



# The Messenger



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**Birthdays**

None this month

**Anniversaries**

Abe & Shirley Berzon 30<sup>th</sup> – Leon & Nancy Darling 26<sup>th</sup>

**Yartzeit**

Karl Zwick - Father of Bill Zwick, Sam Diamond – Father of Jay Diamond, Isadore Kaplan – Uncle of Ilene Kaplan,  
Herbert Brethour – Brother-in-law of Ilene Kaplan, Fannie Barsh – Mother of Hal Barsh,  
Terry Wetzler – Brother-in-law of Marty & Sandy Hoffman, Al Chamie – Uncle of Carol Sherman

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR SPIRITUAL**

**\*Please NOTE: While I refer to Marty in my message below, Marty has simply been doing his job - amazingly well I might add!\***



Three simple rules in life:

1. If you do not go after what you want, you will never have it;
2. If you don't ask, the answer will always be no;
3. If you do not step forward, you'll always be in the same place.

Make sense to you? Has this been your philosophy at some point along your journey?

To the first simple rule I say, “Thank you Marty and the Shalom Bayit Board for trying so diligently to get me to commit to you exactly what I’ll be doing in the next several months for Havdallah and Shabbat services. You have wanted this information and been going after it for months now and I’m here to say? Sorry!

I still don’t have it for you – although I know it’s what you want!”

Why can’t I provide you with what’s coming? It’s not that I don’t plan, take time writing sermons, or struggle with what I want to present and/or discuss. In fact, I struggle quite a bit with it and take a lot of time figuring it out. But sometimes I find that what I plan for just doesn’t fit the time, mood, or climate.

For example, when the shooting tragedy happened in Newtown, I had a completely different service & sermon planned and changed everything at the last minute.

Now I'm sure you say to yourself, "Why shlep out if I don't know what Cathy will be talking about?" Or, "How can we encourage our friends to come if we don't know what the plan/program is?" Why? How? I'll tell you, coming is an opportunity to surround yourself with good – a good and deeply caring group of people, a good dose of some spiritual medicine for your soul (I hope), and a reminder that albeit a small one, the Shalom Bayit community provides support, understanding, connection, spirituality, and friendship as well as a commitment to keeping some level of Judaism and meschlekité close to home.

As for rule #2 Marty...you have asked and my answer is not "NO" but "I don't KNOW!"

Finally, rule #3...stepping forward. I hope that those of you who do attend regularly never feel that our time together is stagnant or I always do the same thing. While our location remains steadfast, I hope you find different meaning each time we are together.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Cathy

p.s. I know you would all agree that where Marty's concerned, his commitment and diligence to maintaining this newsletter is deeply appreciated!

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As your president, I am concerned about our long term financial viability. I hope that we can put our heads together and come up with some great ideas to increase membership to ensure that the Jewish presence will continue in the Pass area. Please call me (951-769-3678) if you have any suggestions for both retaining current members and/or attaining new members. We need you all to invite friends to Shabbat Services and Havdalahs to introduce them to our congregation.

All of us who care about Shalom Bayit have strong opinions about what is best for our congregation. We must be willing to compromise, to accept when a decision goes the other way, and to move forward instead of dwelling on the past. We must be willing to accept change gracefully.

I look forward to the continued support of our board, committee chairs and congregants.

Shalom Aleikhem"



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## HAVDALAH SERVICE

Our next Havdalah Service will be held at 5:30 pm on **Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> 2013**.

It will be a catered meal, prepared by El Pollo Loco. (YUM! YUM!)

The cost is - **Members \$12.00, Guests \$17.00**. To insure that we order enough food to satisfy everyone, reservations are a must. Send your cheque to: **Carol Sherman, 505 Sandpiper Street, Banning, CA 92220** or call Carol at **(951)769-7514** no later than **May 27<sup>th</sup>** to reserve your place at the table.

If you have a favourite caterer that you would recommend for one of our events, please call and let me know about them.

Carol

## TEMPLE SISTERHOOD



The April meeting of the Sisterhood was a success with nine members present and lots of visiting and good food.

Among the items discussed were:

- Occasionally having a speaker or some sort of program. This would vary our routine and perhaps encourage nonmembers to attend and join our Sisterhood. (Temple membership isn't required.) We're working on one now. Watch for more info.
- Retaining our current fiscal year of September 1-August 31 vs. adopting the Temple's new year of July 1-June 30. We decided not to change our year. The Sisterhood elects offices annually. We will soon need to assemble a slate for the new year, so be thinking about an office, ladies!

Did you see the finished wall hanging at our May Havdallah? Cathy Colt has done a fantastic job of creating a permanent way for us to honor and memorialize our loved ones. Thank you, Cathy! It's the season for graduations and weddings – let's all support the Temple by buying quilted leaves to add to the tree.

Our next two meetings will be May 21<sup>st</sup> and June 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:30, as usual. We'll be in the Sun Lakes main dining room in May, but expect to return to the atrium in June. Join us!

Joan

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## RELIGIOUS PRACTICES

### THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THE ONEG SPONSORS THROUGH DECEMBER, 2013.

*April - Cathy Colt, Jeff Silver, Paul Goldstein - May: Martha & Steve Benoff, Sara Rubin – June: Ken Krupsaw, Carol Sherman – July: Marty & Sandy Hoffman, Bill & Sandy Zwick – August: Laurie Feigenbaum – September Hannah Riceberg, Adelle Keifer – October: Open – November: Sandra Shulkin & Machele Gasper– December: Jay & Leslie Diamond.*

Please call Carol Sherman 769-7514 if you want to honor someone by being one of the sponsors for an Oneg.

### THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THE HAVDALAH SPONSORS THROUGH DECEMBER, 2013.

*July – Ken Krupsaw & Carol Sherman, August – Open, October Bill & Sandy Zwick and Marty & Sandy Hoffman, November – Open, December – Open.*

If you want to sponsor either the Havdalah or Oneg please contact Carol @ 951-769-7514

It is always better when there is more than one (1) sponsor. Call and I will explain what you need to do for being a SPONSOR.



It is a HONOR to be a Sponsor. It will make you feel good and know you are doing a MITZVAH.

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When I feel blue, I just start breathing again

All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.

Why do people push the elevator button many times. It wont make it arrive any faster.

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### TRIBUTE CARD DONATIONS

If you wish to send a Tribute Card to family, friends, congregants, etc., and at the same time make a donation to Shalom Bayit, simply call Doreen Levin at (951)845-9288. Let her know if you are celebrating someone's birthday, anniversary, other special occasion or milestone, or sending condolences to someone, and she will send out a Tribute Card to them. You should then send a check with "Tribute Card" in the 'For' (or whatever your check shows for a notation on the bottom left) to: Congregation Shalom Bayit, 1320 W. Williams Street, Banning, California 92220. Everyone benefits!

#### *Honorarium Tributes:*

*Fred Weinberg and Randy Fornay--Happy 40th Anniversary from Irwin and Boots and Bill and Sandy Zwick*

#### *Get Well Wishes:*

*Judy Rosen--Speedy recovery from Bill and Sandy Zwick*

#### *Memoriam Tributes:*

*Diane Stone--In memory of husband and father Steve from Ken Krupsaw and Carol Sherman*

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### WAY AND MEANS



Ilene Kaplan

Our "Day at Chili's" fund raiser will be repeated on Thursday, June 20, 2013. Bring you friends, relatives, neighbours and anyone else you can. COMING SOON to your local Ruby's at 49000 Seminole Drive, Cabazon.

**A FUTURE FUNDRAISER for Shalom Bayit!** Dates will be July 8<sup>th</sup> through July 11<sup>th</sup>. Ruby's will donate 20% of all purchases of food and non-alcoholic beverages during the times of 7 am and 9 pm on those days.

So plan now to have breakfast on Monday, Lunch on Tuesday, Dinner on Wednesday, and a fourth great meal on Thursday! Make a party of it.

Coupons will be available to distribute to family, friends, neighbors and strangers in your neighborhood! You can make copies of the coupons if you run out. Ruby's has asked that we **DO NOT hand out the coupons while in**

**or outside the restaurant. Noncompliance may result in our not being able to have this wonderful fundraiser in the future.**

It is important to support these fun raisers. Our treasury is sorely in need of funds.

A big THANK YOU to those who save plastic bottles and aluminum and cans for the Temple. Please continue to do so. Give them to, or call, Ilene Kaplan (951-845-0830) when you have some to donate. You may also bring them to the Friday night or the Havdalah services.

While each donation may be small, they add up to money in our treasury.

Another big thank you to the temple members and their friends who participate in the 50-50 drawings at the havdalah services. The temple really appreciates the donations.

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I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die  
of natural causes.

If corn oil is made from corn and olive oil is made from olives, what do  
you think that baby oil is made from?

Don't walk behind me, for I may not lead. Don't walk before me, for I may  
not follow. Don't walk beside me for the path is narrow. In fact, just  
go away and leave me alone!

If at first you don't succeed, I'd stay away from sky diving if I were  
you.

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### **FOOD FOR THE NEEDY.**

Remember to bring whatever non-perishable food items you can spare for the church. The church is in need of food items for the needy families of our area. Please bring these items to the Havdalah or Shabbat services. Ask any board member where to place them.

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### **FINDING NEW MEMBERS**

Our temple is always looking for new members. If you know of anyone who might want to join our friendly congregation, please bring them to a Shabbat service, or call Ed Newman, (951)769-8850) and let him know.

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Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish and he  
will be out in a boat all day long drinking beer and telling jokes with  
his buddies.

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### **HELPING OUR MILITARY.**

Save the used postage stamps from letters you receive. Cut them off of the envelopes, leaving about ½" border around the stamp. They are used as therapy by our military hospitals. Give them to Ilene Kaplan. She will see that they get to where they are needed.

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