

13 Adar 5777

11 March 2017

KOL MEVASSER

President's Message *A Remembrance of Things to Come*

Dear Members:

It has been an amazing privilege to preside over Kahal Joseph these past 6 years. I have worked to live up to the honor, and am sincerely grateful for your trust, your belief in what we do, your heartfelt generosity, your advice and friendship throughout. It was important to me to identify what really matters to our members, what was sustainable, what was momentary. To shape the narratives that meant the most, and direct our resources to make a prolific contribution in leading Kahal Joseph to ever greater success.

None of this would have been possible without the ambitious efforts of our Board of Directors, our Directors-at-Large, our Vice Presidents, Board secretary Louise Elias, my Senior Vice President Jonathan Kelly and Chairman Joseph Dabby, each of whom understood that our challenges, goals and ideals led to the clearest opportunity for progress.

I thank our wonderful office staff, Sarah Bouchoucha and Penina Solomon for making our day-to-day reality look so easy. To Dafna Young and Jessica Melhado for their creative input and programming, and Elsa Singman who stood ready to help at any given moment.

To the Norma and Sam Dabby Talmud Torah, its Director Molly Jalali and the teaching staff who encourage our children to learn what they live, with dignity and respect for their heritage.



My fondest blessings to our clergy, Gabai Albert Nissan, Senior Hazan Sassoon Ezra, Hazan Saeed Jalali, and our Rabbi Raif Melhado; I am happy to report that our Board of Directors has renewed his association with us well into 2019. May the foundation of our spiritual house always be strengthened by their firm beliefs and faith.

I feel fortunate to have served our synagogue in a position whose ending is bittersweet. However, I am secure in the knowledge that we will continue to thrive and grow under the leadership of one of our most beloved ladies, Yvette Dabby, whose years of experience and devotion to Kahal Joseph will surely lead to a refreshed view of the road forward.

I look back now just to see how far we've come. What was necessary has been accomplished, and accomplished rightly. I think about what the time meant, and how its legacy might nourish what's ahead. Kahal Joseph is a relevant work in progress. I can't help but feel the pride to have played a small part in its remarkable history, and I am so distinctly optimistic about its future.

It has been a rare and rewarding privilege indeed, and I leave it knowing that with each expectation, the countless decisions made, every care given, every dream and vision we ever had for Kahal Joseph, was seen through the lens of its widening embrace and development.

So I will always remember the profound joy that would have been unknown to me had I not taken this journey - a joy that does not hunger for more and more, but rests satisfied. For this, I am so deeply grateful to each and every one of you.

Warmly,
Ronald Einy, President

Parashat Tetsave Shabbat Zakhor

Torah: Ex. 27:20–30:10, Deut. 25:17-19
Hertz 339, 856; Stone 464, 1066
Haftara: I Samuel 15:1–34
Hertz 995–998; Stone 1214–1216
Tefillot: Mi Khamokha, Mashiv Haruah,
No Tsidkatekha at Minha

Arvit on Saturday — Purim Night

Psalms 144, 67, 22; Arvit of Motsa'e Shabbat with Al Hanisim in the Amida; Yehi Shem, Kaddish Le'ela, Me'ore Ha'esh, Megillat Esther; Shuva, Yoshev Beseter, Kedusha Desidra, Kaddish Titkabal; Psalm 124, Kaddish Yehe Shelama, Alenu; Peri Hagefen, Atse Besamim, Havdala

KJ Schedule

Erev Shabbat / Friday, March 10th

Shaharit 6:25 am
Candle lighting.....5:38 pm
Minha 5:30 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat / Arvit 6:00 pm

Yom Shabbat / Saturday, March 11th

Shaharit / Morning Prayer 8:15 am
Tefilla begins w/special Mi Khamokha poem
Keri'at HaTorah 10:15 am
Musaf 11:45 am
Minha right after Kiddush
Women's Tehillim cancelled for Purim
Se'uda Shelisheet..... cancelled for Purim
Havdala 6:43 pm

PURIM / Saturday, March 11th

Arvit and **Evening Megilla Reading** with
Raffle, Prizes & Refreshments **7:30 pm**

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The Five Mitzvot of Purim

1. **Hearing the Megilla** at night
2. **Hearing the Megilla** in the daytime
3. **Mishloah Manot**: Giving at least two kinds of food to at least one person
4. **Matanot La'evyonim**: Giving charity to at least two poor people. On Lel Purim, we will have collection baskets for this or you can [click here](#) or send checks to the office
5. **Se'uda**: Having a festive meal with friends and family on the day of Purim

Simeni Rosh, A Poem for Purim

שִׁימֵנִי רֹאשׁ עַל כָּל אוֹיְבֵי. וְתִשְׁמְחֵנִי.

כִּימֵי מְרֻדְכֵי בֶן יָאִיר. אֶל חֲנוּן וְחַנּוּנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחֶהוּ לְאָדָם. הִכָּהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

לְבִשְׁתָּ מַלְכוּת לַהֲדָסָה. וְהִצַּלְתָּנִי.

בְּקוֹם הָמָן הָאֲגָגִי. כְּתִנּוּן לְבָלְעָנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחֶהוּ לְאָדָם. הִכָּהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

מִמָּרוֹם רוּחַ שְׁלֵחָתָהּ. וְתוֹשִׁיעָנִי.

יִסֹּר יִסְרֵנִי יְהוָה. לְמָוֶת לֹא נִתְּנָנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחֶהוּ לְאָדָם. הִכָּהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

הָמָן חָשַׁב לְאַבְדָּנִי. וְלִהְיוֹתִי מִיָּדִי.

דָּחָה דְחִיתָנִי לְנֶפֶל. וְהוֹ עֲזָרָנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחֶהוּ לְאָדָם. הִכָּהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

Mazal Tov

Melissa and Michael Akiva
on the birth of a baby boy

Besiman Tov to grandparents
Vera and Jacob Helali
Drora and Jacob Akiva
and to great-grandparents
Suad and Latif Levy

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PURIM

Sunday, March 12th

Shaharit with Megilla..... 7:30 am
Family-friendly Megilla 10:00 am
KJ Purim Carnival..... 11 am to 3 pm

Monday to Friday, March 13 to 17

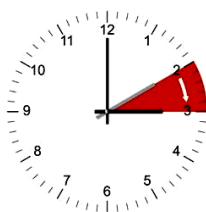
Shaharit 6:25 am

Next Shabbat

Fri & Sat, March 17 & 18

Shabbat Candle lighting 6:44 pm
Friday Mincha 6:30 pm
Shaharit 8:30 am
Saturday Mincha 6:15 pm
Havdala 7:48 pm

Daylight Savings Starts



Remember to set your clocks
forward one hour this Sunday
morning!

The lost sleep will be more
than made up for by a great
Purim Carnival!

In Memoriam

We remember these yearzeit anniversaries from March 11 to 18, 2017. It is customary to light a memorial candle, donate tzedaka & attend Shabbat services.

13 Adar / Shabbat, March 11th

Esther Jacob D'Cruz *Esther HaMulka bat Rahel*
Elliot Zvi Wyner *Yechiel Zvi ben Yitzhak*
Kodadad ben Yair

14 Adar / Sunday, March 12th

Joseph Mingail *Yosef ben Haim Baruch*

15 Adar / Monday, March 13th

Nuriel Daizadeh *Nuriel ben Yochanan*
Jack Jacob Meir *ben Yaacov*
Vera Rosenfeld *Vera bat Hannah Hatoun*

18 Adar / Thursday, March 16th

Efraim ben Simcha
Naim Moshi *Naim ben Yehoshua*
Nazay Radfar *Nazeh bat Nisan*

19 Adar / Friday, March 17th

Eliyahu Sasson *Samuel Eliyahu ben Sasson*
Charles Eric Ezekiel *Saleh ben Ezra Yehezkel*

20 Adar / Shabbat, March 18th

Victoria Simanian *Miriam Victoria bat Ester*
Edward Wyner *Itzhak ben Simha*
Yona Radfar *Yona ben Shlomo*

Refu'a Shelema

Moselle Amron • Sally Amron • Haskell Avrahamy
Sylvia Cohen • Simcha bat Rooha • Mordechai Cohen
Esther Duke • Sassoon Ezra • Lev Hakak • Yoel Iny
Tilda Levy • Florice Newberry • Maurice Ovadia
Katie bat Farha • Miriam bat Yetta • Aliza bat Rahel
Aliza bat Victoria • Yvonne Moalim • Latifa bat Louisa
Bracha Simha bat Louisa • Adam Moshe Chaim ben Olga
Miryam bat Malka • Malka bat Rahel
Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov



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Kahal Joseph Congregation presents

Purim Carnival

Food! Games! Prizes!
Sunday, March 12
11AM - 3PM

UNLIMITED GAME WRISTBAND - \$20

HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS AND MORE!

FAMILY MEGILLA READING AT 10AM

EVENT CO-CHAIRS - JONATHAN KELLY - MOLLY JALALI - JESSICA MELHADO



Happy Purim!

Saturday, March 11 - Shabbat Zakhor

At 8:15AM, we read the Mi Khamokha, describing the story of Esther in poetic Hebrew. During the Torah service, we read the maftir commanding us to destroy Amelek, the embodiment of all evil

7:30 PM - Megilla Reading

Raffle - \$5 tickets - 50" TV grand prize!

Wear a costume to cheer Mordechai and boo Haman.

Buy raffle tickets to benefit the Norma & Sam Dabby Talmud Torah and win great prizes! Winner announced after the reading!

Light refreshments to follow

Sunday, March 12 - Purim Day

7:30 AM Shaharit

8:00 AM Early Megilla Reading

10:00 AM Family Megilla Reading

11:00 AM Purim Carnival



Baking Iraqi Treats for Purim



Thank you TO THE PURIM BAKING VOLUNTEERS!

KJ thanks Yvette Dabby for organizing and coordinating our communal mishloach manot baking team; our wonderful staff including Sarah Bouchoucha, Penina Meghnagi-Solomon, and Rosa for their support; and our amazing volunteer bakers:

Jila Arasteh	Sherry Elghanian	Margot Lurie	Rence Reiz
Nicole Arasteh	Louise & David Elias	Judy Lurie	Aviva Sagi
Florette Benhamou	Sophie & Ben Elias	Melanie McQueen	Zmira Sahar
Annette Cohen	Hazan Sassoon Ezra	Jessica Melhado	Odette Sarraf
Arlette Darwish	Julia Grundweg	Rabbi Raif Melhado	Sandra Sarraf
Sherlin Davoodpour	Mehry Hakimipour	Doris Moshi	Yvonne Shiri
Talia Davoudian	Angela Hakimipour	Roya Najibi	Widad Shiri
Keyvan Davoudian	Rita Hanin	Vicky Nathaniel	Nasrin Soroodi
Eva Dloomy	Orly Kattan	Ruthie Nazarian	Tammy Stockfish
Letizia Einy	Judith Levy	Rosy Nissan	

שרח פי א ערבי

אדי וצעת בפמנא. הודא הום ישפרון ויבארפון ויסבחון
ויפכרון וימגדון לא אסמך יא צלטאננא דאיימן. לאן כל פם

Do you speak Judeo-Arabic or Judeo-Persian?

The Mother Tongue Project at the University of Haifa wants to record a conversation with you to help preserve these dying languages.

Make an appointment with Rabbi Melhado at
rabbimelhado@kahaljoseph.org or call the office at 310-474-0559

Each conversation will be recorded and then uploaded to the Mother Tongue project website to be shared and used for research.

Find out more information about
the Mother Tongue Project at www.lashon.org



BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHABBAT LUNCHEON

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

HONORING
OUTGOING BOARD PRESIDENT
RONALD EINY

THANKING
THE 2014-2017 BOARD

WELCOMING
INCOMING BOARD PRESIDENT
YVETTE DABBY
AND
THE 2017-2020 BOARD

Free, for members only
RSVP to the office at 310.474.0559
by Wednesday, March 22

Interested in becoming a member?
Talk to Rabbi Melhado or call the office



Young Professionals Shabbat Dinner

with

Rabbi Ari Weber

Friday, March 24

Rabbi Ari Weber is currently serving as the Clinical Pastoral Resident at St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Following college, he spent four years in Israel, where he learned in yeshiva, served in the Nachal Infantry Brigade of the IDF, and volunteered at the Youth Futures branch of the Jewish Agency for Israel in Tiberias and Livnot U'Lehibanot in Tzfat.

Save the Date

Saturday, April 1

Guest Speaker
Arjang Zendehdel



For over 23 years, Arjang Zendehdel has been training and researching to master the secrets of success & fulfillment. In the process, he received his Bachelor's in Communications from UCLA, earned a Masters in Business Administration and became a Certified Mediator at Pepperdine University.

Arjang is also a certified Master Coach and Master Practitioner of Neuro Linguistic Programming. After 10 years as the host of a successful coaching radio program, he founded Dreamality Education & Coaching to teach people how to reach their potential and live their dreams.



PURIM TORAH THE HALAKHOT OF SUPERHEROES

(ADAPTED FROM A TESHUVA BY RABBI YOSSEI SIROTE)

The X-Men franchise's new hit is just the latest reminder of how many superheroes are Jewish. Magneto, Shadowcat, The Thing, Colossal Boy – so many that a full Wikipedia page is devoted to simply listing them all. Few people may think about it, but their special abilities lead to some profound questions in halakha, of which we share three in honor of Purim.

1. CAN A SUPERHERO WITH THE POWER TO MULTIPLY HIMSELF COUNT MORE THAN ONCE IN A MINYAN?

The Shulhan Arukh rules that when one of the ten men in a minyan falls asleep, he can still be considered part of the asara (OH 55:6). However, since this is not allowed *a priori* for more than one person, our multiplying superhero could only bring a count of 8 up to 10 with himself and one double.

2. IF YOU HAD EIGHT ARMS, HOW WOULD YOU PUT ON TEFILLIN?

Based on a passage in Deuteronomy, the Talmud infers that the dominant hand binds the Tefillin on its less gifted mate (Menahot 37a, Deut. 6:8-9). Extending that logic to its natural conclusion, our well-armed superhero should use the hand he writes with to tie the Tefillin on his weakest arm.

3. HOW SHOULD A SUPERHERO APPROACH THE VIOLATION OF SHABBAT TO SAVE A LIFE?

The Talmud rules that if a sick person could be saved by eating two figs, and it happened that there was one branch with three figs and two each with one fig, it is best to break Shabbat only one time by picking the branch with three figs (Menahot 64a-b). The conclusion for our superhero is that Shabbat can indeed be violated to save a life, but it is ideally best to limit the violation as much as is reasonably possible.



Stop on By

Join Rabbi Melhado as he pulls out all the stops for a three-part ONLINE mini series about Pesah.

Wednesdays at 8:00 PM on Google Hangout

March 22

Stop the Insanity!

Getting to Pesah in One Piece

March 29

Stop Me if You've Heard this One

Keeping the Story of the Seder Fresh

April 5

Stop and Smell the Roses

Birkat Hallanot



Living Room Learning



**Got a pressing Jewish question?
Something on your mind? A topic of interest?**

Host Rabbi Melhado in your home for a class to explore a topic of your choice, or work with the rabbi to find something that interests you. Invite your friends, and learn together with the rabbi in a relaxed environment.

Interested? Questions?

Email the rabbi at RabbiMelhado@kahaljoseph.org.