

Parashat Vayakhel

Purim Celebration



Bowling Party

High scores were Helene Sicherman and Larry Lisker





Dear Chevre,

Please join me for services this Shabbat, sedra VAYAKHEL.

It is also a special Shabbat, called Shabbat Parah, the Sabbath of the Red Heifer.

As usual, we will meet at the JCC and on Zoom, at 10 AM.

Sedra Vayakhel speaks of the building campaign of the Mishkan, the portable Sanctuary in the wilderness.

So successful was this campaign that Moshe actually was forced to tell the people to STOP GIVING!

ENOUGH, he said!

Halevai, this should happen nowadays.

In any event, the generosity of the people knew no bounds and the Kohanim were soon to be initiated into the Kehuna (the Priesthood).

Moreover, we are told that the construction of the Tabernacle, despite its great intrinsic holiness, could not be worked on in any way on the Sabbath, for Shabbat "trumped" even the Mishkan!



Candlelighting

Light Candles

Friday night 6:24 PM

Havdalah 7:17 PM



Pre-Passover Dinner

Sunday, April 6th

5 PM

Kitchen 18

Enjoy chametz before "matzah mania" begins. Full menu, separate checks.

RSVP - events@cstaz.org no later than April 1st.

Lehavdil, Shabbat Parah contains a special Prophetic reading which deals with Tumah and Tahara --Purity and Impurity.

The ashes of a Red Heifer were sprinkled over a person defiled by contact with a dead body, and after a certain period of time the infected person would become pure again, ritually pure, to enable said person to fully participate in the eating of the Korban Pesach - one of the rituals of preparing for Passover.

In contrast, the sprinkler of the ashes of the Red Heifer became impure, temporarily.

Even the wise King Solomon did not fully understand the rationale of this statute, called a CHOK, a law without explanation or obvious rationale.

Certainly, in our own time, we can become holy or unholy by our actions, thoughts, and deeds.

We have opportunities daily to do Mitzvot - good deeds - as well as other opportunities to do improper deeds, such as speaking Loshon Hore, etc.

May we always choose wisely and may we always choose LIFE!

Hazzan Savitz



Mark your calendars for these upcoming social events:

April 6 - Pre-Passover dinner

If you have missed any of the past socials, now is the time to join us! Look for emails, newsletter, and



SPOTLIGHT on our Secretary

Here are some interesting tidbits about our dear Francine:

- 1. Born in Culver City, CA**
- 2. Favorite food is rib eye steak**
- 3. Favorite place to visit is Palm Springs**
- 4. Francine and Hazzan have had 10 animals in their home**
- 5. Most people don't know that at age 5, Francine was the Flower Girl for the City of Hope Cancer Center in Duarte, CA**

We thank Francine for sharing about herself.



Adar Yahrzeits

- 1 Adar- Mary Alice Wagman**
- 4 Adar- Morris Berman**
- 5 Adar- Mayo Garnice**
- 6 Adar- Louis Lifshitz**

website info on the upcoming events.
Join the fun!!

If you have any social activities you
would like Shomrei Torah to do,
please send an email to
shomreitorah18@gmail.com.



Short on Mitzvot?

Need to increase your good deeds?

Come to services and be a part of the
minyan. Commit to once a month. Be
one of the 10 who make a difference.
Rack up the service attendance and
be a "minyan"aire!!



Please join us this week at the JCC
for Shabbat services.

Zoom links:

ID: 872 0958 2892

Passcode: 595657

6 Adar- Anne Braunstein
10 Adar- Charlotte Landay
17 Adar- Jacob Sandberg
20 Adar- Elisheva bat Meir
23 Adar- Rose Lifshitz
24 Adar- Rebecca Shapiro

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Joke of the Week

TEXTING FOR SENIORS

BFF - BEST FRIEND FELL
BTW - BRING THE WHEELCHAIR
TTYL - TALK TO YOU LOUDER
BYOT - BRING YOUR OWN TEETH
LMDO - LAUGHING MY DENTURES OUT
FWIW - FORGOT WHERE I WAS
IMHAO - IS MY HEARING AID ON?
OMMR - ON MY MASSAGE RECLINER
ROFLACGU - ROLLING ON THE FLOOR
LAUGHING AND CAN'T GET UP



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Here is a link to Hazzan Savitz's songs on Dropbox:

Savitz Songs

These selections encompass nearly a half-century of the Hazzan's career, including Cantorial masterpieces, Broadway showstoppers, Operatic and Neopolitan gems, Chassidic and Israeli folk and art songs, exciting Popular and rock and roll hits, hysterical parodies (many original), and Yiddish Theater favorites!

Hazzan Savitz has 14 new selections on his audiolink. These are all from his 1994 live concert, with astonishing vocal and ambient sound. You will feel right there, close up to the performers and orchestra,

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"Each one helps the other and says to his brother, 'Be strong!'" - Isaiah 41:6

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despite the huge crowd of 1,500 people! You have never heard the Cantor sound like this. This concert features opera, Broadway musical showstoppers from Phantom, Aspects of Love, and Joseph, as well as Chazzanut, jazz, comedy, and other great performers!

- Please also donate to families of [Victims of Terror here](#)

To find these new songs from the Cantor's 1994 concert, click on the second box. Please note, the first box in the regular audiolink is a compilation of many different songs and prayers from the Hazzan's repertoire covering 40 years.



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