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A Message from Rabbi Dean

As a kid, I always had a feeling of emptiness after a birthday party was over. There was lots of anticipation, excitement and planning. Then the birthday party itself, which was fun. Then it was over. I still remember that feeling, that sense of 'now what do I do?' There was just a hint of disappointment mixed with my happiness.

The *chagim* have come and gone. *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*, when the synagogue is filled with congregants. Many of us return to synagogue then, even if we come at no other time of the year. Something draws us back. Then we had *Sukkoth*, spending time

in our fragile booths, spending time with friends. Finally, there was *Simchat Torah* with a lot of goofiness, joy, dancing with the Torah, candy for the kids and shots of whiskey for the adults. A time to celebrate the end and the beginning of the annual cycle of reading the Torah; a cycle that never really ends, it just begins again. In a way, *Simchat Torah* is a metaphor for our lives and for the annual cycle of the High Holy Days. It is a moment in time when we mark where we are, how our lives are going, things we would like to change and things we pray will remain unchanged, although we know nothing really does.

Lost amidst all these sacred days is *Shimini Atzeret*. In Israel and in the Reform calendar it is combined with *Simchat Torah*, thus easily overlooked. But it is a holiday in itself, The Seventh Day of Assembly. There is a sweet rabbinic *midrash* about *Shimini Atzeret*. When the Temple stood, *Sukkoth* was a pilgrimage holiday. All Israel would come to Jerusalem and build their *sukkoth*, their little booths. They were joined by many other nations of the world who would also come to watch the festivities. Each day of *Sukkoth* was marked by special sacrifices. When *Sukkoth* ended, after seven days, all the non-Jewish visitors would depart. But God established *Shimini Atzeret*, which immediately follows *Sukkoth*, but is not part of *Sukkoth*, so that the Jews would stay one more day. It is like parents, who host a big family celebration like a wedding. Relatives come from all over to join in the festivities.

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After the party is over and all the distant relatives have departed the parents say to their children, now that everyone has gone, spend one more day with us so we can really enjoy each other without any outside distractions.

I love this image of the quiet that follows all the excitement and the desire God expresses for intimacy with the Jewish people just like the pleasure we experience when we spend a little more time with those we love. That quiet can also be disappointing, like it was for me as a child after a birthday party, when the party is over and the cleanup is complete.

*Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* are times of intense selfexamination, of making new commitments and shaking off old bad habits. In the quiet that follows, will we keep those new commitments or not? On *Kol Nidre*, during my *drash*, I asked if each of us has a reason for sustaining our Jewish lives and, if not, could we find one? I also asked if each of us could find a reason for sustaining the Jewish people. All of us, including me, need to find our own answers to those questions. I also suggested that each of us find one thing we could do consistently in the coming year, to act on our reason.

I suppose it is my job as rabbi to urge you to not ignore these questions and to seek your own answers and to act. If you got something out of your time during the holy days, if you had a spiritual moment, a moment of insight, or a moment of connection and, if you don't usually come to our services on *Shabbat*, why don't you try *Shabbat* services - at least once or twice - during the year. What have you got to lose? You might have that experience again. It might enrich your life in a way you don't expect. Or, if you have never studied with us on Saturday or Sunday mornings, why don't you give that a try? The Jewish religious tradition is as intellectually challenging and rigorous as any. This, too, could enrich your life in ways you don't yet know. Or, if you want to share your talents or your gifts with the synagogue, we can always use more help. You will find community and a feeling of deep satisfaction.

After all, it is the New Year. It is time to shake things up a bit, time to develop new habits of mind, body and spirit. I saw a quote I liked that read, "Life begins just beyond your comfort zone."

Choose life. Step outside your comfort zone. Try a new Jewish behavior and see what happens.

Rabbi Dean Kertesz

#### Next Adult Ed. class Sunday, Nov. 16 at 10:15 AM

This year in adult ed. we are continuing our study of the Talmud. We are studying short *sugiyot* or sections that can be studied in one session.

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## Message from Our President

Jane Durango

Dear friends,

The special time of the High Holy Days and the October holidays of *Sukkot* and *Simchat Torah* are behind us now as we move from our community-based events to the more family-based Thanksgiving at the end of November. I so enjoyed the opportunity to spend time with all of you as we engaged in worship, personal reflection and community activities and now look forward to my annual trip with Pablo to Illinois to celebrate Thanksgiving, a secular American holiday, with our children and grandchildren. The bonding with our family members is so special for us, and the joy we experience lasts us all year long. Although Thanksgiving does not provide the same pageantry as our September-October holidays, we get caught up in organization and traditional foods. I hope all of you have your own family traditions as well for celebrating the holiday. While we enjoy our family time, our thoughts will start to turn to our TBH *Chanukah* celebration, which is in December this year and involves community time, organization and its own special foods. We are also planning our Food for Thought event in December.

Pablo and I wish all of you a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and look forward to *Chanukah* next month with our dear TBH community as well as participation in Food for Thought.

I am including a recipe that has apples and cranberries, typical of this season. I hope you enjoy it!

### **Cranberry Apple Crisp Recipe**

### **INGREDIENTS**:

3 cups chopped peeled tart apples 2 cups fresh *or* frozen cranberries 1 cup sugar 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour

#### **TOPPING:**

1-1/2 cups quick-cooking oats1/2 cup all-purpose flour1/2 cup packed brown sugar1/2 cup butter, melted (I use Nucoa margarine)1/4 cup chopped pecans

#### DIRECTIONS:

Combine apples, cranberries, sugar and flour. Pour into a greased 11-in. x 7-in. baking dish (you can also use a 9 x 13 inch pan). In a bowl, mix topping ingredients until crumbly; sprinkle over apple mixture. Bake at 350° for 50-55 minutes or until fruit is tender. **Yield:** 6-8 servings.

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Jeff Novick & Jenna Shaw

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Clara-Rae Genser	11/3
Ezra Baer	11/4 4th birthday
Nat Gerstman	11/5 8th birthday
Nahum Goldberg	11/7
Shelby Lena Wichner	11/9
Dean Kertesz	11/11
Joel Stein	11/14 8th birthday
Maya Yosef	11/20 4th birthday
Eric Hansen	11/23
James Koenig	11/25

### Welcome New Members

Bruce Gertsman, April Arnoff and their children, Nathaniel (Nat), 8 years old and Hugo, 10 years old.

Condolences

We offer our deepest sympathy to David Brown and his family. David 's sister, Sue Brown Kozek died November 2, 2014. May God provide David and his family with comfort among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

### Notes From The Board meeting of Oct. 22, 2014

**Old business:** The Montessori school is up and running. The rent is being paid and a security door is being installed.

#### Committee reports:

- **Ritual:** New prayer books, which are being donated by Sam Genirberg in honor of his late wife, were used for the High Holy Days services. Several board members reported hearing compliments about the HHD music, both for the choir and Cantor Fran.
- **Membership:** Bruce Gertsman, April Arnoff and their children were approved for membership.
- **Publicity:** The monthly East Bay Moms has become a useful source of publicity as it includes both ads and listings for small children.
- Food for Thought: The group will be active at the temple Dec. 15 to 19. The 16th will be spent packing boxes and deliveries will be made on the 17th. Volunteers, both youth and adult, are needed, according to Jeff Romm.. More families will be helped this year (100, compared to 93 last year) and each will get more food, thanks to the group's connection with the county food bank

Hanukkah: The annual Latke Party will be Sunday, December 14. Dana Meyer has agreed to head the kitchen crew. Neoma Kenwood will be in charge of crafts. Roberta Alexander will serve as cashier. Marilyn Hertzberg is organizing the artisans and 10 tables have already been paid for.



# Temple Beth Hillel invites you to celebrate the Festival of Lights

# Join us for our Annual Hanukkah Party! Sunday, December 14, 2014

Happy Hanukkah

Display and sale of beautifully designed work from TBH Craftspeople and local Artisans I 1:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Latke Lunch Begins at 12:30 p.m.

- Traditional latke lunch with all the trimmings
- Celebratory candle lighting
- Children's activities
- Hanukkah treasures from the Gift Shop



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## Yahrzeits

May Their Memories Be For A blessing

Anchel Jacobs, uncle of Maggie Jacobs		11/1
Cheryl Moreiss, mother of Marcia Delgadillo		11/2
Jo Clayre Brown, a beloved member of our congregation		11/3
Susan Brown Kozek, sister of David Brown		11/3
Albert Friedman, uncle of Hallie Friedman		11/7
Murray Marks, father of Alan Marks		11/7
Sidney Highiet, nephew of Pearl Wolffs		11/9
Fred Berger, husband of Audrey, father of Daniel & Liv		11/11
James L. Blymeir, a beloved member of our congregation		11/13
Samuel Wolf, a beloved member of our congregation		11/15
Esther Byer, a beloved member of our congregation		11/16
Isaiah Meyer, father of Dana Meyer		11/19
Skyla Baer, daugher of Joe Baer & Karin Watson-Steier		11/22
Sarah Haberer, grandmother of Linda Rose		11/22
Frances Blumenfeld, mother in Law of Leila Blumenfeld		11/24
Richard Matta, father of Raquel Matta		11/26
Clara Lieberman, grandmother of Eric, Bonnie & Tracy Zell		11/28
William Hardy, brother of Sherbie Aberle		11/29
Seymour Zell, father of Eric, Bonnie & Tracy Zelll	11/30	

## **HELP WANTED**

The **Hanukkah Latke Party** is December 14 -- Contact Dana Meyer to help in the kitchen; Marilyn Hertzberg for the artisan craft booths; Neoma Kenwood for children's crafts.

<u>Food for Thought</u> will be packing and delivering food boxes December 15-19 – *Contact Jeff Romm to help.* 

The Caring Community needs meals for our larder – contact Marilyn Hertzberg.

Feed the hungry at the **<u>GRIP Souper Center</u>**. Our next day is November 26 – *Contact Jane Kaasa*.

Help with the project to **reconfigure the Religious School** – Contact Larry Fox.

<u>Post Temple events on websites and community calendars</u> – Contact the Marketing Committee at marketing@tbhrichmond.org

Help organize **<u>Bagel Brunches and other cultural activities</u>** for the congregation – *Contact Jane Durango*.

Sponsor an oneg to celebrate Shabbat - Contact Bobbi Nadler or Judy Windrix.

Shelve and/or process books for the Children's Library - Contact Laura Taub.

Let the Board know of your *ideas to improve our community* – Contact any Board member.

Develop an incident-response plan – Contact David Brown.

We have openings for representatives to the Midrasha Board - Contact Andre Moskowitz.

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Tzedakah

"If I am not for myself, who will be for me? And if only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?"

#### **General Fund:**

Irene Morgan, in remembrance of William Fink, Samuel Gross & Della Menton Laura Taub & David Kline, in remembrance of Janet Hassett Julianna Sikes

#### **Dues Relief Fund:**

Marilyn Hertzberg, in memory of Phyllis Moss

### Tzedakah-Tikkun Olam Fund:

Paula Wolper

### **Sherry Stone Scholarship Fund:**

Steve & Fran Welstand

### **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:**



Mollie Aczel, in appreciation of Rabbi Kertesz Harvey & Rona Tananbaum in apprecation of Rabbi Dean & Rosh Hashana Services

### Food for Thought Fund:

Marilyn Hertzberg, Nahum & Selma Goldberg, Paula Hudis & Ira Fink, Eric Husby-Gerry, Michael Nye & Mindy Pines, in memory of Violet Nye. David Kline & Laura Taub, Debra Salan, in remembrance of Martin, Beryl, Sol & Necia Salan, Paul Minsky, Paula Wolper, Patricia Elliott, Deborah Moniot, Dennis & Debra Roth, Sheri Tattenham & StanHazlak, Wendy & Joel Roth-Rosenbaum, Jeff Romm, Maggie Jacobs, Marc Teitelbaum & Naura Soares, Alan & Margie Marks, Ofer Damty & Jill Schlessinger, Eric & Susan Henley, Neil & Roxann Zarchin, Audrey Berger, Fran Burgess & Sandor Zirulnik, Barbara & Jay Weidenfeld, Jane Kaasa, Allen & Nancy Sommer, Bobbi Nadler, Alice Supton & Michael Chanowitz, Doug Freifeld, Robert Pavel, Neal Silverman, Carl & Suzanne Nelson, Holvis & Marcia Delgaillo, Judy Windrix, Linda Ratner & John Tinloy, Marcia Whitebook & Carl Price, Louise & Frank Snitz, plus, many, many anonymous donors.

### Cantor Howard Cohen's Memorial Fund:

Saralynn Nusbaum Tracy Zell-Bennett, in loving remembrance of Beverly Zell



### **Special Thanks To**

### For Our Beautiful High Holy Day Services

For enriching our spirituality: **Rabbi Dean Kertesz** for his inspiring <u>leadership</u> and **Cantor Fran Burgess** for her moving, uplifting and refreshing <u>music</u>.

John Kendall Bailey and the TBH Choir for their <u>beautiful singing</u>: Jannie Dresser, Arnold Faerber, Malka Helfman, Maggie Jacobs, Adolf Kamil, Dana Meyer, Suzanne Nelson, and Pat Trumbull,

The Ritual Committee: Jane Durango, Maggie Jacobs, Jane Kemp, Alan Marks, and Carl Nelson, for organizing the schedule and the participants.

Torah and Haftarah Hebrew readers Jane Durango, Maggie Jacobs, Alan Marks, Dana Meyer, Carl Nelson, Ellis Raskin, Debra Salan, Louise Snitz, and Laura Taub.

All who <u>participated in the service</u>, reading in Hebrew or English, or performing ritual honors.

David Brown and Carl Nelson for blowing the shofar.

Jane and Pablo Durango, Margie and Alan Marks, and Olga Estrada for set-up and clean-up, and all those who brought food for the <u>Rosh Hashanah oneg and Yom Kippur break the fast</u>.

Josh and Elaina Genser for hosting our Rosh Hashanah open house.

David Brown and the Richmond Police Department for keeping us secure.

Deborah Coons and Rebecca Mayberry for child care.

All who donated flowers for the bimah.

Everyone who donated to our <u>High Hoy Day appeal for Food for Thought</u>; <u>the Richmond Emergency Food Pantry</u>; and toiletries for Rubicon.

And **Arlene Lisby** for <u>organizing and implementing everything</u>. and with **Larry Fox** and **Elisabeth Miller** for <u>greeting our guests</u>.

Larry Fox for directing the <u>Religious School clean-up</u>, and Heather, Michael, Jenny, and Jacob Fox; Elisabeth Miller; Michael Nye; Jeff Romm; Joel, Nate, and Sam Rosenbaum, and Wendy Roth; Greg, Sydney, and Kaia Tananbaum; and Laura Taub for readying the Religious School for the new school year.

> Sheri Tattenham for her years of work <u>co-ordinating the onegs</u>, and **Bobbi Nadler** and **Judy Windrix**, our new oneg chairs.

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Jane Kaasa for planning and shopping for our day at the <u>GRIP Souper Center</u>, Arnold Faerber for shopping and transportation, and Adolph Kamil, Margie Marks, Robert Mah, Sheri Tattenham, Laura Taub, and Barbara Weidenfeld, for preparing and serving lunches in September.

In October, Jane was assisted by Margie Marks, who also provided transportation, Audrey Berger, Malka Helfman, Marilyn Hertzberg, Adolph Kamil, Laura Taub, Fran Welstand, and Merilyn Wong.

For our services: Eric Husby-Gerry for his <u>musical contributions;</u> Michael Nye for baking delicious <u>challahs</u> for us; and Marilyn Hertzberg and Sheri Tattenham, and Bobbi Nadler and Judy Windrix who provided us with wonderful <u>onegs</u>.

Hallie Friedman, with Andre Moskowitz, for adding mulch to the play structure.

The **Religious School families** and **staff** and **Cantor Fran Burgess** for the <u>Rosh Hashanah seder</u>.

Larry Fox for taking charge of <u>putting up and dismantling the sukkah</u>, with Deborah Ash, Michael Cohen, Sheryl Fishman, Bruce Gertsman, Jeff Hadler, Joel Rosenbaum, and Greg Tannanbaum; and the Religious School students and teachers for <u>decorating the sukkah</u>.



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### Shelved

By Roberta Alexander

When I dropped by my local library the other day, I saw that it was no longer open on Sundays, a victim of budget cuts.

That saddened me as having the library open on Sunday was what I consider my sole accomplishment during our long struggle to build a library.

Well, unless you consider my three terms of attending meetings as a member of the Library Commission. "They also serve who sit on boards and commissions"-not much of a ring to it.

I listened to all the presentations, I read a lot of documents and I voted on things as they came up.

That included which architect to select. I liked the winning architect's design, but wondered about his fondness for brick, which he included as a reference to a 100-year-old building elsewhere in town. Nobody these days builds with brick in earthquake country. He eventually modified his design to include faux brick.

I was disappointed. I prefer real something to faux something-else.

I was not on the committee that chose the furnishings, in large part because its (frequent) meetings interfered with my work schedule. (Although I did chair the committee on art policy. You have no idea how complicated—and even controversial—that could be.)

The furniture is nice enough, and I have remained fond of the open lounge area with its huge windows and fireplace. It is my favorite place to read when my own four walls are closing in.

The answer to many questions about construction, equipment and staff turned out to be: money. Thus the process of building a library involves a lot of fundraising. We had many meetings about fundraising and settled on a two-pronged campaign. One part would be aimed at large donors—wealthy individuals, corporations and foundations. The other would focus on small donors. These might not contribute much money, although the total from a group might be substantial. Making a donation would let people "buy in" to the project, and feel like it was "their" library.

I am not good at hitting up people for money, which made me pretty useless during this part of the campaign.

But I did want to help. So I organized a monthly author night, where we invited a local author to talk about his/ her work. Since we didn't have a library building yet, we used city hall. Authors tend to support libraries, and so were willing to come to encourage support for the building campaign.

At first we charged a small fee, but soon dropped it because it was more trouble than it was worth. But each month, as I introduced the speaker, I displayed a big donation box

and reminded people they could drop a few bucks in it if they were so inclined.

I ran the author series for nearly two years and during that time we covered a wide variety of subjects. Our first program, and one of my favorites, featured some elderly Chinese who had produced a book and slide show about the orphanages where they lived during the 1930s and '40s in the Bay Area.

The Bay Area is rich in authors, so diversity was not a problem. We had one who wrote about rock'n'roll memorabilia, a panel of mystery writers, an author of scrapbooking craft books, a couple of memoirists, a romantic suspense novelist and a sports historian, among others. Our best attended session-the only time we needed to move in extra chairs—was for the author of a book on Asian medicine and fertility practices. Attendance was boosted by 20 students from a local martial arts school. Who knew?

Once the library was built, we had to establish policies. Many were already determined by the county, of which we would now be a branch.

That's when we began considering days and hours, and I lobbied for Sunday.

I have always loved going to the library on Sunday. Growing up in Brooklyn, I would take the bus to the

central library on Grand Army Plaza. Sometimes,

particularly when the weather was nice, I would make the long walk home.

The building itself was built on a grand scale, with marble floors and a ceiling that seemed miles high. The huge open area with its dozens of card catalogs never failed to impress me. There was so much to know, and it was all available if only I had time.

I wasn't there to take out books, however, but to do research.

In winter, I stayed until it closed in late afternoon, coming out into the cold darkening sky with a batch of index cards, each containing a fact. Eventually these would be rearranged and a term paper would emerge.

These days we don't use card catalogs, and I'm sure the space has been reconfigured to accommodate the digital age.

But I wanted the feeling of being able to explore the library on Sunday available to another generation. We had that for a few years. Perhaps in better times we'll have Sunday hours again.

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### YOU ARE INVITED

### Annual Midrasha Community Wide Brunch, Shmooze and Learn. Sunday, November 16 9:30 AM-12:30 PM

Join us for an opportunity to shmooze with Midrasha parents, teachers and community supporters while enjoying a variety of classes created by our outstanding teaching faculty.



This year's Brunch Classes will include:

Biblio-Yoga with Beth Midanik-Blum, Israeli Folkdancing with Sacha Kopin, Talmud with Michal Kohane, Campfire Songs and Stories with Mark Deutch, Expressive Arts with Julia Gilden, The Art of Being Alone with Annie Berenberg, Build-it: Judaism with Aliza Minkina and much more!

For more information or to RSVP: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ midrasha-parent-and-community-member-brunch-shmooze-and-learn-

tickets-13807054271



### **Community Event** Presented by the Jewish Federation of the East Bay

East Bay Premiere of the Documentary "The Return"

Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2014 Time: 7:30 pm Location:

1414 Walnut Street, Berkeley, CA 94709 Contact: Riva Gambert Phone: 510-809-4953 Email: riva@jfed.org FREE

See the East Bay premiere of the "The Return" and learn about the Jewish Federation of the East Bay's April 2015 Community Trip to Poland and Israel

The documentary "The Return" focuses on four Polish "new Jews" who were raised Catholic and learned in their teens they were actually Jewish. We follow them as they explore what it means to be Jewish – and part of any human "tribe."

For more information about the screening and 2015 Community Trip: 510-809-4953 or riva@jfed.org.

### Help TBH When You Shop for Groceries

Help TBH every time you shop for groceries. Anyone who shops at Lucky, FoodMaxx, Savemart or Smart Foods can have 3% of their purchases donated to the Temple by using a S.H.A.R.E. Card, available in the Temple Office. Just pick up a card, have it swiped before your order is finished being rung up. No papers to fill out, no name on card. Just swipe and **DONATE 3% TO TEMPLE BETH HILLEL EACH TIME YOU SHOP.** Don't forget to pick up extra cards for friends or other family members who also shop at these stores.

### Annual Hanukkah Celebration Latke Luncheon & Artisans Fair Sunday, Dec. 14, 11 AM – 3 PM

Be sure to schedule Sunday, December 14, for Temple Beth Hillel's annual Hanukkah celebration, artisan fair and traditional latke luncheon. Beautifully designed handmade arts and crafts--knitted goods, jewelry, shell crafts, pottery, greeting cards--will be on display and for sale from TBH's crafts people and local artisans, from 11 AM to 3 PM.

Our traditional latke luncheon with all the trimmings begins at 12:30 PM.

Other festivities include a celebratory candle lighting and children's activities.

Hanukkah candles, menorahs and gifts with be available from the Temple gift shop.

Bring your friends and enjoy the day. Open to the community. Reasonably priced food and gifts.

### Remember the Hungry Keep the Red Barrels Filled

Our synagogue is a reliable provider of food to those in our community who do not have enough to eat. Please continue to bring a non-perishable food item when you come to TBH. Cereal and peanut butter are in particular demand. Let's keep the red barrels filled and share our plenty with our neighbors. Or, if you choose, send a check made out to the Richmond Emergency Food Pantry to the TBH office and we will make sure it gets to the Food Pantry.

In addition, please bring hotel toiletries. There is a drop box for these outside Arlene's office. Rubicon Programs gives these supplies to homeless participants. They are also always in need of paper grocery bags or other recyclable bags to pack up food bank orders for their participants.

### The need is greater than ever.



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14 9:30 AM Religious School Hanukkah Latke Party and Craft Fair Mazel Tots 10:00 am - 12 noon	15 Office Closed	16 Erev of Hanukkah - 1st Candle	<b>17</b> <b>Board Meeting -</b> <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Hanukkah R.S. Hebrew 3:40-4:30pm (#1) 4:30 - 5:25pm (#2)	18 Hanukkah	19 7:30 PM Shabbat Evening Hanukkah Service Hanukkah	20 10:15 AM Torah Study Hanukkah
21 No School-Winter Break Hanukkah Winter Break - Midrasha Dec. 21 - Jan 4	22 Hanukkah Office Closed WCC Winter Recess	23 Hanukkah Office Closed WCC Winter Recess	24 Office Closed Souper Center WCC Winter Recess	25 Christmas Office Closed WCC Winter Recess	26 Office Closed WCC Winter Recess	27 10:15 AM Torah Study WCC Winter Recess
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# Food For Thought

The time to implement our Annual Food For Thought Program is coming soon. The Food For Thought team will be packing boxes and making deliveries to schools on December 16 and 17. Volunteers are need for this task as we seek to serve more families than ever. Please contact Jeff Romm: 510-734-1700 or e-mail him at jeffromm@berkeley.edu



