

## Refuah Sheleimah – A Complete Recovery

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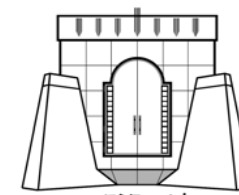
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### DECEMBER 18/19

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Vera Chechik, Aunt of Seema Cicerone  
Betty Cohl, Dear Friend of Janet Goldstein  
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Arie Factor, Father of Sharon Factor  
Rose Farb, Aunt of Lynne Kinsey  
Copl Finkelberg, Brother of Liliya Popova  
Dora Fishman-Grushka, Grandmother of Marjorie Alpert  
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Ibolya Frankel, Mother of Rosalie Frankel  
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Florence Glassman, Mother of Ellyn Bloomfield  
Sidney Goldstein, of Blessed Memory  
George Goodman, Uncle of Ken & Dorothy Wiener  
Julio Grapa, Father of Joseph Grapa  
Paul Gregory, of Blessed Memory  
Gloria Gurevitz, Sister of Hal Silberstein  
Ruth Hurwitz, Mother of David Hurwitz  
Ikey Isaac, Cousin of Elias Isaac & Myrtle Schwartz  
Eve Jacobson, Daughter of Fred & Beverly Jacobson  
Tillie Katz, of Blessed Memory  
Isay Kharag, Father of Marina Salzman  
Albert Krage, Father of Michele Balaban  
Nathan Kuhn, Grandfather of Neal Kuhn  
Mary Lill, Mother of Jacqueline Klein  
Aaron Marin, Father of Elena Marina  
Ray Morrison, Uncle of Rhonda Farber  
Alexander Novak, Step-father of Bonnie Slavitt Moore  
Peter Offengender, Father of Bella Offengenden  
Tevje Pasumansky, Brother-in-law of Yulia Shvarts  
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Esphir Romm, Sister of Yeugenia Romm  
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Helen Schweitzer, Mother of Eleanor Kiss; Grandmother of Lisa Kiss  
Frank Siegel, Father of Barry Siegel  
Pearl Siegel, Mother of Barry Siegel  
Sharon Silver, Mother of Ken Silver  
Bernard Steinberg, Father of Henry Stone; Grandfather of Linda Weiss  
Moshe Strumza, Father of Iris Strumza  
Abraham Tramiel, Father of Jack Tramiel  
Judy Weltsch, Wife of Dan Weltsch  
Dorothy Wiener, Mother of Kenneth Wiener

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Congregation Beth David

*There's a Place for Me at CBD!*

## פרשת מקץ

# Parashat Mi-ketz Second Shabbat Hanukkah

2 Tevet, 5770/ December 19, 2009

Triennial Cycle III: Genesis 43:16-44:17

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Maftir: Numbers 7:54-8:4, p. 809

Haftarah: 1 Kings 7:40-50, p. 1273

- (43:16-34) For a second time Joseph receives his brothers with great honor, and arranges a feast for them.
- (44:1-17) Joseph tests his brothers again with the accusation that Benjamin has stolen his silver goblet.



*Candle lighting time for December 18: 4:35*



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## Celebrate Your Progress

*And he had portions passed to them from before him, and Benjamin's portion was five times more than the portion of all the rest, and they drank, and they got drunk with him.*(Genesis 43:34)

Rabbi Yossiben Rabbi Hanina said: "From the day that **A.** Joseph left his brothers, they had not tasted the taste of wine, as it is written, 'And they drank and became inebriated *with him*,' the implication being that until then they had not drunk." (Talmud Tractate Shabbat 139a)

We understand why Joseph drank wine — because he had **B.** found his brothers. However, as the brothers still did not know it was Joseph, why did they drink wine? We can answer that Joseph had earlier accused them of being spies, and a spy must always remain sober, let he give away any secrets. Now, if the brothers would reject his invitation to drink with him, it would cause suspicion that they were indeed spies. That was why they drank wine now. (*HaDrasho'Halyun*, Rabbi Aaron Lewin of Reisha, 1880-1941, Poland)

They still did not know that the Egyptian lord before them **C.** was their brother Joseph. Therefore Joseph was still lost to them. Why, then, should they have drunk wine on that day? They saw that Benjamin had received larger portions of food than they, and yet they were not jealous of him. Hence they realized that they had already ridden themselves of the sin of envy that had led them to sell Joseph into slavery, and consequently they felt that they might drink wine again. (*KavHen*, Rabbi Noah of Korav, d. 1895)

**D.** What constitutes complete repentance [*teshuvah*]? If the sinner has the opportunity of committing once again the sinful act and it is quite possible for him to repeat it and yet he refrains from so doing because he has repented — for example, a man cohabited unlawfully with a woman and after a time found himself alone with her again and he still loves her and is still physically capable as ever and it takes place in the same province in which he had previously sinned with her and yet he refrains from repeating the transgression — he is a true penitent.... (Maimonides, *Mishneh Torah*, *HilchotTeshuvah*, 2:10)

## Announcements

### The Mitzvah of Making a Minyan

Come one, come all and join us every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. and Monday – Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. for daily minyan. Our success, thus far, has been outstanding. We are looking to include as many members of our Beth David family as possible in this wonderful tradition that brings comfort to our mourners and gives each of us a daily opportunity to connect with our soul, our community and our God. To help ensure the future vibrancy of our minyan, our captains have created the following schedule organized alphabetically by last name. When it is your week, we invite you to look at your schedules and commit to at least one night to attend this important endeavor. We look forward to having you join us and thank you in advance! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sandy Mayer at (408) 257-6129 or fammayer@aol.com.

- A-D: First Week of the Month
- L-R: Third Week of the Month
- E-K: Second Week of the Month
- S-Z: Fourth Week of the Month

### Earn Money for Beth David While You Shop!

Please help us raise money by:

1. Registering your credit cards and your Safeway Club Card with eScrip and shopping at the eScrip Virtual Mall,
  2. Shopping at Amazon.com by linking from the website, and
  3. Purchasing Judaica from Zara Mart by linking from the website.
- Shopping commissions are shared equally among the Beth David General Fund, Men's Club, and Sisterhood. Sign up with eScrip our new Shuk2Shul website at <http://beth-david.org/shopcbd/shuk2shul/>

### Social Action Committee

Beth David Winter Community Caring Project  
Blanket the Community with Warmth and Love  
Since winter is definitely in the air, please bring a new or gently used blanket(s) to donate to the less fortunate.  
For more information, contact Seema Cicerone at 408-741-5466

### Hazak Shabbat

Celebrate with Conservative congregations across America as Beth David recognizes and honors Hazak.  
Friday, January 8th  
Kabbalat Shabbat Friday Evening Services begin at 6:30 pm with a Shabbat dinner to follow.  
Dinner reservations required. Please RSVP at <http://beth-david.org/rsvp>  
Sign up by sending an e-mail to: [hazak@compular.com](mailto:hazak@compular.com)

### Sisterhood News

#### Creative Judaic Arts

Last chance to drop off scarves, hats or mittens for Emergency Housing Consortium. Please place all donations in marked box by Dec. 22.

**Gift Shop** is Open on January 10th & 24th, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm.

#### Sisterhood Shabbat

January 16, 2010, 9:30 am. Sisterhood cordially invites all members of Beth David to attend **Sisterhood Shabbat**. Come join us as the women of Sisterhood lead services at this inspiring service and then sponsor the Kiddush luncheon that follows. Please rsvp at <http://beth-david.org/rsvp>  
Any help with baked goods, set up, or clean up, contact Rita Schlosser, 408-255-6655.

#### Queen Esther's Kitchen

**Baking & Cooking with Myrtle Schwartz.** Join Myrtle in the Beth David kitchen to bring us delicious hamataschen and stuffed cabbage. If you can help please rsvp to Davida Adelberg, [adelbergfam@me.com](mailto:adelbergfam@me.com) or 408-777-8875.  
Tuesday, Dec. 22 and 29, Jan. 12, 19, and 26 at 10 am.  
Tuesday, Jan 5, 5 pm.  
Wednesday, Jan 13, at 10 am.

#### Purim Silent Auction Donations

Please consider donating items or funds to help Sisterhood with it's action at the Purim Carnival. If you have an item or a new idea for a gift basket, products or services, that can be donated, please contact coordinators Irina Tenberg, [irinatenberg@yahoo.com](mailto:irinatenberg@yahoo.com) , 408-376-3970 or Galina Drabkin, [twingalina@yahoo.com](mailto:twingalina@yahoo.com), 408-241-2542. all items must be delivered by Feb. 1. Thank you!

### Louis Chevlen Blood Drive Success

Another successful blood drive was held at Beth David.  
**Thank you to all who participated in this very important event!**

### Visit Our New Website!

Familiarize yourselves with our new features such as the RSVP link. Find and respond to current events in a one stop, time saving format.

### Hadashot Religious School

No Youth Services until January 9  
**Winter break:** Dec. 19 - Jan. 3, 2010  
**Shabbat Mishpaha (Family) and Supper:** Hagigat Noar, February 5, 2010

### Men's Club News

Sunday January 10, after morning minyan, (10:30) Monthly Men's Club meeting to review and add to our 2010 calendar. Come with your ideas. Bagels will be served. The meeting will be at a congregant's house that is walking distance from CBD. Call or write for information: Dave Graubart [mensclub@beth-david.org](mailto:mensclub@beth-david.org) 408-377-4768.

## A Night Of Illusion Theater

Saturday, January 16, 2010 7:00pm  
**A show for all ages that inspires wonder and imagination with Award-winning Majinga the Magician!**  
rsvp on website  
<http://beth-david.org/rsvp/>

### Sheldon and Richard Balk Memorial Camp Scholarship

We are now accepting nominations for summer 2010 resident camp scholarships funded by the Sheldon and Richard Balk Memorial Scholarship Fund. We seek to capture and light the spirit of Judaism in our youth, especially those who may seem apathetic about Jewish activities.

We give preference to first time campers, and we intend to make a financial difference to the family, enabling a transforming Jewish experience for the student. Please call Chuck Taubman at (408) 257-3251. Please note that the **due date** for nominations is **Dec 24, 2009**.

### Adult Education

**December 20, Sunday, 7:30 pm**  
**Sunday Night @ the Movies**

Movie followed by a discussion. "**The Plot Against Harry**" - It's the 1960s and Harry Plotnik, a numbers racketeer, is released from prison back onto the streets of the Bronx. He tries to slip back into his old life, but...not so fast, well-meaning relatives have other plans. The Plot against Harry is sometimes hysterical, sometimes poignant; sometimes...well, come see! **Discussion: Differences in Jewish culture now and then (1960s).**

January 10, Sunday, 12:30 - 3:00 pm

#### Lunch and Learn

**Biblical History Through Ancient Inscriptions and Coins - Speaker: Allen Binder, Jewish Historical Coin Collector.** This talk will use ancient inscriptions and coins to bring Jewish Biblical history to life and to put it into context during a vital 1300-year period.

January 10, Sunday, 7:30 pm  
**Sunday Night @ the Movies**

**Sponsored jointly by the Young Adult Group and Adult Education Committee. Movie: "Sixty Six".** Bernie Rubens wants his bar mitzvah to be a blowout event. He is horrified when he learns that his parents have accidentally scheduled it for the day of the 1966 World Cup final, and will not change the date. Humor competes with frustration in this "deeply touching film about the ups and downs of childhood--as well as the

joys and sorrows that come with adulthood. **Discussion: Family Dynamics and Relationships.**

January 11, Monday, 7:30 pm

**Perkei Avot Discussion Group Informational Meeting**  
**Informational meeting for a new discussion group on "Perkei Avot", a tractate in the Talmud that contains ethical sayings of our fathers.** Come to this meeting to help shape the approach and help select the weekly discussion day and time. The plan for the discussion group is to use a basic Pirkei Avot text with commentary and use a weekly topic based discussion format, led by a facilitator. The facilitator role would rotate through the group allowing everyone who wished to have the opportunity to lead a discussion.

January 19, Tuesday, 7:30 pm

**Conversations in Jewish Learning**  
**"Three Women and a Talmud: The Story of Rashi's Daughters Concludes with Book Three—Rachel" – Speaker: Author Maggie Anton** - Maggie Anton will speak about the research behind her best-selling "Rashi's Daughters" trilogy, set in the household of the great medieval Talmud scholar who had no sons, only daughters.. She'll discuss: What was life like for Jewish women in 11th century France? Were Rashi's daughters really learned? Did they actually wear tefillin? Why should a 21st century Jew care about Rashi, and his daughters?? **Book sales and signing follow the talk**

### Young Adult Group and Adult Education Present

**Sunday, January 10, 2010 Sunday Night @ the Movies, followed by a discussion based on the Movie "Sixty Six", Bernie's Bar Mitzvah vs. the 1966 World Cup Finals-** Bernie Rubens wants his bar mitzvah to be a blowout event and is horrified when he learns that his parents have accidentally scheduled it for the day of the 1966 World Cup final, and will not change the date. His troubles are set against a family distracted by the threat of losing their business and their wayward older son. Besides his eccentric family, Bernie has encounters with his blind rabbi and his soccer-fan doctor as the film builds to its conclusion. Humor competes with frustration in this "deeply touching film about the ups and downs of childhood--as well as the joys and sorrows that come with adulthood."

## Toda Rabah

*Thank you to the Kiddush Oneg fund for sponsoring the Kiddush lunch.*