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## Cantor's Notes

*Cantor Patti Turner*

This month, we begin the book of Sh'mot (Exodus), which in Hebrew means "names." It is called this because the first words are, "And these are the names...." It could be said that in this book begins the development of the Jewish people into a nation that is to be the light to all other nations in the world.

In this book, we also get introduced to Moshe, the man selected by Gd. to lead the Hebrews out of Egypt to begin becoming the Jewish people.

In this parasha, I am particularly drawn to chapter 3. Gd. introduces Himself to Moshe.

"And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush; and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. And Moshe said, 'I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt'. And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, Gd. called to him out of the midst of the bush, and said, 'Moshe, Moshe'. And he said, 'Hineini.' (Here I am.) And He said, 'Do not come any closer; take off your shoes from your feet, for the place on which you stand is holy ground.' (Sh'mot 3:2-5)

I am drawn to these verses because Gd. had to do something to catch Moshe's attention. What if Moshe hadn't seen the burning bush? What if he hadn't seen the sign? What if we are not paying attention to the signs that Gd. is sending us? What if we do not listen to the "small, clear voice" that is present in each one of us? What if we miss Gd.'s calling for our lives?

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## Prez's Menschen-ings

Here we are – the beginning of another New Year (secular of course). All of us at Ner Tamid wish all of you a happy, healthy, safe and prosperous New Year. We started/revived a tradition of getting together as a community at a local restaurant for a late lunch on New Year's Day. It was wonderful to sit down and break bread with friends and family.

Our new Torah will arrive just in time for our Torah Service on Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00AM as the Torah Study group completes the study of Bereshit (Genesis). Please join us to welcome the Torah to our Congregation on the most joyous occasion. A special dedication is planned for the Torah during the service. The Torah is about 95 years old, and has a very nice (read easy to read) type style.

January will be another busy month at Ner Tamid as we have a number of activities planned. As just mentioned, we are having a Torah Service on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will continue our program of having a periodic guest Rabbi on Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, with Rabbi Jordan Parr leading services. The next night, Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, will be a late afternoon Torah Study at 5:30PM followed by Bring Your Own Dinner (dairy) at 6:45 PM and Israeli Folk Dancing led by our own Shelley Allison at 7:30 PM. It has been a while since we have done folk dancing and all are invited, young and old(er), experienced and novices (many of us). There is a lot going on at Ner Tamid!

Please be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> which will be our Annual Second Night Seder. Can you believe that it is almost here!

There is one activity that we need everyone's (members  
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## Educational & Upcoming Events

- ☆ Torah Service, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ☆ Guest Rabbi Parr, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>
- ☆ Israeli Folk Dancing, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>

- ☆ Every Shabbat, 7:30 PM, Friday Night Services.
- ☆ Every Shabbat 10:00 AM, Shabbat Morning Service, 10:45 AM Torah Study.

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- Quotes



Share your interests and points of view with the rest of us that we all may grow.

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Congregation Ner Tamid's CARE COMMITTEE brings a "neighbor helping neighbor" approach to providing aid and support to congregants who need help during difficult times. We offer help with cooking because of illness or accidents; and provide assistance to families in mourning or with other special needs.

If you know of an individual, or family, in the C-N-T community who can use our assistance, or if you want to join our team, please e-mail: KAThy Friedberg at: [KAT@CongregationNerTamid.org](mailto:KAT@CongregationNerTamid.org)

## ONEG SHABBAT GUIDELINES

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**When providing Oneg, please keep the following guidelines in mind:**

- An inexpensive, small centerpiece would be appreciated. Vases will be provided for flowers.
- Oneg suggestions include a sheet cake or two dozen cookies as well as fruit, nuts, trail mix or vegetables.
- Juice and wine will be provided.
- Paper products and silverware will be provided.
- Set up should be done before Services, but, if necessary, can be done quietly during Services.
- Clean up includes emptying trash cans, sweeping and mopping floors, washing and putting away all items used, and wiping down countertops.

If you are aware of a special occasion [anniversary, birthday, graduation, etc.] and would like to provide Oneg on a date not scheduled for yourself, please feel free to contact the Oneg provider scheduled and make arrangements with them. [Kat@CongregationNerTamid.org](mailto:Kat@CongregationNerTamid.org)



The Harlan S. Friedberg Memorial Yahrzeit Plaque is a thoughtful way to remember loved ones who have departed from us but will never be forgotten.

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If you have someone's name that you would like to have placed on the Yahrzeit Plaque, please contact Randy Friedberg or any member of the Board. Much as the Mourner's Kaddish is a spiritual reaffirmation to the goodness of life, so shall these Memorial Plates be a visual reaffirmation and tribute to the goodness of our loved one's lives.

## Upcoming Holidays

### Shabbat Shirah

*Shabbat Shirah* ("Sabbath [of] song" (שבת שירה)) is the name given to the Shabbat that includes Parsha Beshalach. The Torah reading of the week contains the Song of the sea (Exodus 15:1–18). This was the song by the Children of Israel after the Passage of the Red Sea. There is no special Torah reading. The haftorah includes the Song of Deborah.

### Tu Bishvat

(Hebrew: טו בשבט) is a Jewish holiday occurring on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat (in 2014, Tu Bishvat began at sunset on 5 February and ended at nightfall on 6 February). It is also called "Rosh HaShanah La'Ila not" (Hebrew: ראש השנה לאילנות), literally "New Year of the Trees." In contemporary Israel, the day is celebrated as an ecological awareness day, and trees are planted in celebration.



### Etymology

The name *Tu Bishvat* is derived from the Hebrew date of the holiday, which occurs on the fifteenth day of Shevat. "Tu" stands for the Hebrew letters Tet and Vav, which together have the numerical value of 9 and 6, adding up to 15. Tu Bishvat is a relatively recent name; the date was originally called "H'misha Asar BiShvat" (חמשה-עשר בשבט), which also means "Fifteenth of Shevat".

### Talmud

Tu Bishvat appears in the Mishnah in Tractate Rosh Hashanah as one of the four new years in the Jewish calendar. The discussion of when the New Year occurs was a source of debate among the rabbis: "And there are four new year dates: - The first of Nisan - new year for kings and festivals - The first of Elul - new year for

animal tithes. Rabbi Elazar and Rabbi Shimon say: - The first of Tishrei- new year for calculation of the calendar, sabbatical years and jubilees, for planting and sowing - The first of Shevat, according to the school of Shamai; The school of Hillel says: the fifteenth of Shevat" (*Rosh Hashana:2a*) The rabbis of the Talmud ruled in favor of Hillel on this issue. Thus the 15th of Shevat became the date for calculating the beginning of the agricultural cycle for the purpose of biblical tithes.

### Kabbalistic and Hassidic customs

In the Middle Ages, Tu Bishvat was celebrated with a feast of fruits in keeping with the Mishnaic description of the holiday as a "New Year." In the 16th century, the kabbalist Rabbi Yitzchak Luria of Safed and his disciples instituted a *Tu Bishvat seder* in which the fruits and trees of the Land of Israel were given symbolic meaning. The main idea was that eating ten specific fruits and drinking four cups of wine in a specific order while reciting the appropriate blessings would bring human beings, and the world, closer to spiritual perfection.

In Israel, the kabbalistic Tu Bishvat seder has been revived, and is now celebrated by many Jews, religious and secular. Special *haggadot* have been written for this purpose.

In the Chassidic community, some Jews pickle or candy the etrog (citron) from Sukkot and eat it on Tu Bishvat. Some pray that they will be worthy of a beautiful etrog on the following Sukkot.



### Customs in Israel

On Tu Bishvat 1890, Rabbi Ze'ev Yavetz, one of the founders of the Mizrachi movement, took his students to plant trees in the agricultural colony of Zichron Yaakov. This custom was adopted in 1908 by

the Jewish Teachers Union and later by the Jewish National Fund (Keren HaKayemet L'Israel), established in 1901 to oversee land reclamation and afforestation of the Land of Israel. In the early 20th century, the Jewish National Fund devoted the day to planting eucalyptus trees to stop the plague of malaria in the Hula Valley; today the Fund schedules major tree-planting events in large forests every Tu Bishvat. Over a million Israelis take part in the Jewish National Fund's Tu Bishvat tree-planting activities.

In keeping with the idea of Tu Bishvat marking the revival of nature, many of Israel's major institutions have chosen this day for their inauguration. The cornerstone-laying of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem took place on Tu Bishvat 1918; the Technion in Haifa, on Tu Bishvat 1925; and the Knesset, on Tu Bishvat 1949.

Tu Bishvat is the Israeli Arbor Day, and it is often referred to by that name in international media. Ecological organizations in Israel and the diaspora have adopted the holiday to further environmental-awareness programs. On Israeli kibbutzim, Tu Bishvat is celebrated as an agricultural holiday.

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and friends) help with. And that is growing the Congregation. As we are all very aware, Ner Tamid is a small congregation. It is very important that we continue to add new members that will help us grow in size and stature in order to sustain Ner Tamid into the future. This is a major talking point and activity at every board meeting. If you know someone that is not affiliated, or have the desire to help us reach out to the community at large, please contact a Board member.

Please remember to support our Community Service activities (see page 9) including our new association with the Amazon Smiles program.

**Come experience what sets Ner Tamid apart.**

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Shalom,  
Randy

# Weekly Parshas

## Vayechi

### Genesis 47:28 - 50:26

On his deathbed, Jacob summons Joseph to his side and makes him promise that his body will be returned to Canaan for burial in the Cave of Machpelah. He blesses Joseph's two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, and claims them as his own.

Shortly thereafter, all of Jacob's sons assemble at his bedside and Jacob blesses them, summarizes their individual characteristics and predicts their destinies. Jacob dies at the age of one hundred forty-seven. After a seventy-day mourning period, Jacob's family and Egyptian dignitaries escort his body back to Canaan for burial.

Upon their return to Egypt, Joseph's brothers beg his forgiveness for their earlier misdeeds. They reason that while their father was alive Joseph was merely biding his time, and now he will avenge himself. Joseph assures them that they have nothing to fear.

Joseph dies at the age of one hundred ten. His remains are placed in the casket that will be returned to Canaan only when the Israelites leave Egypt during the Exodus.

## Shemot

### Exodus 1:1 - 6:1

In the years following Joseph's death, the Israelites became a sizable group within Egypt. Pharaoh, worried about a potential fifth column in the event of a war, enslaved the Children of Israel and had them build store-cities. He also ordered the Hebrew midwives to kill all newborn Israelite males, but the midwives disobeyed at the risk of their own lives. Thereupon, Pharaoh ordered all newborn sons to be drowned in the Nile.

One Israelite couple, from the tribe Levi, spares their newborn son. When they can conceal him no longer they set him afloat in the Nile in a basket, while his older sister, Miriam, watches from a distance. Pharaoh's daughter finds the boy and adopts him as her own. She names him Moses, and at the suggestion of Miriam, who has now come forward, she engages the boy's mother as his nursemaid.

Moses grows up in the royal palace, but he retains a compassion for the enslaved Israelites. He slays an Egyptian overseer who is beating a Hebrew. The next day he intervenes in a quarrel between two Hebrews, and one of them asks if Moses will slay him, too, as he had the Egyptian.

Moses realizes that his life is in

danger and he flees to Midian where he works as a shepherd for Jethro, a Midianite priest. Moses marries Jethro's daughter, Tziporrah, and they have two sons.

While out shepherding, Moses sees an unusual sight – a bush is covered in flames but otherwise undamaged – and he approaches it. God speaks to Moses at the bush and tells him that he will be God's messenger to Pharaoh and lead the Israelites out of bondage. God reveals his personal name to Moses and equips him with the power to perform certain wondrous deeds with which he will convince both the Israelites and Egyptians of his divine mission. These serve to reassure a reluctant Moses to return to Egypt.

## Vaera

### Exodus 6:2 - 9:35

God reiterates to Moses that the binding promise He made to the Patriarchs, to bring their descendants from servitude to freedom, and ultimately to dominion in Canaan, would be fulfilled. But an unrelenting, unmoved Pharaoh, who imposes increased hardships on the Israelites, makes them grow more despondent. Pharaoh is unimpressed by Aaron's staff being transformed into a serpent – because the Egyptian magicians can do the same thing – even when it swallows the Egyptian magicians' rods.

So God begins to inflict plague after plague upon Egypt, with no lasting effect upon Pharaoh. Occasionally Pharaoh concedes, but once a plague abates, Pharaoh reverts to his hard-hearted posture. This pattern repeats itself through the seven plagues enumerated in our sidra: **blood, frogs, lice, swarming insects, cattle plague, boils and hail.**

## Bo

### Exodus 10:1 - 13:16

Moses insists that all the Israelites and their flocks and herds are allowed to leave Egypt, but Pharaoh will only permit the men to leave. So Moses brings on the eighth plague, locusts. Pharaoh pleads with Moses for their removal, but once this is accomplished he becomes obstinate once again.

The ninth plague, darkness, creates chaos and confusion in Egypt, and Pharaoh is now willing to let all the Israelites leave – but not their animals. Moses now warns Pharaoh of the dire consequences of the tenth plague: all firstborn in Egypt – men and cattle – would die at midnight.

God gives Moses instructions for



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the Israelites in preparation for the Exodus. The ritual they perform will serve as a commemoration for generations to come. A lamb or a year-old kid is to be sacrificed, roasted and consumed in haste. Its blood is to be sprinkled on the lintel and the doorposts. God will permit no harm to come to those whose doors are sprinkled with blood while He smites the firstborn of Egypt. Matzoh is to be eaten for seven days. The significance of these rituals is to be explained each year.

At midnight, all in Egypt are affected by the death of firstborn males, and the Israelites are urged to depart in great haste. The Israelites' bread has no time to rise, and it hardens into unleavened cakes. Upon request, the Egyptian population supplies them with gold, silver, and garments.











The Israelites begin their march from Egypt on the fifteenth day of what will become the first month of the year. In further commemoration of the Exodus, the first born of all animals are to be consecrated to God, firstborn male children are to be redeemed, and tefillin are to be worn on the arm and head.









## Beshalach

### Exodus 13:17 - 17:16

God leads the Israelites out of Egypt, appearing as a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. The Egyptians pursue the Israelites to the shore of the Sea of Reeds and appear to have them cornered. The sea parts for the Israelites, who cross through on dry land, but the waters crash down upon Pharaoh's army. Having been

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 TEVET 10 <u>Asara B'Tevet</u> <u>עשרה בטבת</u> <u>New Years Day</u>	2 TEVET 11 7:30 PM Services: <u>Cantor Patti Turner</u> Oneg: <u>Renée &amp; Larry Spritzer</u>  5:15 PM	3 TEVET 12 Parshat: <u>VaYechi</u> <u>פרשת ויחי</u> Genesis 47:28 - 50:26 <u>10:00 AM Torah Service</u>  6:24 PM (18 min)
4 TEVET 13	5 TEVET 14	6 TEVET 15	7 TEVET 16	8 TEVET 17	9 TEVET 18 7:30 PM Services: <u>Cantor Patti Turner</u> Oneg: <u>Cantor Patti &amp; Ray Turner</u>  5:21 PM	10 TEVET 19 Parshat: <u>Shemot</u> <u>פרשת שמות</u> Exodus 1:1 - 6:1 <u>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</u> <u>10:45 AM Torah Study</u>  6:29 PM (18 min)
11 TEVET 20	12 TEVET 21	13 TEVET 22	14 TEVET 23	15 TEVET 24	16 TEVET 25 7:30 PM Services: <u>Guest Rabbi Parr</u> Oneg: <u>Shelley Allison</u>  5:27 PM	17 TEVET 26 Parshat: <u>Vaera</u> <u>פרשת וארא</u> Exodus 6:2 - 9:35 <u>5:30 PM Torah Study, Havdallah</u> <u>6:45 PM BRING YOUR OWN DAIRY DINNER</u> <u>7:30 PM Israrli Folk Dancing</u>  6:36 PM (18 min)
18 TEVET 27	19 TEVET 28 <u>Martin Luther King, Jr.</u>	20 TEVET 29	21 SHEVAT 1 <u>Rosh Chodesh Shevat</u> <u>ראש חודש שבט</u> <u>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</u>	22 SHEVAT 2	23 SHEVAT 3 7:30 PM Services: <u>Cantor Patti Turner</u> Oneg: <u>Mara &amp; Michael Bergel</u>  5:33 PM	24 SHEVAT 4 Parshat: <u>Bo</u> <u>פרשת בא</u> Exodus 10:1 - 13:16 <u>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</u> <u>10:45 AM Torah Study</u>  6:42 PM (18 min)
25 SHEVAT 5	26 SHEVAT 6	27 SHEVAT 7	28 SHEVAT 8	29 SHEVAT 9	30 SHEVAT 10 7:30 PM Services: <u>Cantor Patti Turner</u> Oneg: <u>Ariala &amp; Jeff Belkoff</u>  5:40 PM	31 SHEVAT 11 Parshat: <u>Beshalach</u> <u>פרשת בשלח</u> Exodus 13:17 - 17:16 <u>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</u> <u>10:45 AM Torah Study</u>  6:49 PM (18 min)

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1 SHEVAT 12	2 SHEVAT 13	3 SHEVAT 14	4 SHEVAT 15 <b>Tu B'Shvat</b> <b>טו בשבט</b>	5 SHEVAT 16	6 SHEVAT 17 7:30 PM Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: Kathy & Randy Friedberg  5:46 PM	7 SHEVAT 18 Parshat: <b>Yitro</b> פרשת יתרו Exodus 18:1 - 20:23 <b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b>  6:56 PM (18 min)
8 SHEVAT 19	9 SHEVAT 20	10 SHEVAT 21	11 SHEVAT 22	12 SHEVAT 23	13 SHEVAT 24 7:30 PM Services: <b>Randy Friedberg</b> Oneg: Bobbi & Joel Goodman  5:53 PM	14 SHEVAT 25 <b>Shabbat Shekalim</b> <b>שבת שקלים</b> Parshat: <b>Mishpatim</b> פרשת משפטים Exodus 21:1 - 24:18 <b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b>  7:02 PM (18 min)
15 SHEVAT 26	16 SHEVAT 27	17 SHEVAT 28	18 SHEVAT 29 <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	19 SHEVAT 30 <b>Rosh Chodesh Adar</b> <b>ראש חודש אדר</b>	20 ADAR 1 7:30 PM . Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: Sheldon Goodman  5:59 PM	21 ADAR 2 Parshat: <b>Terumah</b> פרשת תרומה Exodus 25:1 - 27:19 <b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b>  7:08 PM (18 min)
22 ADAR 3	23 ADAR 4	24 ADAR 5	25 ADAR 6	26 ADAR 7	27 ADAR 8 7:30 PM Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: <b>Brittni Coe</b>  6:05 PM	28 ADAR 9 <b>Shabbat Zachor</b> <b>שבת זכור</b> Parshat: <b>Tetzaveh</b> פרשת תצוה Exodus 27:20 - 30:10 <b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b>  7:14 PM (18 min)

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saved by God, the Children of Israel break into a song of praise, acclaiming God's victory and affirming their faith in God. Miriam, Moses' sister, leads the women in song and dance. (This shabbat derives its name, Shabbat Shira, from these songs.)

The Israelites wander for three days without fresh water. They come to Marah and encounter bitter water there. God tells Moses to throw a branch into the water and it becomes potable. Subsequently the Israelites complain that they want meat to eat. God sends quail in excessive quantities, and in the morning the Israelites are provided with manna, which will sustain them throughout their years in the wilderness. As the manna does not keep overnight, the people need to gather manna each day, but miraculously, the double portion gathered on Friday remains fresh through Shabbat. At Refidim the Israelites again

complain about the lack of fresh water. Moses cries out to God, who tells him to take his rod and strike a rock to produce water.

While at Refidim, the Amalekites attack the Children of Israel. Joshua recruits an army to launch a counter-attack. Moses ascends a hilltop and while he keeps his hands aloft, the tide of battle favors the Israelites. As Moses tires, Aaron and Hur support his arms until the Israelites are victorious.

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It is my sincere hope that as we enter this new secular year, that we all hear the "small, clear voice" that is in us, guiding us in our life's path. May we always be aware that wherever we stand, we can be standing on "holy ground" and act in a manner that reflects that potential for holiness, no matter where or what situation we might find ourselves.

Please come and join us for Torah study, every Saturday morning. We look forward to having your input into our discussions.

## Jewish Jokes!

### Results count

A Rabbi dies and is waiting in line to enter heaven. In front of him is a guy dressed in a loud shirt, leather jacket, jeans and sunglasses. Gabriel addresses this guy, "I need to know who you are so that I can determine whether or not to admit you to the Kingdom of Heaven." The guy replies, "I'm Moishe Levy, taxi driver, of London." Gabriel consults his list, smiles and says to the taxi driver, "OK. Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven." Now it's the Rabbi's turn. He stands upright and says, "I am Benjamin Himmelfarb and I had been Rabbi of Neasden for forty years." Gabriel looks at his list and says to the Rabbi, "OK. Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven." "Hold on a minute," says Rabbi Himmelfarb, "that man before me was a taxi driver – why did he get

a silken robe and golden staff?" "Up here, we only work by results," says Gabriel. "While you preached, people slept – but while he drove, people prayed."

### The rescue attempt

Jacob is a very religious man. One day, a nearby river floods its banks and rushes into town, forcing Jacob to climb onto his garage roof. Soon, a man in a boat comes along and tells Jacob to get in. Jacob says, "That's very kind of you, but no thanks. God will take care of me." So, the boat leaves. The water rises and Jacob has to climb onto the roof of his house. Another man in a boat comes along and tells Jacob to get in. Jacob replies, "That's very kind of you but no thanks. God will take care of me." The boat leaves. The water rises further and soon Jacob is clinging to his chimney. Then a helicopter arrives

and lowers a ladder. The helicopter pilot tells Jacob to climb up the ladder. Jacob replies, "That's very kind of you but no thanks. God will take care of me." The pilot says, "Are you really sure?" Jacob says, "Yes, I'm sure that God will take care of me." Finally, the water rises too high and Jacob drowns. He goes up to Heaven and is met by God. Jacob says to God, "You told me you would take care of me. What happened?" God replies, "Well, I sent you two boats and a helicopter. What else did you want me to do?"



Shalom,  
*Hilda & Kathy*

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## Yahrzeits



### January

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- 18 - Harry Friedberg, Grandfather of Randy Friedberg
- 23 - Abraham Goldberg, Grandfather of Kathy Friedberg
- 25 - Glenn Morrison, Father of Betsy Cook
- 28 - Fannie Schwartz, Grandmother of Kathy Friedberg
- 28 - Jack Kurzban, Father of Marcy Prager
- 30 - Gertrude Goldberg, Grandmother of Kathy Friedberg

### February

- 3 - Richard Dubrow, Husband of Zulema Dubrow
- 4 - Sylvan Ray, Father of Harry Ray
- 8 - Anna Kaufman, Grandmother of ID Freed
- 8 - Milton Friedberg., Father of Randy Friedberg
- 10 - Irving Erber, Father of Marilyn Lepley
- 10 - Eddie Weiss, Cousin of ID Freed
- 14 - David Jenks, Great Grandson of Marilyn Lepley
- 20 - Harold Pierce, Father of Mark Pierce
- 21 - Lani Isenberg, Great-Niece of Bobbi Goodman
- 28 - Steven Eugene Turner, Brother of Ray Turner



## Anniversaries

### JANUARY

- 20 - Jessica & Cary Miller

### February

- 18 - Ariala & Jeff Belkoff
- 25 - Suzy Smith & Robert Davis



## Birthdays

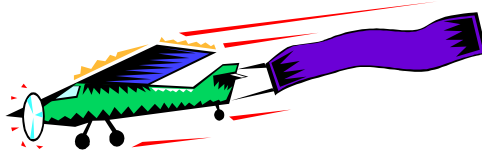
### January

- 2 - Brady Robinson
- 3 - Mark Pierce
- 7 - Dylan Sorrells
- 8 - Deborah Miller
- 10 - Rachel Davis
- 13 - Victor Putman
- 14 - Brandi Geltmeier
- 16 - Elliott Ross
- 20 - Andrew Pritsker
- 20 - Rex Thumann
- 22 - Karen Jennings Pierce
- 25 - Mardi Moon
- 28 - Mason Putman
- 30 - Jeffrey Belkoff

### February

- 3 - Sylvan Ray
- 4 - Mara Bergel
- 6 - Garrett Turner
- 12 - Levi Hardowin
- 18 - Whitney Archer
- 19 - Mandy Turner
- 22 - Lee Borron
- 24 - Benjamin Judelson
- 26 - Beau Putman

## Publicity



Your assistance is needed. A Publicity Committee is being formed to help get the word out that Ner Tamid is one of the best kept secrets in the Metroplex. We don't want to be secret anymore. We need some ideas, some writing and some placement to get the word out.

Please contact:

Randy Friedberg at [randy@CongregationNerTamid.org](mailto:randy@CongregationNerTamid.org)  
if you can give us a couple of minutes of your time.



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| ☆ <b><u>Building Fund</u></b>  | ☆ <b><u>Caring Congregation Fund</u></b> – Supports programs of caring for our members and Community. | ☆ <b><u>Maimonides Fund</u></b> – for members in dire need.  |
| ☆ <b><u>Ark Fund</u></b> – Maintains and/or remodels the Ark.  | ☆ <b><u>Temple Endowment Fund</u></b> – Supports the general programs and events of the Temple.       | ☆ <b><u>General Fund</u></b> – Supports the administrative costs of the Temple, i.e. Rabbi, facility maintenance, etc.                               |
| ☆ <b><u>Torah Fund</u></b> – Repair our Torah & acquire another Torah  | ☆ <b><u>Harlan S. Friedberg Memorial Fund</u></b> – Maintains and adds to the Yahrzeit Plaque.        | ☆ <b><u>Bertha Kurzban Music Fund</u></b> – provides for the Congregations needs in all areas involving music.                                       |
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| ☆ <b><u>Religious School Fund</u></b>  |   |  |

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## Community Service



Please support our on-going Community Mitzvah Projects:

- ☆ Collect staple food items, coats and blankets for Jewish Family Service (contact Randy Friedberg)
- ☆ Collect manufacturer coupons for Military bases overseas (contact Marilynn Lepley)
- ☆ Donation bottles for a variety of community & outreach service organizations.

**Misheberach**     *The Friedberg / Moon families wish Refuah Shlema*  
**Blessing of Healing**     *~ complete healing to all who need healing and /or prayers.*

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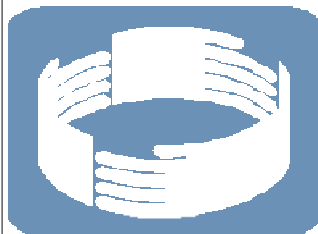
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## Congregation Ner Tamid **Mission Statement**

**Congregation Ner Tamid** is dedicated to preserving and strengthening Jewish values, through communal worship, education and community service. We offer an atmosphere of warm involvement and welcome all families and individuals interested in participating in the community of the congregation. We interpret and practice Judaism according to Reform principles and embrace the Reform movement's commitment to diversity, outreach, inclusiveness and social justice.



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- STUDENT
- JUNIOR
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