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# Congregation B'nai Israel Newsletter

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IS TO SERVE THE SPIRITUAL, CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL & SOCIAL NEEDS OF OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY

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September, 2011



Elul 5771 - Tishrei 5772

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## Reflections

By Rabbi David White

### What Is So Special About Community?

As we move, during the month of September, through Elul, the Hebrew month that introduces the Days of Awe, the focus is on changing direction, defragmenting, re-tooling, re-balancing, reorientation... turning from what is bad to see and do good.

The letters of Elul introduce four words: "Ani L'dodi V'dodi Li", from Song of Songs, "I am my Beloved's and my Beloved is mine", considered to be an allusion to the love of a person for God, expressed in how we cherish people in our lives. The focus on turning is one of appreciation that we/you are not alone. In fullness of imagination and trust, having God in your life translates as seeing that Presence in people, time and circumstances that are part of your life. The intent of Elul is to move us from "I" to "We", from each being on her/his own to sharing life's journey with others and knowing that is our purpose.

While it is common to think of Jewish ritual as symbolic, the agenda of the Days of Awe, to which Elul points, is to reorient from individuality to communal consciousness and commitment. While doing so seems like a nice idea, in these times, doing so is a strategy for minimizing stress and maximizing hope when so much around us seems to be going wrong.

In a time when economic problems infect the whole world, and political stability for many regions and nations is in doubt, even as Israel ponders the impact of changes in the neighborhood on its security, individually we are overloaded with concerns and worries as global and regional matters threaten our own personal/family stability, in matters of health, safety, making ends meet and so much more.

Now, more than we notice in relatively comfortable times, we need each other; we need people in our lives who share values of caring and accepting responsibility to be of support to one another. Coming together as community allows us not only to share important milestones; it also, in the setting of the Days of Awe, as well as weekly Shabbat, and all our holidays, moves us to reexamine values inherent in community that can reduce stress for any one of us...that we realize we are not alone...that someone understands and cares what any one of us is going through, unique to each family's / person's situation, yet sharing common concerns, needs, fears and overwhelm.

While we cannot know how life will unfold in the coming year, whether conditions improve or worsen,

coming together as community is more than comforting; it is an important strategic act, that we create, generate and maintain an infrastructure that assures no one of us, or our families are left alone.

At CBI we are fortunate to have each other. Much of the time it is a sense of home from a perspective of religious identification. If conditions remain fraught with fears from a variety of different if related fronts, then this community we share will become one of the most important resources we have to assure each other that no matter how problematic things get, we can be thankful we have each other and remain conscious to be good community members and seek ways to help us all to feel strengths and blessings that left to ourselves would be difficult to notice and access.

I look forward to our times together. May our journey through the Days of Awe tap into our 3000 year old tradition of values that enable us to transcend difficult times and change our lives for the better.



### Join Beth Sholom in Napa to Set the Mood of the Days of Awe

Our friends at Beth Sholom in Napa have invited you to join them for the spiritual welcome to the Days of Awe, Slichot, reflections on human frailties and changes we need to consider to prepare for a good and healthy 5772. Saturday, September 24 at 8:30 pm folks will gather for a social half hour followed at 9:00 pm by the Slichot service and reflection led by Rabbi Stuart Kelman. The address is 1455 Elm Street. For more information you can contact Jonnie at CBS at 707-253-7305.



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## Monthly Schedule of Services

*Please be sure to attend – we're looking forward to seeing you there!*

- Friday, Sept. 2.....Services at 8:00 pm  
Led by Rabbi White
- Saturday, Sept. 3 .....Services at 10:00 am  
Led by Rabbi White
- Friday, Sept. 9.....Shabbat Seder 7:00 pm  
Led by Congregants
- Friday, Sept. 16 .....Services at 8:00 pm  
Led by Rabbi White
- Saturday, Sept. 17 .....Services at 10:00 am  
Led by Rabbi White
- Friday, Sept. 23 .....Services at 8:00 pm  
Led by Congregants
- Wednesday, Sept. 28 ... Erev Rosh Hashanah  
Services at 8:00 pm  
Led by Rabbi White
- Thursday, Sept. 29 .....Rosh Hashanah - 1<sup>st</sup> Day  
Services at 9:30 am  
Led by Rabbi White
- Friday, Sept. 30 .....Rosh Hashanah - 2<sup>nd</sup> Day  
Services at 9:30 am  
Led by Rabbi White  
Evening Services at 8:00 pm  
Led by Congregants



### Oneg & Kiddush Sponsors for September

- Friday, Sept. 2.....Oneg sponsored by attendees
- Saturday, Sept. 3 .....Kiddush sponsored attendees
- Friday, Sept. 9.....Shabbat Seder sponsored by  
The Shabbat Seder Committee;  
side dishes sponsored by attendees
- Friday, Sept. 16 .....Oneg sponsored by attendees
- Saturday, Sept. 17 .....Kiddush sponsored attendees
- Friday, Sept. 23 .....Oneg sponsored by attendees
- Wed., Sept. 28.....Apples, Honey & Champagne  
Reception sponsored by the Board of Directors
- Friday, Sept. 30 .....Oneg sponsored attendees



### Israeli Dance Class

TUESDAYS at 6:30 P.M.

We must have 10 people sign up in order to have classes. Please contact Fahni Pierce at (707) 552-0402.



### Cemetery Plots

The cost of a cemetery plot is \$2,500 for members and \$3,000 for non-members. Contact the Synagogue office at 707-642-6526 or Jan Leventhal at 747-1810 for more information.



## President's Message

[www.bnaisrael.com](http://www.bnaisrael.com)

Have you seen our new Website? Many thanks to our Webmasters, Katya and Ignat Mayzeles. They have mounted a new, updated Website and I suggest all our members visit the site.

In recent months we have had several first-time attendees at our Shabbat Services. When I ask these visitors how they found B'nai Israel, all have given the same response - "I found you online".

These folks were looking for a synagogue. Some are new to the area, some were visiting the area and others had a need to attend a Shabbat Service. Each of them found our website and attended a service. This is why our Website is so important.

I am asking you, each of our members, to help make this Site even better. Katya and Ignat manage the Website, but it is up to us, the congregants of B'nai Israel, to provide content at [imemands@yahoo.com](mailto:imemands@yahoo.com).

When visitors come to our website, I want them to see what a vibrant, alive, warm and welcoming community we have here at Congregation B'nai Israel. Photos, articles, essays, events that reflect what we are doing to keep the Jewish Community alive in Solano County. Also, for those of you who want to get more involved, I recommend joining the Website Committee. If you are interested in joining, contact the Mayzeles' or myself.

Since this is the number one way those who are interested find us, let us all work together to make [www.bnaisrael.com](http://www.bnaisrael.com) a true reflection of our Congregation.

Fred Zola

[fredzola@earthlink.net](mailto:fredzola@earthlink.net)



### Write On For Israel

#### Explore Israel with a Camera! Produce a Documentary! Share Your Perspective!

Write On For Israel is looking for passionate and articulate high school sophomores and juniors. Explore the Israeli-Arab conflict and uncover the facts behind the myths. Develop critical thinking skills, build a journalistic portfolio, and become a well-informed opinion leader - before you go to college. The Write On fellowship includes fun weekend retreats and pre-trip workshops with 25 motivated teens like you, an all-expense included fact-finding journey to Israel in June 2012 and culminates in film festival of your Israel video. Applicants from all religious and social backgrounds— and political orientations — are encouraged to apply at [www.bluestar.us.com](http://www.bluestar.us.com). The final deadline for all applicants is October 2, 2011. Program cost is \$995. Gift of Israel savings can be applied to the cost. Financial aid is available. Here is more about the program:

<http://www.bluestarpr.com/write-on-for-israel/san-francisco-2010.html>



## September Birthdays



Lindsay Gallardo.....	1
Diane Silver.....	1
Fred Zola.....	1
Heather Campbell.....	2
Beryl Cohen.....	2
Peter DiPasqua.....	4
Katie Policar.....	4
Mark Sessoms.....	4
David White.....	7
Paul Mayzeles.....	8
Ben Zaks.....	8
Elizabeth Williges.....	9
Bill Williges.....	10
Linda Miller.....	12
Rachel Joseph.....	13
Patrice Whitfield.....	13
Jessica Pechner.....	15
Meyer Dorfman.....	16
Syd Nazarenko.....	19
Seymour Falk.....	20
Sharon Petrellese.....	20
Judith Rosenberg.....	20
Nelma Sessoms.....	21
Kai Matthiasson.....	25
Toby Williges.....	29
Glenn Bond.....	30
Albert Mayzeles.....	30

## ♥ September Anniversaries ♥

Doug & Linda Cort.....	1
Robin Gross & Ken Mullen.....	9



## SEPTEMBER DONATIONS & TRIBUTES

In Honor of the Marriage of their son, Ryan to  
Alejandra de la Torre on July 12<sup>th</sup>

From Lois & Paul Pierce

Thank You to Rabbi David White for hosting the 6th  
grade students' field trip

From St Vincent Ferrer School, Vallejo

Donation

From Larry & Susan Grossman

Happy Birthday Greetings to Molly Leavitt

From Mimi Farone & Bonnie Rogers

Donation of Liquor and Wine

From Lois & Paul Pierce

From Ivan & Wendy Schuplinsky



## Ways/Means Committee

If anyone ever asks you what Judaism and Baseball have in common, just query one of the 60 people who recently attended our "Talkin' Baseball and Judaism" fundraiser. What a ball we had! The event was conceived by Rabbi David and Mike Pechner and then finalized/planned and carried out by our committee. It was a spectacular way to begin our fundraising fiscal year and we raised SO much more than we had anticipated. Marty Lurie from KNBR 680 radio was well received and imparted baseball wisdom while answering questions. The event was spiritual and comical at the same time! Rabbi White spoke of the parallels between baseball and Judaism - think of the numbers. The evening was entertaining and we heard some poignant childhood stories and memories of baseball experiences. We saw new and old faces; the audience commentary was an additional bonus! Congratulations to all who helped make this such a successful evening: to Seymour Falk for his literary donation, David Salter for once again doing a great job, Matt Mercado for firing up the grill and Melodia Drexler, who's helping hands are always there to help. Our Committee continues to amaze me: Pearl, Helen, Fern, Wendy, Jennifer, Renee and Dan - what we did was priceless! A definite repeat next year!

Other fundraising news I'd like to share is that our collaboration with other Jewish communities is beginning. The recent Josh Kornbluth's "Andy Warhol: Good for the Jews?" was a start. Our President, Fred Zola attended, as well as several other CBI congregants. Next on the agenda is our Fourth Annual TLC Concert on Sunday, September 11th from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. Doug Cort, along with Saul Kaye, Steve Siacotos and Dan Zemelman promise to rock the house. These musicians bring emotion, musicality and soul. We dance, sing along and hear Judaism with rhythm. Hors d'oeuvres will be served starting promptly at 5:00 pm; this year we are fortunate to have a culinary instructor who will be preparing some of the delicacies. The music will start at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and benefit the Tikkun Loving Care Fund, as well as CBI.

So come and support us! Additionally, your participation on our Committee is always welcome. I can be contacted at either 707-425-5866 or glamkins@gmail.com. See everyone at the show!

Shalom,

Gail Lamkins

glamkins@gmail.com



*Remember a loved one with a donation "in honorarium" or "in memoriam" to the Congregation or Sisterhood. The minimum donation is \$5.00 and acknowledgments are sent to the recipient and the donor. Please call Helene Falk at 707-425-2211 for further details.*





## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NOTES

Hello all and welcome back to the new school year! Sunday classes start September 11th and are from 10:00 am - noon. There will be a short parent meeting that day from 10:15am - 10:45am; I cannot go on longer since I am teaching the youngest kids.

If you haven't signed up for school, please let me know immediately if your child is coming - you can turn in the forms on the 11th.

Please remember that if you buy a bagel, not only are you having a delicious brunch, you are supporting the school. You can bring some home or to friends in to-go boxes too!

Hebrew school will begin September 13th and be weekly from 4:00 - 6:00 pm.

Melissa Edwards  
Principal



### High Holidays Children's' Program

We will again have a High Holiday program for young children, ages 3 - 9 or so. It will be from 10:00 am - noon on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, September 29th and on Yom Kippur, Saturday October 8th. We will have activities and stories related to the holidays and snacks will be provided for your kids. It is a great opportunity for parents to have some quiet, reflective time in the sanctuary. Please let me know by Sunday, September 25th if you would like your child(ren) to participate in one or both sessions so that I will have enough supplies. It is not a drop-off program - I must have them signed up in advance.

Please mark your calendar - the Religious school parents are sponsoring the Shabbat Seder on October 14th. We will discuss what we will each need to bring at the Parent Meeting. I look forward to not only being the principal this year, but also teaching your kids!!

B'shalom,  
Melissa Edwards



### SISTERHOOD NEWS

Sisterhood is an auxiliary organization to the synagogue dedicated to the support of the synagogue, especially financially. The women of Sisterhood donate everything earned to the synagogue's needs. The Sisterhood gift shop is open every Sunday that Sunday School meets and can be opened by prearrangement at other times by contacting Donna Plantz or Joyce Georgetti. The next quarterly meeting of Sisterhood is on September 11, 2011 at 10:45 am in the Social Hall. We're looking forward to seeing all of you!



### ADMINISTRATOR'S HOURS

Sundays, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Tuesdays, 4:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Thursdays, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Sue Barush

## SEPTEMBER YARTZEITEN

### September 1 - 15, 2011

5 Elul.....	Carmen Meiselman
7 Elul.....	Woolf Jacobs
7 Elul.....	Jacob Kipnis
7 Elul.....	Ida Tenenbaum
8 Elul.....	Florence Zinn
8 Elul.....	Pearl Schrednitz
8 Elul.....	Estelle Black
9 Elul.....	Leah Symonds
10 Elul.....	Robert Kemmerer
11 Elul.....	Leah Schmall
11 Elul.....	David Shapiro
14 Elul.....	Ruth Honigman
15 Elul.....	Kate Monetta
15 Elul.....	Theodore Skootsky
16 Elul.....	Ida Edelman

### September 16 - 30, 2011

19 Elul.....	Albert Aboaf
22 Elul.....	Roberta Epstein
22 Elul.....	Samuel Greenblatt
23 Elul.....	Maurice Rubin
24 Elul.....	Morris Belotz
25 Elul.....	David Simon
25 Elul.....	Morris Levine
26 Elul.....	Saul Seegman
26 Elul.....	Rachel Steinberg
27 Elul.....	Anna Kahn
27 Elul.....	Mollie Hirsch
28 Elul.....	Rita Drescher
28 Elul.....	Bernard Feinberg
29 Elul.....	Frieda Marks
1 Tishrei.....	Julius Rosenthal
1 Tishrei.....	Morris Yossem
1 Tishrei.....	Menashe Shpilberg
1 Tishrei.....	Doba Shpilberg



DO YOU LIKE TO ONEG?

DO YOU LIKE TO KIDDUSH?

With about 95 member families and 52 weeks in a year, we should be able to have Oneg or Kiddush sponsors each week.

Please sign up for a special occasion or just 'cuz. Special occasions might be an anniversary, a birthday, a yahrzeit, or whatever you like.

Invite friends and family to services! Join your community and friends in breaking bread and drinking wine. Bread and wine are provided.

As the Oneg or Kiddush sponsor you just bring a few treats - such as cookies, coffee cake, vegetables, fruit, nuts, or whatever creative snacks you wish to share - set them up prior to services, and that's it.

After the wine and bread, everyone shares in your treat. Tea and coffee are provided.

Please contact Susan Cohen Grossman for your Oneg or Kiddush date now in the "new" year! Todah!

Susan 707 319-1053 [susancg@pacbell.net](mailto:susancg@pacbell.net)

# High Holy Days

2011 – 5772

Congregation B'nai Israel

1256 Nebraska Street

Vallejo, California

## Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2011

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Apples, Honey &

Champagne Reception 7:00 pm

Services 8:00 pm with Rabbi White

Thursday, Sept. 29, 2011

Rosh Hashanah - 1<sup>st</sup> day

Services 9:30 am with Rabbi White

\*Children's program 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Friday, Sept. 30, 2011

Rosh Hashanah - 2<sup>nd</sup> day

Services 9:30 am with Rabbi White

## Yom Kippur

Friday, Oct. 7, 2011

Kol Nidre Services

6:30 pm

with Rabbi White

Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011

Yom Kippur

Services 9:30 am with Rabbi White

\*Children's Program 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Yizkor 4:00 pm

Mincha and Ne'ilah 4:15 pm

Potluck Break - the - Fast meal at approximately  
7:15 pm. Please bring a dairy or pareve dish to share.

\*Children's Program - please call B'nai Israel office (707-642-6526) for more information and reservations.

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE FOR ALL HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICES IS REQUESTED

Tickets: Member - No Fee Non-Member - \$300

For more information, please call CBI (707) 642-6526.

## Adult Education with Rabbi White Resumes on September 18

On Sunday September 18, 10:45 am until noon, Rabbi White begins this season of adult studies with reflection and conversation generated by the closing prayer of the Daily Amidah...the Daily Journey of Partnership with the Creator: Elohai Netzor, a look at ego modification in dealing effectively with conflict and challenging interactions. This is a follow-up close to the study of the Daily Journey from last year.

Then, Sunday, October 16, 10:45 am until noon and continuing monthly on Sundays and, new this year, monthly on Tuesdays, from 5:30 to 6:45 pm, Rabbi White will launch a Course in Words that spell core Jewish Values in Hebrew. The Tuesday segment of this program will launch on October 18. The dates for November are Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup>.

Keep tuned to the CBI bulletin each month for a list of dates for this new program that will invite group participation and conversation in exploring Jewish values and strategies embedded in the Hebrew language. Each session is self-contained and designed for people of all backgrounds and knowledge levels.



### Jewish Genealogy Group

Are you curious about your heritage? Do you want to discover how your grandparents arrived in America or where and when they were married? If you are interested in creating your family tree, join our group. We give each other ideas and share resources to further our family search. We will meet the first Sunday of every month (check the calendar for the time) usually from 10:30 -12:30 in the CBI Library. The café at CBI is open during this time so get yourself a bagel with, or without all the trimmings (help support our Sunday School), and meet us in the library! Occasionally we will arrange "field trips" to the LDS center in Oakland or to the National Archives in San Bruno.

For more information contact:

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Roy Barush: [roynsue@yahoo.com](mailto:roynsue@yahoo.com)

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## CRUISE THE DELTA WITH US ABOARD A HORNBLOWER SHIP

Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sailing from Old Sacramento (L Street Dock)

Boarding : 6:45 pm

Sailing: 7:00 pm

Returning: 9:30 pm

\$85.00 per person

Includes dinner, entertainment and dancing

For reservations:

CBI office (707) 642-6526

Email [cbioffice1@yahoo.com](mailto:cbioffice1@yahoo.com)

or Gail Lamkins (707) 425-5866

Email [glamkins@gmail.com](mailto:glamkins@gmail.com)



### TLC FUND

The TLC Fund is now accepting applications from CBI members. The TLC (or Tikkun Loving Care) Fund is a product of the proceeds from an annual concert held at CBI during late summer. It is for the use of members who need financial help in paying medical expenses. If you have medical expenses that are taxing your ability to pay, let us help. All you need to do is write a letter to Rabbi White explaining the costs and barriers to paying them and we will do the rest. This is just another way to let you know that our congregation cares about you, spiritually and physically.

An application for TLC funding should include:

1. Name
2. Need (e.g. medical co-payment for procedure or co-payment for medication)
3. Contact information: Just give it to the Rabbi or Fred Zola and TLC will take it from there.

L'Chaim,  
Doug Cort



### MIDRASHA IN BERKELEY

Have you turned in your Midrasha registration yet? Don't miss out on the classes of your choice because you've put it off. Midrasha, our program for 8-12th graders begins on September 11<sup>th</sup>. If you did not receive (or have misplaced) registration materials, they can be downloaded from <http://www.midrasha.org/>. There is a late fee on registrations received after August 31 so send yours in today.

Any questions, call Diane or Desmid in the Midrasha office, (510) 843-4667.





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***Don't forget to get your (typed) items in!!***  
*This includes flyers – please forward to the editor!*

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# בני ישראל

SEPTEMBER 2011

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				1 Finance Committee 7:00 pm	2 Services 8:00 pm Rabbi White	3 Services 10:00 am Rabbi White
4	5 Labor Day	6	7	8	9 Shabbat Seder 7:00 pm	10
11 1st Day of Sunday School 10:00 -12:00 Parent Mtg 10:15 am Sisterhood 10:30 am TLC Concert 6:00 pm	12 Board Meeting 7:00 pm	13 1st Day of Hebrew School 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm	14	15	16 Services 8:00 pm Rabbi White	17 Services 10:00 am Rabbi White
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25 Sunday School 10:00 -12:00 Dr. Michael Harris 11:00 am	26	27 Hebrew School 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm	28 Erev Rosh Hashanah Apples, Honey & Champagne Reception 7:00 pm Services 8:00 pm	29 Rosh Hashanah Services 9:30 am Children's Program 10:00 - 12:00	30 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Services 9:30 am Shabbat Services 8:00 pm	

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# Book of Remembrance

Once again we are printing the Book of Remembrance for the High Holy Days. If you wish to remember family members and friends please let us know by completing the information below so we may include them in the book. Also, please help us by adding, deleting, or correcting the spelling of names from last year's book. Thank you.

Send information and checks to:

John Campbell  
135 Brandon Place  
Benicia, CA 94510

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested donation is \$18.00.

DONATION AMOUNT: \$

Names and money must be in by September 30, 2011 for the printer's deadline.

\_\_\_\_\_ My check, payable to Congregation B'nai Israel, in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Bill me after the High Holy Days. (I understand that full payment is due upon receipt of the first bill.)

Please indicate below those you wish to be remembered:

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Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

**\*\*\*JOIN US FRIDAY EVENING\*\*\***

**September 9th, at 7:00<sup>PM</sup>  
For a Shabbat Seder**

**A Pot Luck Dinner**

**To Start Off The Year**

**Please Bring Your Favorite Dairy  
Casserole or Side Dish to Share**

**Please RSVP to Sue at  
the Shul Office 707-642-6526**

**Or**

**Wendy at [Schuplinsky@comcast.net](mailto:Schuplinsky@comcast.net)  
or phone at 707-745-3404**

**Or**

**Fern Bernstein at  
[fernbernstein@gmail.com](mailto:fernbernstein@gmail.com)  
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# FOURTH ANNUAL TLC CONCERT

Featuring: Doug Cort, Saul Kaye,  
Steve Siacotos, and Dan Zemelman



## THE GUYS ARE BACK!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011

Congregation B'nai Israel  
1256 Nebraska St., Vallejo

- \*Saul Kaye is an international touring artist, whose acoustic guitar and delta-style vocals have delighted world-wide audiences.
- \*Doug Cort is a local favorite known for the emotional warmth of his vocal interpretations and story-telling.
- \*Dan Zemelman is a jazz pianist who has traveled the world as a Kennedy Center Jazz Ambassador, headlined at Yoshi's Jazz Club in San Francisco, and played as a studio musician for John Lee Hooker, Jr.
- \*Steve Siacotos is a seasoned bluesman, who has shared the stage with performers Keb Mo, Clarence Carter and Joe Louis Walker.

Saul, Steve, Dan, and Doug have played their marvelous blend of music at our past concerts, to rave reviews!

Hors d'oeuvres + served at 5 p.m.      Great Music starts at 6 p.m.

**Admission: \$25.00**

Your tax-deductible donation will benefit Congregation B'nai Israel's TLC (Tikkun Loving Care) Fund. This Fund helps folks with their medical bills.  
(Tax ID#94-2719010)

Please make checks out to "Congregation B'nai Israel" and mail to  
P.O.Box 3066, Vallejo, CA 94590. For reservations: Tel. 707 642-6526  
email: [cbioffice1@yahoo.com](mailto:cbioffice1@yahoo.com)



# Unity Day



11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 18  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Park,  
behind the  
JFK Library  
near the  
Vallejo waterfront

Cultural  
stage  
featuring  
entertainment  
from the  
ethnicities  
represented  
in Vallejo and  
Solano County

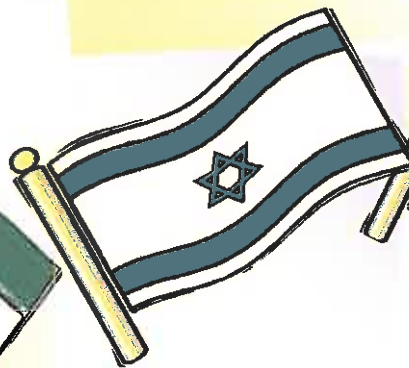
Millennium  
stage  
featuring  
contemporary  
local  
entertainment



Jump  
houses

International food court  
Dozens of artists and  
other vendors

Balloon  
artists



CBI & Hadassah seek ethnic Jewish acts willing to (practically ) donate their talent for this event  
Call Rachel Lessem at (707) 426-4384 or Rachel Zrihen at (707) 554-6712

# Congregation Beth Shalom/Lifelong Learning

## Jewish Documentary Film Series

*Presents*

### *A Cantor's Tale*

*The tradition of Eastern European Jewish cantorial music is alive and well in modern America in no small part thanks to the efforts of Brooklyn-born Cantor Jacob Mendelson.*

*"Jackie," as he is affectionately called, explores the American roots of "hazzanut" (Jewish liturgical music) while taking us on a musical voyage that spans the Atlantic, originating in his birthplace of Boro Park, Brooklyn and reaching all the way to Jerusalem. There's music in the air, everywhere. The experience of hearing the world's most renowned cantors in the synagogue was part of a lifestyle that provided American Jewry with a rich cultural heirloom. This feature-length documentary provides a nostalgic journey through family, neighborhood, and tradition. It also treats us to appearances by renowned cantors and aficionados. A Cantor's Tale is very much like "Levy's Real Jewish Rye", you don't have to be Jewish to love it!*

**Sunday, September 18**

**7pm - 8:30pm @ CBS**

**Admission:**

**1 can of soup for Food Bank**



**Now is the time for you to**  
***Sponsor a Seat***

To Honor or In Memory of a Loved One  
or to Celebrate a Life Cycle Event

1 seat	\$300
2 seats	\$575
3 seats	\$850
4 seats	\$1100
6 seats	\$1500

***Let's finish the job we started!***

Please mail completed form to:

Congregation B'nai Israel  
1256 Nebraska Street  
Vallejo, CA 94590

For information contact:  
Sue Barush at 642-6526  
or [cbioffice1@yahoo.com](mailto:cbioffice1@yahoo.com)

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of seats \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Inscription \_\_\_\_\_

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# Old Sacramento Dinner-Dance Cruise

**Saturday,  
October 22nd**

*Join us for an evening of cruising the magnificent waters of the Sacramento River, while enjoying a four-course dinner, scenic river views, and dancing to live musical entertainment.*

ABOARD THE  
"EMPRESS HORNBLOWER"

Sailing out of Old Sacramento L. Street Dock

1206 Front St., Sacramento

Boarding: 6:45 pm

Sailing: 7:00 pm

Returning : 10 :00 pm

**\$85.00 per person**

A fundraiser benefiting  
Congregation B'nai Israel

**Pre-Sale  
\$80.00 per person if  
received by October 12th.**

Reservations:  
CBI office at (707) 642-6526  
Or Gail at (707) 425-5866  
Email: [cbioffice1@yahoo.com](mailto:cbioffice1@yahoo.com)





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OUR MISSION IS TO CREATE AN INTERPROFESSIONAL STUDENT-RUN HEALTH CLINIC THAT IMPROVES ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF VALLEJO WHILE ENHANCING THE CLINICAL SKILLS OF OSTEOPATHIC, PHARMACY, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT AND PUBLIC HEALTH STUDENTS, AS WELL AS THE EDUCATIONAL SKILL OF THE EDUCATION STUDENTS.

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SAVE THE DATE

# HOMESWEETHADASSAH

## A COAST-TO-COAST CELEBRATION

Be part of history. Join hundreds of thousands of Hadassah Members, Associates and friends gathering together on the same day in homes across the country to toast Hadassah's Centennial. Watch for Home Sweet Hadassah to come to your community.



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