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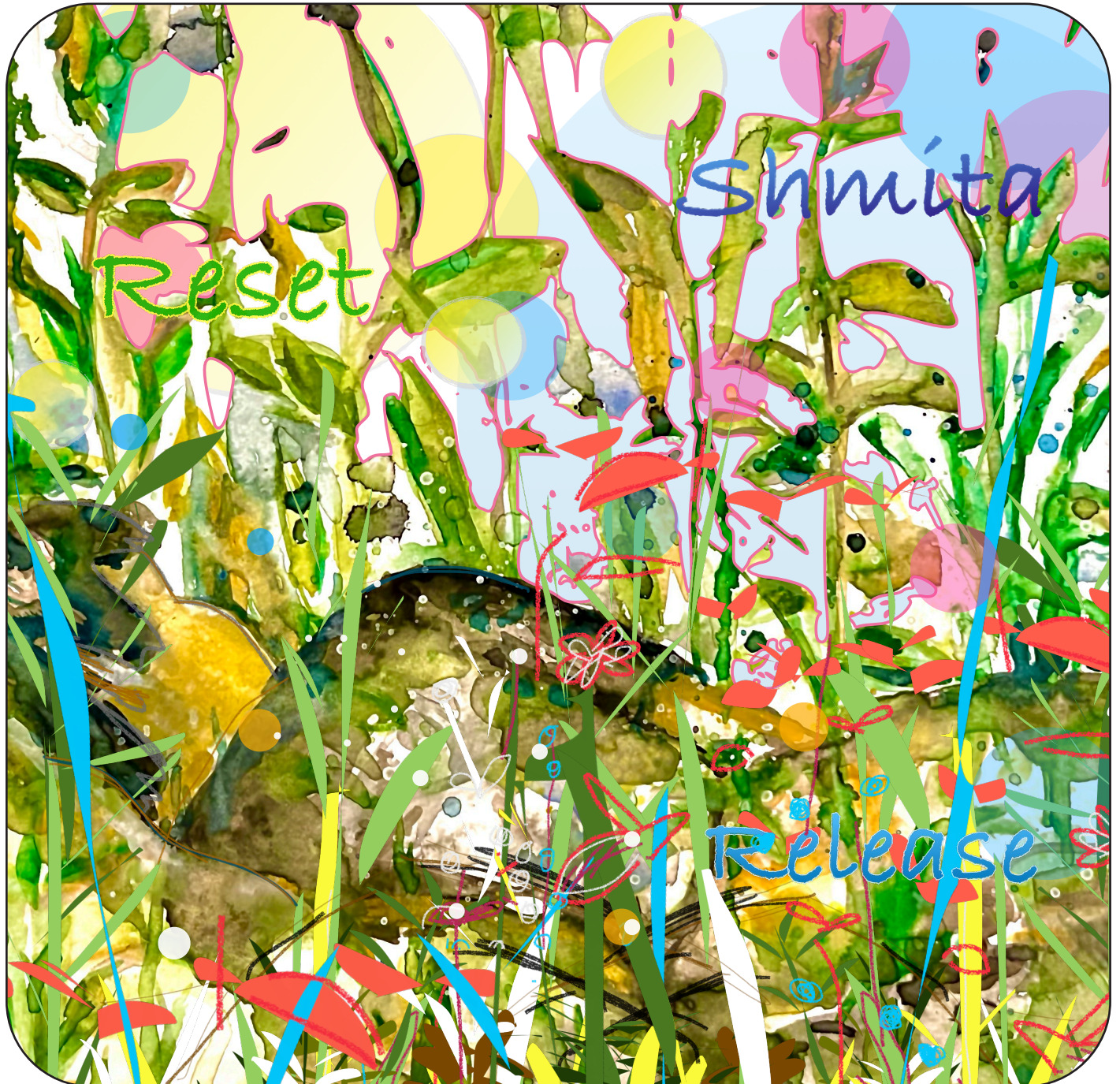


Photo by Gabriella Gordon

Shmita (Reset)

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April 1	7:14pm
April 8	7:21pm
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April 21 Pesach Day 6	7:32pm
April 22 Pesach Day 7	7:34pm
April 29	7:40pm

Shabbat Morning
Sanctuary and YouTube, 9:30 a.m..

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April 2	Shabbat HaChodesh Rosh Chodesh Nisan Parashat Tazia 8:16pm Havdalah
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April 16	Pesach Day 1 Kiddush sponsored by David & Stella Goodwin 8:28pm Candle lighting
Sunday, April 17	Pesach Day 2 8:29pm Havdalah
April 23	Pesach Day 8 8:35 Havdalah
April 30	Shabbat Mevarchim Chodesh Iyar Parashat Achrei Mot WTBA Walk to Shul Day Kitah Vav Shabbat 8:43pm Havdalah

May Candle Lighting Times (Friday)

May 6	7:46pm
May 13	7:53pm
March 20	7:59pm
May 27	8:04pm

May Torah Portions (Saturday)

May 7	Parashat Kedoshim Kiddush Sponsored by Michael and Renee Marx in memory of Charlotte Resnick 8:48pm Havdalah
May 14	Parashat Emor Rennan Pincas Bar Mitzvah 8:54pm Havdalah
May 21	Parashat Behar Camille Edesess Bat Mitzvah 9:00pm Havdalah
May 28	Shabbat Mevarchim Chodesh Sivan Parashat Bechukotai Avi Maidenberg Bar Mitzvah 9:05pm Havdalah

The Omer is going bi-monthly!

You'll still be getting to read and see the wonderful things going on in our TBA community six times a year.



We are always looking for help and contributions, whether it be first-person articles, poems, art, photos and anything that aligns with our theme of positive, Jewish community.

We are also always in need of copy editors.

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WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE COMMUNITY MEMBERS JOIN OUR TINY STAFF.

Please email Omer@tbaoakland.org if you'd like to help out and contribute.

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Sabbatical Coming

Since the theme of this Omer is sabbatical/reset, this seems like a good time to let the congregation know that I will be on official sabbatical beginning in March of 2023 and ending in late July/early August. My last one was during the same months of 2011, and Karen and I were joined by our sons Micah and Jonah, in elementary school at the time.

The concept of sabbatical comes from the Torah itself, where it is called Shemita. It is intended for the land (which lies fallow that year) and the people who farm it, but it also can involve resolution of debts and loans. It is every seventh year, based on the seven days of creation.

This concept made its way into academia, clergy, and even businesses (Apple was among the first major companies to integrate the concept). In a way it is a reward for longevity, but, even more than that, it offers an opportunity to reflect, rejuvenate, and reset.

This particular sabbatical will be after 12 years instead of 7, but is the right time for me and Karen with our kids both grown and out of the house. As we did last time, we will likely spend most of our time in Jerusalem—studying, doing Ulpan, and taking whatever random classes we might find. We will likely take a few weeks on either end just completely pausing. Last time we went to Fiji, Australia, China, and Dubai. We haven't decided yet what we will do this time, but we are certainly looking forward to it.

The B'nai Mitzvah schedule was made two years ago with my sabbatical in mind, so I won't be missing any of those. There won't be a rabbi replacing me, though there will be rabbis to cover emergencies. Our many talented laypeople will pick up the rest of my duties.

Hopefully, the crescendo will be a congregational trip to Israel in June of 2023, where many of you will meet us over there. We will have an informational meeting about that in April, likely over Zoom.

While I am very much looking forward to this “reset,” I am also excited to continue our sacred work together here this year, which, God willing, will be much more in person than in the past two years.

Reflect, rejuvenate, reset

L'shalom,

Rabbi Mark Bloom



WEEKLY TEXT STUDY with Rabbi Bloom

Wednesdays at 9am
Contact rabbibloom@tbaoakland.org
for the location

Power of TBA Members

By David Goodwin

A lot of things happen regularly in our congregation: religious services on Monday and Thursday mornings, Friday nights, Saturday mornings, and, of course, holidays; Kiddush lunches on Saturdays; the Gan and Bet Sefer with their schedules for classes, breaks, trips, and celebrations; parties for Chanukah, Purim, Simchat Torah, and other holidays; fundraisers; classes and lectures; gatherings with mourners; and much more. But one recurring event, the annual Members' Meeting, is, in many ways, quite different and is, perhaps, a time to reset.



Except for the first year of the pandemic when the members met virtually in June, we always hold the Members' Meeting on a Sunday morning in May – this year it's on May 22, at 10:00 am. (We are hoping to hold the meeting in person, either in the sanctuary or in the courtyard, but nothing is certain these days, so look for an announcement closer to the date.) Part of the meeting is about hindsight: reports on how the year has gone, our finances, our religious school, and the like. In addition, the members have an opportunity to ask questions and share thoughts with the group.

But perhaps most important, the Members' Meeting is when the members exercise their powers. What powers, you may ask? Temple Beth Abraham (our formal name is actually Congregation Beth Abraham of Oakland, California) is a nonprofit corporation organized under the State of California's Nonprofit Religious Corporation Law, "irrevocably dedicated to charitable, religious and educational purposes." Because we are a corporation, we must and do have bylaws, which govern the corporation.

The bylaws provide that the Rabbi, the Cantor or Cantorial Soloist, and the Gabbi are responsible for the Congregation's religious life. The Board of Trustees manages the endowment. And the Board of Directors sets policy and administers "the affairs of the Congregation" consistent with the bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order.

But everything starts with the members, who have many powers, exercised in large part at the annual Members' Meeting.

One power is that the members elect the officers of the congregation (the President, four Vice Presidents, the Treasurer, and, if the bylaws are amended this year, the Secretary). Another is that the members elect a portion of the directors on the Board of Directors each year (we try to stagger the terms) and, most years, some of the 11 trustees on the Board of Trustees. Still another power is that the members receive a report on and approve the Congregation's budget for the next fiscal year (ours begins on July 1). Yet another is that the members approve changes to the bylaws (and I am afraid that there is yet another possible bylaws revision on the agenda for your approval this year – to provide that the members, rather than the board, will elect our Secretary). Finally, and most important, on the infrequent occasions when the Congregation hires a new Rabbi or Cantor, the members must approve the choice in a secret ballot. (Fortunately, Rabbi Bloom has many years to run on his contract!)

The Members' Meeting also is an opportunity to meet with members of the Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees, to talk about the Congregation, and to share ideas and aspirations. Please join us on May 22.

Save the Date

TBA Annual Meeting

May 22, 2022

10 am to 12 pm



About the Cover Artist - Gabriella Gordon

Bella is well known to the community for many covers she contributed to the Omer over the years. This will be her last one before she and her husband Allan move back to Europe in June.

"Release the negative energy within us and around us.

Breathing in - pause

and exhale let go...

Reset our bodies, our mind and our hearts. "

This a meditation I use in my reiki practice. Just like the earth needs we also need, we inhale the new, to pause, and exhale, release, letting go.

So many things I am letting go this year. Not just the material stuff but also our home and our whole life here in California. As I am packing up our home getting ready to leave the Bay Area and move back to Sweden after 17 and a half wonderful years here, I'm breathing in the new and gently letting go of the past, and things we no longer need. After several moves over the years I have gotten slightly better at letting go but still having a hard time letting go of some of the sentimental stuff.

Bringing with us the good stuff, the memories, experiences and friendships these years have given us. At the same time feeling devastated and sad about leaving but somehow also a bit excited, who knows what this new change will be for me and my family. We have had wonderful years in the Bay Area and TBA has been a huge part of our lives. The kids growing up going through the Gan, Bet Sefer Bar & Bat mitzvah etc. I can't write them all here.... One thing that has been fun is creating some of the Omer covers. We are so grateful for all the experiences we have enjoyed at TBA.

SAVE THE DATE

STRENGTH & COURAGE: THEN & NOW

Yom HaShoah Commemoration

Jointly sponsored by:

Temple Beth Abraham, Beth Jacob Congregation,
and Temple Sinai

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

7:30 pm on Zoom

More details to come (with Zoom link)

BEGINNER ADULT HEBREW with Susan Simon

Thursdays, Starting October 14th
at 7:00pm via Zoom

Contact susan@tbaoakland.org

ADULT EDUCATION with Susan Simon

"A Taste of Text Study" Saturdays at 9am

Contact Susan@tbaoakland.org

for the Zoom link

What 'Reset' Means at Gan

By Rachel Fenyves

The word, reset, is part of our everyday shared language at Gan. It is one of the ways that we show kindness to each other in our classroom environment as well as outside in our yard. It is also how we treat our materials and environments with respect. What does it mean? It means to return the space back to the way it was when you found it. The children learn as early as in Kitah Alef, what it means to reset the materials in a space. Rather than use the words 'clean up', which implies that everything should be put away and will no longer be used for the time being. When we use the word 'reset', it implies that someone will be engaging with the materials in the space after you leave. Just as the space was set up in an inviting way for you to explore, the kind thing to do is to reset the space before moving on to the next activity. When a child resets a space, they are thinking outside of themselves and acting with kindness for the other members of their kehillah – community. Taking the time to pause their movement from one activity to another to focus on arranging the materials in an inviting manner for a friend to find also allows the children to practice intentionality. At the very core, to reset is a mindfulness practice. As adults we find ourselves just as busy as the children, moving from one thing to another without time in between to pause. The next time you are running around your home tidying up, remember to pause and reframe your thinking to reset the space rather than clean it up. It may feel like less of a chore and more like an artful act of arranging the space to feel inviting.



TBA PURIM

Rock'n'Roll Purim Services Return

Rock'n'Roll Purim was back, with performances led by Eminem (Rabbi Bloom), Cher (Bruce Von Kugelgen), Tory Roman, Rebecca Posamentier, and Jeanne Korn.

Purim Hit Song List:

I Like Jews Babe (Sonny and Cher I Like You Babe)
Purim Hamentashen High
(Harry Styles: Watermelon Sugar)
I Bet You Think About Me [Vashti's Version]
(Taylor Swift: I Bet You Think About Me)

TBA Band:

Rabbi Mark Bloom, vocals and Guitar
Bruce Berger (Rebbe Soul), Guitar
Mike Aronson, Bass Guitar
Nate Pollack, Keyboard, Accordion, Vocals
Josh Weiss, Drums
Bruce Von Kugelgen, Trombone

Megillah reading by: Susan Simon, Kenny Shae Dinkin and Dahlia Strub

Enjoy the pictures of the fun had by all!





THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE OUR 2022 PURIM BASKET FUNDRAISER SUCH A SUCCESS

All items were especially chosen to make your Purim a little sweeter. We hope you enjoyed your basket of goodies and read your letter of those who honored you! We raised nearly \$56,000.

As we are thankful, we do not forget those in need, a portion of the profit is donated to MAZON, A Jewish Response to Hunger.

Thank you to all members who donated to Mishloach Manot-
it was your generosity that made this fundraiser a success!
AND thank you to those behind the scenes who worked to make it all happen.....

Route Drivers & Helpers: 60 Drivers delivered 550 baskets!

Rayna Arnold, Barry Barnes, Marcia Benjamin, Helene Blatter and the Gutkin sisters, Karen Bloom, Andy Campbell and Rachel Dornhelm, Melissa Diamont, Jon Feldhammer and Rachel Kuperman, Lisa Fernandez, Max Fleisher, Eric Friedman, Aaron Goldberg and Amy Gerard, Leah and Joel Goldberg, David Goldstein and Sharon Shoshani, Rachel Goldstone, Bella Gordon, Linda Gordon, Barbara Gross, Ward Hagar, Dina and Phil Hankin, Joy Jacobs, Daniel Jaffe and the Jaffe kids, Julie and Eva Katz, Richard Kauffman, Ellen Kaufman, Karen Kelly, Jessica Kessler, Abby Klein, Liz Klein, Ruth Kleinman and Ulli Rotzcher, Judith Klinger, Joan Korin, Jeanne and Sara Korn, Lynn Langfeld, Eric Leve, Jerry Levine, Jill Levine Oggeri, Sid Levy, Sarah Liron, Jody London, Joe and Eve Maidenberg and Kids, Andrew Meklin, Adrienne and Shelby Miller, Lori Morris, Ruth Morris, Amy Moscov, Dan Oppenheimer and Sarah Tunik, David and Avi Paulson and Debbie Weinstein, Celine Piser, Joel and Jing Piser, Flo and Paul Raskin, Max Roman and Kids, Bryna Ross, Jessica and David Sarber, Caren Sencer and Kids, Karen Shaw, Debbie Spangler, Steve, Amy and Scott Tessler, Andy and Marcia Wasserman and Laura Wildmann.

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Basket Schleppling

Amy, Steve and Scott Tessler, Jeanne and Sara Korn, Rayna Arnold, Jerry Levine

Basket Contents: We hope you will enjoy the goodies and buy them in the stores!

Apricots - Gus's Community Market, **Bean Salad** - G.L. Mezzetta (Steve Grossman), **Biscotti** - Mike Rose, Semifreddi's Bakery, **Dates** - Gus's Community Market, **Ghirardelli Chocolate** - Norm Hersch, **Hamentaschen** - Mollie Hertz Interfaith Outreach Fund, **Halvah** -Gus's, Community Market, **Hand Sanitizer** - Kathy Saunders & Ann Saunders Gordon, **Lavash Flat Bread** - Atoria's Family Bakery, **Purim Bags** - Mollie Hertz Interfaith Outreach Fund, **Artisan Infused Olive Oils** - Women of TBA and TBA Men's Club, Red Vines - American Licorice Company, Trader Joe's Chocolate Bars - Liat Bostick, The Grubb Co.

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Rayna Arnold, and Virginia Tiger**
(You too can be on the committee, just let us know you are interested!)



WTBA Announcements

By Rachel Dornhelm

WTBA would love you to see you. Consider joining us for one of these upcoming events!

Saturday, April 30, Walk to Shul -- In keeping with our focus on climate change related issues, WTBA will host a Walk to Shul day. Keep an eye out for more information about meeting places to gather with other congregants that morning. We'll walk to TBA together for that morning's service.

Sunday, May 22 - 2-5 pm -- Lag BaOmer, the 33rd day of the [Omer count](#)—is a festive day on the [Jewish calendar](#). We will be celebrating with a women's spa day live in-person! There will be learning/words of torah followed by an afternoon of pampering, with chair massages, a henna artist, possibly facials (TBD), make up tutorial, schmoozing, and treats. Free to WTBA members.

Wednesday, June 15, Red Cross Blood Drive -- After a very successful blood drive this fall (thanks TBA!), the Red Cross will be back for another blood drive in June.

The Minyan

Join us for a lively one hour service every Monday and Thursday at 8 am in the sanctuary followed by breakfast in the main courtyard.

MORNING MINYAN

Monday and Thursdays at 8am in the TBA Chapel.
No RSVP - just join the group



New Laws within Old Codes

By Obi Clark

You see patterns all throughout nature
 Intricate and delicate like the snowflake
 while fingerprint Programmers have their own code
 To live by
 Ancient of Days old type of code
 Like at 3:14 I'm going to eat some American pie
 Apple pie no cloves
 Catch my wave ride my nucleotides
 Jacob Ladder meets Double Helix
 Calling all ages Regent until recent from Trump's cult
 Rabbit hole falling New cycle vortexes
 We lost our way with no resistance
 When history repeats press play
 And give a 45 a try,
 off the record of course
 In the heart of Texas
 RNC dog whistle food par course
 My father's favorite western "Rifleman"
 Rapid fire Spring action bolt
 faster than Usain Bolt's
 223s and On 2/23/22
 After a mystical day(2/22/2022)
 Racism came saw conquer
 like a see-saw colt
 Don't mess with Texas
 Wheels of justice churn Rusty
 Women rights or being called a hussy
 Climate change is mother nature revolt
 4 Horsemen is all Republican
 Like all American mustangs
 hydroplane in tainted Rain
 Standing in line musty outside to vote
 Make sure you stay golden Pony insert (girl/boy)-
 new laws just to vote
 what's good for the goose is good is for the gander like
 Gerrymandering
 Insert joke-
 When your California dreaming remember
 Codes and Patterns brings seismic jolts

Second Passover Matzo Casserole with Greens and Lemon-Egg Sauce

By Faith Kramer

Be sure to save some matzo to celebrate the Jewish calendar's "second" Passover, Pesach Sheni.

Pesach Sheni, observed on the 14th of Iyar, was created a year after Exodus as a make-up holiday for those who could not participate in the Passover sacrifice. This second Passover is one month after the day prescribed for bringing the Pesach offering to the Temple. It has become symbolic of redemption and the power of second chances in life and Judaism through the agency of teshuvah (return and repentance).

This year Pesach Sheni is May 14th through nightfall May 15th. It is customary to eat matzo during the holiday and some Jewish communities conduct a service similar to the Seder used during Passover. Since the destruction of the Temple, there are really no prohibitions of what to eat on Pesach Sheni and it is permissible to own chametz (leavened food). In the days of the Temple, chametz could not be eaten with the Pesach Sheni sacrificial lamb.

In the spirit of the Second Passover, here is one of my favorite matzo-based dishes – a vegetarian mina (kind of a matzo lasagna or layered casserole) with greens and a lemon-egg sauce. The recipe was inspired by Sephardic and Greek-Jewish dishes.

MINA WITH BITTER GREENS AND LEMON-EGG SAUCE

Serves 2-3 as a main dish or 4-6 as a side dish

- 1/4 cup olive oil, divided, plus extra for pan
- 2 cups chopped onions
- 2 cups chopped leeks, white and light green parts
- 3 Tbs. finely chopped garlic, divided
- 3 tsp. paprika, divided
- 1/4 tsp. ground black pepper, divided
- 1/2 tsp. salt, divided
- 1 Tbs. plus 2 Tbs. minced fresh fennel fronds (leaves) or parsley
- 2 cups chopped fennel bulb
- 1 tsp. plus 2 Tbs. minced grated lemon zest
- 8 cups chopped Swiss chard
- 4 cups chopped dandelion or other bitter greens (see notes)
- 1/4 tsp. sugar or as needed
- Lemon-Egg Sauce (see recipe below)
- 1/2 cup warm vegetable stock or water
- 3 sheets plain matzo

Heat half the oil in 12" sauté pan over medium high heat. Sauté onions and leeks until softened. Add 1 Tbs. garlic, sauté until golden. Stir in 1 tsp. paprika, half the pepper and salt, 1 Tbs. fennel fronds and 1 tsp. lemon zest. Add chopped fennel. Sauté until fennel is tender. Remove to large bowl. Do not wash pan.

Add 2 Tbs. oil to pan, Sauté 1 tsp. garlic until golden. Stir in 1 tsp. paprika and remaining salt and pepper. Add chard and dandelion greens. Sauté until wilted. Taste. If bitter, stir in sugar, adding more as needed. Combine greens with fennel. Taste. Adjust seasonings.



Make Lemon-Egg Sauce (below). Heat oven to 350 degrees. Oil 8-inch by 8-inch baking dish. Place heated stock in rimmed dish large enough to fit matzo. Quickly dip both sides of one matzo so the sheet begins to soften. Place flat in baking dish. Top with half of the vegetables. Spoon a quarter of the lemon sauce over vegetables. Dip a second sheet of matzo in stock, place on top. Spread remaining vegetables on top, spoon another fourth of sauce on top.

Dip remaining matzo. Place on top. Cover with another fourth of sauce, sprinkle with remaining paprika. Lightly cover with foil. Bake 25 minutes, remove foil and bake about 20 minutes until sauce is bubbly and top matzo crisped. Serve hot, warm or room temperature. Just before serving, drizzle with remaining sauce (reheated if necessary) and sprinkle with remaining garlic, fennel fronds and lemon zest.

Lemon-Egg Sauce: Stir together until well combined (or process until smooth in blender) 4 large, beaten eggs, 1 tsp. lemon zest, 1 1/2 cups fresh lemon juice, 2 Tbs. matzo cake meal and 1/4 tsp. salt. Place in pot and whisk in 2 cups room temperature vegetable stock or water. Simmer over low to medium low heat (do not boil), whisking almost constantly until reduced by half. Taste. Add salt if needed. Strain to remove any bits of cooked egg.

Note: If desired, replace bitter greens with additional chard.

Faith Kramer writes a food column for the j., the Jewish News of Northern California (<https://www.jweekly.com/author/faith-kramer/>). She is the author of *52 Shabbats: Friday Night Dinners Inspired by a Global Jewish Kitchen* (<https://thecollectivebook.studio/52-shabbats>). Visit her website at www.faith-kramer.com. Contact her at fjkramer@msn.com.

April & May Yahrziets

המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים

May God comfort you among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem

29 ADAR-ii**April 1**

Barbara May Benjamin
Boris Carasick
Eileen Kessler
Michael Lasar
Mary Leavitt
Samuel Neuman
Arleen Shub Robinowitz
Tillie Rubin
Ervin Schwarcz
Maurice Veiss

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Gayle Raskin
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Hilda Brodke
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8 - 14 NISSAN**April 9 - 15**

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Isadore Schechtman
Faygel Scheinerman
Mordechai Scheinerman
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Harold Zurier
Jessica Manasse

29 NISSAN - 5 IYAR**April 30 - May 6**

Max Blatter
Rose Mauskopf
Simon Nankin
Milton Rosenthal
Pearl Weinstein
Maurice Bolton
Florence Gerstler
Alice Kohn Jay
Burton Polse
Irma Maidenberg
Pearl Myers
Jacob L. Schiffman
Ida Dorothy Schwartz
Frank S. Cohen
Phoebe Grossman
Charlotte Nathanson
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Morris Gerstler
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Dorothy Dronsick

April & May Yahrziets

המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים

May God comfort you among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem

Eva Liss
Maisie Steckel
Alice Steiner
Jeanette Esrig
Harry Lazerwitz
Jane Saunders
Abraham Shapiro
Shirley Silver

6 - 12 IYAR**May 7 - 13**

Al Gjovig
Hannah Rubin
Janet Bleckner
Bernard Fogel
Henry Isaac Friendly
Ida Gevertz
Hannah Herfield
Thomas F. Hoffman
William Klinger
Leah Lampart
Benjamin Paul
Herman Adler
Bernard Freimark
Anna B. Gurman
Anna Kass
Gittel Rothblatt
Soloman Klor
Ella Morrison
Otto Schweid
Faye Young
Harry Braaf
Benjamin Ramo
Linda B. Rosenthal
Frances Cohen
David Gross

Noah Nathan
Nathan Rosenblatt
George Zuckerman

13 - 19 IYAR**May 14 - 20**

Joe Karren
Stanley Korn
Paul See, Sr.
Louis Wachsmann
Stephen Kaplan
Ethel Kronick
Joyce Oppen
Stephen Wittenberg
Irene Balint
Gloria Reid
Bernard Sencer
Charles Silberstein
Charles Silver
Harry Gluckman
David Harris
Olga Kjelsberg
Alan Pressman
Arnold Rosenthal
Bernard Schreiber
Rebecca Schulman
Chassida (Ceda) Wittenberg
Betty Gitomer
Samuel Lichtenstein
James Craft
Howard L. Levy
Rose Schwartz
Gertrude Veiss
Elaine Ehrenkranz
Clarice Ackrish Fanning
Annie Grutman

Gussie Kassels
Eunice Kelly
Samuel Schecht
Manuel Wasserman

20 - 26 IYAR**May 21 - 27**

Helen Bromberg
Dorothy Goldberg
Farangiz "Frances" Nour-Omid
Pauline Zehnqut
Leslie Berger
Robert Hyman
Irving Dronsick
Margaret Naggar
Harold Rosenberg
Lillian Tuman
Chana Bloch
Charlotte Dane Brodke
Elaine Goodman
Sarah Mendelsohn
Ida Rosen
Heinrich Spritzer
Mathilda Ritter Spritzer
Don Eberhart
Lawrence Freedenberg
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Irwin Goldberg
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Jeanette Strassman Morow
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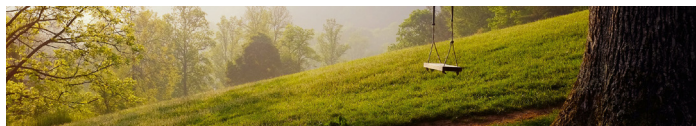
Leonard Glasser
Esther Morris
Charles Naggar
Rose Sherman
Eve Tobin

27 IYAR - 1 SIVAN**May 28 - 31**

Samuel Bercovich
Rozelina Van Gelder
Betty DeLugach
Shirley Dorfman
Leslie Joseph Belikoff
Morris Elchanan Belikoff
Avram Brisky
Sophie Couzin
Rakel Kantola
Veikko Kantola
Melvin Rifkin
Benjamin Silberman
Alexander Wallis
Huguett Dayan
Anne Kaplan
Jack Lehman

Recent Deaths in Our Community

John Daniel Rego, Father of **John (Deborah) Rego**
Theodore Finkelstein, Father of **Dan (Joanna Berg)**
Bernard Polston, Father of **Josh (Lisa Spielman)**
Kurt Kleinmann, Father of **Jim (Lara Gilman)**



May their memory be for a blessing

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in memory of Jon Jacobs' father, Harvey
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Barbara Oseroff, in memory of Theodore Finkelstein
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great uncle of Milana & Kaiya Miller

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Roslyn Aronson
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Mazel Tov to:

Sloan Blair & Idan Deutsch on the birth of their son, Emmett



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APRIL CALENDAR

APRIL 2022			29 ADAR-II – 29 NISAN 5782			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 (29 Adar-II) 9:30&11:00am Kindergym 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:14p Candle lighting	2 (1 Nisan) Shabbat HaChodesh Rosh Chodesh Nisan Parashat Tazria 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Childcare available 10:00am T'fillat Y'ladim 8:16p Havdalah (42 min)
3 (2 Nisan) 5:00pm Savoring the Spring fundraiser	4 (3 Nisan) 8:00am Morning Minyan	5 (4 Nisan) 4:00pm Bet Sefer	6 (5 Nisan) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 9:30&11:00am Kindergym 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	7 (6 Nisan) 8:00am Morning Minyan 9:45&11:15am Kindergym 4:00pm Bet Sefer	8 (7 Nisan) 9:30&11:00am Kindergym 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:21p Candle lighting	9 (8 Nisan) ShabbatHaGadol Parashat Metzora 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Men's Club Shabbat 10:00am Shabbat Mishpacha 10:00am Junior Congregation 12:45pm Mah Jongg 8:22p Havdalah (42 min)
10 (9 Nisan) 7:00pm TBA Film Club: <i>Dough</i> via zoom	11 (10 Nisan) Yom HaAliyah 8:00am Morning Minyan	12 (11 Nisan) 4:00pm Bet Sefer	13 (12 Nisan) 9:00am Weekly Text Study NO Kindergym this week 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG	14 (13 Nisan) 8:00am Morning Minyan NO Kindergym Gan Avraham Passover Celebration NO Bet Sefer	15 (14 Nisan) Ta'anit Bechorot Erev Pesach NO Kindergym Gan closes at 1:00 NO Kabbalat Shabbat – 1 st Night Seder 7:21p Candle lighting	16 (15 Nisan) Parashat Pesach Day 1 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services with Childcare available Kiddush sponsored by David & Stella Goodman 8:28p Candle lighting
17 (16 Nisan) Pesach Day 2 8:29p Havdalah (42 min)	18 (17 Nisan) Pesach Day 3 8:00am Morning Minyan	19 (18 Nisan) Pesach Day 4	20 (19 Nisan) Pesach Day 5 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG	21 (20 Nisan) Pesach Day 6- 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:33p Candle lighting	22 (21 Nisan) Pesach Day 7 9:30am Pesach 7 th Day Service 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:34p Candle lighting	23 (22 Nisan) Pesach Day 8 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Childcare available 12:45pm Mah Jongg 7:00pm TBA Film Committee 8:35p Havdalah (42 min)
24 (23 Nisan)	25 (24 Nisan) Gan Avraham resumes 8:00am Morning Minyan Chapel 10:30am Rosh Chodesh meeting	26 (25 Nisan) 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:30pm TBA Board meeting	27 (26 Nisan) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 9:30&11:00am last Kindergym 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG 7:30pm Yom HaShoa via zoom	28 (27 Nisan) Yom HaShoah 8:00am Morning Minyan 9:45&11:15am last Kindergym 4:00pm Bet Sefer	29 (28 Nisan) 9:30&11:00am last Kindergym 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:40p Candle lighting	30 (29 Nisan) Shabbat Mevarchim Chodesh Iyyar Parashat Achrei Mot 9:00am A Taste of Text Study WTBA Walk to Shul Day 9:30am Kitah Vav Shabbat Services Childcare available 8:41p Havdalah (42 min)

MAY 2022			30 NISAN – 1 SIVAN 5782			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 (30 Nisan) Rosh Chodesh Iyyar	2 (1 Iyyar) Rosh Chodesh Iyyar 8:00am Morning Minyan	3 (2 Iyyar) 4:00pm Bet Sefer Yom Ha'atz Festival	4 (3 Iyyar) Yom HaZikaron 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG	5 (4 Iyyar) Yom HaAtzma'ut 8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:00pm Gan to Kindergarten transition meeting	6 (5 Iyyar)7 Gan closed for Parent Teacher Meetings 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:46p Candle lighting	7 (6 Iyyar) <u>Parashat Kedoshim</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Childcare available Kiddush sponsored by Michael & Renee Marx in memory of Charlotte Resnick 10:00am T'fillat Y'ladim 8:48p Havdalah (42 min)
8 (7 Iyyar) Mother's Day	9 (8 Iyyar) 8:00am Morning Minyan	10 (9 Iyyar) 4:00pm Last day of Bet Sefer with BBQ	11 (10 Iyyar) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG	12 (11 Iyyar) 8:00am Morning Minyan	13 (12 Iyyar) Gan closed for Parent Teacher Meetings 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:53p Candle lighting	14 (13 Iyyar) <u>Parashat Emor</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Bar Mitzvah of Rennan Pincas with Childcare available 10:00am Shabbat Mishpacha 12:45pm Mah Jongg 8:54p Havdalah (42 min)
15 (14 Iyyar) Pesach Shemi 7:00pm TBA Film Club: <i>Fanny's Journey</i> via zoom	16 (15 Iyyar) 8:00am Morning Minyan	17 (16 Iyyar) 7:30pm TBA Board Meeting	18 (17 Iyyar) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG	19 (18 Iyyar) Lag BaOmer 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gan to Kindergarten Transition meeting	20 (19 Iyyar) 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:59p Candle lighting	21 (20 Iyyar) <u>Parashat Behar</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah of Camille Edesess with Childcare available 9:00p Candle lighting
22 (21 Iyyar) 10:00am TBA Annual Meeting 2:00pm WTBA event	23 (22 Iyyar) 8:00am Morning Minyan 10:30am Rosh Chodesh meeting	24 (23 Iyyar) 7:30pm TBA Board Meeting	25 (24 Iyyar) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO-AZA&BBG	26 (25 Iyyar) 8:00am Morning Minyan	27 (26 Iyyar) 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:04p Candle lighting	28 (27 Iyyar) Shabbat Mevarchim Chodesh Sivan <u>Parashat Bechukotai</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Bar Mitzvah of Avi Maidenberg with Childcare available 12:45pm Mah Jongg 9:05p Havdalah (42 min)
29 (28 Iyyar) Yom Yerushalayim	30 (29 Iyyar) Gan and Office closed for Memorial Day 8:00am Morning Minyan Chapel	31 (1 Sivan) Rosh Chodesh Sivan				

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