

KJ Happenings

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Shabbat Greeting from Rabbi Halevy



KJ Schedule

Erev Shabbat

Friday, February 24th
Candle Lighting 5:27 pm

Shabbat

Parashat Terumah
Saturday, February 25th



Rabbi's Message

Rabbi Natan Halevy
BSD

Shalom U'vracha,

Shaharit at KJ 9:00 am
Kids Korner 9:30am
Havdallah 6:18 pm

Weekdays

Sunday, February 26th

Shaharit 7:00 am

Talmud Torah 9:45 am

Purim Baking for Baskets 10:00 am

Mon-Fri, February 27th - March 3rd

Shaharit 6:30 am

Membership & Sponsorship

To sponsor an event or become a member contact our office. Call 310.474.0559, [click here to email Sarah](#), or sign up online below.

AMAZON SMILE for KJ

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This week's Torah portion, parashat Terumah, discusses an integral part of our lives as Jews. As the parasha unfolds, we learn additional mitzvot and we learn more about our relationship with Hashem. Specifically,

Terumah discusses the mitzvot which guide the making of the Mishkan in the desert. Ultimately, the discussion of these commandments touches upon the purpose of all humanity and creation.

The Mishkan, or Tabernacle, was the traveling house of Hashem that accompanied the Jewish nation during the forty years they wandered after leaving Egypt. After the people entered the land of Israel, the Mishkan remained the nation's main place of worship. Although the Mishkan's location changed on occasion, wherever it was established was the Jewish people's holy place. Until the Bet HaMikdash, or Temple, was built in Jerusalem, the Mishkan was where Hashem dwelled within the Jewish nation.

When we received the Torah, Hashem revealed his presence on Mt. Sinai. This event began imbuing the material world with the light of heaven. The Torah and its teachings bring the true essence of Hashem into this world. As physical beings engage in mitzvot, they receive Hashem's guidance, life-enhancing direction, and spiritual light. When mitzvot occur, they infuse the physical entities that fulfill those deeds with their positive essence.

The commandments allow us to connect with Hashem and to express Hashem's essence in this world. By performing mitzvot, we become enveloped in the spiritual energy of these actions and immersed in their spiritual light. Through mitzvot, we increase the holiness in the world and bring positive energy into our lives.

[Read more online ...](#)



Mazal Tov

Dinah and Michael Irani
on the birth of a baby boy
Noam Ezra Irani

Besiman Tov
to grandparents

Shabbat Melodies with Hazzan Saeed Jalali



Listen to Hazzan Jalali chant the first aliya of Parashat Terumah and the Haftara.

Upcoming Events

PURIM BAKING

AT KAHAL JOSEPH!

Bake for KJ's Community Gift Baskets

Sunday, February 26th

10:00 am

Bake traditional Iraqi treats for Purim

*Share your skills & learn something new
with delicious pastries prepared for gift baskets!
Kahal's bakers share Purim joy with all in our
community. Baking with us is a mitzvah too!*



KAHAL JOSEPH'S
PURIM
CELEBRATION



Sunday, March 5th at
10 AM

10505 SANTA MONICA BLVD.

FUN FOR ALL

GET IN THE PURIM SPIRIT WITH

PURIM TRIVIA GAMES!

ARTS & CRAFTS!

ENTERTAINMENT!

RABBI HALEVY'S PURIM STORY!

**SCRUMPTIOUS PIZZA & DELICIOUS
HAMANTASCHEN!**



KAHAL JOSEPH PURIM 2023

KJ PURIM BAKING

THIS SUNDAY! FEBRUARY 26th@10AM

KJ PURIM CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, MARCH 5th@10AM

Games! Arts & Crafts! Costumes!

Kids of All Ages Welcome!

FAST OF ESTHER

Monday, March 6th: Fast Begins 5:03am, Fast Ends 6:19pm

MEGILLAH@NIGHT

MONDAY, MARCH 6th@6:00PM

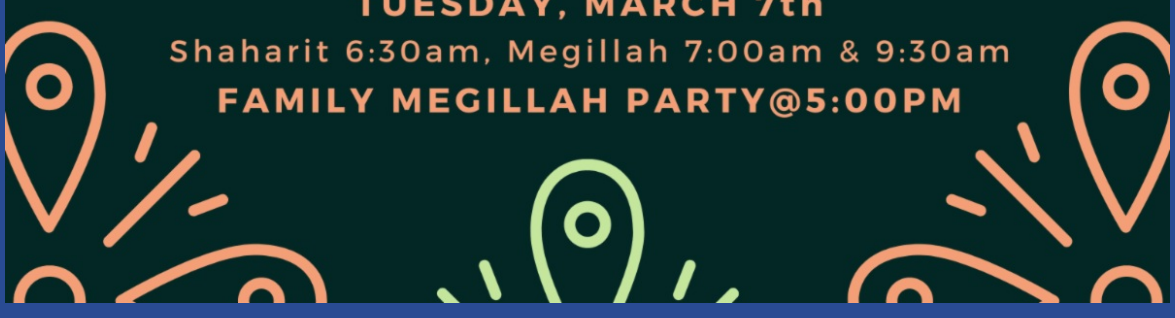
Arvit 6:00pm Megillah Reading 6:20pm

with Costume Contest for Kids & Adults

TUESDAY, MARCH 7th

Shaharit 6:30am, Megillah 7:00am & 9:30am

FAMILY MEGILLAH PARTY@5:00PM



**FIGHT
ADDRESS
CONFRONT
END**

**FIRST ANNUAL
F.A.C.E ANTISEMITISM
STUDENT SYMPOSIUM**



**February 26th, 2023
10 AM - 3 PM**

Hosted by the Holocaust Museum LA Teen Advisory Board

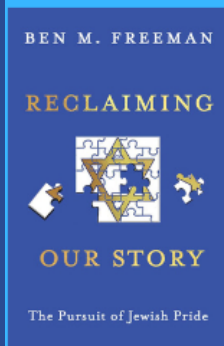
Join for the first annual F.A.C.E (Fight, Address, Confront, End) Antisemitism Student Symposium.

Teens are invited to discuss how to identify, combat, and work to end acts of antisemitism in their communities and on social media platforms. This program is free for students and open to teens age 13-18, with lunch provided.

The day will include sessions on how to identify antisemitism, how to report antisemitic acts, and tools for how to respond.

Sessions will include a breakout for upperclassmen on preparing for antisemitism on college campuses as well as dialogues on how to find and maintain pride in one's own personal identity in the face of any form of discrimination.

With gratitude to our partners:



Scan below
to register:



For any questions please contact:
Rachel@hmla.org

Community Appeal for Survivors of Earthquake in Turkey

The Sephardic Jewish Brotherhood has created a fund to assist both Jewish and non-Jewish victims through. As you may know, Hatay, Turkey was devastated and they lost the head of the Jewish community along with his wife.

Turkish Relief Fund of Sephardic Jewish Brotherhood

Odin Ozdil is also collecting winter clothing, especially children's clothing, to deliver to a Turkish group next week. Anyone who brings clothing donations by Sunday, February 12th will be picked up on Monday.

Kahal Joseph Community

Condolences to the Family and Friends of Harold Cohen, z"l

With great sorrow we send our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Harold Cohen, z"l, who passed away on Thursday, February 23rd, 2023, the 2nd of Adar 5783. Harold is the beloved uncle of Kahal Joseph's Board Member and elected Secretary, Michelle Levi-Kurtz. Harold is survived by his wife Diane Cohen, his daughter Lynne Cohen, his grandchildren Ian and Ava, his extended family and friends.

Funeral services will take place this coming **Tuesday, February 28th at noon** at **Hillside Memorial Park, 6001 W Centinela Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90045**. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Harold's loved ones. May they be comforted together with all the mourners of Tsion. *Min hashamayim tenuhamu.*

Refuah Shelema

We wish complete healing of body, mind, and soul to all those who are suffering with illness in our community, including:

Farshid Shohed
Shimon ben Pari v'Eshagh
Flexi Silpa / Flexi bat Mazal
Joseph Tizabi / Yosef ben Yehezkiel
Sophie Elias / Sophie bat Victoria
Evelyn Salem / Evelyn bat Mazal
Modi ben Yvonne
Zvi Moalim
Ariella Rivka bat Tziporah
Rylla Elias / Rahel bat Mazal
Ben Elias / Benyamin ben Yohevet
Latif ben Chanina
Alexander ben Yehezkiel and Chana Hai Reiza
Shimon ben Yosef v'Leah / Simon Saul
Shmuel ben Yaacov v'Tova / William McAbian
Tal ben Alona Basha
Meir Iny / Meir ben Sabiha
Ezra ben Farha
Sassoon Ezra
Sylvia Cohen
Mehry bat Miriam Hakimipour
Yvonne Moalim
Florice Newberry
Aliza bat Rahel
Aliza bat Victoria
Chaya Chana bat Batya
Miriam bat Yetta
Miryam bat Malka
Chaya Rachel bat Simcha Ruhama
Karen bat Chana Meir
Eti Esther bat Fortuna
Ezra ben Rahel

Albert Nissan ben Victoria
Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva
David ben Tova
Fouad Salem / Hayeem ben Naima
Noach Yaakov ben Tzipporah
Ori ben Nuphar Chaia

In Memoriam

We remember these azkarot/yahrzeit (memorial anniversaries) from February 25th to March 4th 2023 (4th to 11th Adar 5783). It is customary to light memorial candles, donate tzedaka, & attend services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

4 Adar / Shabbat, February 25th

*Simy Bensabat Simy bat Mesody
Baacker Jalali Baacker ben Avraham*

5 Adar / Sunday, February 26th

Leah bat Mozli

6 Adar / Monday, February 27th

Molly Jonah Mazeltov bat Sara

7 Adar / Tuesday, February 28th

*Gerry Shapiro Gershon ben David
Farha Atraghji Farha bat Hanina*

8 Adar / Wednesday, March 1st

*Isaac Jacob Jonah Itzhak ben Yaacov Yonah
Abraham Naji Joseph Abraham Shalom Naji ben Itzhak Yoseph
Jacques Litvac Yoachim David ben Micha HaCohen
Abraham Avrahamy Avraham ben Yosef
Jacob Benjamin Elias Yaacov Binyamin
David Kay David ben Yaacov Yehuda Yehezkel*

9 Adar / Thursday, March 2nd

*Irena Stoler
Victoria Levy Victoria bat Hanina*

10 Adar / Friday, March 3rd

*Clara Solomon Gala bat Masouda
Menashe Solomon Menashe ben Shlomo Reuven*

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