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## Shavuot

Erev Shavuot Study and Service,  
Topic: *Is the Torah True and If Not,  
Why Do We Follow It?*  
Saturday, May 19th, 8:30 pm

1st Day of Shavuot, Morning Service,  
Sunday, May 20th, 9:00 am  
6:00 pm, Evening Service

2nd Day of Shavuot, Morning Service with Yizkor,  
Monday, May 21st, 6:55 am  
Additional Yizkor service, 10:00 am

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# FROM OUR RABBI



students miraculously stopped. Secondly, it is considered the day that Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai died.

It is believed that on the day of his death, Rabbi Shimon revealed to his disciples the deepest secrets of the Torah and mystical teachings of Kabbalah. The Zohar says that on the day Rabbi Shimon died, a great light of endless joy filled the day because of the Torah secrets he revealed to his students.

In other words the light of Torah emanated even more brightly upon the world on this day and thus the celebration around the day of Rabbi Shimon's death instead of it being a day of mourning.

The theme of lights is not particular to Lag B'Omer, Rabbi Shimon or the Zohar, rather in the Book of Proverbs we are taught that, "A Mitzvah or better understood as a Good Deed is a candle, and Torah is light" (Prov. 6:23) and that is why Jewish life can be measured out in lights. However, most of all light is indicative of the presence of God, and how our covenant with Him is the origin of light in our lives.

When speaking about God bringing light to the world in times of darkness, I am reminded of the following midrash which teaches us that "Onkelos, the nephew of the Roman emperor Hadrian, left the Roman court. He traveled to Eretz Yisrael and converted. The emperor dispatched his troops to bring his nephew back to Rome. When the soldiers arrived, Onkelos convinced them to convert to Judaism too. The emperor then sent a second division with strict instructions not to engage in any conversation with Onkelos. The soldiers forced him to return with them to the emperor, but on the way he told them, "Let me just mention a point of interest to you. If a group of people of noble rank traveled together, a baron would hold a lantern for a duke, a duke would illuminate the way for a prince, and a prince for a monarch. But did you ever hear of a monarch who lit the way for the whole populace?" "Never," they replied. "Well, the God of the Jews illuminated the way for His entire people during their sojourn in the desert," explained Onkelos.

The perfect example of light itself in the desert can be found in the Torah in the Book of Numbers. Rabbi Chaim ibn Attar (1696-1743) was a Moroccan Kabbalist

Lag B'Omer or the 33<sup>rd</sup> day of the Omer (which is close at hand) is celebrated as a joyous day throughout the Jewish world, the question is why? There are two answers in relationship to this question; the first has to do with Rabbi Akiva and his students; for on this day a plague which killed 24,000 of Akiva's

and Talmudic scholar who in his commentary on parshat Ki Tissa wrote that Moses deserved the radiant light of God because of his extraordinary humility. We know of his humility from verse 3 in the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter of Numbers, for there it is written, "The man Moses was the most humble of all men."

The question for us is, how can we bring such light into our lives? The poet Judah Halevi (12<sup>th</sup> century Spain) believed that in order for each person to have light in the lives and be a light unto others we should awaken with the imagery of God and nature in front of us. We know this from a short poem that he wrote:

"To You the stars of morning sin  
for their lights from You lights spring.  
Day and night the mighty angels  
praises to You great name bring.

So Your holy people: Every dawn their songs  
from Your house ring."

(Taken from Siddur Sim Shalom For Weekdays  
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According to Halevi, within the morning stars, God's light can be found. In other words when we awake in the morning we should look at the Godliness of nature. In essence Halevi is reminding us that the light of God should shine brightly within us from the start of the day.

Thus as we near Lag B'Omer let us remember that each day we have the ability to let the light of Torah and God's word into our lives, and how we choose is the manner of how we live our lives. Will they be ones of joy or ones of mourning? The choice is ours, and personally I hope that we will celebrate the light that God set free upon the earth instead of covering ourselves with the sunscreen of sin and pretending the sun doesn't exist.

B'Shalom and friendship,  
Rabbi Andrew Bloom



"Moses"  
(aka Rabbi Bloom)  
makes a Pesach  
visit to the  
children of the  
Lil Goldman Early  
Learning Center.

Here he's assisted  
by their Director,  
Esther Wolf.

# CANTOR AND EDUCATION DIRECTOR



## Reflections On Another Great School Year

By Cantor Shoshana Abrams Kaikov

What a fantastic school year it has been! It's hard to believe that as we welcome in the month of May, our wonderful CAS Religious School year is coming to a close. It has been a busy and exciting year, and we have had such a great time learning together each Sunday.

Here are some of the wonderful highlights from our 5778 school year:

We began the school year off on a high note with a fun and delicious Welcome Back Breakfast Bonanza complete with yummy food (big thanks to Dan Sturman and all of our wonderful volunteers), music by our very talented Eli Davidsohn and trivia games.

Our students spent some time decorating our CAS Sukkah with decorations that they made. We had a fantastic Sukkot rotation with other Tarrant County Jewish schools which included making edible sukkot, reading sukkot stories and singing sukkot songs, and learning how to shake the Lulav and Etrog.

Our teens took part in a variety of hands-on service learning projects throughout the year including volunteering at a local animal shelter and putting together packages for women and children who come from abusive households.

On Hanukkah, our students decorated festive Hanukkah cookies and holiday cards which were presented to the Fort Worth Police Department as a token of our appreciation for all that they do to keep us safe.

We also had an incredible live joint Hanukkah candle-lighting ceremony with our Sister School in Israel via Skype. Both our school and Sister school dedicated Hanukkah candles to individuals they consider to be heroes and each school led candle blessings and Hanukkah songs. We ended the ceremony with a chance for students in Texas and Israel to ask each other questions regarding what it's like to be Jewish in the respective homes. It was quite a powerful experience for all of our students both in Texas and Israel.

We had a big celebration for Tu B'Shevat which involved our students spending time in the CAS garden, making bird-feeders and fun fruit figures, making our very own CAS tree of hopes, sampling the seven species native to Israel, and spending time learning an Israeli dance outside as a school. We had such a blast.

We celebrated Purim by making Hamantaschen, graggers and bins that we will use to collect donations for the less-fortunate.

We also sang lots of Purim songs together and came together for our fun community celebration complete with Megillah reading, costume parade and food.

We had a wonderful Mock Passover Seder complete with a charoset-making competition A La TV Food Network. We had a great time learning and dining together and students had a blast working in teams to impress the charoset-tasting judges. A fantastic time was had by all!

We came together to celebrate Israel's Birthday by making t-shirts, learning a fun Israeli dance and of course, singing Happy Birthday to Israel and eating birthday cake. We even made a video for our Sister School in Israel so they could see how we celebrated Israel's 70<sup>th</sup>.

In the Fall and Spring semesters, our students led parts of our Shabbat morning prayers before the congregation. Our students did an amazing job and impressed us all.

We will end the school year with our fun closing ceremony complete with certificates, slideshow, singing, and food followed by special Lag B'Omer outdoor activities and picnic.

As you can see, it has been an incredible school year here at CAS! I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers who have come out to help the Religious School to set up for our large-scale special programs throughout the year. I also want to thank parents for bringing your children each week, our students for making our school so lively and vibrant, and our teachers for being so dedicated. I especially want to thank Sheryl Levy, our Education Chair, who is a constant support to our school. I wish everyone a relaxing and enjoyable Summer and can't wait to see everyone in September for our 5779 school year, if not sooner. Happy Summer!!

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They stood up for Israel. We are saying "THANK YOU,"  
and know you will want to be there too!

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### **Our Condolences**

To Barbara Weinberg on the loss of her dear friend,  
Bill Conly. We also extend our condolences to the  
entire Conly family.

To the Lisa and Jeffrey Kuperman, Caryn and Jeff  
Borden and the many friends of Marc Taurog on his  
loss.



## FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

My routine has been thrown off kilter. We all have routines, some involve the time we arise in the morning, the route we take to get to work or to a specific store, or what we do when we get home from a day out, or a day at work. For many years, I would speak with my

father late in the afternoon or early evening. I would always speak with him just before Shabbat services, and often, he was the one initiating the call. This was typical, a routine that both of us looked forward to. During the past few years, the tone of these conversations changed. The conversations lost their depth, slowly becoming shallow in context. From discussing philosophy, tax law changes, political issues, differences in religious observance, the discussions were limited to the weather, health, friends and food. Although the change in conversations indicated a weakening in health, it was still good to hear his voice. I am a realist and understand too well the changes we all undergo to various degrees, as we age. Dad had been active most of his life, but at 95 years, he was quickly slowing down. My father's last goal was to outlive his father who passed at 96; he did get really close.

Now when I walk into my home, I am ready to call dad, but know that I can do so only in my mind. I saved some of his voice messages as have my children, and although it is not enough, it still provides some sort of connection. I am my father's son, and often find myself making a decision while thinking of how my father would have resolved a specific situation. I am fortunate in having had so much time and having my father meet his great grandson. We are all cognizant of the fact that there is never enough time.

One of my routines has been up-ended, but there are others that stay the course. For many years, (and when not working at a synagogue) I ended the work week by attending services at a synagogue. Saturday morning at services was also a weekly routine. There is comfort in doing the same thing and seeing the same people each week. The extended family brings some closure to a month that was far from smooth. I can smile, as in my mind's eye I can see my father sitting quietly, watching me and suggesting that you all join me in a weekly routine of attendance at services. It is a way to both end and begin a new and peaceful week.



**Don't Forget! It's time to smile . . .**

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## Lag Ba'omer

Although there are no specific rituals or additions to the service, Lag Ba'omer is a festive occasion, celebrating happy events from the rabbinic period. It is customary to celebrate with outdoor activities or picnics.

Mourning practices associated with the Omer period are suspended. For example weddings and other communal celebrations are permitted. Haircuts are permitted.

### Israeli Inspired Recipes

#### Cabbage Salad

1 bag shredded red cabbage (10-ounce)	1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
4 tablespoon light mayonnaise	1/4 teaspoon salt
	1/4 teaspoon pepper

Place cabbage, mayonnaise, lemon juice, salt and pepper in a salad bowl. Mix to coat cabbage. Chill for 1 hour and serve.

#### Homemade Shawarma

1 pound skinless, boneless chicken legs	1 teaspoon cumin
1/3 cup canola oil	1 teaspoon paprika
1 tablespoon turmeric	1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1 tablespoon ground coriander	1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
1 teaspoon garlic powder	1 teaspoon salt
	1/2 teaspoon black pepper

Slice chicken into thin strips. Combine the oil and spices and mix into chicken. You can marinate the chicken overnight in the fridge to intensify the flavor. Heat a frying pan on medium/high heat and place spiced chicken strips in pan. Cook in pan for about sixteen minutes - about eight minutes per side. Make sure chicken gets a nice crunchy exterior. Remove from pan and leave as is or chop chicken into even smaller pieces. Serve with chopped fresh vegetables, hummus and hot peppers in a pita or laffa.

#### Peanut Butter Bama Mousse

Roasted Peanut Brittle	Peanut Butter Mousse
5 oz. of roasted peanuts, crushed, but not too fine	1 1/2 cups of smooth peanut butter
1/3 cup of all-purpose flour	3 cups of parve whipping cream
1/2 tsp black pepper	1/2 cup of confectioner sugar
1/2 cup of brown sugar	1 tsp ginger
1/2 cup of unsalted margarine	1/2 tsp salt
	1 1/2 Tbsp vanilla extract

Combine the crushed peanuts with the flour, black pepper, and brown sugar in a small bowl. Preheat your oven to 350 degrees and soften your margarine in the microwave in 15 second intervals until it has a soft consistency. Using your hands, combine your peanut mixture and margarine together, creating large crumbles of peanut brittle. Try to create different size "crumbs" when creating your brittle. Cover a baking sheet with waxed paper and pour the brittle on top, creating one flat even layer of brittle. Bake your brittle in the preheated oven for 15 minutes. It will be ready when it turns hard. Let it reach room temperature while you make the mousse. Heat your peanut butter and whipping cream in your microwave in 30 second intervals, until your peanut butter melts. Beat in the vanilla, ginger, and salt with an electric mixer on a medium speed until it's smooth; and then beat in the confectioners sugar. Your mousse is ready when it is one unified smooth mixture. Spread half of your cooled brittle on the bottom of ten small goblets. Divide your mousse evenly among your serving dishes and refrigerate for at least 2 hours. Before serving, sprinkle the remaining roasted peanut brittle on top of the mousse.

# SUNDAY, JUNE 3, STARTING AT 4:00 PM

The CAS Annual Congregational Meeting  
with the  
Election of Officers and Board Members  
*plus a* **TEXAS-STYLE KOSHER BBQ DINNER!**

Chad Herman, BBQ Aficionado, will prepare brisket and hot dogs for a true Kosher Texas dinner at 6:15 pm (immediately following the Annual Meeting).

**\$10 for Adults  
\$5 for Children**

Sponsored by the CAS Men's Club who will honor  
the *Men's Club Mensch of the Year*.

## *Yom Yerushalayim*

**The 28th of Iyar is marked by the Israeli Ethiopian community as the memorial day for those who perished on their way to Israel.**

A mass immigration of Ethiopian Jews ("Beta Israel") took place in the years 1980 – 1984, from their villages in the area of Gundar and through Sudan. Many of them, who dreamt for many years of making Aliyah to Israel, managed to flee Ethiopia and arrive at the Ethiopian-Sudanese border, where they waited in provisional camps to make Aliyah. The passage through Sudan was made possible by an unspoken agreement, only known to a few senior officials in Sudan. Agents of the Mossad awaited the immigrants at the Sudanese border and instructed them to hide their Jewish identity.

Following the IDF's victory in the Six Day War, on June 27, 1967, the Government presented the Knesset with three bills which, after being passed into law, established the effective unification of Jerusalem and sanctioned the application of Israeli law in the entire area of the unified city. The municipal boundaries of the city were altered and its area was increased threefold: from 38,100 dunams to 110,000 dunams. Citizens of east Jerusalem were granted permanent resident status, and they were permitted to vote in municipal elections, but not in the Knesset elections.

One of the laws that passed deals with the preservation of the holy sites in Jerusalem.

On May 12, 1968 the government voted to commemorate the 28th of Iyar - the Hebrew date on which the divided city of Jerusalem was united - as "Jerusalem Day," symbolizing "the continued historical connection of the Jewish People to Jerusalem."

Basic Law: Jerusalem, Capital of Israel was enacted in 1980, 13 years after the city's unification. The law states that "Jerusalem, complete and united, is the capital of Israel," and the "Seat of the President, the Knesset, the Government and the Supreme Court.

The law further states that "The Holy Places shall be protected from desecration and any other violation and from anything likely to violate the freedom of access of the members of the different religions to the places sacred to them or their feelings towards those places," and that "The Government shall provide for the development and prosperity of Jerusalem..."

On March 23, 1998, the Knesset passed the Jerusalem Day Law, which states that "The Knesset hereby declares that the 28th day of the month Iyar is Jerusalem Day and will be celebrated yearly as a national holiday and will be called 'Jerusalem Day'."



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# CELEBRATIONS AND OTHER THINGS

## Birthdays


2-May	Glen Pierce	11-May	Shirley Herman	26-May	Jeanie Huffman
3-May	Jennifer Levi	11-May	Dr. Stanley Kurtz	26-May	Elisabetta Widerhorn
6-May	Lynn Chaviers	12-May	Anita Davidson	27-May	Scott Raffel
6-May	Michael Reznikoff	12-May	Jack Gerrick	28-May	Tom Collins
8-May	Polina Kuptsin	12-May	George Sepp	28-May	Donna Solomon
8-May	Yevgeniy Ostrinsky	14-May	Howard Katz	28-May	Nancy Spiegel
9-May	Gary Holland	15-May	Rabbi Andrew Bloom	29-May	Sophia Nason
9-May	Vanessa Listig	16-May	Pearl McFarland	30-May	Louise Vermillion
10-May	Emanuel Kaikov	18-May	Sheryl Levy	31-May	Robb Evans
10-May	Judith Peska	21-May	Phillip Sawyer	31-May	Lyubov Gershengoren
11-May	Donna Chicotsky	22-May	Marina Michan	31-May	David Kisin
11-May	Jan Friedman	23-May	Mona Karten	31-May	Lynn Milstone
		24-May	Laurence Anton		

## Wedding Anniversaries

Wedding Anniversaries			Years				Years
3-May	Tom and Linda Collins	44	20-May	Gary and Shoshana Howard	45		
11-May	David and Penny Brister	27	20-May	Jay and Donna Martin	6		
11-May	Richard and Karen Savitz	44	25-May	Dr. Yoseph and Rachel Yaacobi	37		
12-May	David and Leslie Greiner	22	26-May	Dr. Jason and Rebekah Seiden	16		
16-May	Robert and Stephanie Dubinsky	8	27-May	Dr. Stephen and Mona Karten	28		
19-May	H. Gary and Karen Stoddard	40	28-May	Harry and Cynthia Labovitz	40		
20-May	Marvin and Ava Beleck	45	29-May	Harold and Jennifer Ratner	19		
20-May	Michael and Jenny Herman	31	31-May	Neal Bailey and Katrina Diaz	21		
			31-May	Daniel and LaJean Sturman	37		

## Children's Birthdays

1-May	Eliot Pierce	12-May	Elad Ninio
2-May	Yair Galaganov	18-May	Alyson Luskey
2-May	Carly Karten	19-May	Eliza Balmuth
3-May	Jacob Levy	19-May	Jake Balmuth
10-May	Daniel Bloom	23-May	Dexter Collins
11-May	Ariel Brister	26-May	Ella Kaikov
12-May	Sophie Fine	27-May	Jacqueline Herman
		27-May	Tamara Kaikov



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# YAHREZEITS—MAY THE MEMORY OF OUR LOVED ONES BE A BLESSING FOREVER

<p><b>Tue., May 1, 16 Iyar</b> Pearl Gilbert Goldye Goldberg Martin Leff Freda Schlosberg Leonard Sherman</p>	<p><b>Sun., May 6, 21 Iyar</b> <i>(continued)</i> Seymour Perchonok Bernard P. Rosen Elizabeth Z. Rubin Jacob Zide</p>	<p><b>Sun., May 13, 28 Iyar</b> Kalman Frankrich Godfrey Kaftan Betty Klapp Sarah Levine Max Reisberg Mort Werner Abraham Wolfovitch</p>	<p><b>Fri., May 18, 4 Sivan</b> Reisel Brand Nathan Fox Sidney Lane Alfredo Steckerl Roselyn Tirsun</p>	<p><b>Wed., May 23, 9 Sivan</b> <i>(continued)</i> Thomas Kay Judah Miller Jack Rotman Sam Starr</p>
<p><b>Wed., May 2, 17 Iyar</b> Steven Bockstein David Dworkin Zelda Perlman Lillian F. Savitz Reuben Taylor Rebecca Tuck Rose Zide</p>	<p><b>Mon., May 7, 22 Iyar</b> David Berkowitz Natalie Cohn June Roth Herbert Silverberg David Tuck</p>	<p><b>Mon., May 14, 29 Iyar</b> Felix Bath Asher Cohen Loucille Davidson Mae Drasnin Leah Greenberg Rose Herman Sarah F. Herman Ruth Napoleon Oσίας F. Schweiger Estelle E.P. Segal Sam Sturman</p>	<p><b>Sat., May 19, 5 Sivan</b> Rosalie Freed Larry Karlin Chayim Kotkowski Rebecca Kotkowski Samuel J. Label Deborah F. Mark Idell Rovinsky</p>	<p><b>Thu., May 24, 10 Sivan</b> Dora Ginsburg Nathan Lichtman</p>
<p><b>Thu., May 3, 18 Iyar</b> Frederick Emanuel Tzina Goldberg</p>	<p><b>Tue., May 8, 23 Iyar</b> Esther Bar-Or Howard Goldstucker Beulah Kahn Fannie Kaplansky Martin G. Klein Margaret Leva Beverly Miller Manuel Solomon Sarah Worchel</p>	<p><b>Tue., May 15, 29 Iyar</b> Jennie C. Kragen Bernard Marcus Sam Michel Sadie K. Nussbaum Harold Radetsky Helen Raker Jennie L. Rosenthal Josephine Tills</p>	<p><b>Sun., May 20, 6 Sivan</b> Hyman Bernstein Lena Bockstein Sarah B. Jacobson Fay Ochman Abby Rothschild Edith Salzman Andrew Scherman</p>	<p><b>Fri., May 25, 11 Sivan</b> Esther Gesundheit Harry Katz Guta Lubin Aaron Paul Carl Raskin</p>
<p><b>Fri. May 4, 19 Iyar</b> Mathew Breier Minnie Lippman Edward Osser Roselyn S. Pawgan Annette Rosenthal Hyman Saikin Freda Wender Rose Wolens Estelle Wydra Stanley Wydra</p>	<p><b>Wed., May 9, 24 Iyar</b> Alexander Boksiner Julietta Brauer David Persky Annie Rutlader Sol Shapiro Anne Sher Ann K. Stewart Isadore Walensky</p>	<p><b>Wed., May 16, 2 Sivan</b> Ida M. Anisman Sydney Axelrod Leroy Gilbert Abram Kisin Helene R. Marcus Jack Walensky Barney Weinstein</p>	<p><b>Mon., May 21, 7 Sivan</b> Syril Bach Esther Bernstein Naum Falkovich Sarah R. Frank Avram Goikhman Meyer Greenfield Ida Gresky Herman Kestenber Lzrail Konovalov Samuel Miller Herman Nass Michael Polonetsky Sadie Raffel Nathan Shturman Esther Weinstein</p>	<p><b>Sat., May 26, 12 Sivan</b> Rose Antweil Sadie Ball Esther Davis Moses Feldman Nessa Griver Lillian Neuman Hyman Schriber</p>
<p><b>Sat., May 5, 20 Iyar</b> Ida Blinderman Chaya M. Brachman Gertrude Deutsch Ida Hurwitz Isaac M. Kleinfeld Lee Padow Rose P. Sankary Irwin L. Schwartz Bertha Starr Ida Steckler Katherine B. Stone Harry Weinstein</p>	<p><b>Thu., May 18, 25 Iyar</b> Harry Bockstein Joseph S. DeLeon Sandi C. Matton Abraham Rosenthal Myer Shosid Elaine R. Stanton</p>	<p><b>Thu., May 17, 3 Sivan</b> Jeffrey Baitman Madlyn B. Barnett Helen L. Blanc Mamie Dworkin Jeanette Friedman Victor Goldberg Gary L. Grubbs Gerhard Herzog William Hurwitz Anna Lender Katy Spigel</p>	<p><b>Tue., May 22, 8 Sivan</b> Eva Dale Cohen Morton Miller Eva Perlman Hannah Prager Abe Shanblum</p>	<p><b>Sun., May 27, 13 Sivan</b> Beatrice Benkov Charles Berger George Ginsburg Frank Kahn</p>
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**Wed., May 30,  
16 Sivan**

Jenny Bornstein  
Fannie Cohen  
Joseph M. Cristol  
Grace Goodman  
Carl Kaplansky  
Ismael Lobato  
Gary Luskey  
Paul Nudleman  
Joseph Schwartz  
Bertha Skibell  
Bernard Steinberg  
Phyllis Weiss

**Thu., May 31,  
17 Sivan**

Lillian Ellen S. Dwortz  
Margaret Johnson  
Noami Katz  
Morris Kruger  
Sarah Malofsky  
Paula Martin  
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## ***It's Never Too Late . . .***

Walking into the Rashti Chapel or the Barnett Sanctuary, one of the first things we see is the Yahrzeit plaques that are lit for that Hebrew month. The plaques make us feel that those who we have lost are still here with us. And they are.

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Our Yahrzeit plaques are still \$350 each. Please call the CAS Office at 817-731-4721 for your order. To make sure your loved one's Yahrzeit plaque will also be included in the Yizkor booklet for High Holidays, please order by June, 2018.

## ***Interesting Facts about Memorial Day***

### **It was originally called Decoration Day**

To honor the deceased, soldiers ladies would decorate graves of their fallen comrades with flowers, flags and wreaths. Hence Decoration Day. Although Memorial Day became its official title in the 1880s, the holiday wouldn't legally become Memorial Day until 1967.

### **It wasn't always celebrated the last Monday of May**

After the Civil War, General John A. Logan, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, called for a holiday commemorating fallen soldiers to be observed every May 30. But due to the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which took effect in 1971, Memorial Day was moved to the last Monday of May to ensure long weekends. Some groups, like the veterans' organization American Legion, have been working to restore the original date to set the day apart and pay proper tribute to the servicemen and women who sacrificed their lives defending the nation.

### **It's legally required to observe a National Moment of Remembrance**

In December 2000, Congress passed a law requiring Americans to pause at 3 p.m. local time on Memorial Day to remember and honor the fallen. But this doesn't appear to be common knowledge.

### **James A. Garfield delivered a rather lengthy speech at the first Memorial Day ceremony**

The day was still called Decoration Day, and at the time, Garfield was a Civil War General and Republican Congressman, not yet a President. On May 30, 1868, he addressed the several thousand people gathered at Arlington National Cemetery. "If silence is ever golden," Garfield said, "it must be beside the graves of 15,000 men, whose lives were more significant than speech, and whose death was a poem the music of which can never be sung."

### **More than 36 million people will travel at least 50 miles from home this Memorial Day**

At least, according to AAA estimates. 36 million is the highest total since the recession.

## ***Discoveries in Israel Archaeology***

Archaeologists in Jerusalem have uncovered a new section of the Western Wall that has been hidden for 1,700 years. Israel Antiquities Authority removed the soil to discover the remains of a theater-like structure that dates to the Roman period. The theater corresponds to historical records that describe a theater near Jerusalem's Temple Mount. Archaeologists believe that the theater was not actually used. This theory is supported by a staircase that was never hewn, which indicates that it was abandoned before being put to use.

A palatial building dating to the era of King Solomon 3000 years ago has been discovered in the royal city of Gezer, though there is no evidence which of the Israelite kings lived there, if any. The monumental building dates to the 10th century BCE, the era associated with King Solomon, who is famed for bringing wealth and stability to the newly-united kingdom of Israel and Judah. The American archaeological team also found a layer featuring Philistine pottery, lending credence to the biblical account of them living in the city until being vanquished by King David. The complex features a large central courtyard, like contemporary palace-like buildings found throughout the southern Levant, including at Hatzor and Megiddo. Though there's no telling who ruled from there, if anybody did, the edifice is significantly larger than the size of ordinary houses of the time, excavation co-director Prof. Steve Ortiz, representing the Tandy Museum of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of Fort Worth, Texas, told Haaretz. Among the features not found in usual domestic structures is ashlar masonry - large rectangular-shaped monolithic hewn stones-in the corners of rooms, Ortiz said.

Only in Israel would a major power station be built around an ancient stone fortress dating back thousands of years. A vast prehistoric necropolis some 4,200 years old was found near Bethlehem, proving for the first time that the city had existed and thrived in Canaanite times.

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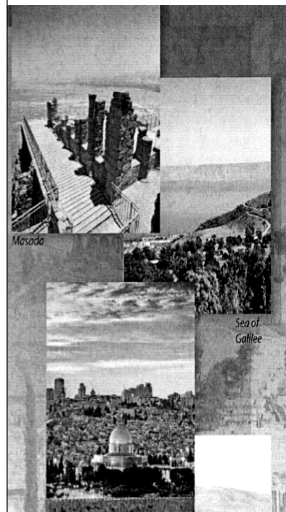
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1—16 Iyar	2—17 Iyar	3—18 Iyar	4—19 Iyar 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service	5—20 Iyar 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  Havdalan: 8:27 pm
		7:00 pm Reception for State Political Leaders in the fight against BDS		<b>Lag Ba'omer</b>	Candle Lighting Times: 7:33 pm	<b>Emor</b>
6—21 Iyar  <b>Last Day of Religious School Picnic!</b>	7—22 Iyar	8—23 Iyar	9—24 Iyar	10—25 Iyar	11—26 Iyar 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service	12—26 Iyar 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  Havdalan: 8:32 pm
					Candle Lighting Times: 7:38 pm	<b>Behar-Bechukotai</b>
13—28 Iyar  Mother's Day  Yom Yerushalayim	14—29 Iyar	15—1 Sivan	16—2 Sivan	17—3 Sivan 6:30 pm Meeting of the CAS Board of Directors	18—4 Sivan 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service	19—5 Sivan 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Havdalan: 8:37 pm 8:30 pm Shawvout study and service
		<b>Rosh Chodesh</b>			Candle Lighting Times: 7:43 pm	<b>Bemidbar Erev Shavuot</b>
20—6 Sivan 9:00 am Shavuot Service 6:00 pm Services	21—7 Sivan 6:55 am Shavuot Service with a Yizkor service 10:00 am Additional Yizkor service 6:00 pm Service	22—8 Sivan	23—9 Sivan	24—10 Sivan	25—11 Sivan 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service	26—12 Sivan 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  Havdalan: 8:42 pm
<b>Shavuot</b>	<b>Shavuot Yizkor Service</b>				Candle Lighting Times: 7:48 pm	<b>Naso</b>
27—13 Sivan  10:00 am Jewish War Veterans Memorial Day Service at the CAS Cemetery	28—14 Sivan  The Shul office will be closed all day	29—15 Sivan	30—16 Sivan	31—17 Sivan		
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