

THE TORCH

September 20, 2017 | 29 Elul 5777

This Week

Friday, 9/22
7:30 pm
Shabbat Service: Shabbat of Return

Saturday, 9/23
9:00 am
Hevrah Torah

Sunday, 9/24
9:00 am
Lunch Making for OPPC in the Synagogue
Kitchen

10:00 am
"Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story"
Film Screening in the Gray Family Chapel



Welcome, 5778!

HIGH HOLY DAYS

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO BRING YOUR TICKETS. We appreciate your cooperation with our security procedures to ensure a tranquil and safe High Holy Days.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:30pm - Erev Rosh Hashanah Services (Kopelson Family Sanctuary)
7:30pm - Brentwood Havurah Services (Gray Family Chapel)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:30am - Rosh Hashanah Tot Service
10:30am - Rosh Hashanah Morning Services
3:15pm - Tashlich on the Beach (Will Rogers Beach, Lifeguard Station 15)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:30pm - Kol Nidre Services (Kopelson Family Sanctuary)
7:30pm - Brentwood Havurah Services (Gray Family Chapel)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

8:30am - Yom Kippur Tot Service
10:30am - Yom Kippur Morning Service
1:00pm - Sacred Jewish Music Meditation with award-winning composer and world-music artist Yuval Ron. *Experience contemplative music played on the biblical lute, the Oud, for a personal time of prayer, meditation, and inner exploration on the holy day of Yom Kippur.*
2:30pm - Yom Kippur Afternoon, Yizkor, Ne'ilah Services

Programming for Youth Preschool through K

Our High Holy Day Tot services are just for you!

Grades 1-3

Children in grades 1 - 3 are invited to join us for a program in ECLC. We will have some activities, play time, snack and an age-appropriate High Holy Day service including hearing the shofar! This program is available at **morning services only**.

Grades 4-6

Children in grades 4 - 6 are welcome to join us on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings in the Gray Family Chapel for an age-appropriate service. Our service will run concurrently with the main service up until the time the Torah is brought out. We will then bring all the children back to the Sanctuary where they can meet their parents and sit with them for the remainder of the morning. These services are available during the mornings only.

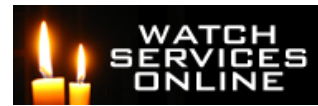
Grade 7-12

We expect our Bar/Bat Mitzvah students and those who have become B'nai Mitzvah to join us in the congregational service.

Israel Pilgrims: If you have travelled to Israel within this last year, you will be called up to the Bemah for an aliyah at the Yom Kippur Morning Service, 10:30am.

Watch Services Online

[Remember, you can watch services online using this link!](#)



Service feed will be [LIVE](#) during all scheduled services this week and next.

Please make sure you have the latest adobe plugin installed.

****Please note that a prompt will appear that says "Your connection is not private". Please click "Advanced" and then "Proceed".****

PARKING

As you know, we have limited parking. Our courteous parking attendants will help guide you. Because we will have stacked parking, if you block someone, you will be kindly asked to leave your keys in your car. Thank you for your cooperation.

St. Martin of Tours Church will be available for parking for the following services:

Wednesday, 9/20: Erev Rosh Hashanah

Friday, 9/29: Kol Nidre - Erev Yom Kippur

Saturday, 9/30: Upper Parking Lot only - All services

HIGH HOLY DAY CHILDCARE!

Do you need child care for your kiddos (18 months - Kindergarten) during High Holy Day services at University Synagogue? Register in advance to allow for enough staff supervision, snack and activities.

Child care is available only for the following services:

- Rosh Hashanah morning
- Yom Kippur morning
- Yom Kippur afternoon

[Click here to access the form!](#)

HANDICAPPED ACCESS

Due to limited handicapped parking spaces, we kindly ask that drivers drop off passengers at the main entrance before finding parking spots.



Sukkot

If you would like to complete the mitzvah of shaking the Lulav in the Sukkah, and would like to purchase your own set of Lulav and Etrog, please [fill out the form](#) and submit to Bonnie Kebre, bkebre@unisyn.org by Monday, September 25th.

PLEASE, DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR AT THE SYNAGOGUE UNLESS YOU ARE ON SITE!

Several times a year, our well-meaning members meet at the synagogue, leave their cars in our lot and carpool off site. Most of the time, that results in their cars being locked in. Our building schedule is inconsistent, especially on the weekends. When our building closes, outer and inner gates are locked tight and there is no access to the parking lot. We really appreciate your cooperation. Thank you.

Kever Avot Memorial Services

Sunday, September 24, 2017

Mount Sinai provides Kever Avot Services to the entire Jewish community as a way for us to come together at this time of tradition and remembrance, to remember the stories and memories that live in our hearts, and to support each other at this sacred time.

10:00 AM

Mount Sinai Hollywood Hills
5950 Forest Lawn Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90068

1:00 PM

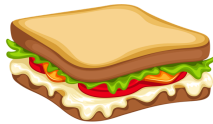
Mount Sinai Simi Valley
6150 Mount Sinai Drive
Simi Valley, CA 93063

Community Memorial Service

Sunday, September 24, 2017

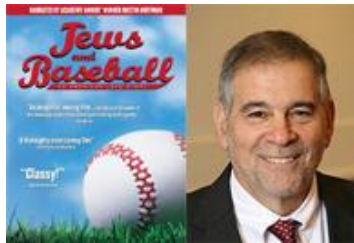
Hillside Memorial Park and Mortuary
6001 W Centinela Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Join the community for a morning of song, prayer, and remembrance at the Annual Hillside Memorial Park Kever Avot V'Imahot Service. In the spirit of tzedakah, please contribute canned and dry foods, eyeglasses, and hearing aids to the Hillside Chesed Project. The Park will be open from 8 AM to 5 PM and a florist will be on site.



Lunch Making for Cloverfield Service Center on Sept. 24

Lunch making for Cloverfield Service Center in Santa Monica continues on Sunday, September 24th. All are welcome to join this activity. Lunches will be prepared at the Synagogue Kitchen at 9 am. Please contact [Suzy](#) if you are interested in this Tikkun Olam activity. Hope to see you there!



ANNOUNCING THE NEW UNIVERSITY SYNAGOGUE FILM SOCIETY!

Synagogue members Jim Ruxin and Chuck Kahn have organized a series of films, guests and discussions. We hope to screen vintage and contemporary films related to the Jewish experience. Comedies, dramas and fascinating documentaries will offer something for everyone.

"Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story," will be on **Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 10:00 AM** in the Gray Family Chapel: a wonderful documentary about five Jews who helped make baseball into

what the game is today. Dustin Hoffman narrates this charming and informative film that will please lifelong baseball fanatics and young novices.

Rabbi Michael Berenbaum will be our guest at this Sunday's screening of "Jews and Baseball". What does one of the foremost Holocaust scholars have to do with baseball? It's also his passion, having written two books on baseball. He'll shed additional light on the appeal and the significance of the game for early Jewish Americans from the mid 1800s to the 1980s in a post-screening discussion.

The trailer is irresistible: [Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story | Willow Pond Films](#)

FREE, BUT RSVP IS A MUST. [REGISTER HERE.](#)



**OHEL SARAH, SARAH'S TENT:
HAPPY HOUR! GIRLS NIGHT OUT!**

Monday, October 2, 2017

HIGH ROOFTOP LOUNGE - HOTEL ERWIN
1697 PACIFIC AVE. VENICE, CA 90291
(310) 452-1111
5:15 – 7:30 PM

FREE VALET PARKING FOR 90 MINUTES WITH VALIDATION
Donation to Sisterhood: \$25.00/Sisterhood members
\$35/non-members

RSVP to Enid Friedman, (310) 614-3648 or enidfri@yahoo.com.
Make your check payable to University Synagogue Sisterhood.

If you plan to drink, please use a ride service or have a designated driver.

An Introduction to
Judaism

If you give us 18 nights,
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Taught by Cantor Jay Frailich at University Synagogue
Sunday mornings beginning October 15.

Discover what could be meaningful to you in liberal Judaism. Engage with Jewish values, celebrations, spirituality, and community in an 18-week **Introduction to Judaism** class taught through a Reform lens.

[Registration](#) is now open!



Know of Anyone...?

We rely on our University Synagogue families, their friends and relatives, to alert us when someone is hospitalized or suffering any illness or bereavement. The Clergy would also be delighted to learn about happy events such as celebrating a birth, or any Simchah. Local hospitals do not release patient information; kindly call Sue Share, Assistant to the Clergy, at 310-472-1255, ext. 120, or email her at SShare@unisyn.org, so that our Rabbis and Cantors can better serve our congregation.

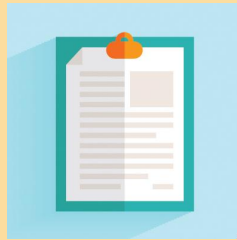
~Save the date~

TOGETHER
AS
ONE:

An Interfaith Concert to
provide aid to people
experiencing
homelessness.

OCT. 29
4 PM

*Featuring the
Yuval Ron Ensemble*



Calling all Volunteers!

Are you looking for volunteer opportunities?
We are looking for enthusiastic individuals
to join our volunteer workforce! Contact
Emilie Leder at ELeder@unisyn.org if you
are interested!



Know of someone who is interested in joining US?

Maybe there's a friend who is unaffiliated and
wants to be part of a dynamic community!

Send their name to Emilie Leder at
ELeder@unisyn.org or (310) 472-1255.

Oneg Shabbat Sponsorships

Share your special life cycle event with the congregation on Friday night!
Birthday, Anniversary, Engagement, Auf-Ruf or Baby Naming

Click [here](#) to see the sponsorships.

For more information, please contact Bonnie Kebre at BKebre@unisyn.org.

SYNAGOGUE EVENTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00 am - Sukkot Morning Service in the Sukkah

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

5:30 pm - Community Sukkot Potluck and Service in the Sukkah
Please sign up [here](#)!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

11:30 am - Sisterhood Lunch in the Sukkah

Participate in the mitzvah of eating a meal in the Sukkah. Recite the international Jewish community blessings, shake the lulav and smell the etrog. Rabbi Joel Simonds will speak on "Inclusion: Working Together For A Better World." \$20 per person (includes lunch). RSVP by October 4th. [Click here to RSVP.](#)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:00 am - Atzeret-Simchat Torah Morning Service in the Sukkah

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

9:00 am - Tot Shabbat AM - Best Playdate Ever!
9:00 am - Torah Off The Beaten Path with Cantor Shapiro
9:00 am - Hevrah Torah with Rabbi Stanley Davids

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:30 pm - Shabbat Zimrah

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:30 pm - People of the Book: Rabbi Stanley Davids, *The Fragile Dialogue - New Voices of Liberal Zionism*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

4:00 pm - Towards Wholeness: An Interfaith Concert to provide aid to those experiencing homelessness featuring the Yuval Ron Ensemble

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

6:30 PM - Sisterhood Hanukkah Dinner



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