

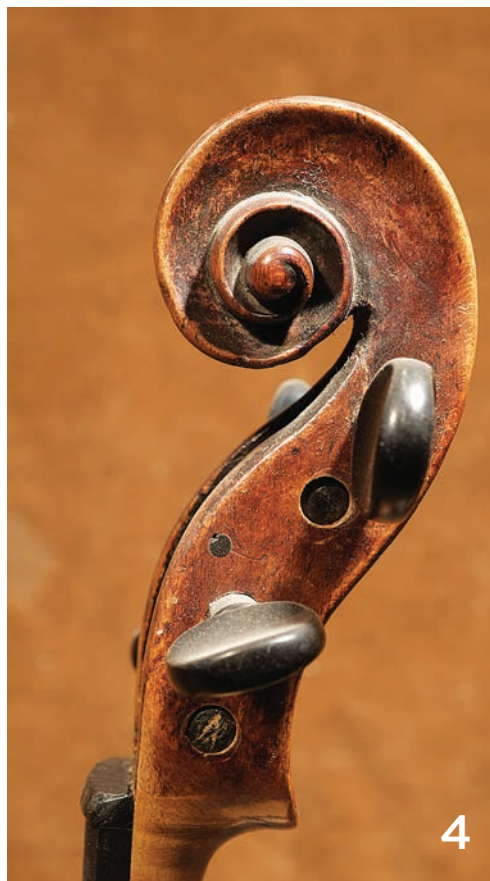
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Grants Program – Created to Foster Collaboration

Zachary Benjamin | CEO Jewish Long Beach

Statistics from the Pew Research Center and various Jewish communities' demographic studies have indicated that Passover is the Jewish holiday in which the highest number of American Jews participate. Indeed, many of us cherish childhood memories of reading the Four Questions, slowly navigating our way through the newly-learned Hebrew script. We relished the adrenaline rush we experienced as we spotted the tiniest corner of white napkin peeking out from behind a flower pot, realizing that we had found the elusive Afikomen. We



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recall the ritual retelling of the Exodus, the gradual consumption of the contents of the Seder plate, and the opening of the door for the prophet Elijah, struggling against temptation to doze as the hour grew late.

Perhaps the most important function of Jewish Long Beach is to help ensure that the type of joy in Jewish peoplehood engendered by these moments remain aflame in every Long Beach-area Jewish soul, and that they are passed with pride from generation to generation. A primary means of fostering Jewish identity and engagement is through our Building Jewish Life Grants and our Ignite the Power of Community Innovation Grants. Through these grants, Jewish Long Beach funds projects and programs of Long Beach-area Jewish agencies and congregations that advance Jewish identity, peoplehood, and service.

Now in its second year, our grants program fosters collaboration between organizations and the sharing of resources, bringing innovative programs to our community and helping local institutions provide critical services. Programs supported last year by Jewish Long Beach grants included:

- Small-group counseling and classroom workshops to support the mental health and

emotional well-being of Hebrew Academy Orange County students. This project was offered jointly with Jewish Family and Children's Services of Long Beach and West Orange County.

- Attendance of a Long Beach-area delegation, led by Beth David, at the L'Taken Social Justice Seminar in Washington, DC.

- Temple Israel's "Staying Engaged in Jewish Life Post-College" program, engaging young post-college adults in Jewish life.

- Volunteer training for Ethel's Chicken Soup, a program of Chabad of Los Alamitos.

- Support for Jewish Family and Children's Services' Holocaust Survivor Program, supporting vulnerable, low-income survivors of the Holocaust living alone.

- And many more.

While our Building Jewish Life Grants will continue to serve individual organizations seeking funding for community-wide programs, our Ignite the Power of Community Innovation Grants are designed for organizations working in partnership to create opportunities for Jewish engagement, education, and service.

This year's funding themes include:

- Jewish Education, including young adult engagement, camp, Holocaust remembrance and understanding, finding entry into the Jewish community, and education across Jewish movements.

- Community Engagement, including Tikkun Olam and social justice partnerships, outreach to promote



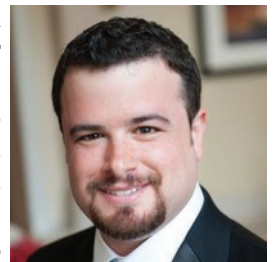
understanding of Jewish community within the broader community, combating anti-Semitism, creating points of contact for non-engaged young Jewish families, and teen engagement.

- Jewish Pluralism, including programs providing access to resources for interfaith families, building bridges across Jewish denominations, and fostering inter-generational relationships.

- Engaging with Israel and the World, which includes building cultural bridges, partnerships, and engagement with community groups and organizations, plus incubator programs and other programs that connect Long Beach and West Orange County with Israeli business and culture, as well as with other overseas Jewish communities.

We are committed to growing the pool of available grant funds and to expanding the diversity of programs and organizations supported by our grants, with the goal of significantly increasing funds available by more than double within the next two years. We hope to accomplish this through both careful management of investments and more impactful financial resource development tactics, including frequent features across media platforms that tell the stories of those impacted by Jewish Long Beach-funded programs, and how these programs are igniting the power of Jewish community among Long Beach-area Jews of all streams and walks of life.

All of us at Jewish Long Beach hope that this Passover yields unforgettable Jewish moments for you and your families, and we look forward to being part of your family's Jewish journey, throughout the life cycle, for generations to come. 🌍



Zachary Benjamin

Our Global Jewish Long Beach

Richard R. Marcus | Guest Contributor

My first time in a synagogue outside the U.S. was when I lived in Nairobi, Kenya. It is not exactly the first place one thinks of when seeking a vibrant Jewish life, but you may be surprised.

The Conservative service was conducted entirely in Hebrew, and, at that point in my life, I spoke none. The rabbi and I walked out together. A newly displaced New Yorker, as we exited he struggled to communicate his needs to the guard. I went to the guard to translate for him, turning back to see the Rabbi's shock. "You're a California Jew who speaks Swahili but not Hebrew?" I quickly learned I was the rule not the exception.

It was an energetic and engaged community of Kenyan, Somali, Ethiopian, Yemeni, and expatriate western Jews in central Nairobi. Today, there is a very active synagogue, a Chabad across town, as well as a Kikuyu-speaking Kasuku Jewish community 200 miles away on Lake Victoria.

I have since experienced myriad forms of Judaism

in Israel over many years. I am blessed to have had the opportunity to wrap my head (and heart) around what it means to be a Jew in other parts of the world where most people don't realize they exist, then to return home. I am so proud not just to be a Jew but to be a Jew in Long Beach. We look at communities big and small, devout and secular, plural and

"You're a California Jew who speaks Swahili but not Hebrew?"

insular, and traditional and hybrid. We realize there are Ashkenazim, Mizrahim, Sephardim, Kochinim, and Haymanot. We acknowledge what seems like such a painfully endless array of branches. We debate shifting definitions of family. Yet, we see how global differences create local diversity and robust pluralism. What a debt we owe to the great Jewish

families of Long Beach who had the vision to recognize a commonality of identity and purpose that transcends our differences! We sit together at the table to make decisions, build programs together, pray in each other's temples, celebrate together, and, far too frequently of late, mourn together.

We love the Hebrew language, but just as Swahili speakers outnumber Hebrew speakers in Kenya, Spanish speakers in our community far outnumber the Hebrew speakers. No matter. Let's say it in Spanish, in Swahili, in Amharic, or in Malayalam. We are one people in Greater Long Beach, Israel, and the world and the stronger for it. 🌍



Richard Marcus

Remembering Those Who Perished

Sharon Kenigsberg | Director of Endowment & Community Development

Our 2020 Community Yom HaShoah Commemorative Candle Lighting and Holocaust Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, April 19, beginning at 2:00 pm. The event is open to all and



will be held in the Lipeles Auditorium at the Alpert Jewish Community Center on the Weinberg Jewish Long Beach Campus.

This annual Yom HaShoah event is truly a community effort with rabbis and cantors from all the local synagogues participating in the memorial service. This year, the service will be led by Rabbi David Cantor of Temple Beth Shalom and the program will feature virtuoso violinist Niv Ashkenazi and the *Violins of Hope*.

Violins of Hope

Violins of Hope was created to celebrate the triumph of the human spirit. The private collection of more than 60 violins, violas and cellos were rescued from the ashes of the Holocaust. Collected by master violin artisan Amnon Weinstein and his son Avshalom in Tel Aviv, the instruments have been restored so they can continue to tell the story of the role of Jewish music – particularly violins.



For Jews enduring utter despair and unimaginable evil during the Holocaust, music offered haven and humanity. The strains of a beloved song supplied solace, even if only for a few moments. The chords also provided a vital reminder that even the most brutal regime could not rob them of their faith. No matter what, their souls could be free.

In some cases, the ability to play the violin spared Jewish musicians from more grueling labors or even death. Nearly 50 years ago, Amnon Weinstein heard such a story from a customer who brought in an instrument for restoration. The customer survived the Holocaust because his job was to play the violin

while Nazi soldiers marched others to their deaths.

When Weinstein opened the violin's case, he saw ashes. He thought of his own relatives, 300 of whom had perished, and was overwhelmed. He could not bring himself to begin the project. By 1996, Weinstein was ready. He put out a call for violins from the Holocaust that he would restore in hopes that the instruments would sound again, giving a voice to the voiceless.

We Will Hear the Voice of These Violins

For the Community Yom HaShoah Observance, on April 19, we are fortunate to be partnering with the Long Beach Symphony to have virtuoso violinist Niv Ashkenazi as our featured guest. Niv will be playing one of the restored violins on April 19 for Yom HaShoah and then again the evening of April 25 for the *Violins of Hope* event at the Long Beach Symphony (for ticket information, see pg. 9)

Niv Ashkenazi has captivated audiences with his heartfelt musicianship and emotional performances. Praised for his “lush sound” and “passionate playing” (CASA Magazine) and “formidable technical powers” (Santa Barbara News-Press), he has made several Carnegie Hall and Kennedy Center appearances, and has performed in Europe, the Middle East, and across North America. His conviction that the impact of music serves people beyond

the concert stage motivates him to collaborate on projects that create a strong emotional bond with his audience. In the 2019-2020 season, Ashkenazi will be the first ever Artist in Residence at the Younes and Soraya Nazarian Center for the Performing Arts (The Soraya) and will perform as a soloist with the Long Beach Symphony.

The *Buried Violin* has been underwritten by Jewish Long Beach; Drs. Matthew Davis and Mark Dressner, along with the Alpert Jewish Community Center, have underwritten the German Violin with the Star of David. (See page 5 for further details.)

Adopted Violins

The restored *Violins of Hope* were played by Jewish musicians during the Holocaust. These instruments have survived concentration camps, pogroms and many long journeys to tell remarkable stories of injustice, suffering, resilience and survival. Every rescued instrument has a story to tell. Posters with those stories will be part of the Yom HaShoah commemoration.

In support of the *Violins of Hope* project our community has adopted two violins:

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Yom HaShoah Art Gallery Exhibit

In addition to attending the Community Observance, community members are encouraged to visit the Zena & Pauline Gatov Exhibition Art Gallery from March 29 – April 29, 2020 to view

Faces of Resilience, Faith and the Human Spirit.

Curated by Georgia Freedman-Harvey, this exhibit features the artwork of Bill Aron, Dina Dar and Dave Fox. The works tell stories of determination, hope, faith, resilience and the power of the human spirit to thrive even after the darkness of the Holocaust. Dina Dar and Dave Fox were both born in Europe. They would have their identity and lives shaped by the events of the Holocaust, and their artwork is a reflection of their resiliency to survive and to still find beauty in life. Bill Aron will exhibit a selection of portraits of Holocaust survivors from the series “The Indestructible Spirit,” commissioned by the Rodgers Center for Holocaust Education at Chapman University in conjunction with The 1939 Society. All of the artworks illustrate the strength of the human spirit, and what each of us can achieve. There will be an Artist Reception, open to all, on March 29, 3–5pm at the Alpert JCC on the Weinberg Jewish Long Beach Campus.

Gerda Seifer Yom HaShoah Fund

Jewish Long Beach has honored Gerda Seifer by naming the Yom HaShoah Fund in her honor. The fund makes possible the annual Community Yom HaShoah observance program, as well as other Holocaust education activities and programs. If you wish to continue the important work of memorializing the Holocaust, please consider a donation to the Gerda Seifer Yom HaShoah Fund. Please make your tax-deductible donation payable to: Jewish Long Beach and mail to 3801 East Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815 or call 562.426.7601 ext. 1314 to make your donation by phone. Donations received by April 13, 2020 will be recognized in the printed event program. 🕊️



The Buried Violin has been underwritten by Jewish Long Beach.

2020 Violins of Hope Local Events

- March 5** The Arlene Solomon Visions Dinner, Jewish Long Beach, Susanne Reyto, Speaker
- April 19** Community Yom HaShoah Observance, Alpert JCC on the Weinberg Jewish Long Beach Campus, Niv Ashkenazi, violinist
- April 6-19** Instruments on display at the L.A. Museum of the Holocaust
- April 21** *Stories of Hope* at the Aquarium of the Pacific
- April 21-25** Educational presentations at area schools and universities
- April 25** *Violins of Hope* at the Terrace Theater
- April 26** *Songs of Hope* at First Congregational Church of Long Beach

The Stories of Two Violins

Violins of Hope

German Violin with Star of David – Warsaw, 1924

This violin came to the Weinstein's workshop in very bad condition. The signs on it indicate that it was played in the worst conditions imaginable. The top has no varnish and the inside parts are crudely glued and nailed in an unprofessional way. It appears to have been played in a camp or ghetto and was repaired in any way possible, perhaps to give the owner a little more time to play it. The Weinstains decided to leave this violin as is, so that viewers can see the condition of some instruments when they arrive at the workshop – and perhaps, in seeing it, imagine what some of these instruments and their owners had to endure at the hands of the German Reich.

Generously underwritten by Drs. Mathew Davis and Dr. Mark Dressner on behalf of the Alpert Jewish Community Center.



The German Violin has been left unrestored as a reminder of what their owners endured.

The Buried Violin

Heinrich Herrmann grew up in Schwabach and Nuremberg in the South of Germany, where he learned to play the violin on an old, inexpensive Gypsy instrument. He studied law and became a judge, but lost his position following the implementation of the Nuremberg laws due to his Jewish identity. Fleeing to Amsterdam, he became a typewriter salesman and met his wife, Ilse. Heinrich clung to his old, inexpensive violin and often played chamber music with friends. In the mornings, he

tried to secure visas to any country that would offer them a chance to leave Europe.

His plan to support the family upon arriving in

their new home relied on spending his life savings to procure a rare, 150-year-old handmade violin by a famous atelier of the Klotz family in Bavaria, Germany. Travelling with large amounts of money could prove dangerous, but upon arrival he could sell the extraordinary violin and recoup his savings. His plan was thwarted however, when all Jews in Holland were forced to register with the Nazi regime and surrender their valuables. He brought the instrument and told the clerk that although he had no problem parting with his belongings, he

could not bear to part with the violin. "Go home with your violin," said the clerk, "and come back tomorrow with another. But don't tell anyone I said so." The Herrmanns gave the violin to a Dutch friend, Yan Molder, for safekeeping and not a moment too soon. On June 23, 1943, they were arrested and imprisoned by the Nazis and sent to the feared Bergen-Belsen concentration camp. Molder was afraid the Nazis would find Jewish owned property in his possession, so he gave it to a musician friend, who was equally fearful of the German's wrath and buried the violin in his garden.

Miraculously, Heinrich and Ilse Herrmann survived and in 1944 they were traded for German citizens being expelled from the British Mandate of Palestine. A year later, after the war ended, the violin was exhumed and brought to them in Palestine. Though badly damaged, it was repaired and stayed close to Heinrich who played it for the next 40 years.

This instrument has been generously sponsored by Jewish Long Beach. 




Jewish Long Beach Men's Philanthropy: Above & Beyond 2020

By all measure, the 160 attendees of Above & Beyond 2020 had a great time, honoring 11 amazing men from across the Long Beach/West Orange County communities, while sampling whiskeys, beers, fine cigars, and grazing at the food stations.



From the top, clockwise:

1. 2020 Above and Beyond Honorees
2. Above and Beyond Chair, Marcos Weinstein
3. Eli Ben Shmuel and Jeb Brilliant enjoy the whiskey tasting
4. Generations enjoying the evening together, Sy and Bob Alban
5. Daryl Phillips, past president
6. Comedian Avi Liberman
7. Mike Gerber and Bud Adams enjoying the cigar lounge 

Making Prom a Special Night

Women's Philanthropy of Jewish Long Beach will be hosting the third annual



Prom Boutique on Sunday, April 5, from noon-3 pm at the Alpert JCC on the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Jewish Long Beach Campus. This year we are partnering with Olive Crest and have also received a generous grant from the Port of Long Beach to help needy high school students who could otherwise not afford to attend their senior prom. Event co-chairs are Rachel Suojanen and Sara Schmidt.

Approximately 30-40 volunteers will be spending the day creating and staffing the boutique. We expect to provide clothing and accessories to 200-300 high school men and women from the cities of Long Beach and Bellflower. We also have volunteers who provide onsite alterations.

If you want to drop off clothing, please see the ad on this page for drop-off locations. In addition to those locations, you can also drop off dresses, shirts, suits, shoes etc., at the Community Purim Carnival on Sunday, March 8, from noon-3 pm.

We also will accept gift



certificates to hair and nail salons or other service/retail stores. There will be opportunities to volunteer the day of the boutique and in the weeks preceding it. If you would like to volunteer, please email: promdresslongbeach@gmail.com.

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Being Jewish – Opting In or Opting Out

Rabbi Yitzchak Newman | Rabbinic Contributor

Two chance meetings got me thinking. As I was visiting a good friend in a home overlooking the ocean, his Jewish acquaintance happened to be there. The, almost weekly, visits with my friend always generated lively conversation, including a session of study and prayer. I enjoyed a warm conversation about his acquaintance's life story.

He had traveled the world living in opulent areas in Europe, had major real estate holdings, and was in the middle of producing two movies. It was quite apparent that he felt very successful in life. As I was holding a pair of tefillin in my hand, I asked him if he knew what they were. After he said that he had no idea, I asked him if he ever had a Bar Mitzvah to which he replied to the negative.

I came to find out that he was a child of holocaust survivors who had given him no background in his heritage. In his 60-something years, he had made little connection to the Jewish community.

Just a little while later, in

the office of a prominent broadcast personality a similar experience occurred. By his invitation, I joined a meeting with this friend and another individual. In the middle of our discussion about a Jewish-related subject, he quipped to his friend that he wouldn't understand these matters, to which his friend quickly replied "Why? I am Jewish!"

This certainly sparked an animated conversation. What I discovered was that he grew up just a few miles from my home in Dorchester, Massachusetts – a *lantsman* at that. Although he was Bar Mitzvahed, he had no involvement in the Jewish community since his arrival to California 40 years earlier. In both cases their children were not encouraged to connect to their Jewish roots.

It has become quite clear through these and numerous other firsthand encounters that, increasingly, our members are disappearing from our Jewish community. If this holds true with the older folks it is even a greater reality with our young

generations. It is no surprise that our members are opting out of being involved in the community in larger numbers. The engagement of the past was not sufficient to keep our members active.

In stark contrast to my chance encounters, are those planned visits with alum of the Hebrew Academy Jewish Day School who graduated almost 40 years ago. For instance, one is a prominent lawyer in the entertainment industry for one of the major studios. In addition to giving his children a Jewish day school education, he has taken a leadership role in the Jewish community, including serving as president of a Jewish day school in Los Angeles.

Another visit brought me to a leading cardiologist who has also made the smart choice to send his children to a Jewish day school and is very active in his temple.

With thousands of alum of the Hebrew Academy over a 50-year period, I have visited hundreds of our students and the involvement and leadership I find are not

Rabbi Yitzchak Newman, Head of Hebrew Academy; Rabbi, Congregation Lubavitch



chance happenings but intentional choices.

In fact, statistics reported by the Jewish Population Study find that Jewish day school education is the strongest determinant, by far, of involvement in the Jewish community. Students who, in their early years, learn in a Jewish day school environment that teaches Judaism and models Jewish values, grow up to be proud well-educated Jews who remain in our community for a lifetime.

As for the two fine gentlemen who I recently met by chance, they accepted my offer to put on tefillin and say a prayer. After a rather lengthy conversation urging them to engage Jewishly, I am hopeful that they will connect to the Jewish community. If they were younger I would have enrolled them at Hebrew Academy. 🕍

Congregational Activities

The Journey Begins with the First Step

P'nai Or will be gathering to tell the story of Passover on Thursday, April 9th, while using the exodus of our ancestors as a metaphor for coming out of our own personal "Egypt." Along with the traditional four questions we ask ourselves: What are you a slave to? What does it mean, both communally and personally, to leave bondage and gain freedom?

We are looking forward to going on the Passover journey with you. It's time to come out of Egypt.

Please go to our website www.pnaior.org for further details and to make a reservation. 🕍

Purim Online

On Monday, March 9, at 6:00pm, Beit HaLev will present a livestream Purim Shpiel, "Everyone Can't Be Esther" by Meredith Shaw Patera. The live, interactive, online play will be on [Facebook.com/galityomtov](https://www.facebook.com/galityomtov) and [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) on the channel, "Shabbat Shalom LIVE!" All the parts will be played by Rabbi Galit Shirah.

The livestream Shacharit Services for the 1st and 7th Days of Passover are on Thursday, April 9 at 10:30am and Thursday, April 16 at 10:30am on [Facebook.com/galityomtov](https://www.facebook.com/galityomtov) and [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) on the "Shabbat Shalom LIVE!" Channel. A pdf Siddur is available on Rabbi Galit's Facebook page ([Facebook.com/galityomtov](https://www.facebook.com/galityomtov)). 🕍

Paint As You Like

On Sunday, April 19, Temple Beth Ohr will host filmmaker, Ryan Fenton-Strauss as he presents his award-winning documentary, *Paint As You Like*.



The movie is about his father, artist Michael Fenton. Ryan takes an emotional journey through his father's life as an artist, while exploring universal themes. What is success? What is failure? What is art?

This program is part of TBO's Adult Education Lecture Series and is open to the public, free of charge.

Refreshments will be served. RSVP to Temple Beth Ohr 714.521.6765 or by email to office@tbolm.org 🕍

Camp JCA Shalom Holds an Informational Session

Camp JCA-Shalom will be hosting an informational meeting about its Summer 2020 programs at Temple Beth Shalom, on Tuesday, March 10, 6-8pm., led by Camp Director Joel Charnick.



The event is open to parents and kids. Camp staff and camp alumni will be onhand to answer questions. Free pizza with RSVP to Lori Brockman, Family Relations Coordinator 818.889.5500, ext. 111. 🕍

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Jewish Long Beach Grant Spotlight: Hebrew Academy and Jewish Family & Children’s Services

Pattie Davidson | JFCS Director of Development and Communications

On page 3 of this issue of the Chronicle, Jewish Long Beach CEO Zach Benjamin describes the collaborations being fostered by the grant-making program initiated by Jewish Long Beach. One of the grants awarded helps fund a partnership between The Hebrew Academy and Jewish Family & Children’s Service of Long Beach & West Orange County (JFCS).

For five of the last six years, this grant has provided partial funding for JFCS’ presence on the campus of The Hebrew Academy to provide counseling services to students and their families.

Dr. Bryn Harari, principal of The Hebrew Academy is an enthusiastic supporter of the school’s partnership with JFCS. “The Hebrew Academy has benefited tremendously from the counseling program grant from Jewish Long Beach.

As a result of this partnership, our students from grades K-12 have been able to receive individual counseling, targeted small group workshops, and explicit social emotional skills training as part of their standard curriculum. In a Jewish school that is committed to whole child education, this component of our program is invaluable. The professional counselors are as skillful as they are caring. Their work has expanded the capacity of our teachers and administration to support the emotional needs of our students. The counseling program at JFCS has enabled us to reach our goals and live into our vision for whole child education,” said Harari.

“We are so pleased to be awarded this grant from JLB to have our counselors on campus each week to work with students as needed.

We value our relationship with The Hebrew Academy and share a common goal of ensuring that students have the support they need to be successful as they mature into adulthood,” said Kathryn Miles, JFCS executive director. JFCS Clinician Monica Mittal adds, “My role as a counselor is to guide students as they successfully navigate their academic, emotional and personal development. We work individually and in small groups to give students a safe and supportive environment to develop skills in conflict resolution, coping strategies, and communication tools. These skills can be used throughout their lives.”



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AJCC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As spring approaches, we find ourselves moving into another season of Jewish holidays. Tu B'Shevat is behind us and ahead are Purim and Pesach, followed closely by Shavuot. Although we don't ordinarily think about it, there are a lot of interesting connections between Purim and Pesach. They are both, stories of redemption: Purim is about the salvation of the Jewish people from the genocidal plans of Haman, and Passover is about the salvation of the Jewish people from the Egyptian Pharaoh.

In addition to Purim and Pesach being connected, they also have something very important in common—the emphasis on tzedakah. On Purim, we are instructed to give gifts to the poor. On Pesach, the Mishnah tells us that even the poorest person was given four cups of wine for the Seder. Jews traditionally provide wine on the eve of Pesach so that everyone can celebrate the Seder properly.

Since both Purim and Pesach celebrate survival and redemption, it is traditional to have large, festive meals. On both holidays, hospitality is featured, and great care is taken to include all members of the community. Here at the J and at every synagogue in the area, we make sure that there is a place for everyone during Passover. This is because survival and redemption include the entire community, no matter what age, tax bracket, or family situation. And when celebrating survival, we want to make sure we celebrate as a community, bringing everyone together. So, if you need a seat at a Seder—or you know someone who does—please reach out to me or your local synagogue. There is always a place for you.

There are a lot of opportunities for the community to come together and help give back during this spring season of survival and redemption. At the J, we give out shalach manot (Purim baskets), and for Passover we pack up meals for Senior Outreach to ensure our community members who are homebound have food. You can also donate to our Mitzvah to Matzah campaign to help us provide holiday food and baskets for our seniors.

I hope that on Purim and Passover—and all the days in between—you will take some time to reflect on how we as a community work together to make sure everyone is welcome and how you, personally, can help ensure that our community continues to thrive.

L'Shalom, Jeffrey Ripps



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Dr. Susan Mathieu, (562) 426-7601 x1721
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Purim Luncheon, Sponsored by NCJW

Wednesday | March 11 | 12pm

Delicious Dairy Luncheon with delicious Hamantaschen. Entertainment by local singer song-writers, "Feter & Lisa". They play a mix of original and creative arrangements of country, bluegrass, Americana Southern Rock and blues. FREE

Senior Luncheon

Wednesday | March 25 | 12pm

Healthy veggie pizza, caesar salad and fresh seasonal organic fruit cup. Entertainment by, "The Retro Swing Band". They specialize in Jazz, Swing, Standards, and Ballroom dance music from the early 20th century. \$7 Members | \$8 Non Members

Passover Outreach - Can you help?

Monday | April 6

9:30am Packing | 11:00am Driving

Our Passover outreach program is for senior adults who are homebound or who are living in skilled nursing facilities. We are packing and driving in the morning. **Can you drive and/or Pack?**

Please contact Susan Mathieu at smathieu@alpertjcc.org or (562) 426-7601 x1721

Enjoy a Beautiful Passover Luncheon & Passover Program

Wednesday | April 15 | 12pm

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Ladies Craft, Games and Wine Night

Thursday | March 12 | 6:30-8:30pm

Join us for a ladies night. Connect with women in our community and enjoy crafts, games, wine and snacks. \$15 in advance | \$18 at the door

Passover Cooking Class with Dana

Wednesday | March 25 | 6-8:30pm

Learn to make some fun Passover foods, candied matzah, potato kugel, charoset, matzah bri and bitter herb salad. Enjoy a glass of wine while we cook together. Hands on learning, try all the foods we make and go home with printed recipes. Everyone must register in advance. \$36 Members | \$50 Non Members

Yom HaShoah Art Gallery Show

March 29-April 29

Faces of Resilience, Faith and the Human Spirit: Bill Aron, Dina Dar & Dave Fox

Yom Hashoah Art Gallery Reception: Sunday | March 29 | 3-5pm

Beginning Mah Jongg Class

Mondays | April 20, 27 & May 4 | 6:30-8:30pm

Join us for this beginners class series that will teach you to play American Mah Jongg. Students will learn tile recognition, strategy and rules. Each student receives an official NMJL playing card and will be able to "get your Mahj On" with friends by the end of the series. \$75 Members | \$95 Non Members

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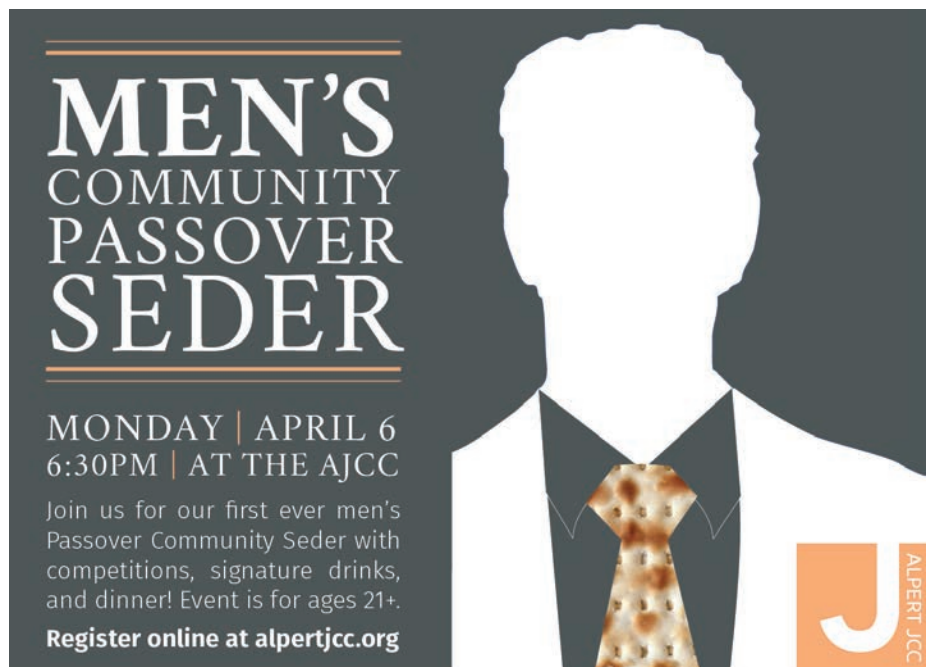


WOMEN'S COMMUNITY PASSOVER SEDER

MONDAY | MARCH 30
6:30PM | AT THE AJCC

Celebrate the Passover Seder from a woman's perspective with dinner and a service! All women are welcome.

Register online at alpertjcc.org

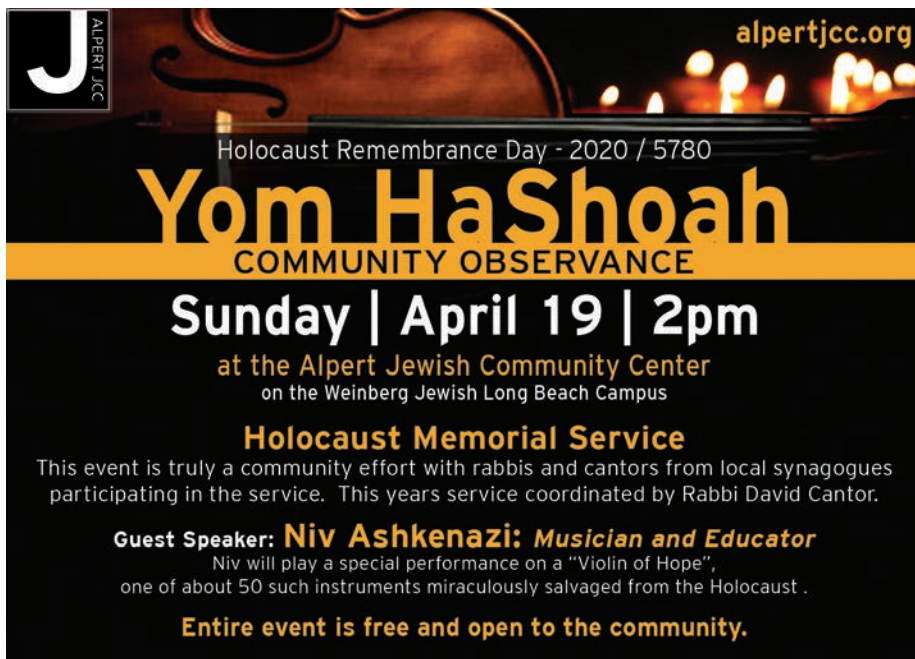


MEN'S COMMUNITY PASSOVER SEDER

MONDAY | APRIL 6
6:30PM | AT THE AJCC

Join us for our first ever men's Passover Community Seder with competitions, signature drinks, and dinner! Event is for ages 21+.

Register online at alpertjcc.org



Yom HaShoah
COMMUNITY OBSERVANCE

Sunday | April 19 | 2pm
at the Alpert Jewish Community Center
on the Weinberg Jewish Long Beach Campus

Holocaust Memorial Service

This event is truly a community effort with rabbis and cantors from local synagogues participating in the service. This years service coordinated by Rabbi David Cantor.

Guest Speaker: Niv Ashkenazi: Musician and Educator
Niv will play a special performance on a "Violin of Hope", one of about 50 such instruments miraculously salvaged from the Holocaust.

Entire event is free and open to the community.



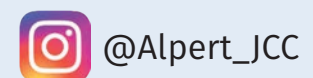
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Sunday | April 26 | 12-4pm

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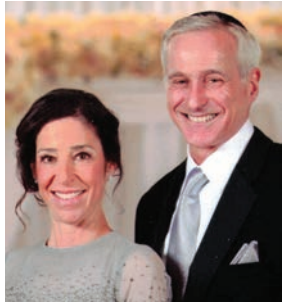
Celebrate Hebrew Academy Visionary Dinner

The Hebrew Academy is proud to announce that our annual Visionary Dinner will take place this year on Sunday, March 1, 2020, at the magnificent Four Seasons Hotel in Beverly Hills. We are honoring very special people who value the vital importance



Leslie and Mark Werksman

of Jewish education: Mark and Leslie Werksman who will be receiving the Visionary Award, and receiving the Partners in Education award will be Morris and Sharon Silver.



Sharon and Morris Silver

We will also have our Hebrew Alumni, which will represent the graduating class of 1992-1993 and receive the Young Leadership Award for their accomplishments in the community.

The evening will again be hosted by television personality Elon Gold, along with a special guest entertainer.

The Visionary Dinner is the Hebrew Academy's major fundraising event and the signature evening of the year. The event celebrates Jewish education and the continued accomplishments of the Hebrew Academy that serves over a thousand youngsters annually. The funds that are raised benefit the school's scholarship fund, insuring that all children, regardless of their background, will have access to the exemplary educational and social programs that the organization offers. Over a million dollars is distributed annually through the scholarship fund.

The evening opens with appetizers and wine tasting in a stunning courtyard of the Four Seasons followed by a spectacular Four Seasons style dinner leading to awards, entertainment, and the pleasure of the Hebrew Academy's young choir!

We welcome everyone to socialize, meet the Hebrew Academy's leading supporters, make important connections and demonstrate a commitment to Jewish education in the Hebrew Academy way. If you are interested in attending this event and/or want more information, please call Jenny at the Hebrew Academy at 714.898.0051 ext. 223 or cell: 909.559.5674 email eventsahb@gmail.com.

We look forward to greeting you on Sunday, March 1, 2020, to celebrate together. 🌟



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Beach Hillel staff, students and board members were thrilled to honor super donor James Breslauer at the *Above and Beyond 2020* Jewish Long Beach, Men's Philanthropy Event on February 6.

Thank you to Jim and Liz for their wonderful support of Hillel!



What do you do on the first day of the new semester? Hang out at Beach Hillel!

Students love our new space on campus. They can enjoy snacks, coffee, a filtered water machine,

our own Jewish library and use the printer set up for their use.

Beach Hillel just returned from an 11 day trip to Israel with 23 CSULB student leaders! These students spent their winter vacation exploring Israel, as well as the Palesinian Authority, including a beautiful visit to the Kotel.



Student leaders and the Hillel staff enjoyed their last night in Israel by visiting the ancient city of Jaffa.



The Long Beach State chapter of Students Supporting Israel welcomed LTC Ret. Eyal Dror of the IDF to talk about Operation Good Neighbor, in which Israel helped Syrian civilians suffering during the civil War.



Beach Hillel Student President David Rowe, enjoying a very special moment at the Western Wall.



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CSULB Jewish Studies Program

The Comedy of Betrothal

CSULB Jewish Studies Program is very pleased to present a rather different program. In the spirit of Purim, on March 10, starting at 7:30pm, at the Alpert JCC on the Weinberg Jewish Long Beach Campus. we will offer readings from and discussion of a historic Purim Spiel (play). Fifty years before Shakespeare wrote *The Merchant of Venice*, Leone de' Sommi wrote *Tzahut bedihuta de-kiddushin* (*The Comedy of Betrothal*), the oldest known Hebrew-language play. It combines features of Italian commedia dell' arte with elements from biblical and rabbinic literature. This interactive performance-symposium examines the Comedy against the backdrop of the history of the Jews of Mantua and explores Leone de' Sommi's dramatic art; his use of classical Jewish sources; and the significance of the Comedy of Betrothal's location in Sidon, Lebanon.



The readings will be in English with samplings of Italian and Hebrew for flavor, all done in a free-flowing irreverent manner that is entertaining, humorous, and informative. Presenters: Ariane Helou (UCLA), Erith Jaffe-Berg (UC Riverside), Elsa Martinez (UCLA), and Daniel Stein Kokin (UCLA and Universität Greifswald).

Making Sense of Contemporary Israeli Politics

After three national elections in less than two years, not to mention pending indictments of Prime Minister Netanyahu and a new American peace plan, contemporary Israeli politics are more intricate and confusing than usual.



Dr. Dov Waxman

Our April speaker, Dr. Dov Waxman, will help sort it all when he speaks on April 22 at 7:30 pm, at the Alpert JCC.

Dr. Dov Waxman is the new Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation Chair in Israel Studies at UCLA, where he also directs the UCLA Y&S Nazarian Center for Israel Studies. He joined the UCLA faculty in January 2020. Professor Waxman's research focuses on the conflict over Israel-Palestine, Israeli politics and foreign policy, U.S.-Israel relations, American Jewry's relationship with Israel,

Jewish politics, and anti-Semitism. He is the author of dozens of scholarly articles and four books on Israel and the peace process, most recently, *The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: What Everyone Needs to Know*.

Jewish Studies events are free and open to the public - no need to RSVP. For further information email Jeffrey.Blutinger@csulb.edu.

Suffrage! A History in Word and Song

On Sunday, March 15, join the NCJW at the Alpert Jewish Community Center for a rollicking evening of historical protest songs and impassioned pleas in honor of the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote! Come hear Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Harry Burn, Sojourner Truth, Alice Paul and many more. The performance is part of the Long Beach Suffrage 100 organization's year-long commemoration of the centennial anniversary of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, giving women the right to vote.

The first 100 people signing in at the event at the performance will receive a Susan B. Anthony \$1 coin!



- 7:00 - 7:25pm Registration and refreshments
- 7:00 - 7:15pm NCJW LB Election 2020-21 slate - for members
- 7:30pm - 9:00pm Performance in auditorium followed by refreshments

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The Legacy of an Incomparable Leader – Gene Lentzner



On February 2, 2020 we lost a beloved member of our community and legendary leader with the passing of Gene Lentzner. Gene was known in the Long Beach Community for his tireless work combatting bigotry, racism, inequality and hate crimes. He served as president and treasurer of the CCEJ (California Conference of Equality & Justice), which established the Gene Lentzner Human Relations Award, presented to persons whose work at the grass roots level contributes to the betterment of human relations.

Gene served as the Chair on all three major Boards at St. Mary Medical Center. He founded the Healthy Kids

Coalition which provides health care to disadvantaged children. He also co-chaired the Long Beach Human Relations Commission and helped establish the Human Dignity Program. He has sat on many boards and has worked as an ally in the African American, Hispanic and Cambodian communities.

Gene was deeply committed to his work within our Jewish Community and from the early days of the Federation was a dedicated fundraiser for the annual campaign and went on to become president of the both the Jewish Federation and Jewish Community Foundation (now Jewish Long Beach). He also served as a past president of Temple Israel.

Pursuer of Justice

Gene's dedication led the Federation & Foundation to create the The Rodef Tzedek (Pursuer of Justice) Award, of which Gene was the first recipient in 2007. This award honors community

members who represent our tradition's imperative to seek justice wherever it is needed, to take on challenges and build bridges to communal organizations.

At the inaugural Legacy of Leadership event honoring Gene for his work and also celebrating his 85th birthday, Gene shared the following words about how much he loved working for the community, "My experience in doing this has been incredible. I have learned a great deal, eaten some wonderful meals and I have actually been able to contribute. We can all help each other. Most of all we can learn to live together. And that would be my greatest birthday wish".

Building the Future of the Jewish Community

Gene and his wife, Ann, felt strongly that the Jewish Community could not survive into the future without the cultivation and training of the next

generation of leaders. This led them in 2016 to create the Lentzner Fellows Program, of what is now Jewish Long Beach, which provides funds to mentor future leaders. Since 2016, 14 individuals are proud to call themselves Lentzner Fellows and they have been serving in instrumental roles on the task forces that led to formation of Jewish Long Beach and on other strategic boards and committees. Matt Paretsky, Lentzner Fellow, and now chair of the Jewish Long Beach Community engagement committee said, "Gene Lentzners support and commitment to the development of future generations of Jewish learners had a direct impact on me and helped enable me to contribute to our community in many ways. I sat at the Federation board table with Gene many times and was always impressed and moved by his engagement and dedication to our community". Another fellow, Sunny Zia remarked, "Thank you Gene for giving me the honor of a lifetime in being one of your first Lentzner fellows. You inspired all of us to emulate you and your lasting legacy in L'Dor V'Dor. Thank you for the gift of knowing you and forever living in hearts and minds".

Leaving a Legacy

While president of the Jewish Community Foundation, Gene worked hard to promote Legacy giving. The Lentzners have endowed their annual gifts and Gene & Ann along with Judi & Gordon Lentzner have endowed the Jewish Long Beach Major Gifts Events.

In the February 2016 Chronicle article highlighting the creation of Lentzner Fellows Gene stated "I believe that while you are here you should give and participate to the best of your abilities. However, it is

also an obligation to ensure that what you have done in your lifetime continues.

Bequests and other Legacy gifts enable the community to get through hard times and in good times these gifts enable us to further strengthen our institutions." Gene also said that "if we believe that what we worked for was important, we should leave a legacy that builds and perpetuates what we stood for."



Gene has truly inspired others and was a shining example for all Jewish leaders, he will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Let us remember his words and deeds and carry on his legacy.

Gene is survived by his beloved wife of 68 years, Ann Lentzner, sons Jay Lentzner and Alan Lentzner, daughter-in-law Nancy Lentzner, grandson David Lentzner, brother and sister-in-law Gordon and Judi Lentzner, nephew Joel Lentzner (Nina), niece Julie Hayon (Rabbi Oren), and great nieces Addison, Sadie, Avital, Maisie, and Noa.

In Gene's memory, Jewish Long Beach and the Lentzner family have established the Gene Lentzner Leadership Award. This honor will be awarded annually to an emerging leader, providing her or him with funding to attend the Jewish Federations of North America's General Assembly or another Jewishly-focused conference or workshop. Those wishing to contribute to this fund can do so at jewishlongbeach.org or by calling 562.426.7601.

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ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND WITH

Robert Saslow, Calligrapher and Designer
Friday, March 13 - Sunday, March 15

Friday, March 13 Shabbat Dinner and Presentation: The Wonder of Hebrew Letters
Cost: \$18/dinner (Please RSVP to the Temple Office by Monday, March 9)

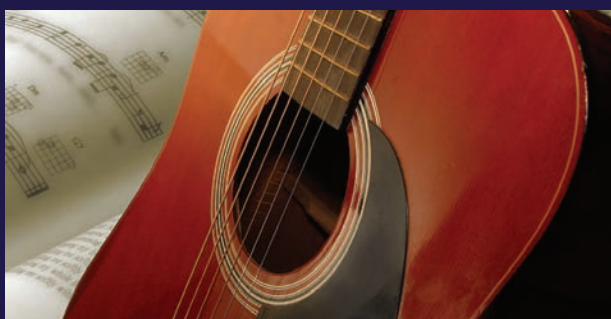
Saturday, March 14 at 1:00 pm Hebrew Calligraphy for Beginners: A hands-on workshop.
Suggested Donation: \$18

Sunday, March 15 at 9:45 am Jewish Color Values: A hands-on workshop.
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Robert Saslow is a Los Angeles-based calligrapher and designer, who specializes in the creation of ketubot (Jewish wedding contracts) and Hebrew calligraphy.



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