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Special Musical Shabbat Guest Cantor Dan Mutlu

Friday, May 1 – 6:15 PM

Join Guest Cantor Dan Mutlu as we turn up the volume for a rockin' Shabbat service, featuring our familiar prayers set to your favorite hits! Cantor Mutlu serves Congregation Beth Israel in Houston, TX, where Rabbi Kramer grew up. His musical innovation draws thousands of congregants for Shabbat services. He is regularly asked to share his talents at synagogues around the country and we are very lucky to have the opportunity to welcome him to Shomrei Torah!

The Mama-logues: **A Comedy About Motherhood**

Saturday, May 9 – 7:30 PM (Mother's Day Eve)

It's not easy being a mom. But it sure can be funny. Mother's Day Eve is the perfect time to have a boatload of laughs, a couple of familiar winces and groans,



and possibly even a tear over the motherhood experience as told through the words of a hilarious showcase of writers — some nationally recognized, some local and obscure — who have captured the glories and challenges of raising children. For anyone who is a mother, has

Tickets may be purchased online at www.cstsr.org or

a mother or knows a mother.

through the CST office at 707-578-5519. Tickets are \$36 for adults and \$18 for youth 18 years and under. Please note: This performance is rated PG-13 and may not be appropriate for younger children.

Also, we need a few volunteers on the day of the event. If you are interested in helping out, please contact denise@cstsr.org.

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Congregational Fair and Annual Meeting Sunday, May 17 - 4:00 PM

Learn about upcoming programs and committees. See old friends and make

new ones.

There will also be a short meeting to elect the Board of Directors and vote on the budget for the next fiscal year. This free event will include music, family-friendly activities, a jumpy house and an meal provided by the Men's Bagel Club.



Rabbi's Tisch Dr. Nolan Gasser Musical Taste and the "Sound" of Jewish Identity Friday, May 8 – 6:15 PM

CST member Dr. Nolan Gasser will help us understand the unique attributes and emotional appeal of Jewish music from cantillation to klezmer. Dr. Gasser is a composer, pianist and musicologist, and an author, lecturer and professor. He is the architect of Pandora Radio's

Music Genome Project and has been the company's chief musicologist since its founding in 1999. As usual, dinner will be served and the suggested donation is \$18. Be sure to reserve your place for the Tisch by calling the office at 578-5519 or email denise@cstsr.org.

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Rabbi George to speak at Men's Bagel Club

Sunday, May 3 — 9:00 AM

Freshly back from Israel with 14 CST members, Rabbi George will discuss new happenings at Shomrei Torah and highlights from the 2015 Israel trip. Other travelers will show pictures and give their own impressions of the trip.

To reserve your gourmet breakfast, email denise@cstsr.org or call 578-5519. Ladies are of course invited.



Rosh Chodesh (New Moon) Gathering

May 16 - 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Please join women from the Shomrei Torah community at our monthly Rosh Chodesh (new moon) gatherings. At our get togethers, we engage in study, sharing, discussion, meditation, song and chant, playing, and noshing. All meetings take place at Shomrei Torah, Saturday evenings 7-9 PM, in the Kolbo room. Everyone is welcome, whether or not you've attended before!

As we near Shavuot, the holiday celebrating the Spring harvest and the giving of the Torah, study the holiday's essence and commentaries on the Ten Commandments with Alissa Hirshfeld-Flores, Certified Spiritual Director.

For more information, please contact denise@cstsr.org or call 578-5519.

Responsa Literature Class

May 13, 20, 27 — 7:00 - 8:30pm
Taught by Rabbi Gittleman and Rabbi Kramer

Imagine the year is 1100 C.E. and you are living in a small Jewish community in a remote part of what is now Yemen. The closest center of Jewish learning is a thousand miles away in what is now Cairo, Egypt. How do you answer questions about Jewish tradition, law and observance in the days before email

and Google? You would write a letter and send it by camel to the nearest rabbinic authority and await the response. To update the Jewish legal canon, Jewish authorities developed Responsa literature on almost every aspect of Jewish life from questions of kashrut to martyrdom.

In this three-session class, we will look at the Responsa phenomena from a historical perspective and study a few modern Responsa. While no previous knowledge is necessary, some knowledge of Jewish practices would be helpful.



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Tikkun Leil Shavuot

Saturday, March 28 – 7pm B'nai Israel Jewish Center 740 Western in Petaluma

CST is teaming up with B'nai Israel
Jewish Center, Congregation Beth Ami,
Congregation Ner Shalom and Congregation
Shir Shalom to present our third countywide
Tikkun Leyl Shavuot with the theme:
"Harvest for the Hungry Hearted."

Shavuot is the Hebrew word for "weeks" and refers to the Jewish festival marking the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai, which occurs seven weeks after Passover. Shavuot, like many other Jewish holidays, began as an ancient agricultural festival that marked the end of the spring barley harvest and the beginning of the summer wheat harvest. In ancient times, Shavuot was a pilgrimage festival during which Israelites brought crop offerings to the Temple in Jerusalem. Today, it is a celebration of Torah, education, and actively choosing to participate in Jewish life. Many people stay up all night studying Torah on the eve of Shavuot.

Tikkun Leil Shavuot, which literally means "Rectification for Shavuot Night," refers to the custom of studying with a community in order to re-experience standing at Mount Sinai, where the Jewish people received the Torah. The Tikkun Leil Shavuot was developed by 16th century mystics in Safed, who believed that by studying on Shavuot, they were symbolically preparing Israel to enter into a sacred relationship with God. Modern interpretations and versions of this practice include study on a wide range of topics. Please join us for a traditional night of untraditional learning!

Shomrei Torah Hosts AIDS Memorial Quilts Display

June 12-14 as Highlight of Annual Pride Month

It began last May when Rabbi George led a group of congregants on a trip to the "Jewish South," and will conclude the weekend of June 12-14 with a salute to the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt showing on display in Shomrei Torah's Sanctuary.

Several congregation members were touched by personal loss, and so moved by the presentation at the site in Atlanta where the quilts are housed, they began the conversation to bring the display to Santa Rosa.

The huge project will include displaying 72 actual quilts (nine panels of eight quilts), as well as projecting high quality photographs of an additional 168 quilts (21 panels of eight). On each panel, there is at least one quilt requested by a member of CST or someone from the local community. Postcard sized photographs of the requested quilts for visitors will be provided. Recipients will be asked to leave a message in its place.

Shirley Liberman, Chair of the Quilts Committee, said the event is tied into the annual LGBTQI Pride Month celebrated throughout Northern California.

Shomrei Torah's special weekend will begin with a Rabbi's Tisch (including dinner) on Friday June 12 at 6:15 pm. Special guest speaker will be Andrew Ramer from Congregation Sha'ar Zahav in San Francisco. He has been part of other special events involving the LBGTQI community at CST. "Reservations should be made through the CST office because we are anticipating a sell out," said Shirley.

On Sunday, June 14, the Quilts will be on display from 10am-6pm. The event is free and open to the public. Docents will be available to answer questions. A unique documentary film, "The Last One," will be shown continuously in the Kolbo Room.

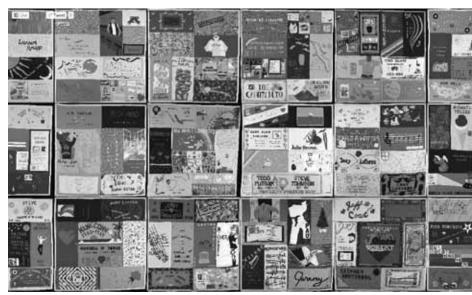
The movie traces the quilts' history as an international art project, and their continuing role in showing the impact AIDS had, and continues to have, in the world today.

Sponsorships are most welcome. To volunteer as a docent or for other help contact densie@cstsr.org.



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Here to Stay

According to Jewish tradition, the only prayers that are said in the *Olam Habah/*World to Come are prayers of gratitude. If that is the case, then I must have died and gone to heaven!

I am blessed with family, community, the beauty and benefit of living in Sonoma County, and work I truly love. It's not just the work that I enjoy; I love you, Shomrei Torah! Ok, it's not all a walk in the park; we have our moments of challenge and struggle. But when you weigh the pros and cons, the balance is overwhelmingly positive—for me, my family and, I hope, for Shomrei Torah.

Why the gush of good feeling now? Because Shomrei Torah, represented by your leadership, the Board of

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Directors, and I recently signed a long-term agreement that commits us both to each other for at least the next 13 years.

This decision did not happen overnight, nor was it taken lightly. We both thought we



Rabbi George

would end up here, but we needed time to make sure a long-term relationship was good for everyone. For me it was a great opportunity to reflect on what we have accomplished, what I love about Shomrei Torah, and what the future may hold for us.

No doubt we have accomplished a lot. In short, we have built a community with the necessary structures both physical and organizational for its support and growth. On a deeper level we have created a Makom, a place where the Divine can rest and be realized, recognized, encountered through prayer, study, fellowship, and Gimilut Hassadim/ Acts of loving kindness. As we said last month at our Seders, Dayenu/This would be enough. But there is more. Connected to the Makom we have built are the quality of the relationships longstanding connections foster. I know this is not true for everyone and it may be unrealistic to expect all of

us to connect in a deep way, but my sincere wish is that everyone could share in the depth of relationship that is possible when we are at our best.

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To prepare a 12-year-old boy for his bar mitzvah, then officiate at his wedding, and then be present for the brit and baby naming of his twins and the conversion to Judaism of his spouse is a mechayah/something to live for, and it's an honor that leaves me...well... speechless. To watch children grow and be able to connect intergenerationally, l'dor v'dor/ from one generation to the next, is both a gift and an opportunity I cherish. There is a more sobering side to such a long-term relationship: in the past 19 years we've about filled our section of Santa Rosa Memorial Park. Loss is accumulative; it does not get easier over time. It hurts to reflect on all our friends, past leaders, dear ones with whom I have walked, at least part of the way, through the "valley of the shadow of death". You can't have one without the other--being present for the

whole lifecycle is as meaningful and profound an opportunity as any I can imagine, and it's another reason I wanted to continue my commitment to you long-term.

I do have some concerns going forward. I don't want the relationship to get stale and to that end I challenge you to keep challenging me. Longevity should not mean complacency. Rabbi Michael Robinson is a good role model here. Up until his 80th year, before he was overcome with cancer, he would say, "I am a work in progress," and he meant it. That is my commitment to you, to be a work in progress, to continue to grow, learn and stay open to the challenges and the opportunities of the present and the promise of the future.

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Thank you Shomrei Torah for 19 great years and your confidence going forward.

Hazak, hazak v'nithazek/May we go from strength to strength!

Blessings, Rabbi George

How Passover Speaks to Social Justice

Calling all Shomrei Torah members! Last year's first congregational Membership Fair and Open House was a huge success. The bylaws of Shomrei Torah require us to hold an annual meeting of the membership – this means you! We review the annual budget and approve the Board of Directors. In

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short, we'll take care of the important business of the synagogue. Plus, we're hosting an open house and membership fair complete with a FREE barbecue dinner hosted by our very own Men's Bagel Club. The event will bring all of our members together - a true intergenerational gathering - for an afternoon of schmoozing, learning, and fun. And of course, it wouldn't be a Jewish event without sharing a meal together. This gathering is family friendly with children's activities including a jump house, face painting, and craft projects. Each of



Rachael Cutcher

our committees will have interactive displays for you to learn more about what they do and how you can get involved should you be moved to do so. The event begins at 4:00 p.m. and we'll all gather in the sanctuary for a brief welcome and take care of the business required by the bylaws. There will be plenty of time to view the displays and visit with the other members before dinner is served. With your attendance and participation this event will once again be a huge success!

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B'Shalom, Rachael

College Care Packages spread the Passover Spirit

At the end of March, 45 Passover care packages were stuffed with love before being sent along their way to Shomrei Torah's college students in 13 states, 12 California cities, and even Israel! The collection included



homemade matzo toffee, a Seder plate, fair trade chocolate, and a matzah stress ball, plus greetings from the rabbis and some social justice ideas to add to this year's Passover celebration. Thanks go out to Lynn Gasser for her homemade matzah toffee, and to the packers: Linda Bornstein, Nancy Ferrick, and Melissa Kort.

Keep your eyes open in August, when we'll start gathering names and campus addresses for next year's shipments!

URJ Camp Newman Wants YOU!

At our overnight summer camp and teen travel programs in Santa Rosa, 3rd-12th graders form lifelong friends, develop new skills, discover the joy of Judaism, try new things, explore their passions, and have a ton of fun with activities like hiking, swimming, art and playing sports. Our aim is to provide every camper with a meaningful and memorable experience. Watch our video and learn more at CampNewman.org/summer-camp.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors met on March 12, 2015, and took the following actions:

- Approved a three part plan to address our upcoming balloon mortgage payment of \$1,569,000 due March 2017
- Presented and approved a list of nominees for Board membership
- Welcomed 3 new member families to CST

Any Shomrei Torah member is welcome to attend temple committee meetings and board meetings. Please contact the committee chairperson or board president to find out meeting times and agenda items.



The roots of CST are both humble and traditional. All our wonderful experiences and growth are the direct result of the generosity of members giving both their time and resources. We are a visionary congregation with a sacred purpose, a participatory culture and a reflective leadership.

The Legacy Circle was formed in 2010 with a goal of maintaining our vibrant Jewish community for generations to come. The plan was to have a vehicle

for CST members and interested community members to be able to donate funds as part of their estate plan to support a building endowment fund, thus insuring a future home for CST. This can be accomplished by a simple designation in a will or trust, which costs nothing during life time and can be modified if the personal situation should change.

Many members say that there's no place like CST because ____. The reasons are as diverse as the 66 family units that have joined the Legacy Circle since its inception.

To those of you who are members, thank you, thank you, and thank you for your foresight and for completing the work of your heart. For those of you who have not yet considered the possibility of making such a difference in the world, long after your lifetime, please ask a member who proudly wears the Legacy Circle button - "What made you decided to do so?"

We look forward to seeing you all soon at our next Legacy Circle gathering. Watch for a notice in the Voice or an e-mail shortly.

~ Irv Rothenberg

Social Action Committee Meeting in April



Mark Milberg, Rabbi George, Peter Copen, Larry Carlin, Stephen Harper, Ann Sterin, Ila Sherman, David Salm, Art Shostak, Asher Sheppard, Miriam Dregey, Elliot Morrison, Sandi Shulkin, Rose Diamond, Ed Berger, Madeleine Rose, Sue Smith, Katy Lusson, Ruth Robinson, Enola Nelson, Hans Angress, Phyllis Nesbitt, Shirley Liberman, Bruce Berkowitz, Ellen van den Berg.

LEGACY NEWS

Meet Legacy Circle Members Anne and Jerry Brisgel

Long time Santa Rosa residents (since 1956) and long time CST members (23 years), Anne and Jerry Brisgel are a busy and involved couple. While both still work full time in their well-known business, Santa Rosa Shoes, they manage to find time and energy for their favorite interests and activities as well as attending synagogue events whenever possible. They are delighted with the growth and development of Shomrei Torah since they joined in 1992, not only with the synagogue's own building but with the addition of a second Rabbi and a Cantor as well. Shomrei Torah feels like home, Jerry commented. "We really love the choir music", especially at High Holy Days, added Jerry, and Anne quickly noted how much they enjoyed the recent Dueling Cantors program.

Jerry confessed he is a devoted cribbage player, playing weekly in a local cribbage club and annually at the cribbage tournament in Reno. Anne makes special individualized purses designed to reflect the individual passions or interests of the purchaser. Her purses can be seen in their Cleveland Avenue store. She also finds time to help Denise in the office and volunteer at the JCC. And the couple has raised three sons, all of whom still live in Santa Rosa.

The Brisgels decided to join the legacy circle to support the continued growth and success of the synagogue, with the funds to be used where most needed. They also decided to make their gift upon joining the Legacy Circle, rather than through their will or estate plan. Anne commented that she hoped more CST members would join the Legacy Circle and become part of creating Shomrei Torah's future.



Environmental Action Committee

Tip of the Month

And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food."

~ Genesis 1:29

How far does our food travel? How much energy is burned on processing, packaging, and transporting our food? How can we reduce the energy used to produce our meals?

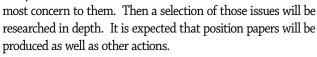
- Grow your own produce in your garden.
- · Buy at local farmer's markets.
- Sign up for Shomrei Torah's CSA, SInging Frogs Farm, and get fresh produce weekly.

For many more tips and drought-related information, check the following: http://www.singingfrogsfarm.com/Join_Our_CSA.html www.caff.org

Environmental Action Committee launches Research Campaign

The EAC is launching a study of the burning environmental topics that most impact Sonoma County.

The intention is to gather input from CST members and others in our local community regarding which of the many environmental issues are of



Save the Faulth

If you have a nominee for an environmental issue that you wish to suggest be studied, please send that to denise@cstsr.org.

Looking for All Friendly Members!

Join the team of Shomrei Torah Ambassadors, members who welcome guests and new members at Friday night services. It's easy, it feels good and it helps newcomers feel welcome. For more information, contact denise@cstsr.org or call 578-5519.

Support JCC Sonoma County's Friendship Circle at this upcoming Fundraiser

Give Up? — Never! The Story Of The Bamberger Family Wednesday, May 27 — Noon—2:30 pm

Join us for a special screening of this historical and educational film in support of the JCC's Friendship Circle. Meet and mingle with the Bamberger Family, attend a preview lecture, watch the historic DocuDrama, and learn more at the Q&A session after the film.

This story of Julius Bamberger and his children Anneliese and Egon's departure from Germany is dramatic, tearful and adventurous. "Give up? Never!" was the motto that Julius Bamberger lived by. He maintained an irrepressible will and perseverance, never doubting that despite all of the hostility and threats to the Jewish people in Germany, they'd make it through their journey with their heads held high. He neither gave up while under prosecution, nor while surviving the hardship of prison and internment camps. Bamberger had only one goal: to give his two children a life of peace and quiet.

To RSVP, please contact the Friendship Circle office at 528-1182 or friendshipcircle@jccsoco.org, or mail in your check made out to the JCC, Friendship Circle, 1301 Farmers Lane, Suite C103, Santa Rosa, CA 95405. Please include the name and date of the event on your check.

\$8 Friendship Circle Members, advance purchase \$9 Non-Members, advance purchase \$10 All Guests at the Door

This Event is a Fundraiser in support of JCC Sonoma County's Friendship Circle 55+ Senior Program.

SCTribe

Sunday, May 24 - 7:00 PM

Are you (or someone you know) a Jewish twenty or thirty-something? Come join the Sonoma County Tribe! We meet once a month to celebrate holidays, eat delicious food, and just hang out. This month we



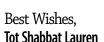
will be celebrating Shavuot at Screamin' Mimi's in Sebastopol. Please join us on Sunday, May 24th at 7 PM for some ice cream!

For upcoming events, questions, or to join our mailing list please contact us at sonomacountytribe@gmail.com.

Tot Shabbat

Dearest Families,

Hope everyone had a good Pesach. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, May 2nd at 9:30am for our monthly Tot Shabbat program with a focus on Shavuot.





Babies & Bagels

Do you have a baby? Do you like bagels? If you answered yes to the previous questions, then this group is for you!

Join us for a light nosh and some refreshing adult conversation, while you watch your child/children interact and play with others in their age group. Come for the bagels, stay for the community! Please contact the office for more information, 578-5519 or denise@cstsr.org.



Bar Mitzvah

Jackson Nadler-Block

May 2, 2015 – 13 lyyar 5775

Please celebrate with us as our son, Jackson Sam Nadler-Block, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah. A kiddish luncheon will follow the service.

Dr. Jack Nadler and Linda Block



Bat Mitzvah

Leah Haley

May 23, 2015 - 5 Sivan 5775

Please join us as we celebrate as our daughter, Leah, is called to the Torah to become a Bat Mitzvah. The service will be followed by a Kiddush luncheon.

Alisa and Robert Haley



SHORTY

Ten SHORTY participants attended NFTY CWR's Spring Conclave. SHORTY also hosted their own overnight at OKY, the Kibbutz at Camp Newman in April and participated in the Walk to End Genocide. Want to join the fun? Contact the office at denise@cstsr.org or 578-5519 for more inormation .

Catholic Charities' Winter Shelter Program thanks CST Volunteers

To all those who volunteered to prepare and serve soup:

This week the Winter Shelter ended, and as I reflected on the program I have to say that one of the things that was most successful was your amazing generosity and support in this program. The individuals who stayed with us in this program were the most vulnerable, and had no other options to get out of the cold. The opportunity they had once a week to see a group of community members come to care for them means so much to them. As you were the only group willing to step up and do this it mattered so much to us as staff! I am so grateful for your compassion and thoughtfulness in helping us meet the needs of our participants.

Thank you so incredibly much for your generosity, and for the hope you brought to over 300 people this Winter!

Jennielynn Holmes Director of Shelter and Housing Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa

Following are some of the many CST members who generously donated their time (apologies to any others not listed):

Lois Abramson, Ed Berger, Kate Black, Nan Copen, Peter Copen, Saraj Cory, Fran Danoff, Mari Doxiadis, Katy Feibush and her daughter, Judy Freedman, Nanette Garner, Gloria Kosble, Shirley Liberman, Margaret Livingston, Enola Nelson, Jerry Newman, Sharon Post, Ellen Robin, Madeleine Rose, Padi Selwyn, Lynn Seng, Art Shostak, Larry Shulkin, Sandi Shulkin, Hank Slatoff, Myra Slatoff, Ann Sterin, Heidi Stewart, Maryann Toub, Ruth Turner, and Sherry Weinberg.



Thanks to the many members whose generosity made the donation to the YWCA Safe House possible, two sets of brand new, heavy-duty Electrolux washers and dryers are paid for and at the ready to be installed in the Safe House's remodeled laundry room. The Social Action Committee, who this past year has sponsored several activities related to the serious issue of domestic violence, gratefully acknowledges the following Shomrei Torah members who did the mitzvah of donating toward the \$3,882 cost of the appliances, much needed by the eight women and fourteen children at the Safe House shelter:

Lois Abramson **Enola Nelson and Hans Anaress** Rabbi Meredith Cahn and Samuel Doctors Judy and Larry Carlin Eleanor and Leonard Cohen Susan and Bill Daniel Fran Danoff Miriam Dregey and Sharon Moxley Nancy and Reed Ferrick Martha Glaser Naomi Granvold Muncie and Stephen Harper Denise and Ken Harrison Floris and Dan Hoffenberg Margaret Livingston and Shirley Liberman Robin Lowitz and Ned Hoffman Anne and Fran Matalon Lillian Mattimore and Bruce Smith Gail Richard

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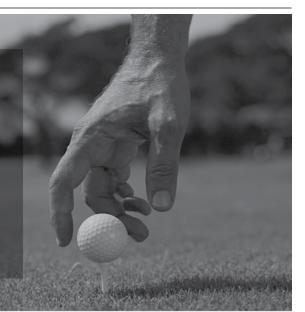
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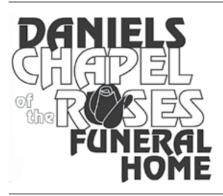
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