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Hazzan's Notes

Dear Friends,

On November 6 we will be hosting our annual *Kristallnacht Remembrance Shabbat.* We will have a special festive Shabbat dinner in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:15 pm which will be followed by a special service in the sanctuary at 7:25 pm.

This year, Alan Kelley-Crawley, our High Holyday accompanist/choir director, will officiate with me in this very special service of the music of the Berlin Jewish community. We are ever so thankful for the continued association, collaboration, and friendship with the Pestalozzistrasse Synagogue clergy and musical staff in Berlin for all their help and support with this service. Rabbi Jonah Sievers, Kantor Isidoro Abramowizch, Organist/Choirmasters Dr. Jakub Stefek and Dimitar Dimitrov. They have all helped to make this service the incredible event it is each year. We know that you will want to attend and enjoy this very special event in our synagogue's life.

On November 22, I will again be participating in the Whittier Area Clergy Association's annual Thanksgiving Interfaith service taking place this year at First United Methodist Church at 3pm (right across the way). This year our President has asked me to speak as part of this service (rather than sing) which I will happily do. Ministers from several faiths will participate with me as well as choirs from several churches in the area. Come out and support our synagogue as part of the greater Whittier community faith traditions!

Hazzan Lance H. Tapper, Hon DMus

Everyone is welcome.

From our President

Hello Everyone,

Another month has passed and I have to say that it was just fine to have a relatively quiet month. The Shabbat dinner was very good and well attended and as usual it was nice to get together in person.

It has been very enjoyable to be starting Sisterhood Meetings again. Anyone interested in attending please call the office and they will give you the details. We will also be showing the details in the Weekly Newsletters. We are trying to vary our meetings. Last month we went to a restaurant for lunch. This month we played a game with dice called Left, Right & Center. We met at our office conference room and had pizza and salad. If any of you men are interested in a Men's Club, please call the office and they will let David Starkman know.

Our monthly Shabbat Dinner in November will be on Nov 6th and part of our Kristallnacht remembrance service. It is always a special service, and I hope you can come or watch online.

I don't know about you, but it is mind boggling to me that the stores have already started their displays for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Hanukkah. This all happened before Halloween!! Can't we take the holidays one at a time? I wouldn't be surprised to see 4th of July displays in January!

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Shalom,
Lila

HOW TO VIEW BETH SHALOM OF WHITTIER ON YOUTUBE

Beth Shalom of Whittier broadcasts its services on YouTube. Here are the simple steps to view services:

You do not have to sign up or subscribe to YouTube to watch our livestream services or videos on it!

On any computer browser, type in the top search bar: **https://www.youtube.com/@BethShalomofWhittier** then hit Enter on your keyboard. That will take you to Beth Shalom of Whittier's YouTube Channel!

The first video icon there on our video channel will be the one you want to click on and watch. We will generally have a video icon set at least 20 minutes ahead of the service broadcast time and it will begin at the noted time (7:25 pm, 9:25am, etc.). You can click on that icon and wait for the video to start.

Chat Feature on YouTube

Should you wish to use the chat feature on a YouTube livestream, you must have a Gmail email address and password and sign into YouTube at the top right of the YouTube screen where it says **sign-in**. If you do not have a Gmail address, you can create one by clicking on that sign-in at the top right of the YouTube first page and following their instructions. Then each time you watch a livestream you can sign into YouTube and the chat feature will be on the right side of the video you are watching.



BETH SHALOM OF WHITTIER

INVITES YOU TO OUR

SHABBAT HANUKKAH CELEBRATIONS

13205 Philadelphia St, Whittier, CA 90601

SHABBAT HANUKKAH I—FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2026

A FESTIVE DINNER AND SERVICE TO BEGIN THE HOLIDAY

FELLOWSHIP HALL

6:00 PM—SHABBAT HANUKKAH DINNER

LATKES and BRISKET--CATERED BY PANACHÉ

SANCTUARY

7:25 PM –SHABBAT HANUKKAH SERVICE WITH HANUKKIAH LIGHTING

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST FOR DINNER!

BETH SHALOM MEMBERS PLUS ONE GUEST MAY ATTEND GRATIS

ALL OTHER GUESTS PLEASE PAY $55 PER PERSON

PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE TEMPLE OFFICE AT

bswoffice@verizon.net or (562) 941-8744 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS NOVEMBER 19, 2026, BY 2:00 pm

SHABBAT HANUKKAH II—FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2026

A FESTIVE SERVICE AND ONEG TO END THE HOLIDAY

SANCTUARY

7:25 PM –SHABBAT HANUKKAH SERVICE WITH HANUKKIAH LIGHTING

A FESTIVE ONEG WILL FOLLOW THE SERVICE IN THE FOYER

SERVICE OFFICIANTS:

Hazzan Lance H Tapper, Hon DMus, Spiritual Leader

Ty Woodward, Accompanist

Clergy Schedule

Current policy for Beth Shalom Services: We are open as usual to members, former members and anyone who is known to our Board of Directors. Any major events will require pre-registration and/or tickets. We will continue to have security guards on the premises and reserve the right to inspect any bags or purses. All others may watch on our Youtube page, https://www.youtube.com/@BethShalomofWhittier.

November 6--KRISTALLNACHT REMEMBRANCE--6:15 pm--Shabbat dinner in Fellowship Hall (by reservation);
7:25 pm--Service in the sanctuary--Hazzan Lance and Alan Kelley-Crawley--see flyer

November 13--7:25 pm--Hazzan Lance and Ty

November 20--7:25 pm--Hazzan Lance and Ty

November 22--3:00 pm--Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at First United Methodist Church--Hazzan Lance will participate

November 27--7:30 pm--Rabbi Ken

Happy Birthday

Klara Wein **November 25**

Anniversary

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Candle Lighting Times

November 6 – 4:38
November 13 – 4:33
November 20 – 4:29
November 27 – 4:27



This is Our Mishpacha

Our Mishpacha is published monthly, on or near the first of the month.

If you want an article or announcement to appear in the next issue, the submission deadline is the 20th of the month prior.

Our Mishpacha is sent on-line to the members of Beth Shalom with computers.

If you wish a printed copy mailed to you, please call the office (562) 941-8744.

Printed copies are also available in our lobby. $18.00 per year for non-members.

The editor welcomes comments and suggestions. bswoffice@verizon.com

Yahrzeit

Observed By	Dear Departed	Relationship
Richard Lahser	Ethel Lipshitz	
Hazzan Lance H Tapper	Al Silvers	Grandfather
	Ida Silvers	Grandmother
	Malvina Tapper	Aunt
Liz Herrera	Humberto Espinoza	Uncle
Dan Franden	Frances Finkelstein	
Lila Held/Joann Eres/Jordan Eres	Ruth Bromberg	Mother/Grandmother/Great Grandmother
Mark Singer	Eunice Singer	Step Mother
	John Singer	Father
Jayson Gallegos	Mary Castilla	Great Grandmother
David Starkman	Blanche Starkman	Grandmother
Miriam Brookfield	Adolph Brookfield	Father-in-Law
Diane Chesler	Joel Chesler	Husband
Rick Bertz	Catherine Barron	Mother
Debora Davis/Mark Handler	Irwin Handler	Uncle
Delaine Shane	Sara Landman Kaplan Winkler	Mother
	Roberta Kaplan Jacobs	Sister
Deborah Jacobson	David Jacobson	Father
Revekah Martinez	Nancy Martinez	Sister
Myra Becker	Bella Bell	Grandmother
Jay Devore	Edna Devore	Mother
Morton Goldberg	Max Goldberg	Father
Ada Kless-Gilbert	Shirley Gilbert	

Yahrzeit Observed by Beth Shalom of Whittier
Dear Departed

Isaac Ziskin	Linda Faden	Betty Stieber Allen
Morris Baileys	Molly Schneiderman	Christel Mergruen
Shirley Unger Gordon	Joseph Diamondstein	

Donations

Howard & Betty Green – High Holyday Donation

Michelle Hess – High Holyday Pledge

Russ & Delaine Shane – High Holyday Donation

Klara Wein – High Holyday Pledge

Myra Becker – High Holiday Donation & General Donation in honor of loved ones on the Mi Shebeirach list

Yahrzeit Donations

Remembered by	Beloved Departed	Relationship
Jeffrey Kolnick	Jacqueline Kolnick	Mother
Paul Jaffe	Ben Jaffe	Father
Michelle Hess	Malcolm Schwartz	Cousin

Tribute Cards

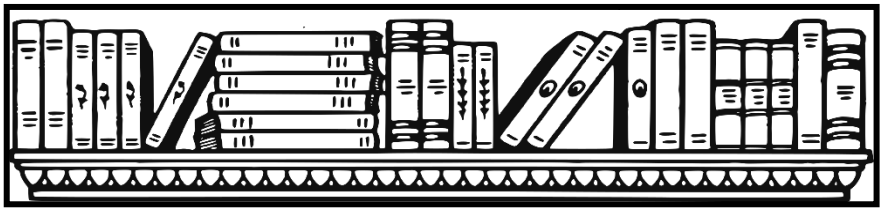
To send a Tribute Card in honor or in memory of someone, please contact Michelle Hess with your request at michelleh3532@gmail.com

BOOK CLUB NEWS

The next book that we are reading is "The Paris Library" by Janet Skeslien Charles. It is a dual-timeline historical fiction novel based on the true WWII history of the American Library in Paris. It is an ode to the importance of libraries, books, and human connections we find within both.

We are meeting on Wednesday, November 11th at 1:00pm.

Contact Michelle for more info.



Cheshvan – Kislev 5787

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 6:00p Shabbat Dinner 7:30p Kristallnacht Observance	7 27 Cheshvan Parashat Chaye Sarah
8	9	10	11 1:00p Book Club	12	13 7:30p Shabbat Service	14 4 Kislev Parashat Toledot
15	16	17	18	19 7:00p Board Meeting	20 7:30p Shabbat Service	21 11 Kislev Parashat Vayetze
22 3:00p Thanksgiving Interfaith Service	23	24	25	26	27 7:30p Shabbat Service	28 18 Kislev Parashat Vayishlach
29	30					