Congregation Bonai Shalom is an egalitarian synagogue of diverse membership that embraces traditional prayer and practice with openness and creativity. We strive to make a difference in our community and the world by preparing our children for Jewish Life, providing adult education, strengthening connections to Israel, and participating in social action projects and green initiatives.

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Service Times
Pesach 5776 Services

Friday, April 22
10:43am Last Eating of Chametz
11:30am Burning of Chametz
Ceremony behind Bonai Shalom
7:29pm Candle Lighting – Erev Pesach
(no evening service)

Saturday, April 23
9:30am 1st Day Pesach and Shabbat Services including Hallel
No Religious School
11:00am Shabbat Shelanu (service for
children ages 0-5)
8:31pm Candle Lighting for 2nd Night of Pesach

Sunday, April 24
10:00am 2nd Day Pesach Services
(Please note there will be no preliminaries, so please come on time if you can!)
8:32pm Chag Ends
Begin Counting the Omer

Tuesday, April 26
5:30pm Colorado’s 8th Annual Queer Seder at Temple Emanuel in Denver. Visit www.jewishcolorado.org for information.

Thursday, April 28
7:00am Thursday Morning Minyan
7:35pm Candle Lighting for 7th Day of Pesach

Friday, April 29
9:30am 7th Day of Pesach Services
6:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Services
7:36pm Candle Lighting for Shabbat and 8th Night of Pesach

Saturday, April 30
9:30am Religious School
8:39pm Chag Ends

Pesach Poetry
I Shall Sing to the Lord a New Song
By Rabbi Ruth Sohn

I, Miriam, stand at the sea and turn to face the desert stretching endless and still.
My eyes are dazzled.
The sky brilliant blue.
Sunburnt sands unyielding white.
My hands turn to dove wings, my arms reach for the sky, and I want to sing
the song rising inside me.
My mouth open,
I stop.
Where are the words? Where the melody?
In a moment of panic
My eyes go blind.
Can I take a step without knowing a Destination?
Will I falter? Will I fall? Will the ground sink away from under me?
The song still unformed – how can I sing?
To take the first step – to sing a new song –
is to close one’s eyes and dive into unknown waters.
For a moment knowing nothing, risking all –
But then to discover
The waters are friendly
The ground is firm.
And the song — the song rises again out of my mouth come words lifting the wind.
And I hear for the first time the song that has been in my heart silent
unknown even to me.
Rabbi’s Message

In April, we will be transitioning to Siddur Lev Shalem, the brand new prayer book produced by the same editors as Mahzor Lev Shalem, our High Holiday book. The four column format, with historical and explanatory material in the first column, next to the Hebrew, and poetry, kavanot and inspirational readings in the fourth column, next to the English, has transformed the experience of being in synagogue for the High Holidays.

The ancient practice of reciting Song of Songs (still observed in Sephardi synagogues) offers an alternative for beginning the Friday evening service and, along with other poetry, provides opportunities to teach and sing exquisite melodies from our rich, musical tradition. For each festival there is a reading from, or related to, the megillah for that holiday, poems that speak to the unique quality of remem-
Passover Remembered
By Alla Bozarth-Campbell

Pack nothing. Bring only your determination to serve and your willingness to be free. Don’t wait for the bread to rise. Take nourishment for the journey, but eat standing, be ready to move at a moment’s notice. Do not hesitate to leave your old ways behind — fear, silence, submission.

Only surrender to the need of the time — to love justice and walk humbly with your Gd.

Do not take time to explain to the neighbors.

Tell only a few trusted friends and family members. Then begin quickly, before you have time to sink back into the old slavery. Set out in the dark. I will send fire to warm and encourage you.

I will be with you in the fire and I will be with you in the cloud. You will learn to eat new food and find refuge in new places. I will give you dreams in the desert to guide you safely to that place you have not yet seen.

The stories you tell one another around the fires in the dark will make you strong and wise.

Outsiders will attack you, and some follow you, and at times you will get weary and turn on each other from fear and fatigue and blind forgetfulness.

You have been preparing for this for hundreds of years. I am sending you into the wilderness to make a new way and to learn my ways more deeply.

Some of you will be so changed by weather and wanderings that even your closest friends will have to learn your features as though for the first time. Some of you will not change at all. Some will be abandoned by your dearest loves and misunderstood by those who have known you since birth and feel abandoned by you.

Some will find new friendships in unlikely faces, and old friends as faithful and true as the pillar of Gd’s flame. Sing songs as you go, and hold close together. You may at times grow confused and lose your way.

Continue to call each other by the names I’ve given you, to help remember who you are.

You will get where you are going by remembering who you are. Touch each other and keep telling the stories.

Make maps as you go remembering the way back from before you were born. So you will be only the first of many waves of deliverance on these desert seas.

It is the first of many beginnings — your Paschaltide. Remain true to this mystery.

Preparing for Passover

Bedikat Chametz
(Searching for chametz)
Thursday, April 21, 8:17pm

Last eating of chametz
Friday, April 22, 10:43am

Last Biur Chametz
(burning and selling of chametz)
Friday, April 22, 11:51am

Anyone intending to sell their chametz (mekhirat chametz) must have sold it by the time mentioned above and if you are selling it through Congregation Bonai Shalom, you must return the form in this bulletin to the office by Thursday, April 21.

It is the custom the night before Pesach, to hide and find 10 pieces of chametz, searching with a candle. This search can be a fun family ritual, as well as a deep spiritual preparation. After all the pieces are found, the blessing over bedikat chametz is recited and kol hamira, which annuls any chametz still in our possession. These can be found at the beginning of most Haggadot.

Get rid of your chametz — sustainably. Join Bonai Shalom members for the burning of the chametz on April 22 at 11:30am behind the synagogue. And when cleaning the house, use natural, non-toxic cleaning products, and scrub away.

Enjoy your flowers on Pesach—and all spring. Fresh bouquets make beautiful centerpieces, Get yours locally grown without pesticides from Becca Weaver’s Farm. Or try a longer lasting alternative like potted tulips or potted herbs.

Invest in Pesach dishware.
Pesach is the time to break out the fine china and heirloom silverware, it’s special and sustainable! If you need to go disposable this year, use post-consumer waste paper products, and scrub away.

Source your vegetables locally!
Tuv Haaretz and Red Wagon Farms CSA shares are still available http://csa.farmigo.com/join/redwagonfarm. Consider making at least one dish for your Seder using all locally sourced ingredients.

Serve local, Kosher, organic wine. Find out ahead of time what your local wine store has in stock—especially if you plan to buy several bottles. If they don’t have anything, ask them to order a case on your behalf. There aren’t many kosher organic wines available, but one or two are Kosher for Pesach.

Serve local/ethically-sourced meat. Meat dishes like chicken soup with matzah balls and brisket are traditional favorites for Passover. Try buying your meat from the person who raised it (or as close to that as possible). If you’re looking for kosher organic meat, check out https://growandbehold.com/ and www.kolfoods.com.
Religious School News

By Karen Raizen, Education Director

With outstanding students, families, teachers, and madrichim, the CBS Religious School has a solid foundation for providing great education. Add to that an involved rabbi, an active Education Committee, a supportive Board and office staff, and our students definitely come out on top.

Research has shown that Jewish educational programs should include four components: formal education, youth groups, summer camps, and going to Israel to provide the basis for a strong Jewish identity. There are different definitions for what a ‘strong Jewish identity’ is, but generally we can agree that we want our students to be proud of their Jewish heritage and feel connected to Israel, understand their responsibilities in keeping the mitzvot, find joy in celebrating Jewish holidays with their families and their communities, and feel a level of comfort in a Jewish service and at lifecycle events.

Formal Learning
At Bonai Shalom, our Religious School students range in age from 4 to 13 years old. The school is based primarily on a holistic and experiential way of understanding and learning about elements of Judaism — mitzvot, values and ethics, Jewish history, Israel, and traditions. With Shabbat school now in its second year, our students of all ages are showing an increased level of skill in Torah study and leadership skills in leading tefillot (prayers). The beautiful music, the thoughtful discussions, fun games, reading stories, and engaging in dramatic interpretations of our Torah stories are all part of helping our students connect to the Torah and our prayers. Twice a month we have age-appropriate services for two different age groups: Koleinu, led by Rachel Cole is for children in K-2, and B’Yachad, led by Dafna Michaelson, is for children in grades 3-5. Our students in grades 6-7 participate in parts of the main service.

This winter, there were three opportunities for our students to participate in a Shabbaton – learning, games, food, singing, and creative prayer experiences throughout the day. Thank you to everyone who participated – each was a lot of fun!

Students are learning everyday Hebrew through Hebrew Through Movement, practicing their script writing skills, and studying Hebrew root words, prefixes, and suffixes. We have tutors who can help our students one on one for different learning needs.

We held a Tzedakah Fair for our students to learn about different organizations and decide where to give their money. Organizations that benefited from our students’ generosity included: Neve Hana, Doctors Without Borders, Heifer International, JNF, The Friendship Circle, and our local organizations BOHO and Bravehoods. Our B’nai Mitzvah class ran the Kol Nidre Food Drive to benefit Community Food Share, and our 6th grade students will be running the annual Purim food drive for BCAP in Boulder. Our students regularly go to Golden West Senior Living to do holiday programming with Rabbi Marc.

None of this could happen smoothly without our excellent teaching staff and our madrichim. They are:

- Gan Gani (4 and 5 year olds): Teacher - Maya Golan, Madricha - Becca Bloom
- Kitah Alef: Teacher - Ilyse Bloom, Madricha - Mia Nesis
- Kitah Bet: Teacher - Yocheved Landsman, Madricha - Lila Crank
- Kitah Gimel/Dalet: Teacher - Shira Wood-Iseberg, Madricha - Lauren Buchman
- Kitah Hei: Teacher - Karen Raizen, Madricha - Tamara Wurman
- Kitah Vav: Teacher - Izzy Goldstein, Madricha - Corinne Sweeney
- B’nai Mitzvah Class: Teacher - Hindy Finman, Madricha - Omi Jaffe
- Hebrew Specialist: Naomi Susan Jacobs Schwartz
- Music Teacher & Koleinu Leader: Rachel Cole

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Israel Component

Weekly, one of our Colorado shinshinim (Israeli teen ambassador), Omer, visits the school and teaches the students about Israel through games and cultural activities. He also helps as a liaison between our 6th and 7th grade students in a school twinning project with a school in Ramat HaNegev, Colorado’s partnership community. The students look forward to his visits! We were also fortunate to meet the leadership delegation from Ramat HaNegev in February to learn about projects they are doing there.

All of these activities will hopefully lead our students to want to participate in IST (Israel Study Tour) which is open to all students in Colorado!

Pre-school Family Programming

We also have family programming for the youngest age group—families with children 0-5 years old. We call this our Shelanu group and offer Shelanu Shabbat services on the 2nd and 4th Shabbat of each month, led by parents; monthly holiday gatherings that include music, story, snacks, and a craft activity led by Rachel Cole, and a Family 4th Friday Kabbalat Shabbat service and dinner especially for our families with young children several months of the year.

In addition, we are partners with Mazeltot.org and with PJ Library. We collaborate with other organizations in Boulder to do programming together. Our next collaborative PJ Library program will be on Thursday, May 12, 4pm, at the Boulder JCC. We will have an Israel Fair to celebrate Yom Ha’Atzmaut – Israel’s Independence Day.

BraveHoods for Brave Kids

By Allison Yacht

BraveHoods is a non-profit organization dedicated to making kids feel better while going through cancer treatment. Cancer stinks – there are other ways to say it, but the bottom line is that NO ONE wants to hear that they, or a loved one, has cancer. Steve and I found out our daughter had cancer when she was almost 5 years old. It was a terribly hard year, but with the support of our amazing community we got through it.

There were so many hard parts about that year, but one of the most amazing aspects was the love that we felt. We knew that our experience changed us, but we also knew that in some ways it made us more compassionate, loving, and caring toward others going through similar ordeals. When Merry was through with treatments and feeling better, we knew we had to give back.

Chemotherapy kills fast-growing cells in the body, like tumor cells. Unfortunately, hair is also a fast growing cell and usually people going through chemo treatment lose their hair. For some people, especially kids, this can be devastating. This was one of the hardest things for Merry to deal with and eventually, we found that a lightweight hoodie helped her to feel more comfortable. We created BraveHoods because it solves a problem that many cancer patients have to deal with. It was established as a one-for-one organization because we know that families going through treatment often don’t have extra money to spare. From our experience, we knew that so many people want to make a difference, so it was a great fit. BraveHoods also donates hoodies to siblings of kids with cancer. We know that sometimes siblings get left out and we wanted to make sure that we recognized that cancer affects the whole family.

We know we aren’t curing cancer, we would if we could, but we want to do our own part for Tikkun Olam. So far, we have given away over 2,000 BraveHoods to kids all over the country. But we didn’t do it alone – we had tremendous help from our BraveHoods Team.

We were thrilled to be one of the recipients of the collected Tzedakah from the CBS Religious School. We will use this money to get more BraveHoods to more kids. If you would like to know more about our organization, please visit our website at www.bravehoods.org.

New! Homemade Challah at Bonai Shalom

Nothing gets us excited for Shabbat quite like a fresh, warm challah made with love! This winter, the Bonai kitchen started experimenting with different challah recipes and introduced them to the community during Friday night dinners and Shabbat Kiddush. Spearheading the project are Kitchen Manager, Ivy Bourgon and former Ramah Outdoor Adventure Pastry Chef, Ariel Levitt. Ariel brought her braiding and baking experience from her summers at Ramah and hopes to teach the process to other members of the community.

The goal is to eventually serve and sell challot made entirely by a team of volunteers. If you are interested in getting involved in the challah project, please contact ivy@bonaishalom.org.
Spring Awakening

By Rabbi Marc Soloway

Spring by its very name suggests an explosion of newish, greenish sprouting from the earth. Spring has sprung, the breathing possibilities of a restoration to luscious life from dust that was deemed dead. Spring, _aviv_ in Hebrew, is such an important season in Judaism that it is the essence of why the Jewish calendar became pregnant with an extra month this year. A Jewish leap year is defined by an additional month of Adar (Adar I and II) seven times in a thirteen year cycle, and is called _shanah m’uberet_, literally a pregnant year. The whole reason for this solar adjustment to a lunar calendar is just to make sure that Pesach remains a Spring Festival. One of its names is actually just that in Hebrew, _Chag HaAviv_.

Seasonal transitions create a physical, emotional, and spiritual backdrop for the flow of our lives and Jewish ritual and celebration helps guide the journey. Many of our seder symbols connect us to the spring; the leafy greens of karpas, the eggs that remind us of birth after our reenactment of escaping the death pits of Egyptian slavery. (Most of the eggs that we cook and serve at Bonai Shalom are now provided by our very own chickens!) Flowering blossoms on the trees awaken our senses to the beauty of this transformation from winter to spring and the hope that the once frozen ground will yield her produce. There is a special blessing in the tradition that is reserved just for blossom on fruit-bearing trees in the month of Nissan that acknowledges that nothing is missing from God’s world! Even Shir HaShirim, the Song of Songs, which is traditionally read during Pesach offers its enchanting, love-induced message that the winter has passed and is just to make sure that Pesach remains a Spring Festival. One of its names is actually just that in Hebrew, _Chag HaAviv_.

Awareness of spring, or any season, becomes harder in our never stopping world with its relentless demands to keep going, to keep moving. This, along with a changing climate, alienates us from nature’s gift of the seasons. I remember when I lived in southern California I really missed the dramatic changes in the colors of the leaves, the vibrant story told by the trees, the changes in temperature. It was so different from my native London, or the east coast or here in Colorado. Winter for much of life on the planet is about hibernation — animals and plants storing up their food and sleeping or closing down for the winter — so that spring really is a coming back to life. Warmer weather has changed that. Animals are waking up from their sleep earlier and getting out of synch with their environment, which can be fatal...and we humans have the mysteries of fire and electricity so we never really did hibernate.

An old teacher of mine who was a practitioner of ancient Chinese medicine, once told me that more people die in the spring than any other month, because winter invites us to shut down, to stay inside and go to bed early on those long, dark nights and restore ourselves, but we don’t. So when the spring comes and nature wakes up, we don’t have the stored up energy to skip our way into this season of possibility like new born lambs. This year there were days in February that reached seventy, so winter did not even feel like winter. I wonder how that may impact us emotionally and spiritually as we face becoming more deprived of these liminal moments brought by changing seasons.

In this Jewish leap year, Passover is later than usual and unless we get some late snow, it is likely that it will feel more like summer than spring, but who knows. The challenge is to allow our bodies, minds and spirits to live the cycle of Jewish time within us, even in these changing times; to embody spring in our celebration of Pesach, coming alive to new possibilities. Jewish life and Jewish ritual give us so many ways to flourish and thrive and survive in a world that sometimes feels like it is drying up around us.

Farm Happenings

By Greg Bourgon

Spring is here, and early-season projects and planning are already well under way for the Bonai Farm project! The first steps for the 2016 growing season began during a delightfully warm and sunny February with the construction of two additional raised garden beds behind the rabbi’s residence, and as the days continue to grow longer we are anxious to welcome both the first growth of early salad greens, such as spinach, kale, and a variety of lettuces, as well as tiny seedlings that will transform through the fullness of the summer’s heat into crisp carrots, juicy tomatoes, and succulent summer squash.

Expansion of Bonai’s raised beds is funded through a generous mini-grant awarded by Hazon to support environmental and sustainability education in Jewish communities. This same mini-grant award has also allowed us to move forward with plans to erect a low-cost greenhouse structure, with construction set to begin as part of the upcoming Bonai Farm Work Day scheduled for Sunday, April 10. It may not be an old-fashioned barn raising, but congregation members interested in joining us to raise a “hoop house” should mark their calendars; this simple project will greatly expand our growing season into the early spring and late fall, providing the Bonai kitchen with more fresh, locally-grown, organic vegetables for a longer part of the year!

As we get excited making our preparations for spring projects, it is also worth being reminded that farming and agriculture requires us to re-examine our modern conception of time. On the one hand, we are forced to think on longer, seasonal scales, as seeds planted in early spring will only bear fruit towards the end of summer and into autumn. At the same time, a farm requires steady, daily, attention and mindfulness throughout the season that goes beyond modern concepts of weekday or weekend, and each day is guided more by hours of available sunlight than by the time on a clock, or appointments scheduled into a daily planner. Chickens must be fed and goats milked, garden beds watered and weeds pulled, regardless whether it’s a school or work day, or if it’s summer vacation. This seasonal way of thinking, combined with the constancy of our daily labors, lies at the heart of traditional agrarian-based timekeeping systems like the Jewish calendar and its yearly progression of holidays. Participation on a farm, or even just a small backyard garden, allows us to tap into the deepest roots of human community, providing nourishment to our minds, spirits, our bodies, and taste buds.

Most importantly, the Bonai Farm project is about sharing: sharing our days with the land, plants, and animals; sharing the harvest and the fruits of our efforts at the dinner table, or at Kiddush; and sharing our time and labor with one another in the company of friends and family. As the warmth and light of spring and summer returns to Boulder, we invite you all to come share with us! We welcome any and all congregation members, young or old, who wish to volunteer on the farm and get your hands dirty. See you in the garden!
Meet Our New Members

By Rona Contor

Jason Appt, a new associate member, is active in Nevei Kodesh and wants to join Bonai to have a relationship with our community in general and with individual members. He works at Naropa and has been in the Boulder Jewish community for 11 years.

Anna and Phil Fernbach joined because they’d met several members of the congregation through the JCC Preschool. Anna is a teacher and at the moment is a stay at home mom; Phil is a marketing professor at CU Boulder. They have two children, 4-year old Andrea and 3-year old James. They joined Bonai to be part of a close-knit Jewish community whose spiritual practice and education program are in line with their own. Phil loves Bluegrass music and is a good flat picker. Anna has an interest in visual art, sculpture and gardening.

Naomi Feiman and Daniel Sarno are pediatrics. Dan practices at the Pediatric Center in Boulder, where Naomi will be joining him. They have two daughters. Shira, age 6, is in first grade at Eisenhower Elementary. Aviva, age 3, is in the Butterfly class at the Boulder JCC.

Dr. Gilad Gordon is a physician and works with the Orra Group, LLC. His wife, Dr. Cathy Cohn, is a psychologist. Gilad has three grown sons, Oren, Robert, and Ari. Cathy has two grown children, Liza and Max Harris. They joined Bonai because they very much like and respect Rabbi Marc.

Eirit Yonatan is an optometrist and her husband Alon is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of The Ferndale Realty Group. They have a daughter, Amanda, who is 7 years old. They recently moved here from Chicago and heard about Bonai through our members. They joined because they love the atmosphere here.

Emily and Kalman Sweetwine have two children, Ilanah, and Matan.

Julie Zalk is a pre-school teacher at the Boulder JCC and has lived in Boulder for 35 years. She has friends at Bonai and joined because she likes the feel of our small Conservative community. Before moving to Boulder, Julie lived in Alaska and worked on the pipeline. She also facilitated a Head Start pre-school program in Fairbanks. In Boulder she sings in a 145-member women’s choir.

Paula and Amit Pollachek have two children, Guy (10) and Ari (7). Amit is in real estate and Paula is a metalsmith. They are very happy to be a part of the community.

Marcia and Justin Segall were introduced to Bonai through our Tot Shabbat services. They attended our High Holiday services this year and found they really enjoy our community. Marcia is an Associate Director of Development at the CU Law School in Boulder and Justin is President and founder of Simple Energy. Their daughter, Claire, is 2 years old, and they welcomed a son, Levi, in September. Marcia is from a small town in Kentucky where they were the only Jewish family, and Justin grew up in Denver. They met at Duke University. Both enjoy playing tennis, skiing and are huge Duke basketball fans.

Maxine Most is a hi-tech marketing consultant with a 10-year old daughter, Minna. Minna attended the Boulder Jewish Day School from 2008 to 2010 where they became friends with a number of current Bonai families. They have been coming to services at Bonai occasionally for many years and joined because they want to be part of a connected Jewish community similar to the one Maxine experienced growing up in New Jersey. Maxine has experience in strategic business and organizational development. She would be interested in support for single and “solo” parents.

Sharon and Howard Golden moved to Lafayette from Denver, where they were members of Rodef Shalom. Sharon is a pre-school teacher and Howard is a web developer with Arapahoe Community College and also does private consulting. They have 6-year old twins, Arielle and Ben. They found Bonai through Sharon’s sister, Sabina Zolot, a long-time member. They like the warmth and small community we offer. They were married in Boulder and are happy to be returning to the area. The Goldens love exploring the outdoors by camping and hiking. Sharon also enjoys creative writing and cooking, especially baking yummy treats. Check out her website: Kidscakecreations.com. They would love to meet more families.

Liz Marlowe and Boaz Pollachek moved to Boulder from Israel with their two children, Evan, age 9 and Noa, age 6. Liz is a Senior Content Developer for Verint Systems, Inc., and Boaz is a Maintenance Supervisor for Summit Management Services. When they decided to move to Boulder, they got in touch with some Jewish/Israeli families in Boulder and they recommended Bonai. They are very interested in being connected to and involved in a Jewish community and they felt Bonai is the right fit for them. Having just moved from Israel, they wanted to strengthen their children’s Jewish identities and education, learn the prayers and mitzvot, have Jewish social/cultural connections and a community in which to celebrate their children’s b’ni mitzvot. Evan is interested in tutoring/helping to teach the other kids. Boaz and Liz are happy to volunteer and to serve on committees.

Carmen (Car) Ringelmann is a Brand Strategy Consultant who recently moved to Boulder from New York where she was a member of the Greenpoint Shul. She grew up in South Africa, lived in London for three years and New York for 14 years. She moved here to be near the mountains. Car is a Jew by choice since 2010 and hasn’t looked back. She loves Bonai’s warmth, kavanah, inclusivity, and egalitarian services. She is interested in continuing her learning, loves to cook, and is passionate about photography and Israel.

Joe and Jill Cooper recently moved here from Portland, Maine. Joe is in real estate investment and Jill has been a teacher. They have three children, Cecily who is 7 years old, and twins, Benjamin and Frances who are almost 3. Joe plays the guitar and enjoys planning parties and gatherings. Jill is an artist and former teacher. They are happy to join our wonderful community and look forward to meeting everyone.

Marianne Weingroff is an instructional designer at UCAR. She has attended services at Bonai periodically over the years and likes Rabbi Marc, and the congregation. She was prompted to join by her mother’s recent death. Marianne lived in Israel in the early 1990s and has always felt strongly about being Jewish. She loves her job, the outdoors, especially hiking, cross-country skiing, and traveling. She is very people-oriented and reads a lot, skilled in graphic design, and does some web design. Marianne lives with her partner, Rick, in the foothills, where wonderful neighbors, trails, and views make up for the periodic encounters with mountain lions, bears, and floods.

Jarret Greenberg grew up as a member of Bonai Shalom and had his bar mitzvah here. Jarret and his wife, Emily, returned to Boulder after several years on the East Coast and just became new members with their daughter, Ila (2), and son, Ezra (3 mos). They also have a beloved schnauzer named Simon. The Greenbergs run a local property management and real estate investment company. They are avid skiers, hikers, and volunteer as certified foster care providers.
Among the Members

Please notify the office of any change in your street address, phone number and/or e-mail address. Please check the online Membership Directory on our website (www.bonaishalom.org) for current member information. If you would like a printed directory, please contact the office.

Did you or your child win an award? Achieve a goal? Share it with your Bonai community so we can all say "mazel tov!" Email Kit at bulletin@bonaishalom.org to include it in the newsletter.

Mazel Tov! to:
Nissan Cohen, his son and daughter-in-law Eliav and Lily had a baby boy! The sixth generation of first born sons in the Cohen family.
Marcia and Justin Segall on the birth of their baby boy!
Gali and Michael and Ceil Greenberg on welcoming their new grandson, Ezra!
Nissan and Rebecca Cohen on their 25th wedding anniversary!
Barbara and Tom Trager’s new little grandson, Isaac Noah Tcheunou, born to Mara and Patrick and a little brother to Julien!
Rabbi Marc on becoming a US citizen!
Karen Raizen for receiving the honor and title of Conservative Jewish Educator!
Liz Hanson for receiving the Franny Reich Local Business Hero Award!

Condolences to:
Jack Robinson, father of Abby Robinson
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Jeanette Thorner, mother of Sabina Zolot and Sharon Golden
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Andrea Livingwell, mother of Brent Livingwell

Bonai Moments – Past and Future

By Rabbi Marc Soloway

At a recent social gathering for Bonai Board members and staff, we were all invited to share a Bonai moment, a story or memory where we felt connected to this community. It was very moving to hear stories of powerful life cycle events, like the naming of a first granddaughter, a special Bar Mitzvah, or the emotional words shared by a son or daughter honored at the Torah for a yahrzeit and recalling the essence of their deceased parent in tribute. Others shared the joy of some of our regular Shabbat services and the profound sense of community that is created through lifting our voices together in song and prayer. Another Board member shared his delight at the Shabbaton program where whole families in our school experienced engaging programming throughout Shabbat from Friday night until after Havdalah on Saturday night. Even the deep and personal sharing at a shiva minyan was among these special moments.

There have been way too many of these for me to keep count. Teens sharing their adventures on Israel trips during High Holiday services; festive meals in our Sukkah, camping trips in Rocky Mountain National Park with our B’nai Mitzvah class, enriching talks by our special First Friday guests, sharing Kiddush lunch with about 30 guests from the Boulder Islamic Center during MLK weekend, a Friday night service with our Jewish interpreter for the deaf scholar in residence EJ Cohen, fully signed for a group of deaf Jewish women who had not been in a service for many years, the extraordinary power of singing that we experienced under the masterful facilitation of musician in residence Joey Weisenberg, the Native American honor song chanted at the Bat Mitzvah of a special girl with a Jewish mother and a Navaho father, the lovely connections made every week over delicious food at Kiddush, the joy and enchantment of our youngest members as they dance with the Torah. I could fill pages with these Bonai moments; special memories that connect us to each other and open us to the power of community.

What is your Bonai moment that you would share? We would like to collect some of these stories and archive them in our collective memory, like NPR Story Corps, and publish some of them in different places throughout the year. If you have a classic Bonai moment, please share it with us by emailing office@bonaishalom.org.

A living, breathing community is not just about the past, but also the present and future. We are creating new stories every day and we need your help with those too! If you have an imagined moment that you would like to see and experience at Bonai Shalom, let us know that too, so that we can create new memories. Passover for many of us is all about memories of childhood and beyond, of loved ones no longer with us and Yizkor on the eighth day. We then count seven weeks of Omer to another festival with a Yizkor service of memory, Shavuot. All of the richness of these stories of family and community inform and shape us and give us part of our identity. Let’s work together to share old stories and create new ones together as we enter the next chapter of Bonai Shalom’s “history” and “herstory.”
Our B’nai Mitzvah Students

By Mary Summerall

Eben Beh – Bar Mitzvah held November 14, 2015
Eben’s parents are Gali and Chris Beh and they live in Boulder where Eben attends Centennial Middle School. His main hobby is football. Eben’s Bar Mitzvah project was Shoes for Sherpas that is a project of the Colorado Nepal Alliance. Sherpas are an ethnic group living primarily in the mountainous regions of eastern Nepal. Many Sherpas make their living as porters in the tourism trade as well as in the day-to-day transport of goods from village to village. Since quality footwear is often either unavailable or unaffordable, Shoes for Sherpas’ goal is to provide as much “used but still usable” footwear as possible to those living in the region. Eben was most nervous about reading Torah in front of everyone. As a Jewish adult, he is excited about being able to attend Minyan. Mazel Tov! Eben.

Abigail Chaim-Weissmann – Bat Mitzvah is August 27, 2016
Gail’s parents are Bonnie Chaim and Bradley Weissmann and they are from Boulder. Gail attends Louisville Middle School. Her hobbies are reading, sketching, and inventing. Gail’s Bat Mitzvah project was the Christmas Mitzvah Project, which was a part of the Precious Child Event held by Jewish Colorado. Gail really enjoyed helping the less fortunate. She is looking forward to having her friends come to her Bat Mitzvah so that she can introduce them to the Jewish faith. She is a little nervous about getting up in front of everyone and reading Haftarah, but she is so looking forward to having more responsibilities as a Jewish adult. Mazel Tov! Gail.

Sofia Larsen Bat Mitzvah held March 26, 2016
Sofia lives in Boulder with her mother Tamara Larsen. She attends Manhattan Middle School for the Performing Arts. Her hobbies are singing and riding horses. Her B’nai Mitzvah project is Equestrian Therapy, Sofia was excited to have her family from Norway and Berkley here to share this wonderful experience. She was nervous about reading the Torah. Sofia is looking forward to being recognized as Jewish adult and participating in all adult functions and wearing her tallit.

Cara Racenstein – Bat Mitzvah is August 6, 2016
Cara is the daughter of David and Randi Racenstein. They live in Louisville and Cara attends school at Monarch K-8. Her hobbies are tennis, drawing, and performing arts. Her Bat Mitzvah project is working on the challah project fundraiser with Ivy Bourgon. Cara is looking forward to celebrating with everyone! She is most nervous about being in front of everyone and reading Haftarah. As a Jewish adult she is looking forward to wearing a tallit and reading Torah. Mazel Tov! Cara.

Matthew Racenstein’s Bar Mitzvah is August 6, 2016
Matthew’s parents are David and Randi Racenstein and they live in Louisville. Matthew attends Monarch K-8. His hobbies are sports, Rubik’s Cube, and video games. His Bar Mitzvah project is working with Bonai Shalom’s farm. Matthew is most nervous about the prayer part of the ceremony. He is most looking forward to being a Jewish adult and knowing all the prayers and going to different synagogues. Mazel Tov! Matthew.

Samuel Zis – Bar Mitzvah is August 13, 2016
Sam’s parents are Richard and Stacey Zis. He attends Centennial Middle School. His hobbies are hockey and cruising. Sam’s Bar Mitzvah project is to help with the KRD Foundation. The KRD Foundation currently contributes to the following organizations: Community Cycles in Boulder, Boys and Girls Club of Pueblo, Assisted Cycling Tours, Transplant Living Center, and Trips for Kids. Having his family there to share this experience with him is what is important to Sam. He is nervous about messing up while reading Torah. Mazel Tov! Sam.

About the Chevra Kadisha

By Ruth Seagull

We are fortunate to have Jewish ritual that supports important life cycles, especially around birth and death. When life begins, we come together to celebrate the newborn with a bris or naming ceremony. When we die, we are also comforted by a year of Jewish ritual that is surrounded by prayer and community. One organization in Boulder that offers support for families that have lost a loved one is the Chevra Kadisha.

The mission of the Chevra Kadisha (Holy Society, in Aramaic) is to honor the dead (kvod ha Met), and to comfort the mourners (nichum aveilim). The two major functions are to attend to, or guard the body (Met) from the time of death until burial, called Shmirah, and to perform a ritual purification or washing of the Met, called Taharah.

While sitting Shmirah, the Shomer (Guard) recites psalms and reads other appropriate material in order to assist the soul in making the transition from the physical to the next realm of existence. It is often comforting for the family to know their loved one is protected and guarded until burial occurs.

Taharah is done by a small group of men for a man and a group of women for a woman. The Taharah process begins by asking for forgiveness from the Met for any indignities we might commit during the washing and dressing. There are also prayers for the soul. The Met is handled with the utmost respect for modesty. Prayers are chanted or spoken throughout the washing and dressing. Gratitude is expressed for the body as it is being washed.

The actual purification consists of pouring a continuous stream of water over the body, which simulates a Mikvah, complete immersion. The Met is then dressed in simple cotton shrouds (tachrichim) and placed in a plain pine casket (aron). We use cotton shrouds and a pine casket, which are completely biodegradable, so that everything is returned to the earth. This also emphasizes that in death we are all equal regardless of our worldly possessions.

The Boulder Chevra Kadisha serves the entire Boulder Jewish community, whether or not the family is affiliated with a congregation. Our Chevra Kadisha is made up of all volunteers, (with the exception of those who do Shmirah from midnight to 6:00am who are paid a small stipend). The Chevra Kadisha has several educational meetings and study sessions each year to help deepen our understanding of this spiritual practice. For more information and/or if you wish to volunteer, please contact Ruth Seagull, 303-554-8180 or Evie Cohen, 303-507-7001.
Blessings from the Kitchen

“You can’t please everyone.”

This is the topic of many a conversation in the kitchen these days. It comes up so often that I have started calling it “food diplomacy”: recognizing the huge spectrum of food preferences, honoring the different dietary needs, allowing each group a place at the table. And this has been going fairly well, (Come, all who need gluten-free desserts, all who are vegetarian yet crave fish, all who prefer coconut oils...).

It was going fine, but then I realized something was missing in all this strategizing to please everyone: plain old joy. Gratitude for simply having such edible abundance. The appreciation of hearty, soulful, warm, crusty bites. Steamy, juicy broth on a winter afternoon. Gooey, chocolatey permission simcha of sharing a meal with friends. Love for food itself – outside of rules and judgements.

Don’t get me wrong. I believe strongly in the dietary inclusion we are striving towards. Maintaining an allergy friendly menu is a top priority; and even though I love to use honey, maple syrup (and sugar, as we all know) in some of my cooking, I understand the need to watch our intake of these foods. Where in our lives are we so concerned with “getting it right” that we miss the point? When we are striving towards some kind of perfection, don’t we miss those mysterious sparks of the divine? When we are so concerned with pleasing others, do we miss an opportunity to feel the joyful presence of G-d working in all things (even in mini-bagels)?

I’ve been hard on myself in the kitchen. But then I realized that maybe this applies to more than just food. Where in our lives are we so concerned with “getting it right” that we miss the point? When we are striving towards some kind of perfection, don’t we miss those mysterious sparks of the divine? When we are so concerned with pleasing others, do we miss an opportunity to feel the joyful presence of G-d working in all things (even in mini-bagels)?

For me, this new spring season can be an embrace of freedom from trying to please others. We can move out of the narrow place of perfectionism and feel loved just as we are. As we celebrate Pesach and listen to the story of our ancestors claiming their freedom, may we take a moment (maybe during a Friday evening meal, a Kiddush lunch, or at our Seder table) and reclaim an open, loving mind. Let us think: B’ruch HaShem. Thank you G-d. Even in the imperfection of it all, life is good. (Or as my Bubbie would have said, “Eat, Eat…”.)

Big hugs and gratitude,
Ivy

PS: Please see page 6 for exciting news about our challah project!

Building a Singing Community

“When you want to put out a bonfire, what do you do?” Joey asked from the shtender. “Pee on it” — a Hebrew School student’s offering — was not the winning answer for this particular metaphor. To put out the fire, you scatter the logs. You bring a suburban ethos into the shul. Were you there the Shabbat that Joey Weisenberg had us move to the periphery of the room and attempt to sing together? Were you there when he called us, instead, to fill the open space in the center of the room, and to sing together packed in like sardines? What a difference that made.

We tasted what it is to sing in such close proximity that there were no separate voices. We could so easily attune to one another, each person contributing and also being held by every other person and voice. That moment was remarkable not only for the fullness of sound, but because it was our very own community doing it! Because we can, and we are, making a singing community. Here’s how:

Singing workshops: We arrange chairs in a small (or concentric) circle(s), and work on a melody by exploring rhythm, volume, and leaning into it. I run Shira monthly, based on Joey’s singing workshops, which I attended weekly throughout my year at Yeshivat Hadar. These workshops are their own sort of Spiritual Practice.

Avodat Lev: Shabbat Morning in the Basement is a monthly prayer service of meditation and chanting in Rabbi Marc’s basement.

Back in the sanctuary, we’ve moved the Torah reading table — what Joey called “the best base drum in the world” — into the center of the room, as the new davening stand. The table not only allows percussion, but it allows people to gather close while giving some space for airflow at the center of the fire, allowing intimacy and also personal space as we daven together. This closeness and attunement allows the shaliach tzibur, the davening leader, to “power steer” the community. It allows community members to experience boundarilessness between my voice and yours. Whomever wants to gather close forms our new Spontaneous Davening Team. Everyone is invited to join — by which I mean, “Please join!” — the davening leader in the center of the room as part of the team that amplifies the energy of the davening leader.

While we talk about the person ‘leading’ davening, the Hebrew terms are shaliach tzibur, ‘emissary of the community’, and chazan, ‘visionary’.

Our new setup allows the leader to feel the community much more strongly, to be a better emissary.

As Joey said, “’Kadosh kadosh kadosh’ [(a quote from the kedusha, in which we imitate angels praising G-d)] is only a translation into Hebrew.” The kedusha is but an attempt to simulate angelic song and behavior, not a direct quote. The weekend with Joey, and tools we’ve implemented, suggest that singing and the intimacy of gathering close together are other translations of those angels’ pure, radiant expression. Our community and our chazans are a bit stronger in envisioning, imagining, and simulating the expression of angels celebrating the Divine.

By Hannah Kapnik-Ashar, Rabbinic Intern

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Get Involved with Our Social Action / Tikkun Olam Committee
By Debbie Garelick

Mission Statement
The Social Action Committee identifies, supports, and publicizes projects and activities that will allow congregants to participate in Tikkun Olam with a sense of connection to Jewish tradition and teachings. These projects will focus on safeguarding against threats to life, the earth, freedom, human rights, human dignity, peace, and justice.

The Social Action Committee, in pursuit of this mission, engages in numerous on-going and one-time activities. In the community, programs related to hunger and homelessness have received considerable attention.

- We will be having our annual Purim to Pesach food drive benefiting the Boulder County AIDS Project March 30 through April 20. This is an opportunity for members to donate non-perishable foods during their Pesach cleaning. You will find specific information in the monthly calendar and Bimah notes.
- Working with Bridge House, an organization that serves homeless people, we volunteer the second Monday of the month to serve a hot dinner at Bridge House’s Community Table.
- We help organize the Kol Nidrei food drive which benefits Community Food Share.
- We participate in CropWalk, an interfaith fundraiser benefiting local food programs and others, including Mazon.
- We hosted homeless women overnight at Bonai Shalom for BOHO (Boulder Outreach for Homeless Overflow) every Saturday night for several months.
- Other reasons to get involved in Tikkun Olam:
  - We have an active subcommittee on gun violence prevention which co-led an interfaith community-wide event in February. We have participated in outreach to legislators and connected the community to educational resources about gun safety.
  - We continue to be deeply involved with Tuv Ha’Aretz CSA (community sustained agriculture), with produce distribution as well as workshops and films.
  - We volunteer to clean our adopted mile of road (South Boulder east of Cherryvale) in fall and spring.
  - We have an ongoing dialogue about Israeli Palestinian relations, fostering thoughtful, respectful discussion among CBS members and others in the community for several years.
  - We are involved in promoting sustainability at Bonai, in the community and in Israel.
  - Among many other activities have been clothing drives and support of Sudanese refugee women in the Boulder community.

Watch the monthly calendar for upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

Interested in social action issues? Join us! E-mail us at socialaction@bonaishalom.org about your concerns, interests, and ideas for projects.

Inclusion – What Does it Mean?
By The Inclusion Committee

Inclusion means that we honor all individuals, giving them the best opportunities to grow and flourish and partake in the wider community. We take special care that whatever provisions anyone requires – physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual – are anticipated whenever possible and supplied when requested to the best of our ability.

One year ago, Bonai Shalom was selected as one of 15 USJC communities in the US and Canada to be in the first cohort of the Ruderman Inclusion Action Community, supported by a grant from the Ruderman Family Foundation. Encouraging collaboration among all of our congregations, we developed surveys and action plans to make our physical spaces more inclusive as well as our programming, and we shared communication and education ideas to increase inclusion awareness within our communities.

Last summer, Bonai’s Inclusion Committee, led by Chair Judy Megibow, in conjunction with other Boulder Jewish organizations and communities, developed a survey that was given to the greater Jewish community to determine individual’s needs that could and should be addressed. With over 120 responses, a Community Conversation event about the results of the survey was organized to generate suggestions of next steps within our own individual congregations and communities.

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During High Holidays, Rabbi Marc spoke during his Yom Kippur sermon about Inclusion, including some of the Committee’s work. He spoke of how everyone is created b’zelem elohim – in God’s image – and deserves equal respect; every person should feel welcome and safe within our community. We should honor differences and learn from each other.

Since then, the Committee has done the following:

- Purchased visual page numbers for use during services
- Purchased supportive chairs for the social hall for those who require them.
- Explored the cost of assistive hearing devices in the sanctuary. This is an on-going project.
- Sponsored a Scholar-in-Residence weekend with EJ Cohen, sign interpreter, who taught our students prayers in sign language, spoke to our members about her interpreting work, and signed during our Shabbat services. We hope to offer additional signed services for the deaf and hearing impaired in the future.
- Continued to find ways to expand accommodations and create new learning environments for students with sensory and/or learning challenges
- Provided on-going communications to help increase inclusion awareness.
- Began to look at mental health issues and how to be supportive. Soon we will be providing a list of people who can be contacted privately by individuals and families for support and guidance, free of charge. We also would like to offer public events exploring these issues, within a Jewish context, as well as special programming for teenagers and other groups, such as new parents.

Bonai welcomes LGBTQ Jews and non-Jews. Our programming has included a Friday night dinner and conversation with Keshet’s Rafi Daugherty, who shared his transgender journey, and a scholar-in-residence weekend with Rabbi Steve Greenberg. We are proud co-sponsors of Keshet’s Queer Seder which will take place this year on April 26 in Denver.

The Committee is always open to new members and new ideas for what can be done. Current members include: Judy Megibow - Chair, Diana Blau, Bill Shiozvit, Miriam Fields, Charlotte Krasnoff, Naomi Jacobs, Linda Diamond, and Karen Raizen - Education Director.

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Lois Beth Ansell ................................................................. Mother of Larry Ansell .................................................. 2 Sivan
John Kernal .................................................................... Nancy Davis .......................................................... 3 Sivan
Katie Pikler ..................................................................... Mother of Prof. Janos Englander ......................... 4 Sivan
Dr. Clairene Gunn Weaver .............................................. Mother of Butch Weaver ........................................... 5 Sivan
Dr. Clairene Gunne Weaver ............................................ Grandmother of Rebecca Weaver .................. 5 Sivan
Vera Scoles .................................................................... Grandmother of Shana Weaver ......................... 5 Sivan
Celia Cohen ..................................................................... Grandmother of David Weaver ......................... 5 Sivan
Levi Sicherman ............................................................... Sister of Irene Rosenschein ......................... 7 Sivan
Reb Zalman Schachter-Shalomi ....................................... Father of Rona Cantor ........................................ 6 Sivan
Dora Herbet ................................................................. Mother of Carl Herbet .............................................. 7 Sivan
Grandmother of Marilyn Pinsker ................................... 7 Sivan
Chaim Sicherman ............................................................ Brother of Irene Rosenschein ......................... 7 Sivan
Hermina Sicherman ........................................................ Mother of Irene Rosenschein ......................... 7 Sivan
Izik Sicherman .............................................................. Brother of Irene Rosenschein ......................... 7 Sivan
Leibl Sicherman ............................................................ Brother of Irene Rosenschein ......................... 7 Sivan
Shiffra Sicherman .......................................................... Sister of Irene Rosenschein ......................... 7 Sivan
Sol Bimbach .................................................................... Father of Mark Bimbach ........................................ 9 Sivan
William Birnbach .............................................................. Uncle of David Schwartz ....................................... 9 Sivan
Dora Herbet ................................................................. Mother of David Schwartz ..................................... 9 Sivan
Ethel Derechinsky .......................................................... Mother of Jeanne Nauenberg ......................... 16 Sivan
Herman Herbet .......................................................... Uncle of Marilyn Pinsker ....................................... 16 Sivan
Eric Horsowitz ............................................................... Brother of Rhonda Horsowitz-Romo .............. 16 Sivan
Gustel Loewenstein ........................................................ Mother of Mark Loewenstein ......................... 16 Sivan
Rita Kimerling .............................................................. Mother of Loize Kimerling ............................... 17 Sivan
Rita Pivan ........................................................................... Mother of Jan Sturgeon ......................... 18 Sivan
Geraldine Esther Brimer Schwartz ................................. Mother of David Schwartz ..................................... 18 Sivan
Alex Stelzer ..................................................................... Father of Wayne Seltszer ....................................... 18 Sivan
David Gomberg .............................................................. Close Friend of Dr. Miriam Fields ................. 20 Sivan
Mordechai Ben Efrain v’Gittel ........................................ Father of Dr. Yonatan Gold .................................. 21 Sivan
Magda Korda .................................................................. Mother of Paul Korda ......................................... 21 Sivan
Eleanor Fleischer ............................................................. Mother of Lois Linsky ........................................ 24 Sivan
Mortimer Altin .............................................................. Father of Andrea Baer ........................................ 26 Sivan
Isaac Bonduranskaya .................................................... Brother of Mariya Vayshenker ...................... 27 Sivan
Herbert Fleischer .......................................................... Father of Lois Linsky ........................................ 27 Sivan
Carol Moran ................................................................. Grandfather of Gali Be ........................................... 27 Sivan
Mignon Burnett ............................................................. Mother of Mary Blye Kramer ......................... 28 Sivan
Leo Habel .............................................................................. Father of Jeanette Goldman ................... 28 Sivan
Eva F. Winterfeld .......................................................... Grandmother of Daniel Schwimmer ............ 28 Sivan
Howard Smokler ............................................................. Husband of Charlotte Smokler ................. 29 Sivan
Norman Cohn ................................................................. Father-in-Law of Barbara Cohn ....................... 30 Sivan
Celia Cohen ................................................................. Grandmother of Carol Chazdon ..................... 1 Tammuz
Rose Cohen ..................................................................... Mother of Shirley Gang .................................... 2 Tammuz
Zvi David Meller ............................................................ Father of Dagmar Dayan ................................... 3 Tammuz
Ann Silver ...................................................................... Grandmother of Robyn Hill ......................... 3 Tammuz
William R. Campbell .................................................... Father of Jan Schwimmer ............................ 4 Tammuz
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Leonard Krim ................................................................. Father of Jordan Krim ...................................... 10 Tammuz
Arthur Soloway ............................................................. Grandfather of Rabbi Marc Soloway .......... 10 Tammuz

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Send to bulletin@bonaishalom.org or contact Kit at 303-442-6605.

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In the Jewish tradition hospitality (hachnasat orachim) is not just a nice thing to do, but is one of the highest mitzvot! At Bonai Shalom, we try to be as welcoming and open as we can, yet, there is still more that we can do. If you know in advance that you will have places at your table for a Shabbat or Festival meal, please let us know at the office, so that we can match you up with honored guests! Also, if you are looking for some home hospitality, please let us know too, and we will do what we can.
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• Great community gatherings

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Moshe Stern .................................... Father of Alex Shalom Kohav ................. 11 Tammuz
Burton Kaplan ................................. Father of Nalini Indor Kaplan ............ 13 Tammuz
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William B. Safian ............................. Nephew of Prof. Janet Jacobs ............ 15 Tammuz
Gaston Lellouche .............................. Father of Mireille Key ..................... 16 Tammuz
Marlene Cheryl Ansell ....................... Sister of Larry Ansell ...................... 17 Tammuz
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Nathan Ingber ................................. Father of Carol Secor ...................... 22 Tammuz
Benjamin Cohen .............................. Father of Judy Herbet ..................... 23 Tammuz
Mindi Ferber ................................... Aunt of Gerald Pinsker ................. 23 Tammuz
Charles Jacobs ............................... Grandfather of Dr. Naomi Jacobs ....... 23 Tammuz
Rose Linksy .................................... Jeffrey Linksy ................................. 23 Tammuz
Ada Schear .................................... Grandmother of Debra Diaswa ......... 23 Tammuz
Therese Meller ................................. Mother of Damar Dayan ............... 24 Tammuz
Leonard Goldman ............................. Father of Meryl Bornstein ............. 26 Tammuz
Miriam Gostynskij ............................ Mother of Doris Small .................. 13 Tammuz
Moshe Gostynskij ............................. Father of Doris Small .................... 16 Tammuz
Rosalyn Rose Camp .......................... Aunt of Marilyn Pinsker ............... 1 Av
Joseph Horwitz ............................... Grandfather of Rhonda Horwitz-Romano 1 Av
Leonard Neiman .............................. Father of Joanne Neiman .............. 4 Av
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Gershon Lasky ................................ Father of Esther Sadeh .................... 9 Av
Elka Schmulowicz ............................ Sister-in-Law of Doris Small ........ 9 Av
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George Secor ................................. Father of Joseph Secor ............... 23 Av
Ruth Gang ...................................... Aunt of Marvin Gang .............. 24 Av
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Contact ivy@bonaishalom.org with questions.

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Join us for our monthly summer evening musical Friday nights, beginning in May! The band is getting back together to bring you soulful Shabbat services with new and old music on guitar, mandolin, violin, flute, drums, and our harmonious voices. Live music will be played all through Kabbalat Shabbat and then our Maariv service will be a cappella. Stay for a community pot-luck dinner after the service (vegetarian, nut-free, and labelled if possible).

Service starts at 6:00pm
Dates for May-September announced soon!