



Schedule of Services

Friday, February 3
7:15 PM Erev Shabbat Family Service
Grades 1, 2 and 7 participating
Scout Shabbat

Saturday, February 4
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning
Minyan
10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of
Kevin Krandel

Friday, February 10
8:00 PM Erev Shabbat
Service
Shabbat Shira: Sing It
Yourself Shabbat

Saturday, February 11
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning
Minyan

Friday, February 17
6:30 PM Tot Shabbat
8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service
Guest Speaker: David Akov, Israeli Consul
General

Saturday, February 18
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

Friday, February 24
6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 25
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan
10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Marcus
Hoffman



Candle lighting times:

February 3 - 5:17 p.m.
February 10 - 5:25
February 17 - 5:32
February 24 - 5:40

“Sing It Yourself Shabbat”

**Shabbat Shira
8:00 PM Service
Friday, February 10**



Bring your voices and your instruments to welcome Shabbat with song!

This year we will celebrate Shabbat Shira in joyful prayer and song in our first ever Sing it Yourself Shabbat!! All congregants are invited to bring their spirits, voices and instruments to join together in a jubilant celebration of Shabbat. The siddur will contain all the music for the service. Led by members of the Ritual Committee, services will begin promptly at 8:00.

In anticipation of this festive service, Jeanne Bronstein is organizing a rehearsal for any instrumentalists who would like to familiarize themselves with the service music in advance. Please contact Jeanne at 408-489-9388 or jeanneRN@sbcglobal.net for details.

Mitzvah Day

Sunday, February 12

Beginning with assembly in the sanctuary at 10:15 AM.

Because it is Erev Tu B'Shevat, our theme is the environment and emergency preparedness.

See page 10 for items you can bring.
(Hebrew as usual at 9:00 AM.)

Adult Tu B'Shevat Seder

Sunday, February 12 5:00 – 7:00 PM

Join us for a journey through “the other Haggadah”

Rabbi Dana and Cheriell Magat will lead the seder.

Appropriate fruits and other noshes will be paired with delicious wines.

RSVPs required by February 9. \$36 per person.

From the Rabbi

I introduced the topic of 'making connections' on the High Holy Days, and "connection" is the year's theme in Religious School. I'd like to continue the discussion and suggest new opportunities for connection.

- Over the last few years, we have celebrated Shabbat Shira, the Sabbath of Song, with special musical presentations that involved professional and non-professional singers and instrumentalists on the bimah while the congregation experienced the presentation. This year the Ritual Committee and members of the choir are presenting the first Temple Emanu-El "Sing It Yourself Shabbat," which will be a wonderful participatory opportunity. The service will be on Friday, February 10 at 8:00 PM; handouts with music and lyrics will be available for everyone. Let us connect as we lift our voices in joyful prayer and song and welcome Shabbat. (See page 1 for more information.)
- On Sunday, February 12, we will have another opportunity to connect - this time with people and projects in the surrounding community as we mark Mitzvah Day. We will share in blessings and songs for a day of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world, and connecting with each other to make a difference. Even if you cannot attend that day, you can still check the list for things to donate for projects going on that day. On page 10, you will find a list of items to bring to the synagogue in support of these activities.
- Over these past few weeks, our hearts have been connected to the State of Israel and the Israeli people as Prime Minister Ariel Sharon lies gravely ill. It impresses upon us ever more how fragile the situation in the Middle East is. On Friday, February 17, we will hear an update on the Middle East first-hand from Israeli Consul General David Akov, who will be our guest for Shabbat services at 8:00 PM. I hope you will be with us that evening.
- Our new Adult Education offerings help us connect on an intellectual level. Perhaps there is something out there you would like to study. Please let us know where your interests lie. Lunch and Learn at noon on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays help us connect through study.
- Have you joined a Havurah to connect with others in our congregation with similar interests and at similar life stages? Do you need help finding them? Our Membership Committee can help! The Temple office can provide you with a Havurah application.
- Come to the Purim Spiel and Purim Carnival and participate in the Silent Auction on March 12. The next evening, join us for the Adult Purim Evening to connect with the silliness that is an important part of our Jewish tradition.



Temple Emanu-El can be part of the many ways you make connections. Take advantage of these opportunities!

I look forward to seeing and connecting with you soon.
Rabbi Dana Magat

Membership Committee

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- Welcomes new families with Chai Bags
- Co-hosts a New Members Dinner and Shabbat with the Temple Board
- Arranges for Greeters at every Shabbat service
- Plans Prospective Members Brunches
- Contacts prospective members and sends out applications
- Creates informative booklets and brochures for new members and prospective members
- Coordinates Havurot
- Created the Mommy and Me group
- Has fun meetings lasting no more than 1 1/2 hours- goodies served

The question: What is the Temple Emanu-El Membership Committee?

If you would like to be part of this group or would just like to share your ideas, please send me an e-mail or give me a call.

"Behold how good it is when brethren dwell together!"

Shirley Lee
Membership Chair
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Congregant Notices

- o If you have attended events at the temple and left plastic containers or other items in the kitchen, please re-claim them. We have built up quite a collection and will be throwing away any items that are not in good shape or don't have matching lids, etc.
- o Please check your High Holy Days prayer books. A number of congregants' books must have been taken home accidentally. We have checked all the books here at the Temple for them and did not find them.

Shabbat Greeters

I would like to thank the following people who were greeters for the months of November and December:

Sharon Barowsky, Millie Segal, Claire Barnhart, Julie Gleaves, Paul and Janis Roth-Soto, Bernice Gaon, and Alan Hyams. Being a greeter is an excellent way to connect with our temple family and visitors.

If you would like to be a greeter, please email me at pdschwarz@aol.com or call me at 736-8560.

Philip Schwarz

From the President

Our Search for a Cantor

Happy New Year! By now you have all read Rabbi Magat's letter announcing that the Board of Trustees voted to search for and hire a full-time cantor. This is a significant step for Temple Emanu-El, which has not had a full-time cantor for over forty years. Music is an essential part of our ritual and our heritage, and a cantor will benefit the congregation in many ways.

First, we believe that increased focus on music in our services as well as music-related programming will generate renewed enthusiasm and participation among our current congregants.

Second, a dedicated music program in the Religious School will greatly enrich our children's Jewish educational. Rachel Michelberg and now Barbara Okun have provided excellent preparation and support for our Bar/Bat Mitzvah students. However, a full-time cantor who can develop a long-term relationship with our students will be the ideal person to coach and mentor our children.

Third, a full-time cantor can "team" with Rabbi Magat to support all of us at times of need and in other ways.

Finally, we believe that a having full-time cantor will make Temple Emanu-El more attractive to prospective members.

We did not enter into this decision lightly: hiring a full-time cantor requires significant additional monies, while at the same time we do not have all of the funds to pay off our Religious School renovation loan. But we can either "wander for another forty years" while we seek a solution for this need, or we can actively work now to make it succeed, and the Board has chosen the latter route. One Board member promptly raised her dues by \$365 (\$1 per day) to support her vote. While not everyone can do this, we would in fact have sufficient funds for the new cantor if 1/2 of the congregation does likewise.

We have planned a variety of meetings and communications to discuss this decision and to solicit your support. Our first meeting was announced via email and flyers and was held on Sunday, January 29. Additional meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, February 8 at noon and the same day at 7:00 p.m. Rabbi and I hope to see you at one of the meetings.

Mark Cahn "chaired" the committee that defined our requirements for a cantor and will continue to chair the actual search process. To date we have received four (4) resumes for consideration. Stay tuned as the search process continues.

On another note, please attend Shabbat services soon and take time to look at the improvements in the Sanctuary foyer. Jonathan Hirshon arranged for the donation of tile flooring tiles, Brotherhood paid for their installation, and our Facilities Chairman Bruce Frederick supervised the project and personally refinished all of the woodwork on the doors, the display cabinets, and the trim. On behalf of the Congregation, thank you for all of your work in beautifying our synagogue.

Dan
President

David Akov, Consul General of Israel, to Visit Temple



Temple Emanu-El is honored to host David Akov, Consul General of Israel for the Pacific Northwest region, to our Shabbat services on Friday, February 17. Services are at 8:00 in our Sanctuary. Please plan to attend and hear his assessment of recent events in Israel and the Middle East.

Consul General Akov, who began his tour of duty at the Israeli Consulate in San Francisco in August 2004, joined the Israeli Foreign Ministry in 1985. Prior to his appointment as Consul General, David served as Director of Congressional Affairs at the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem between 2000 and 2004. In this capacity he advised the Foreign Minister's bureau and the Prime Minister's bureau on Congressional issues relating to Israel and coordinated Congressional visits to Israel.

David also served as Counsellor for Congressional Affairs at the Embassy of Israel in Washington D.C. (1995-2000), Director of the Israeli Foreign Ministry's diplomatic training program (1993-1995) and Consul at the Israeli Consulate in Atlanta, GA (1989-1993).

A Sabra (native Israeli), Consul General Akov served in the Israel Defense Forces following high school, going on to earn a B.A. in Middle East History and an M.A. in Political Science and Political Thought, both from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He is married to Tamar, a graphic and industrial designer, and they have three children - Shira, Ido and Eliyah.



Brotherhood Notes

Welcome to 2006!

A happy, healthy and prosperous 2006 to all! Much has happened since my last column two months ago. I hope you've had the opportunity to share in and enjoy some of the events and happenings that Brotherhood brought you.

Have you entered the main sanctuary recently? Through a generous donation to the Temple by Porcelanosa (arranged for by Jonathan Hirshon), the Temple received porcelain tile that was recently installed in the Sanctuary foyer. Brotherhood sponsored the installation as well as the rest of the 'spiffing up'. If you haven't been through yet, please attend a Friday night service and see for yourself how bright and cheery it now looks.

Thanks to Bruce Frederick for coordinating the many different trades people responsible for the work. Also, thanks to Barry Cohen who provided the truck and helper (Junior) who made the move so much easier. Many thanks to Brotherhood members Paul Gendler, Bob Hansen, Joel Osias, and Nathan Frederick for the serious schlepping to get the tile moved out of storage and to the Temple.

Our next *Havdallah, Dinner & A Movie* will be Saturday, February 11 at 6:00 p.m. Check your eVite for more information. RSVP to brotherhood@templesanjose.org or Paul Gendler at 281-1020, and let us know if you are bringing children. RSVPs are required so we can plan for enough food.

Diaspora Dinner VII: The Jews of New Orleans was a culinary and financial success. In addition to Jonathan Hirshon's very informative history presentation and Enrique Guadamos' well-orchestrated dinner, we raised \$1,000 that was sent to the URJ Hurricane Relief Fund to help our sister congregations in The Big Easy. Many thanks to everyone else who helped out by cooking, serving and cleaning up, making this a rousing success. Mark your calendars now for Saturday, March 11, our next in this series of educational and scrumptious dinners: *The Jews of France*. We will, once again, offer a multi-course dinner and presentation for \$40 with a option for supplemental French wines for an additional \$18. Send your check early, as seating will be limited to the first 80 diners.

Our annual **Blood Drive** was a success. The Stanford Blood Bank collected many units of life-saving blood. Thanks to all those who helped with breakfast and served refreshments to the donors. A final count of the number of units collected will be published in my next column.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, February 12 at 9:00 a.m. Immediately following this brief meeting, we will reconvene for our annual **Mitzvah Day** activities. We will fingerprint your children (for your records only) and, if the Yom HaShoah candles are in, we will be stuffing them into boxes.

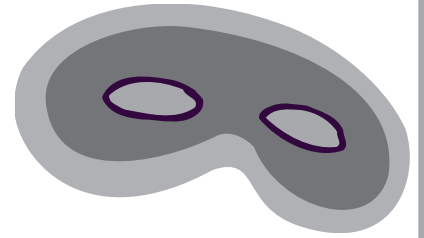
Membership checks continue to dribble in. We are almost at last year's numbers. It is not too late to send in your check (or pay on-line) and help us meet our goals. Our membership year runs from July through June. We start collecting dues in August and then notify our national sponsor, National Association of Temple Brotherhood (NATB), so you can receive their mailings and the Achim magazine. That is why it is important to send your dues in early.

Jeff Marsh

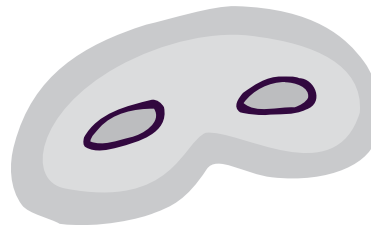
brotherhood@templesanjose.org - (my preferred means of communication), or 408-270-2384 (when I'm not attending a meeting). Electronic membership signup: http://www.temple-sanjose.org/groups/brotherhood_membership.htm

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Seeks items and gift certificates for restaurants, services and other exciting items.



Do you have a business that you regularly patronize? They might be willing to give you something in exchange for the publicity.



We will thank and promote in *Connections* and at the event.

Deadline for donations: February 28.
Questions? Call Paula in the school office, 292-3223.

Annie Rubenstein

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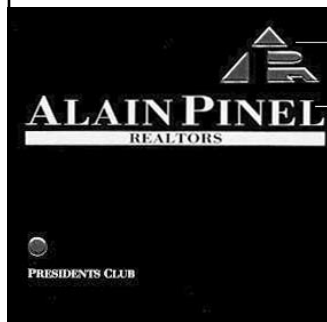
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Women of Temple Emanu-El

Feb 15 deadline for Passover candy orders

February 5, 12:30 pm – LUNCH BUNCH at Temple
Join school families for lunch, then stay for Identity Theft program. \$2.50 donation for lunch
1:00 pm – IDENTITY THEFT: An Ongoing Problem
Presentations by San Jose Police Department and US Postal Service. No charge. RSVP to Bernice Gaon 269-0131

WOTE MEETING

February 13
6:00pm potluck dinner followed by meeting – everyone welcome. RSVP to Harriet Reisner 226-2842 or reisnerh@onemain.com

February 25 - 6:00pm at Temple
GAME NIGHT for adults & families of all ages.
A joint program with Brotherhood and Women of Temple Emanu-El
Bring your favorite board or card game.
We'll have an adult poker table! Donations to Temple.
Please bring a snack to share.
RSVP to Paul Gendler 281-1020 or doctorpg@gmail.com or Harriet Reisner 226-2842 reisnerh@onemain.com

April 9 - 1:30pm at Temple BOOK CLUB
"Companion Pieces" by H. Reese written by our own Helen Gendler and others. A novel about the lives of 6 women.
You can start reading now. Book is available in our gift shop or RSVP to Helen Gendler at 281-1020 or companionpress@juno.com
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DONOR LUNCHEON - Sunday, May 7

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ANNUAL DONOR LUNCHEON

The Women of Temple Emanu-El will be holding their annual Donor Luncheon on Sunday, May 7, 2006 in the lovely setting of the Toll House in Los Gatos. For the first time in years, this event will take place on a Sunday to accommodate those who previously were unable to attend due to work conflicts.

Join us for a fabulous day, filled with food, fun and friends. Activities will include a silent auction, raffle and entertainment. If you have never before attended the Luncheon, then you have truly missed out on a wonderful time. Bring your spouses and significant others, invite a friend! You're in for a fun, relaxing afternoon that you are sure to look forward to again each year.

Watch for further information in Connections, or contact Bunny Fisher at bunnysf@pacbell.net or Julie Gleaves at ja-gleaves@yahoo.com.

Book Club: "Companion Pieces" by H. Reese

(look at the relationship to the writers' names)

Have you ever wanted to write a book? Well, we (Rosa Feldman, Elaine Kahn, Edie Kulstein, Sandy Paller) and I really did. After over a decade of work, "Companion Pieces" by H. Reese is finally out. Now, we invite you to come hear our story at the upcoming WOTE Meet-the-Authors on Sunday, April 9 at 1:30 p.m. at the Temple.

We created a work of fiction that is set in the early days of Silicon Valley and takes place right here. We hope the diverse characters (of course, you won't recognize any of them because all our characters are fictitious) and that the great SCRABBLE™ story will hold your interest.

In anticipation of the book review event, you can purchase Companion Pieces at the WOTE Gift Shop for \$10.00 (15% donated back to WOTE for Temple projects) or by calling Helen at 281-1020 or emailing her at companionpress@juno.com. You will enjoy our presentation all the more if you have already read the book.

Remember, Sunday, April 9 at 1:30 p.m. at the Temple. Meet the authors and be inspired to begin your own writing project.

Helen Gendler
companionpress@juno.com



Wish List

- 150 place settings - forks, knives, teaspoons, soup spoons
- 6 matching serving piece sets
- serving spoons, slotted spoons, meat forks, serving spatulas

B'nai Mitzvah



Kevin Krandel will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, February 4, his actual birthday. He is a seventh grader at Fisher Middle School. He holds a black belt with Studio Kicks in Los Gatos. In addition, Kevin enjoys playing pool, reading, skiing, sailing and being with his friends. He likes to listen to a variety of music on his MP3 player. Kevin, his sister, Kelsi, and his parents,

Shari and Steve, invite the congregation to join them at the service on this very special day.



Marcus Hoffman, son of Jeff and Pam Hoffman, will be called to Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, February 25. Marcus is in the 7th grade at Redwood Middle School in Saratoga and is a sports enthusiast who wrestles, plays basketball and baseball. In his spare time, Marcus enjoys Xbox, AIM, his friends and a good laugh from "Whose Lines Is It Anyway?" Marcus lives in

Saratoga with his parents, big sisters Jenelle and Taryn, and dogs Keezar and Duke. For his mitzvah project, Marcus is collecting used eyeglasses that will be given to poor people in developing countries. In lieu of gifts, Marcus has asked friends and family to support Kids for Kids, an organization that helps Israeli children who have been victims of terrorism.



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Help Battered Women and Seniors:

Kevin Krandel is Collecting Cell Phones

As part of my preparation for my Bar Mitzvah, I am collecting old cell phones and/or chargers, with or without service, to donate to the Support Network for Battered Women. The phones will be refurbished and programmed to be able to call 911. These phones are then given to victims of crimes of domestic violence and the elderly. I chose this as my mitzvah project because of my love for gadgets and because my mother is involved with programs for abused and neglected children. Combining these two things into one project was ideal for me.

Please put each donated cell phone in a Ziploc bag with its battery and charger, if you have them, and drop off at the Temple or at our house (6225 Via Sarrono, San Jose 95125 - off Camden and Coleman). A labeled container will be located by the door to the Sanctuary and also at the Religious School office. If you need them to be picked up or have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me at shari.krandel@sbcglobal.net or call 408-997-3791.

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Kevin Krandel

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Open House for all prospective preschool families

Tuesday, February 7. 5:00-
7:00 p.m.

Spaces for fall 2006 are
already filling up.

If you are considering
preschool for the summer or
fall of 2006,
we encourage you to attend.



Preschool Notes

February is going to be a great month in the Preschool. The children will begin the month learning about groundhogs and shadows and roll right into friendship, Presidents and Tu B'Shevat. The preschool will be filled with trees of all shapes and sizes made from tissue paper, construction paper, real leaves and more.

February will also be the time of our annual Open House. It will take place on Tuesday, February 7 from 5-7:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for prospective students to see our school, meet the staff and enjoy some kid-friendly activities. It is also a great night for current families to enjoy the time together in the school.

I would like to give a belated thank you to the wonderful Preschool Committee for the outstanding job they did in running our Chanukah Potluck Dinner, Raffle and Silent Auction. The event was a huge success with over 120 people attending. The children had a great time eating dinner with their friends, singing songs with Miss Chaia (our music teacher), and getting caught up in the excitement of the raffle. We raised over \$3,000 and had a wonderful time. Thank you to all of the families who participated and special thanks to the Preschool Committee: chair Mimi Weinberg, Denise Gordon, Kim Jackman, Farrell Podgorsek, and Jenny Shain.

Spaces are filling up fast for Fall 2006. If you are considering our preschool for your child, come to our Open House on February 7 and become part of our family.

Barbara Smead
Preschool Director



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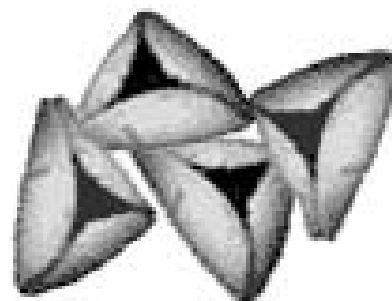
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Welcome to new members

Stephen and Whitney Cypes
Hilary Schneider and James Heerwagen, Zachary,
Adam and Ethan Heerwagen

Anti-Defamation League Speaker at Temple Emanu-El

Sunday, March 5, 1:00 p.m., we will host the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) Associate Region Director for Education Nina Grotch, who will talk with us about "How to Talk With Your Children About Prejudice." With Brotherhood and WOTE providing members a free light lunch, free babysitting, and lunch and a movie for older children, this is a not-to-be-missed event for anyone at any age. Non-members will be asked for a \$5 contribution for the program. Whether the parent of young children or the grandparent of little or big children, this topic should be of interest and importance to everyone.

We do request and need rsvp's to the office (292-0939) so we know how much food to prepare and how many childcare providers to schedule.

We encourage everyone to attend this presentation.

Safety Alert!

We have received several complaints about the drop-off and pick-up situation in front of the temple on University Avenue. Please remember:

- o The curb in front of the synagogue on University Avenue is only for passenger loading on Sundays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- o Do not double park on University Avenue.
- o Do park across the street or around the corner and walk to drop-off or pick-up your child(ren) - especially your little ones.
- o Children may not walk across University Avenue except at the corner.
- o All drivers must proceed with caution and at safe speeds in this area. Children are walking and we do not want to risk their safety.

Please remember that Temple Emanu-El is in a residential neighborhood. We need to be respectful of our neighbors, in general, and especially of those with young children themselves.

Thank you for heeding this request.

HEBREW CORNER

Our first year Aleph Hebrew students have been busy learning the Aleph-Bet through the use of games, short reading activities, and their favorite hands-on activity: designing letters from clay. After the December break, students returned to Temple excited and ready to learn the last few letters of the Hebrew alphabet. On January 29th the class celebrated completing the Aleph-Bet with a special siddur (prayerbook) ceremony. Each student received his/her own copy of the *Children's Gates of Prayer*. Students are currently working on lines from the *V'ahavta* prayer, using their own siddurim.

Mazel Tov to our Aleph class and their teachers, Maggie Newman and Paula Marsh.

The word *siddur* comes from the Hebrew root, Samech-Dalet-Resh, which means order. The *siddur* sets forth certain Hebrew prayers in a very specific order. Other words that share the same root include Passover *seder*, a ritual performed in a specified order, and the word *sidra*, which is the weekly Torah reading, also called a *parasha*.

L'Shalom,
Joelle Wolf, Hebrew School Coordinator



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XYZ / 49ers to Host Cantor David Unterman

On February 12 at 1:30 p.m., Cantor David Unterman will speak to the XYZ and 49ers clubs. Cantor Unterman has been teaching in the Temple's Adult Education program for a number of years. Prior to that he served as the Cantor at Congregation Beth Am in Los Altos Hills and Congregation Beth David in Saratoga. Cantor Unterman is an accomplished singer who performed in many opera performances in New York City and other venues. We are honored to host him and encourage everyone to attend this event which is sure to be interesting.

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Sunday, February 12
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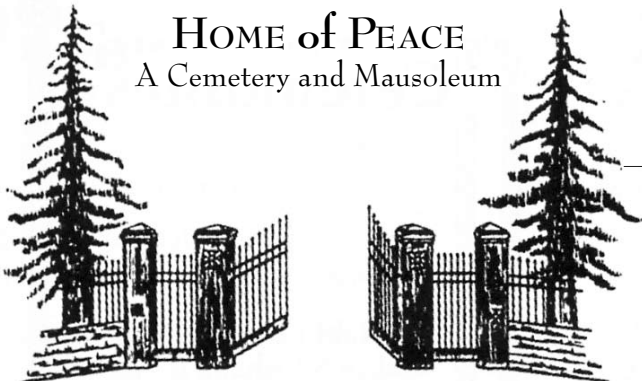
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12 Mitzvah Day/Erev Tu B'Shevat 9:00 AM Brotherhood Meeting 9:00 AM Hebrew 10:15 AM Mitzvah Day Assembly (Sanc) 1:30 PM 49ers & XYZ present Cantor Unterman 5:00 PM Adult Tu B'Shevat Seder	13 10 AM Israeli Dancing resumes 6:00 PM WOTE Potluck/ Meeting	14	15 4:00 PM Hebrew 6:00 PM TJS	16	17 6:30 PM Tot Shabbat 8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service: Israel Consul General	18 9 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan	
19 NO Hebrew or Judaic Studies NO Adult Ed classes	20 <i>Presidents Day</i> Temple offices/Preschool closed	21 7:30 PM Intro to Judaism 6:30 PM Hamentaschen Baking with WOTE	22 12:00 PM Lunch & Learn Torah Study	23	24 6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service	25 9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan 10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Marcus Hoffman 6:00 PM WOTE/Brotherhood Game Night	
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December 9: friends and family of Jacob Schwartz, in honor of his Bar Mitzvah
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