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From the President

By Joshua Goodman

Fellow members of our BIJ family:

Is it too early to write about the High Holy Days? It is June, but the High Holy Days are early this year. In fact, the Jewish calendar is so early this year that, for the first time, the first day of Hanukkah is on Thanksgiving! (Interestingly, the last time these dates coincided was in 1861, but President Lincoln didn't formally establish Thanksgiving until 1863; and it won't happen again for more than 77,000 years.) Not to worry, the calendar will readjust in February with a leap month (Adar I) so that Passover will be at the more expected time of mid-April. But Passover is for another article.

The High Holy Days start the first week in September, and as we do every year, we will make sure our entire community knows the schedule of services and events well in advance. Our staff and clergy do a wonderful job of communicating our services and events through emails, e-blasts, bulletins, flyers and service sheets. If you or anyone you know wants more information, please check our website or contact the office.

But there is, or at least can be, more to preparing for the High Holy Days than just making sure the dates are properly calendared. Preparing for the High Holy Days is not something that we all do as part of our regular, annual ritual. For most of my life, I did very little preparation for the High Holy Days. I attended services and relied on the ten days from Rosh Hashanah to Yom Kippur to get me in the right frame of mind. More recently, however, in part because of my involvement with BIJ's governance, I have taken a different approach.

The High Holy Days are a chance to take stock of the year just concluding, to reset for the coming year, and to reaffirm our Jewish selves. How does one prepare to do all this? I can only share with you my own, personal view. My preparation rests on three pillars: Jewish learning, Jewish community and the greater world.

Jewish Learning. So much of our Jewish identity is focused on learning. Over the last year I have been taught by our younger members at their b'nai mitzvah, by fellow Board members giving divrei Torah at Board meetings, and by several rabbis at our collaborative events. At the recent *Tikkun Leyl Shavuot* I studied Talmud with one rabbi and learned about the Ten Commandments from another. We all hope that as we go through life we are continuously progressing and learning. So as we approach the High Holy Days, we should ask if we have expanded our Jewish learning over the course of the year and we should take

advantage of opportunities to do so leading up to the High Holidays.

Jewish Community. We have varying involvement with our Jewish community over the course of the year. Some of us attend services or other events regularly, some infrequently, and some not at all. But we all look to our Jewish community, to BIJ, for the High Holy Days and I am reminded of Rabbi Morris' "*My Synagogue is of the Ages*" which so eloquently captures how our synagogue is the heart of our Jewish community. So as we approach the High Holy Days, we should ask if we have supported and nurtured and strengthened our Jewish community over the course of the year and we should look for ways to do so leading up to the High Holy Days, whether through volunteering, providing financial support, or in other ways.

The Greater World. We do not live on an island, nor are we concerned only with our immediate community. This is a very Jewish notion that is captured in the idea of *Tikkun Olam* – the healing of the world. Over the past year, Rabbi Gottlieb has introduced into one Friday night service a month the concept of making Shabbat a "just" Shabbat, with the focus on justice for others. The Rabbi has talked to us about supporting food banks to achieve freedom from hunger, and supporting efforts toward economic freedom for farm workers, among other issues. Not every issue will appeal to every person, but every person can find ways to heal the world. So as we approach the High Holy Days, we should ask what we have done over the course of the year to make the world a better place, even if only in a small way, and we should take advantage of opportunities through BIJ and elsewhere for *Tikkun Olam*.

If part of what the High Holy Days are for us is a hard break in our year that forces us to look at ourselves and at our failings so we can avoid continuing in the same patterns, I believe that some preparation will make that more effective and rewarding. Something that will be part of my preparation this year is Selichot, on Saturday evening, August 31st, which we will observe at BIJ together with our friends from B'nai Emunah and Ner Tamid. I hope to see you there.



Joshua Goodman

President, Board of Trustees

FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

עין במקום עין—An Eye in Place of an Eye

By Rabbi Danny Gottlieb



Reading the verse (Exodus 21:24) this way (as opposed to “an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth...”) allows us to see in these words a mitzvah that is possible to perform in our day that was not even contemplated in the time of the Torah. An eye **in place of** an eye, a heart **in place of** a heart, a kidney **in place of** a kidney, and so on?

This mitzvah to which I am referring is organ and tissue donation. And let there be no doubt, it is a profoundly Jewish mitzvah.

Three Jewish principles govern the treatment of the body after death: respect and dignity to a cadaver, not benefiting from a corpse, and immediate burial. Rabbi Elliott N. Dorff writes that saving a life through organ donation supersedes these rules concerning treatment of a dead body. “Transplantation does not desecrate a body or show lack of respect for the dead, and any delay in burial to facilitate organ donation is respectful of the decedent. Organ donation saves lives and honors the deceased.”

Rabbis representing all of the religious streams have affirmed this principle in unambiguous terms, because no one should see the preservation of human life as optional. For Jews, whether Reform, Orthodox, Conservative, Reconstructionist, Renewal or secular, it is obligatory.

“The value of human life is a cardinal value in Jewish law. This is a value which is expressed through the obligation for self-preservation, but also in the duty to save the life of another human being. This obligation is a mitzvah, a commandment of such a supreme value that it takes precedence over virtually all other religious duties. Therefore we are taught that the sick must eat on the fast day of Yom Kippur, the injured are treated on Shabbat, and so on.”

Beginning with the breakthroughs in organ transplantation in the 1950s, leading rabbinic authorities throughout the Jewish world have looked upon this new technology as a way to fulfill this mitzvah. We believe in the Divine mandate to save life—an obligation first expressed in the Torah itself: “You shall not stand idly by the blood of your neighbor.” We see organ and tissue donation as a new means to fulfill an ancient, eternal religious duty. This idea also includes the giving of blood, bone marrow transplants and donating redundant organs.

It is consistent with Jewish teaching and well within the boundaries of Jewish law that consent be given for post-mortem organ donation when requested by doctors and hospitals for use when directly needed for life-saving transplantation procedures. This applies to the individual in anticipation of his or her own death, as well as to health care proxies or next of kin whenever they are legally empowered to make such decisions on behalf of the deceased. It is my belief that in so doing we render a profound and genuine honor to the deceased.

So when we read the words, “an eye **in place of** an eye...” I am asking that every person here consider participating in this life-saving mitzvah.

It is easy to do, and you can do it today. Add your name to the Donate Life California Organ and Tissue Donor Registry by contacting the BIJ office for a printed registration form, by checking the organ donation box when you renew your driver’s license, or by going on-line to www.register.donatelifecalifornia.org/register/. The website also has complete information about organ and tissue donation so you can learn more about it. You will be sent an organ donor card to carry in your wallet. Carry it with pride.

Hillel said, “If I am not for myself, who will be for me?” Each one of us should take care of our bodies, for the sake of our health and preservation of our lives. “If I am for myself alone, what am I?” Each one of us should donate blood regularly, be screened as a bone marrow donor, and carry an organ donor card to ensure that we can save the life of another, if ever we are given that sacred opportunity. “And if not now, when?” Each one of us should prepare ourselves to participate in this mitzvah—today.

I look forward to seeing you throughout the summer. Look elsewhere in the Bulletin for information about our service schedule and special collaboration programs for Tisha B’Av (July 15th at Ner Tamid) and Selichot (August 31st at BIJ).

Have a pleasant summer!
Shalom,

Rabbi Danny Gottlieb

It may be the beginning of summer, but the High Holy Days are right around the corner! Members, look for your tickets in the mail at the beginning of August.

THE CANTOR'S VOICE

One (or Two) Prayers for the Road By Cantorial Soloist David Morgenstern

The High Holy Days are coming “early” this year, in the first week of September, and preparations for our *Yamim Nora'im* (Days of Awe) services are already moving along, since the end of Shavuot in May. Note that our volunteer choir will be starting rehearsals in the last week of July and if you want to join us, let me know. Also, if you have any questions about singing in the choir, *please* give me a call.

Rabbi and I have been examining the latest section of the CCAR's High Holy Day *Machzor*, which we've been adding a piece at a time to our services over the past couple of years. I've found several new choral settings of prayers that I hope you will find uplifting. Many people take time in the days before the *Yamim Nora'im* for some self-examination: to prepare for the New Year by reflecting on the past year and to consider what we want for the new year to come. Part of this process is to ask pardon of and seek reconciliation from the persons we've offended or harmed. It's a part of our spiritual journey — speaking of journeys, there's a prayer for that!



A Prayer For Travel

Over the past couple of years, I've had the opportunity to pass along the traditional Jewish prayer for making a journey, which is called

Tefilat Haderech, the Traveler's Prayer. In the tradition, it's a common prayer that should be said before anyone takes a trip lasting more than hour or so — okay, the exact time is 72 minutes, but who's counting? (Inara pointed out that this number is 18, or *chai*, times 4). The prayer asks the Holy One of Blessing to keep us safe from harm and, like some of the most moving prayers of the High Holy Day liturgy, details many of the bad things that might befall us on a trip. Here's the English version of the prayer that's from the Hillel website (www.hillel.org):

“May it be Your will, Eternal One, our God and the God of our ancestors, that You lead us toward peace, emplace our footsteps towards peace, guide us toward peace, and make us reach our desired destination for life, gladness, and peace. May You rescue us from the hand of every foe, ambush, bandits and wild animals along the way, and from all manner of punishments that assemble to come to Earth. May You send blessing in our every handiwork, and grant us peace,

kindness, and mercy in Your eyes and in the eyes of all who see us. May You hear the sound of our supplication, because You are the God who hears prayer and supplications. Blessed are You, Eternal One, who hears prayer.”

I once had my daughter Ariela repeat this prayer after me over the phone as she and a friend were setting out on a cross-country trip. Often, *Tefilat Haderech* is combined with additional prayers. Since this is a commonly-said prayer, a copy is often carried in a wallet or it can be found on all kinds of items such as decorated keychains, or even engraved on the sides of pens. Our Administrator, Sara Heckelman, tells me that she has in her wallet the business card of a Jerusalem taxi driver who printed *Tefilat Haderech* on the back, since she lived there almost ten years ago!



Of course, there are several iPhone apps for that ... One is Yaniv Kalsky's *Tefilat Haderech for all* (\$0.99). The prayer is offered in Hebrew and transliteration as well as in English, Spanish and Portuguese. Perhaps give the Traveler's Prayer a try. After all, depending upon traffic, even a “short” trip across town may take 72 minutes.

May our lives lead us to more wisdom, more creativity, more holiness, more peace and bring us closer to the Holy One of Blessing.

B'racha (with blessing),

David Morgenstern

YOUTH EDUCATION

SHABBAT

B'yachad = Together =

By Rebecca Goodman, RJE; Director of Education



In an effort to shake things up, break out of the same old mold and invigorate our learning, we're making changes to our Sunday morning YAFE program. Beginning on September 15, get ready to see a whole new program (still on Sunday mornings). Get ready to see a whole new way of learning. Get ready to meet some new friends. Some of the highlights include:

- Partnering with our neighbors at B'nai Emunah. Their students will join our students as we explore Judaism together. Rabbi Melamut will join Rabbi Gottlieb on Sunday mornings to share their wisdom with all the students and their parents in family and adult education programs.
- Mini-units will guide our year. Look forward to delving into topics such as *Shomrei Adamah* (Protecting the Earth), Torah, *Tzedek* (Justice), Art, Cooking, *Pesach* (Passover) and Israel.
- We'll have more field trips! Such as a Sukkah sleepover for teens, a trip to the zoo for Parshat Noach, volunteering at the Food Bank, visiting the Contemporary Jewish Museum, Havdallah at the rabbis' houses, a Camping Shabbaton, and more.

You may wonder, with all these new additions, if anything will feel familiar. YES! Old favorites will continue, such as:

- Family Education (Mishpacha Sunday), where we learn and explore Judaism with the whole family.
- First Friday Potluck Dinners and Student-Led Services will continue. Many will take place at BIJ, but some may also take place at B'nai Emunah. The calendar which will be published before High Holy Days will note locations for all events.
- Hevruta Hebrew on Sundays for students in grades 4-7, with an option for Hebrew on Wednesday afternoons for those who may be interested.
- Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family Education series for those in grades 6 and 7.
- Joint Purim celebration.

Bringing together students from Beth Israel Judea and B'nai Emunah enables us to grow our program, expands the Jewish connections of our students and provides more resources (not to mention two rabbis) for our learning community.

You might wonder, "What are we calling this new program?" It's easy (perhaps even easier to remember and pronounce than YAFE). B³! Why B³? We have **THREE Bs**:

Beth Israel Judea + **B**'nai Emunah + **B**'yachad (together).

If you have any questions about this new partnership, please do not hesitate to contact me or Rabbi Gottlieb.

Check out YAFE's website for the most up-to-date information. <http://www.sites.google.com/site/bijyafe/>

Rebecca Goodman

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What is it?
Read this to
find out
more!

First Fridays this Summer

**BBQ/Potluck and Yankee Doodle Shabbat—
July 5, 6:30 PM**

Our First Friday Family Shabbat will be BIJ's annual celebration of the Fourth of July holiday. We will welcome Shabbat together, with blessings over the candles, *challah* and wine, and then we will salute Summer with a barbeque and potluck. BIJ will provide the hot dogs and hamburgers (and veggie burgers). You bring your favorite **non-dairy** picnic-style salads and other foods.



The family service will follow, including the singing of traditional patriotic songs. And of course we'll celebrate July birthdays! Then join us for our special "Apple Pie and Ice Cream Social" Oneg Shabbat, provided by BIJ.

**First Friday Goes to Camp Newman!
August 2—No services at BIJ**

By popular demand, we return to URJ Camp Newman for a Magical Camp Shabbat on the First Friday in August. You must register online and there is a requested contribution of \$36 per adult. Join your BIJ friends and see what camp is all about!

For more details and to register:

<http://newman.urjcamps.org/alumni/reunions/groups/>



URJ Camp
NEWMAN



SHABBAT

“Just” Shabbat

July 12 & August 9 7:30 PM

Join us for our “Just” Shabbat service. We will share in a warm and engaging Erev Shabbat service with contemporary music and liturgy, and will focus on an issue of social justice.

Friday Night Feasts

July 19 & August 16 6:30 PM

Join us on the third Friday night of each month for a free, catered Shabbat feast. We'll welcome Shabbat with tableside blessings, then enjoy delicious fare and each others' company. After *birkat hamazon*, the grace after meals, we'll have a special program for the adults; children are welcome to go into the Fireside Room for supervised activity.

If you have friends who have never been to BIJ, invite them to join us! This monthly event is a wonderful opportunity to introduce your friends to our BIJ Community.

July 19 Friday Night Feast

BIJ Member & Author Michael Castleman

We are very pleased to welcome back BIJ member Michael Castleman who will discuss his fourth Ed Rosenberg murder mystery novel, *Killer Weed* (scheduled for release in September). Framed around two murders in Golden Gate Park—one contemporary, the other a cold case from 1968—the book follows three pot dealers through 40 years of the marijuana business in America. It also delves into the true story of the Haight-Ashbury in the late 1960s. Michael will discuss how the hippies became a media phenomenon in large part because of a Jew, Allan Cohen, founder and publisher of the seminal underground newspaper, the San Francisco Oracle.



August 16 Friday Night Feast Shofar Maker Maurice Kamins & College Student Send-Off

We all thrill at the ancient sound of the shofar during the High Holy Days. We will have a unique opportunity to learn shofar lore from Maurice Kamins, a local *ba'al tekiyah* (shofar master), who not only blows the shofar but makes them. He will tell us about the history of the shofar, musical techniques, and show how they are made. He says that to make a horn that creates a sound "takes only a minute and a half," but it takes another day of work to get a finished shofar.



His shofars, polished and translucent in the light, have been called "veritable works of art." But his shofars aren't meant to be lifeless showpieces; rather, they are meant to stir our souls by being blown.

A special invitation is extended to our college students to join us and receive a special blessing from Rabbi Gottlieb.

RSVP to the office by July 11 for July 19,

By August 8 for August 16 : office@bij.org or 415.586.8833

Max Braun Becomes Bar Mitzvah!

August 17 10:00 AM

Max was born in the Sunset District of San Francisco, where he lives with his parents and his sister, Annie. This year, he will be in 8th grade at AP Giannini Middle School, where he particularly enjoys his English and science classes.



Fencing is Max's favorite sport, and he fences at a club here in San Francisco. However, he's always up to play a game of catch, football or frisbee. Max loves listening to and playing music. He plays french horn in school and also plays trumpet.

Camp Alonim in Southern California has become a second home to Max. He spends 3 weeks there each summer Israeli dancing, making friends and enjoying Jewish camp life.

Max is grateful to his teachers and the BIJ community for helping him to learn about being Jewish and teaching him so much about being a Bar Mitzvah. Cantor Morgenstern, Rabbi Gottlieb, Rebecca Goodman and all his religious school teachers and madrichim have made the work enjoyable and always interesting.

Erev Shabbat Sacred Hebrew Chant & Drum

July 26 & August 23 7:30 PM



Join us for our unique Sacred Hebrew Chant and Drum service. Our joyful band of vocalists and drummers lead us as we welcome Shabbat in an uplifting evening, layered with harmonies and rhythms, creating a sacred space. A

potluck Oneg Shabbat and schmooze to follow. Please bring a treat to share. **Tell a friend – all are welcome!!!**

THE WOMEN OF BIJ

ETC...

The officers and members of Sisterhood – The Women of BIJ are happy to wish long time active members Sylvia and Sid Levinson a wonderful next phase of their lives as they move to Portland to be near their family. We appreciate all of their contributions to BIJ and Sisterhood and we will miss them. We enjoyed celebrating with them at the Volunteer Appreciation Friday Night Feast in June.

Our calendar for next year is being finalized and we are planning an exciting and productive year with activities for everyone: women, men, girls and boys. We are looking into fun fundraising events to enjoy while helping BIJ. We are exploring one geared towards youth and one geared towards adults with childcare provided, as well as our Annual Brunch, Hanukkah Fair, Incredible Edibles, and more. Ongoing events include our Book Club, Offsite brunches and monthly Rosh Chodesh celebrations.

Some of the ways that we contribute include sponsoring several of the Friday Night Feasts and supporting our religious school monetarily. We also enjoy providing gifts to our B'nai Mitzvah and Confirmation students and providing scholarships. In addition, we sponsor a luncheon for residents of the Jewish Home and we contribute to the Jewish Braille Institute.

The Women of BIJ organizes rides to BIJ services and events for those who need them. So please let us know if we can provide you with rides or if you can provide rides for others.

To make all of our busy lives easier, we are holding fewer meetings. Please join us whenever you like at events and meetings.

L'Shalom,

Sherrie Rosenberg, Co-President with Sarah Glew
sherrie.rosenberg@gmail.com or 415-902-8293

Thanks to all the women who graciously hosted a pot-luck brunch in their home this year between August and May: Irada Yuzbash, Karen Kerner, Ann Comoglio, Lee Greenholtz Huberman, Janet Reves, Kathy Chaikin Bernstein and Natalie Melendez-Ortiz. We appreciate your hospitality and generosity! If you would like to become the next Brunch Coordinator, contact Lynne Rappaport at 415.665.8616.

**The Women of BIJ
Next Meeting
August 18, 10:00 AM
Offsite**

Calling All Singers!



Choir Members Welcome!

In July, it seems like a good long while until the High Holy Days, but Cantor David and Inara Morgenstern are already opening up the Nashira choir books and getting music ready for the services. Please consider adding your voice in new and old songs for the New Year. Rehearsals will be Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, starting on July 31. Call Cantor David at 415.672.1751 if you have questions.

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BIJ Co-Presents at the SF Jewish Film Festival!

“The Last Sentence”

Castro – Monday, July 29 at 3:25pm

Cinearts (Palo Alto) – Tuesday, August 6 at 8:00pm

During World War II, few Swedes dared to speak up against the evil around them. Among those who did, nobody was as uncompromising as Swedish journalist Torgny Segerstedt. “The Last Sentence”



chronicles his chaotic and dramatic life, including his long-term affair with his Jewish mistress. Written and directed by renowned Swedish filmmaker Jan Troell, whose epic films “The Emigrants” and “The New Land” made him an international figure in the 1970s.

For full Festival calendar and program, go to www.sfjff.org

Grief and Growing: A Healing Weekend for Bereaved Individuals and Families August 16 – 18

Now in its 17th year, this unique weekend, at URJ Camp Newman in Santa Rosa, is filled with specialized workshops and activities designed to help individuals and families identify tools to help them in their mourning. Jewish programming is integrated throughout the weekend in both formal and informal ways.

If you have any questions please feel free to call Bay Area Jewish Healing Center at (415) 750-3436. You can also visit www.jewishhealingcenter.org/griefandgrowing.htm

This weekend is co-sponsored by Bay Area Jewish Healing Center, JewishLearningWorks, and Sinai Memorial Chapel. Scholarship support is provided by the Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco, Marin and Sonoma Counties, and the Peninsula, the Jewish Community Federation/Jewish Community Foundation of the East Bay and Theta Delta Xi.

Jewish Vocational Service Workshops

July 18 7:00 PM: Developing your Pitch

July 23 3:00 PM: Networking Cafe

The Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) is offering these programs in July at the Jewish Community Center of San Francisco, 3200 California Street.

Developing Your Pitch

Prepare for that chance encounter to sell yourself to an employer or networking contact. In this workshop, you will prepare a strong, succinct pitch that represents your experiences, strengths and goals, while targeting your job interests. Come ready to practice and share your expertise with other participants. Registration is required.

Networking Café

This strategy group is a place for you to network, brainstorm and problem-solve around your job search strategies in a supportive and collaborative environment. This monthly drop-in group at the JCCSF is offered on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Join us from 3:00–4:30 PM, for this interactive session facilitated by JVS staff and followed by casual networking until 5:00 PM. Come share in this safe peer based environment where you can learn from others who are also looking for a job. Pre-registration is not required.

To register or to learn more about these and other JVS offerings, visit www.jvs.org

Love & Religion –

Interfaith Family Online Workshop for Newlyweds and Nearly-Weds

July 29, August 5, 12 & 19 7:30 PM

Being part of an interfaith couple can be challenging, but you don't need to find the answers alone. This workshop offers a safe environment to work on your religious lives together. You can make Jewish choices while honoring the traditions of your spouse. This is a 4-session workshop that meets online with multipoint video conferencing, including one in-person (for an InterfaithFamily/Bay Area hosted dinner). Couples may participate before or after they are wed.

The sessions are on Mondays: July 29, August 5, 12, and 19 7:30-9:00pm. Participants can sign up online at: www.interfaithfamily.com/sfbayarea



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Erev Shabbat Schedule

1st Friday: Family Shabbat Potluck Dinner and Service

6:30 PM Blessings and Dairy/Fish/Veggie Dinner,
followed by a musical family service with Rabbi
Danny Gottlieb and song leader Ricki Weintraub.

2nd Friday: "Just" Shabbat

7:30 PM Spotighting an issue of social justice

3rd Friday: FREE Friday Night Feast

6:30 PM Tableside Shabbat Blessings & Community
Dinner. Includes program for adults. RSVP to office.

4th Friday: Sacred Hebrew Chant & Drum

7:30 PM Soulful singing, joyful rhythms and meditative
worship. Potluck Dessert Oneg Shabbat to follow -
please bring goodies!!

Weekly BIJ Saturday Morning Services

9:00 AM Torah / Haftarah Study

10:00 AM Shabbat Services

Light Kiddush follows.

Beth Israel Judea Mission Statement

Congregation Beth Israel Judea is a center for progressive, egalitarian Judaism located in southwest San Francisco.

Our multigenerational, participatory community welcomes all Jews and interfaith families along with their partners and friends.

We value celebrations of the spirit, Jewish culture, our children's education, and life-long learning, music, social justice and Tikkun Olam.



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