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**Enrique, Sally, Nicole, Tali and Shadow Eichner** along with **Zeide Leon and Bubbie Joelle, Bobbie Raquel and Bubbie Esther** in the celebration of **Josh's Bar Mitzvah and Abby's Bat Mitzvah!** With gratitude to **Hashem** we welcome those who have travelled from near and far (Israel, Mexico, and the East and West Coasts of both the US and San Diego) that are too numerous to mention. **Josh and Abby**, we are so proud of both of you for all your achievements and accomplishments in school, sports, theater but most importantly in becoming the amazing individuals that you are. May you continue to thrive, excel and make us and the entire **Klal Yisrael** proud! We love you very much!

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**Steven and Ava Weitzen and family.** We would like thank **Rabbi and Shoshie** for creating such a magnificent community. A true jewel in La Jolla. We also express our **gratitude to the community** for providing meals, attending services at our home and sharing our grief during this shloshim period of our life. May our mother **Arlene's** neshama have an aliyah.

**MINYON SCHEDULE**

Daf Yomi.....6:00 p.m.  
3/16 Candle Lighting.....6:40 p.m.  
3/16 Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:45 p.m.  
Hashkama Minyon.....7:50 a.m.  
Talmud in Depth.....8:00 a.m.  
Shabbat Morning.....9:00 a.m.  
Shema-Latest Time.....9:57 a.m.  
Daf Yomi.....5:30 p.m.  
Shabbat Mincha.....6:30 p.m.  
Shabbat ends.....7:40 p.m.

**THIS COMING WEEK**

Sunday Shacharit.....8:30 a.m.  
Mon. & Thu. Shacharit.....6:30 a.m.  
Wed., Tue. & Fri. Shacharit.....6:45 a.m.  
Sun. - Thu. Mincha/Ma'ariv.....6:45 p.m.

**CLASS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday**  
Talmud in Depth.....7:45 a.m.  
Daf Yomi.....7:15 p.m.  
**Monday - Thursday**  
Talmud I.....6:00 a.m.  
**Monday- Friday**  
Talmud in Depth.....7:30 a.m.  
**Monday**  
Pirkei Avot.....7:30 p.m.  
Daf Yomi.....8:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday**  
Women's/Mesillat Yescharim .....11:00 a.m.  
Daf Yomi.....7:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
Women's/Pirket Avot.....11:00 a.m.  
Pesach Preparation Class.....7:30 p.m.  
Daf Yomi.....8:15 p.m.  
**Thursday**  
Pesach Preparation Class.....7:30 p.m.  
Daf Yomi.....8:15 p.m.



**The Congregation  
Expresses Condolences  
to**

**Jonathan Michel** on the passing of his father, **Arthur Michel**

*In Memory of Linda Neiman*

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*This Week's Torah Reading*

**The Torah Reading begins on page 371 in the Hirsch and page 544 in the Stone. Rosh Chodesh Reading begins on page 622 in the Hirsch and page 890 in the Stone. Parshas Hachodesh Reading begins on page 249 in the Hirsch and page 348 in the Stone. The Haftorah begins on page 962 in the Hirsch and page 1218 in the Stone.**

**THE PARSHA BEGINS** with Hashem's call to Moshe from the tent of meeting, commanding him to instruct the Jewish people about the procedures of sacrifices in general, and of the Korban Olah, elevation offerings. The Book of Vayikra contains, almost exclusively, G-d's teachings to Moshe, and is virtually devoid of narrative. In the last few chapters of Sh'mos the Torah described the building of the Mishkan. Now, the Torah teaches us what was to be done inside that structure.

**THE OPENING WORD** of the Parsha, Vayikra, has been the subject of much comment by our Sages as the last letter of the word "aleph" is written smaller than all the other letters. Without the aleph, the word means Vayikar, and it happened by chance, whereas with the aleph, it means Vayikra, and He called. The connotation is that in the first case G-d needed to speak to the person and therefore appeared to him. However, in the second case, G-d called Moshe because He desired to speak with His servant, Moshe, and specifically called out to him. Moshe felt uncomfortable in writing and revealing that he was on such an exalted level in his relationship with G-d. Therefore, he decided to write the word Vayikra without the aleph to minimize the impact of G-d coming and speaking to him. G-d, on the other hand, felt it necessary that people understand the level of their relationship. Hence, G-d compromised with Moshe, allowing the letter to be written smaller, indicating that if it were not for Moshe's humility then the full thrust of their relationship would have been revealed.

**IT IS INTERESTING** to note that when G-d instructs Moshe to tell the people about sacrifices he uses both the words "daber" and "v'amarta." A very beautiful explanation is offered by Rabbi Samson Rafael Hirsch. Rav Hirsch comments that in this context, the word "daber" connotes a brief concise expression, which is referring to the written Torah, whereas the word "v'amarta", connotes a more thorough explanation thus referring to the oral Torah. He explains that it is in this Parsha that Hashem instructs Moshe not only to stick to the written word, but to ensure that all the details of each and every mitzvah are explained in full so that we have not just the written, but also the oral Torah coming from G-d.

**NOW, THE PARSHA** begins to describe the different offerings. The first one described in this Parsha is the "olah" or elevation offering. This is a voluntary offering and

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may be brought to the Temple even by non-Jews. The word “olah” means “to go up”. This is what happens to the sacrifice as it is completely burnt up. Its purpose is to raise up the owner from the status of sinner and bring him to a state of spiritual elevation. This sacrifice is brought by someone who has intentionally committed a sin for which the Torah does not prescribe corporal punishment, for sinful thoughts that have not come to any deed, and by those who have come to Yerushalayim for pilgrimage festivals. Also it may be brought by someone who wishes to raise his spiritual level.

**THE TORAH LISTS** three forms of elevation offerings. Those brought from the herd, from the flock, and from birds. Each one of these is described in a separate paragraph in the Torah indicating that if one can afford to bring a bull, it is preferable to do so. If not, he may bring a sheep or a goat and if he can not afford even that, he may bring an offering from birds. The message is that doing more or less, is not the issue, rather the important thing is that one’s intentions are for the sake of heaven. The Torah describes the “menachos” or meal offerings. These offerings consisted of finely ground wheat flour, oil and frankincense. This was a very inexpensive offering and was most likely to be brought by poor people. (See Hirsch’s commentary).

**AT THE END** of this section the Torah mentions a bris melach, or covenant of salt. The Ramban comments that salt has two properties: It is both destructive, as it prevents plants from growing; and helpful, as it preserves food. This covenant in the Torah teaches that the whole sacrificial service is very similar to salt. When used correctly, in the right time and place, it can serve as a preservative for Israel, but if done incorrectly or neglected completely, it brings about destruction and exile. The next type of offerings, called “sh’lamim” or peace offerings, are now described. These offerings are brought voluntarily by an individual or a group who desire to express their love of G-d, their gratitude to G-d, or to enhance their closeness to G-d. The very name “sh’lamim”, having the root word “shalom” or peace, indicates this offering has the spiritual capacity of increasing peace in the world. However, some see in the word sh’lamim, the root shaleim, which means “whole” indicating that one who brings the peace offering is not motivated by a need to atone for sin, but by a sense of wholeness and a free-willed desire for perfection.

**IN THE FIFTH** aliyah the Torah describes the korban chattas, or sin offerings. These offerings are not voluntary but rather obligatory offerings, brought for inadvertent sins. Another qualification obligating one to bring this type of sacrifice is a breach of a negative commandment. The penalty for these sins is kares, or spiritual excision of the soul, if committed intentionally. Also, the sin has to have been committed through an action, as opposed to one that is done solely through speech or thought. The Torah describes the different types of sin offerings: the bull of the anointed Kohen—which is brought by the Kohen-Gadol or High Priest when he errs in a matter of halacha; The bull for a matter that was hidden from the congregation—when the Sanhedrin, the court of 71 Sages, issues a mistaken ruling that results in a violation by the entire nation of a negative commandment for which the penalty is kares; the he-goat of a ruler—when the King errs he must bring a sin offering which serves as an inspiration and a lesson to the entire nation; and the sin offering of an individual—the sin offering that is brought when one commits a sin which fits into the aforementioned specifications.

**THE TORAH GOES** on to describe the three types of transgressions for which a “sliding” sin offering is offered (an offering whose value goes up or down): When one knowingly and willingly takes a false oath in a monetary case, he must bring this type of offering; one who is tamei (impure) enters the Mishkan or eats food from any of the offerings,

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during a period of time when he forgot he was impure and subsequently remembered, must bring this type of offering; and one who swears falsely, that he will or will not do something, he is required to bring this type of offering.

**THE PARSHA CONCLUDES** with a description of the next category of offerings, the korban asham, or guilt offerings. These offerings are different from the chattas offering. The chattas is brought for an inadvertent, careless action. In fact the word “cheit”, commonly translated as “sin”, actually means “to miss the mark”. One brings a sin offering because he missed the mark, not because he is evil. However, the asham offering is brought because of the wickedness of the act which was done intentionally by the sinner.

### SPONSOR A KIDDUSH

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**DATES THAT ARE AVAILABLE:**  
March 24<sup>th</sup>

### WE THANK OUR SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

Friday Evening	
6:45 p.m.	Adam Sragovicz
7:20 p.m.	Eli Glovinsky
Shabbat Morning	
9:00 a.m.	Marc Lebovits
9:30 a.m.	Brian Zimmerman
10:00 a.m.	TBD
10:30 a.m.	Nati Tzarum
11:00 a.m.	Zach Dimenstein
11:30 a.m.	TBD

*Nazel Tov*

to

**Enrique and Sally Eichner** on **Josh’s Bar Mitzvah** and **Abby’s Bat Mitzvah**.

**Leon and Joelle Kanner** on their grandson, **Josh’s Bar Mitzvah** and their granddaughter, **Abby’s Bat Mitzvah**.

**Julian and Yael Aires** on the birth of their granddaughter.

**Naomi Aires** on the birth of her great-granddaughter.

**Jonathan Aires, Claudie Aires, Julian and Beryl Frank, Steven and Sharon Tradonsky** on the birth of their niece.

**Colin and Jane Scher** on the birth of their granddaughter.

**Sol and Pauline Sonboleh and Roy and Joan Sable** on the birth of their great-granddaughter.

**Stuart and Nora Laiken** on their daughter’s engagement.

# PESACH PREPARATIONS

## Shabbat Hagadol Drosha

Don't Miss the Shabbat Hagadol Drosha on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

## PRE-PESACH LOBBY CLOSET CLEANING SUNDAY, MARCH 25<sup>th</sup> AT 10 A.M.

Please come and take your left items of clothes, jackets, etc. before we donate them away!

## ???????? PESACH SHAYLOHS?

Have questions About Pesach [reparations? Leave a message for the Rabbi at (858) 535-1196. He will return your call as soon as he can or send an email shayloh to [rjfromlj@adatyeshurun.org](mailto:rjfromlj@adatyeshurun.org) anytime.

## DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS ILL, COULD USE OUR PRAYERS, OR A VISIT?

If so, the Rabbi and the Shul's Board of Directors ask that you please share this with the Rabbi as he would appreciate having the information and offering his services. Please call 858-535-1196 or e-mail [info@adatyeshurun.org](mailto:info@adatyeshurun.org) if you have questions or information.

## SHUL OFFICE CLOSED FROM: MARCH 31<sup>st</sup> THROUGH APRIL 8<sup>th</sup>

Email and voice mail will be checked and non-emergency calls returned when the office opens on April 9<sup>th</sup>. If you need urgent assistance, please do not hesitate to call Rabbi Jeff, 619-913-2696 or email [rjfromlj@adatyeshurun.org](mailto:rjfromlj@adatyeshurun.org)

## IMPORTANT PESACH REMINDERS

### Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

- *Hagolas Keilim, "Kashering for Pesach" 9:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.*

### Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

- *Search for Chametz after 7:49 p.m.*

### Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

- *Communal Burning of the Chametz*

The Rabbi will start the communal burning of the Chametz at 8:30 a.m. in the shul parking lot. You may drop off your items to be burned outside the shul office.

- *Last Time to Eat Chametz 10:24 a.m.*
- *Last Time to Burn & Sell Chametz 11:38 a.m.*

Please remember to see the Rabbi to make him your Agent of Sale in order to sell your Chametz. **It is preferable to make sure you've sold your Chametz to the Rabbi by Thursday night, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Sale of Chametz Forms are available in the office and on the conference table in the Shul.**

**Please do not wait until the last minute!**

## APARTMENT FOR RENT

Lovely, comfortable, furnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1188 sq. ft. Rental, set back in a Quiet alcove for privacy, off Gilman Drive in La Jolla. Less than 15 minute walking distance to Adat Yeshurun, Kosher Dept. at Ralph's UCSD, Shopping Centers. Large Redwood deck, two car garage, washer/dryer, covered porch, two sinks. Easy freeway access.

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## Volunteers Needed for Our Security

If you would like to assist us in keeping our community safe, please volunteer your service or fulfill the duties assigned to you. Anyone wishing to be added for security duty can email the office or speak with Milton Krasner.

## Passover Food Drive

Every year the *Hand Up* Food Pantry makes it possible for members in our community and military service members around the world to celebrate Passover with traditional food and ritual items. This year we are planning to embrace 300 Community members and 120 military people overseas. **The *Hand Up* Food Pantry needs to raise 10,000lbs of food to create 300 food bags by March 14, and 30 military packages by February 28 to achieve our goal. We can't make it possible without you!**



The *Hand Up* Food Pantry is requesting the following Kosher for Passover items:

**Non-military** (by March 14)

- Grape juice
- Gefilte Fish
- Matzo
- Matzo ball soup mix
- Matzo meal
- Macaroons
- Jelly Candy
- Horseradish
- Other shelf-stable items
- Haggadahs

**Military packages** (by February 28)

- Canned Gefilte fish
- Matzo ball soup mix
- Macaroons in tin box
- Matzo
- Jelly Candy
- Haggadahs
- Seder plates (metal, plastic, or paper)
- 'Happy Passover' cards

Food Collections Barrels will be placed in the Shul office after Purim. Please drop off your food donations in the barrels.



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