

The Messenger

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR RABBI

When the Server is Served

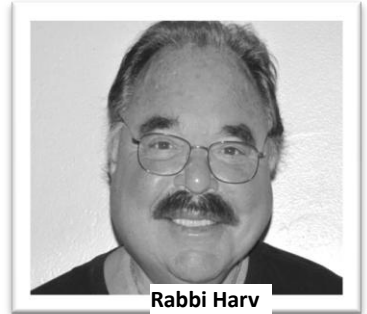
The command to love the stranger is not only deeply ethical but it also enriches us emotionally. We accept as natural the fact that we will help our family and friends, but when we go beyond that, we derive a unique and satisfying pleasure from it. To help those near to us is only right, but to help those who are more distant from us is righteous. When we help the needy, the homeless, those who lack food or shelter, we feel a sense of inner peace.

A successful businessman in New York City was bored. He had all the money that he needed, and his work was no longer challenging. He became irritable and acutely depressed. His physician, being a very wise and practical man, ordered him to go to Grand Central Station, sit down, look around, and find someone who needed help. The executive felt foolish doing this, but since his doctor recommended it he proceeded to carry out the assignment. As he was waiting in the railroad station, he suddenly saw an elderly woman sitting on her suitcase, weeping. The man went over to her and asked what her problem was. She replied that someone had not shown up to meet her. He found out where she was going, took her in his car and delivered her to her daughter's home. As soon as he left her, he called his physician, and said, "Doc, it works! I feel better already."

Whenever we help someone else, often not necessarily someone near and dear but just a stranger---we find our lives fulfilled because we have supplied them with meaning. To put in the words of a philosopher, "To live well we must have a faith to live by, a self fit to live with, and a cause to live for."

As Rabbi Israel I. Mattuck said; "Religion should have not only the sacrament of prayer but also the sacrament of social service."

B'shalom,
Rabbi Harv



Rabbi Harv

INTO THE FUTURE

It has been an event filled few months since my last article. We have had two incidents of broken pipes in our walls. The second one removed us from our home for a full month. If you have to be out of your home the Hampton Inn is the place to be. We are back in our home now and happy to be there.

My oh my, how time flies. It seems like only yesterday that my time as president of the Temple began and now it is coming to an end. We will hold our annual Congregational meeting July 15, 2012. At that time our ballots for officers will be counted as well as our

budget approved. Please keep in mind that an essential part of the budget will be our dues structure for the next year.

I have appointed Diana Newman and Carol Sherman as Co-Chairpersons of the nominating Committee. As past presidents they have intimate knowledge of what the offices require and to communicate them to potential nominees. Sylvia Gilon has volunteered to serve on the committee. We also need at least one more congregant to serve on the committee. If interested please contact either Diana or Carol.

Our treasurer, Ken Krupshaw will form a budget committee. If you wish to serve on that committee, please contact him.

The schedule for this process is the following:



President Ed

1. In June our ballots will be sent out.
2. July 15th we will hold our Congregational Meeting.
3. In August we will have installation of Officers.
4. On September 1st Officers will begin their new term.

Until then I hope to see one and all at our services and of course our Passover Seder at the Calimesa Country Club on the second night of Passover. There is a reservations form located in this publication.

Until next month, everyone please have a Shalom Bayit. For those who may not know the translation, that means peaceful home.

Ed Newman

2nd Night Seder

April 7th 2012

PUT THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR. GATHER YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY
and

Join us for the 2nd night of Passover at - The Calimesa Country Club -
Cost is \$30.00 per person for members and \$35.00 per person for guests.

Reservations are a must. Deadline is April 2nd, 2012

Make checks payable to: Congregation Shalom Bayit,

Send to: Carol Sherman
c/o 1320 W. Williams St
Banning, CA 92220

Thursday, the 15th of March will be "Give Back Day" at Chili's, from 11:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m., Chili's will donate to Shalom Bayit 15% of the sales on food purchased for each check using the coupon. If you enjoy eating out, have both lunch AND dinner at Chili's that day.

Coupons will be distributed at Services, as well as any other time we run into you. Make as many copies of the coupon as you want. Give them to friends, family, neighbors and anyone else you bump into.

The Sisterhood meeting is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 20 in the Sun Lakes Atrium. Dues are now being collected, so if you haven't yet paid yours, please bring a check for \$18 made out to Shalom Bayit Sisterhood.

Stay warm, dry and healthy.
Shalom, Hannah



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PUBLISHER

This is my first attempt at publishing our news letter. I will be experimenting with different formats, perhaps forever. Please bear with me as I muddle my way through the learning process. My name, e-mail address & phone # are included in the "board members" information box. Feel free to contact me if you have any comments. I will read and evaluate all messages.

Marty Hoffman

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Birthdays

Ilene Kaplan March 1
Martha Benoff March 12
Carol Sherman March 21

Anniversaries

None

Yahrzeits

Sam Gerstein, Father of Shirley Barsh
Audrey Bernstein Mother of Leslie Diamond
Hinda Waldman, Friend of Adele Kiefer
Nesta Noll, Aunt of Adele Kiefer
Sidney Ralph Levine Father of Diana Newman
Hyman Chamowitz Grandfather of Carol Sherman
Joseph Logan, Father of Sandra Shulkin
Clyde Geisler, Father of Sandy Zwick
Marcella Geisler, Mother of Sandy Zwick

WAYS & MEANS REPORT

Feb. income: (Havdalah) 50/50 -\$22.00, Tzedakah -
\$14.03, Recycle - \$12.49, center pieces \$12.00,
Havdalah - \$250.00
Total - \$310.52

We would like to thank those who donated food for
the Havdalah. Their generosity allowed us to show a
profit for the night.

Sept. 1, 2011 – Aug. 31, 2012 (fiscal year) total -
\$635.33

Remember to save your recyclable cans & bottles.
Turn them in to Ilene Kaplan.

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Rabbi

Harvey Block

**Our Havdalah pot luck dinner and
service will be held on Saturday, March
3, 2012 at 5:30 pm.**

**The venue will be at 1320 West Williams
street in Banning.**

The cost will be \$2.00 for the room rent