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:

Reuben Wartens (03/04); Oscar Baltor (03/08); Steven Shafer (03/09) Lara Eitenson (03/11); Huguette Machbitz (03/13) Cantor Henry Drejer (03/15); Yael Wartens (03/16); Herbert Kurlan (03/18)

REFUAH SHELEMA ~ We wish a recovery to:

Mira Shelub; Joan Florence; Gloria Lyon; Tom Lagerquist; Lila Kluger Please inform us of any illness or life cycle event, so Rabbi Shana can call or visit.

Please take sensible precautions during this current health threat. Wash hands frequently. Stay home if you do not feel well, cover coughs, and minimize physical contact with others. Stay well!



HAFTARAH chanting class starting soon, Thursdays at 11:45am ... stay tuned.



MAY THEIR MEMORY BE A BLESSING

YAHRZEITS THIS WEEK

Paul Zentner; Miriam Slamovich; Morris Rosenstein; Elsa Zentner Werner Karliner; Ruth Fischman; Vera Yankelewitz; Esther Zahler Seife Lorraine Blue; Israel Kotovitch; Bess G. Wiseman; Gertrude Korss Gussie Rubin; Dora Samuels; Morris Pollock; Rita Danziger Henry Kruger Janette Freydkis; Dr. Irving Tapper; Henry Feld Jeanne R. Goldman; Esther Simon; Morris Klang; Sadie Stein Joel Reich; Alexander Steiner; David Hirschman; Louis David Ruvkun Lee Bader; David Wiseman

To dedicate a plague in memory of a loved one, please call the office.



Celebrating Alberta Mischke!

Tonight! We celebrate with joy and gratitude the giving of a Hebrew name to Alberta, at Shabbat services.

Tomorrow, Shabbat, March 7 - Please join us after services for a Kiddush luncheon sponsored by David Engelmann in Alberta's honor. Mazel Tov!

••• UPCOMING EVENTS •••



Sunday, March 8, 10AM - 12PM: Pre-Purim Brunch at Rabbi Shana's and Danise's.

NOTE NEW DATE & TIME: Monday, March 9, 1 PM: Shalach Manot Assembly. Looking for a few drivers to deliver Shalach Manot. Come to Ner Tamid to join the fun and the mitzvah!

Monday, March 9: Erev Purim Megillah Reading and Celebration. See below.

Wednesday, March 11, 7:30 PM: Board of Directors' Meeting

Thursday, March 12, 10 AM: Torah Study Breakfast, host: Jackie Nounou

Friday, March 13, 6 PM: C3's Joy of Shabbat, springing into the weekend!

Shabbat, March 14, 1:15 PM: Mussar - The Path of the Soul. Middah for discussion: Histapkut/SIMPLICITY

Sunday, March 15, 12 PM: Tikkun Olam Day. Join the Southside Collaborative at 625 Brotherhood Way, for a Blood Drive and to make sandwiches for the homeless. Bring clothing items and toiletries to donate to St. Anthony's shelters.

Sunday, March 15, 3 PM: Consul General Speaking Event: "Challenges and Opportunities in Israel's Diplomacy". At B'nai Emunah. Co-sponsored by NT.

Monday, March 16: Please call to RSVP for Movie Night

Wednesday, March 18: C3's Jewish Film Night showing "Sugihara". Dessert \$6/person with RSVPs by March 16. \$9/person at the door.

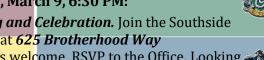


Shalach Manot is a beautiful mitzvah, and so is Matanot La'evyonim – gifts to the needy. Please consider an additional gift of tzedakah this Purim.

Monday, March 9, 6:30 PM:

Purim Megillah Reading and Celebration. Join the Southside Collaborative at 625 Brotherhood Way

Vegetarian potluck. All ages welcome. RSVP to the Office. Looking for volunteers for the event. Let the office know. Thank you!



Parashah in a Nutshell, by Rabbi Shana inspired by the Gunther Plaut Commentary

Parashah Tetzaveh – Exodus 27:20 – 30:10

Torah Reading: p. 503 Maftir: p. 1135 Haftarah (Zachor): p. 1280

Moses continues to receive instruction for building the Tabernacle, and specifications for how Aaron and his family, the *kohanim*/priests, are to be dressed and ultimately ordained. The "priestly vestments" are highly ornamented, and depict a beautifully-adorned representative of G*d, performing the sacred service. The manner of dressing the ancient Israelite *kohanim* is still apparent in Catholic and Greek Orthodox churches, whose priests, and especially bishops, wear similar robes while officiating. In the Jewish world, the Torah scroll itself is embellished - generally it is dressed in an embroidered mantle and sash and crowned by melodious pomegranates and bells.

The ceremonies of "investiture" include the dashing of blood around the altar and upon the bodies of the priests themselves, special sacrifices and other attendant rituals. Though utterly foreign to us now, these practices would have had special significance for the society of the day. We read of the incense altar, which is used when the lamps are tended in the morning and kindled at night. It was to be consecrated again annually.



"You shall instruct the Israelites to bring you clear oil of beaten olives for lighting, for kindling an Eternal Light/Ner Tamid," (Exodus 27:20)

The only commanded practice associated with the ancient Tabernacle that is still with us is the "Ner Tamid." Why has light been such a favorite symbol of G*d? Perhaps because light itself cannot be seen. We only become aware of it when it enables us to see other

things. Similarly, we cannot see G^*d , but we become aware of G^*d 's presence when we see the beauty of the world, when we experience love and the goodness of our fellow beings, and become partners in creating and sustaining the world we wish to see.

~ Etz Hayim, Dr. David Lieber, z"l, Senior Editor



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Tetzaveh & Shabbat Zachor: 11 Adar 5780; March 6 - 12, 2020



This vibrant. early 20thcentury Purim lithograph is from Jerusalem, and is by the Iranian folk artist Mosheh Shah Mizrahi. Haman and his sons are shown as contemporary soldiers. Look for Queen

Esther and King Achashverosh, and for Mordechai, in the king's robes, being led through the streets by Haman. (From the Gross Family collection, Tel Aviv.) Purim is a story of suspense, concealed identity, intrigue and the ever-present battle of good vs. evil. May this year's Purim celebration inspire us to never be afraid of who we are, and to face the future with faith and hope!

Chag Purim Sameach!