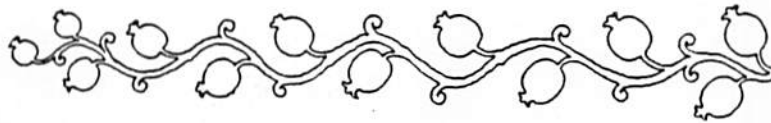


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The Mitzvah of Bikur Cholim

Befriend a frail elderly person. The rewards are mutual. Visiting Volunteers, who are caring and non-judgmental, are needed to visit elderly persons residing in the Fifth Councilmanic District and West Hollywood. Volunteers should be able to visit weekly and telephone between visits. Visiting hours are flexible. Orientation is provided. Please call Phyllis Feld at the Freda Mohr Multiservice Center, (213) 937-5900.



Refusenik Family Adopted

Temple Beth Am has adopted Boris and Alla Kelman and their two children Efim (20) and Maksim (16), refuseniks since 1978 from Leningrad.

Both Boris and Alla Kelman are active members of the Leningrad refusenik community. Alla is a pediatrician in a government clinic, and unofficially coordinates medical care for refuseniks. Since applying to emigrate in 1978, Boris has been unable to retain work in the field of mathematics. He now works as a ship builder.

Boris teaches Hebrew, Jewish history and religion to children. The family frequently hosts large numbers of guests for Shabbat and holiday observances.

Since 1985, the Kelmans mail from abroad has been disrupted. Their oldest son, Efim, has sought admission to Leningrad University. Boris and Alla are concerned that their activism may hurt his chances for admission. Efim is currently in the Soviet Army, as a result of having been drafted.

The Kelmans speak Hebrew and English.

They need our help and emotional support. Please write them. Please write their government. Please write our government.

The Kelman address and phone number are:

Boris Kelman
Grazhdansky Pr. 85-15
Leningrad 195257
RSFSR, USSR

Tel. 5333472

For further information, contact Isabel Arshawsky at 276-6058.



Thanksgiving in Shule

The minyan gabbai'im usually publicly thank those who led the services. Depending on one's point of view, this thanksgiving before announcements is either a measure of our collective humility or is simply unnecessary.

I am of the former opinion. I like that we thank those who have contributed their time to prepare the service. And I take pleasure in knowing that for most of us these thanks are not necessary. Though individually unnecessary, our collective gratitude elevates the minyan. It builds community.

Others may differ. I have heard it said that we did not originally make public thanks. Was that better or were we just less considerate then? Should we give public thanks when it is individually unnecessary?

Public thanksgiving is not an important issue for me. Let us decide what is right and stick to it.

I am, however, offended when we omit our usual thanksgiving only because we feel pressed for time. This is much worse than having a policy of not giving public thanks. Omission due to lack of time taints the thanks given when we do have time.

If there is a reason for public thanksgiving, let us never begrudge the 45 seconds it takes.

Larry Harris





Thanks for the Purim Parade!



I want to thank those whose help made the 3rd Annual 1988 Temple Beth Am Purim Parade possible--weather notwithstanding!

It really was exciting to see so many Temple families, adults and children having a great time marching in the street, carrying Purim banners and figures. And what a sight to see our Rebbitsen and Rabbi riding white horses! And this all happening only with so many giving of their time.

The following helped prepare and put up the decorations: Sharon and Brad Grob, Judy and Glenn Massarano, Ruth, Misha, Hannah and Ariella Askren, my wife Kathy and my daughters Rivka and Linda, Robert and Renalee Pflug, Ellen and Eddie Rabin, Linda Sklar, and my father, Norman Rosenblatt (who spent time purchasing all the materials we used). Those beautiful figures we carried, of Mordecai, Esther, Haman and the King, were initially designed by Elaine Blaugraund and then created by Brad, Glenn and myself (thanks to Irwin Spiegel for the beautiful fabrics).

In addition, the following also helped put the decorations up in the Mirror room, put out the balloon decorations in the parking lot, and decorate the vehicles: Allen Weinstock, Alan Broidy, Jeff Rabin, Phil Rosentahl, and Bernice and Arnold Luger.

Thank you to "The Jesters," our pick-up Purim Band on the truck in front of the parade: David Ackerman on french horn, Avi Rembaum on drums and Jim Lesserman on clarinet. And thank you so very much to Dick Gross for a sound system on the truck that carried the music so far. And thanks to Steve Spronz and Georgia Beller for getting and driving the bank truck.

The parade simply could not have gotten out to the parking lot, around the parade route and safely back without our security patrol, coordinated this year by Stan Goldstein, and including: Joel Grossman, David Wilkof, Eshya Broidy (a last minute recruit), Brad Grob, Georgia Beller, Norm Green, Ronnie Cohen, and Perry Horowitz.

To help defray our costs, the following women supported our very successful bake sale: Sandra Braun, Sharon Grob, Shelly Alexander, Suzanne Morgen, and Sukie Port, coordinated by Judy Massarano. Also, thank you to my parents, Norma and Mitzi Rosenblatt for setting up the T-shirt concession, and selling so many of them.

Thank you to Harvey Klein and to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rasky for the great hot dog, drinks and coffee booth, to Pam Kay and the USYers for the delicious falafel, and to Michael Ziering and his Carnival Committee for the exciting environment of games, prizes and moon bounce ride! And let's not forget to thank our very willing Grand Marshals this year--Rabbi and Mrs. Aronson!

Barry Rosenblatt



Announcements

Kabbalat Shabbat - Many of us meet each Friday night for Kabbalat Shabbat services. All members of our community are invited to join us at the following places and times:

May 6	7:00 Georgia Beller	910 S. Holt #205
May 13	7:00 Max Stern	1449 S. Point View #9
May 20	7:00 TBA	
May 27	7:00 Brad and Sharon Grob	1021 Stearns Drive
June 3	7:00 Sharon Kushner	8545 Saturn #203
June 10	7:00 Glenn and Judy Massarano	1055 S. Wooster #1 (Address may chan

If you have any questions, please call Brad Grob (276-2634) or Glenn Massarano (652-9652).

Interim Monthly Minyan Editor Needed -- One year, June 1987 to June 1988 while I am in visting Washington DC. With Sharon Grob and Ruth Askren helping, this may be the easiest job in the minyan. Call Larry at 551-0161.

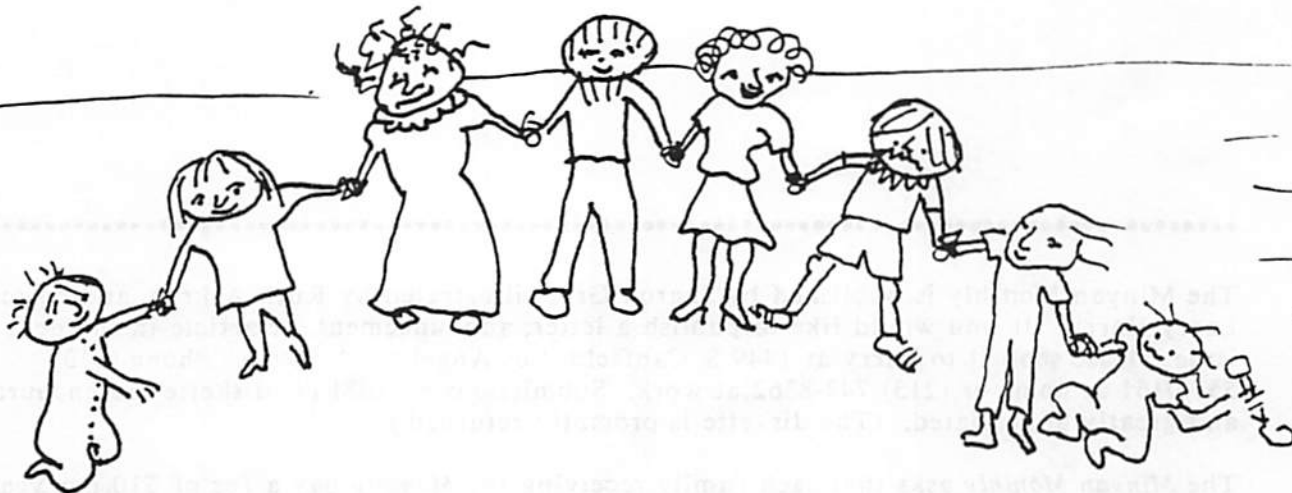
Lady Dog, Large Breed - Needs good home with loving family. Good guard dog, good with kids, ideal for older person. Sereta Stevens 275-0931.

Duplex purchase partner wanted - We will be buying a 3 bedroom duplex in the S. Carthay Circle area. Would you like the other half? Call Ruth and Misha Askren at 274-3211.

Lamaze Classes by Linda Levenson, R.N.M.N. in Beverly Hills. Call her at 553-5346 or on minyan list.

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New Havurah Get-Together - Minyan members are invited to join newly forming Beth Am havurot. A havurah is a small group of families, couples, or individuals who share common interests and the desire to meet together on a monthly basis to celebrate, study, and shmooze. Involvement in a havurah can create warm, lasting friendships and strengthen family bonds. If you are interested in joining a havurah, please contact Frieda Hershman Huberman, Program Director, at 652-7353, x107.



To Volunteer

Contact the following people to help:

To daven:

Norm Green	938-8110
David Rubin	937-5164
Donna Silver	382-2407
Elliot Sturman	461-2455

To read Torah or Haftorah:

Seth Rosen	216-1594
Sharon Kushner	659-1926

To give a drasha:

Jeff Rabin	553-0904
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To get help preparing a drasha:

Levi Shnairson	653-9439
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To learn to Daven or read Torah or Haftorah:

David Rubin	937-5164
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To help with child care:

Irit Sorokin	938-1437
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To sponsor a kiddish:

Sereta Stevens	275-0931
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To host a Shabbat lunch for Hachnasat Orchim

Robin Moss	652-2261
Georgia Beller	854-0275
Sharon Kushner	659-1926
Judy Massarano	652-9652

To contribute to the *Minyan Monthly*

Larry Harris	551-0161
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Please make the following corrections to your Minyan List:

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6516 Whitworth
(213)-852-1234 Steve

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