kin, but upon seeing Benjamin, he weeps privately. A meal follows, after which Joseph sends the brothers away with bulging food sacks, but with their money (again) restored to them. This time, however, there’s a little extra. He places a silver goblet in Benjamin’s sack, and sends his head servant to chase after them. The goblet is found, and though Judah offers himself and *all* of the brothers as slaves, Joseph declares that only Benjamin will stay in servitude, while the rest may return in peace to their father.

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Would you like to chant Torah? We will provide private or small group training. You only need solid Hebrew-reading skills and a desire to learn.



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**Miketz: 30 Kislev 5779 – December 7 – 13, 2018**

**Rosh Hodesh Tevet ~ Shabbat Hanukkah**



### *“Happy Hanukkah”*

*Still-life artist Rosa Katznelson captures the beauty and warmth of Hanukkah in the glow of the candles, the sweetness of the jelly doughnuts and the lush, joyous colors of the season. This holiday and always, may we remember the words of the prophet Zechariah (4:6), that it is not “not by might, and not by power, but by spirit alone that we shall live in peace.”*

*Chag Sameach!*



*Our President, Executive Committee, Board of Directors, Rabbi Shana Chandler Leon, Cantor Rudy Hassid, and Adele Shafer all wish you and your families a very healthy and happy Hanukkah!*