



Borei Pri HaGafen

Monday, September 18

Holidays and celebrations of all kinds, including weddings, circumcisions, Shabbat meals and Passover Seders, include the *Borei Pri HaGafen*—the blessing over wine. This evening is devoted to tasting, discussion and celebration of this sanctified fruit of the vine. Our sages teach us that “there is no joy without wine.” *Sponsored by Susan Berk in honor of her birthday and in memory of her mother, Elaine Miller Ginsberg; and Vivian Reinikainen in honor of her cousin, Stephen Smith.*



International Jewish Cuisine

Monday, October 23

With Mongolian, Turkish and Indian influences, Jewish-Iraqi cuisine is a special blend. **Rivka Goldman**, author of “Mama Nazima’s Jewish-Iraqi Cuisine,” shares her memories of an ancient land and culture by means of the culinary heritage passed on to her by her mother. You will love the recipes from this extraordinary book. Rivka will have signed books for sale. *Sponsored by Susan Berk in honor of her wedding anniversary.*



The Eternal Light of Our Jewish Soul

Thursday, November 16

“The soul of man is a candle of G-d.” This evening we discuss the growth of our souls marked by lifecycle events—birthday, bar and bat mitzvah, chuppa and yartzait. We will also make our own candles and choose a mitzva, which we will share at the year-end barbecue. *Sponsored by Linda Krull in honor of her mother Evelyn Beyer’s 88th birthday; and Lena Keslin in memory of her aunt, Tina Salz.*



Chanukah Party

Monday, December 11

A festive Chanukah party with latkes and other foods, music and gift exchange. (Please bring a \$10 gift.) Mix and take home herbal olive oils as a gift from the Women’s Circle. *Sponsored by Joan Grossman in honor of her grandchildren; and Trudy Blitz in honor of the birthdays of her daughter Beverly Berger and granddaughter Erika.*



Bat Mitzvah: Joining the Jewish Women’s Community

January (date to be announced)

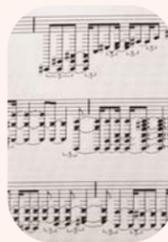
Share the preparation, anticipation and joy of Bat Mitzvah with Mussi Levertov as she accepts the responsibilities of womanhood and observance of all the commandments of the Torah. On this evening, women of all ages are invited to gather together to share this Simcha.



The Shabbat Table

Wednesday, February 21, Paulina Robinson’s home, 121 Barranca Rd.

Shabbat, the holiest day of the week, is celebrated with special festive meals. Some of the most well-known and best-loved Jewish rituals take place around the family Shabbat table, including kiddush and Hamotzi over the challah loaves. Paulina Robinson’s Shabbat table is spread with a truly unique and magnificent collection of Judaic tableware from around the world. Paulina has invited us to sit at her table, sample some traditional Shabbat fare, and braid and bake our own challas. (Please note the change of location for this event.) *Sponsored by Judy Tully in honor of her husband Dan’s birthday and in memory of her mother, Leah Krupnik; and Paulina Robinson in honor of the birthdays of her daughters, Dahlia and Tamara.*



Jewish Song

Tuesday, March 20

Jewish songs sung around festive Shabbat tables for centuries inspire us with joy and light. Gentle, sweet lullabies sung in Yiddish and Hebrew, linking the present to the past. Join us for a very special evening of song with our talented guest, **Rita Linder**, and come away with a repertoire of songs to sing at your own Shabbat table. *Sponsored by Erica Sanders in honor of her children Orchidia, Jasmin and Adam; and Marian Shapiro in honor of her grandchildren Joshua, Bradley and Adam.*

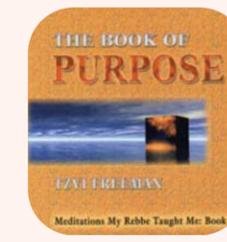
You can check our meeting schedule online at jewishwomenscircle.com



Havdalah: Taking Leave of Shabbat

Wednesday, April 25

The Havdalah ceremony marks the end of Shabbat. On Shabbat we are given an extra soul; at Havdalah we relinquish that soul and hope that the sweetness and holiness of the day will remain with us during the coming week. We recite blessings and prayers over a cup of wine, a box of spices and a braided candle. We will learn about this special ritual and make our own Havdalah candles and spice packages. *Sponsored by Miriam Feder in honor of her mother, Mildred Segal, a true woman of valor; and Gloria Gordon in memory of her parents, Ruth and Myron Schwartz.*



The Book of Purpose

Monday, May 14

Join us for a discussion of “The Book of Purpose: Meditations My Rebbe Taught Me,” by Rabbi Tzvi Freeman. The Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, has been described as “a personality of biblical proportions in modern times.” The Rebbe’s public talks, letters and other writings have been collected and edited in close to a hundred volumes, touching on every aspect of Jewish wisdom and human life. The short meditations in “The Book of Purpose” are based on his words and thoughts, which changed the lives of many thousands. Copies of the book are available at Chabad Jewish Center. *Sponsored by Joyce Gitomer in honor of her grandchildren.*



Year-End Barbecue

Tuesday, June 12

Our annual barbecue will be a festive time to reflect on the events of the past year, plan for the new year, and describe the mitzvot we chose at the January meeting. *Sponsored by Regina Klapper in memory of her father, Philip Eisman; and Susan Vorhand in memory of her father, Ya’akov Shlomo ben Mordechai.*

Jewish Women

- Jewish women have always had a unique role to play in fostering community. As individuals, we each have something to contribute. Through a deeper understanding of our spirituality, we can give back to our Jewish community while bringing warmth and inspiration to our own daily lives.
- At the Santa Fe Jewish Women's Circle, we are dedicated to sharing and exploring our Jewishness while fostering friendship and community growth. All Jewish women are welcome regardless of background, knowledge or level of observance.

Monthly Events

- The Women's Circle brings women together in a shared vision of community and friendship. We meet monthly for engaging discussions on age-old Jewish topics, current issues, healthy living and holiday preparations. With lectures, creative crafts, cooking demonstrations, and book and film reviews, we cover a wide spectrum of interests.
- **Events are \$5 for members and \$8 for non-members**, unless otherwise noted.
- **All events take place from 6:30 pm to approximately 8:30 pm at Chabad Jewish Center, 242 West San Mateo Road**, unless otherwise noted. Refreshments or light meals are served.
- Thank you to the following people for planning this year's events:
Devorah Leah Levertov, Susan Berk, Ryfqah Brener, Miriam Feder, Joan Grossman, Lena Keslin, Linda Krull, Diane Miller, Liza Suzanne.

- In keeping with this year's theme of "Share the Light," members will receive a gift box (sponsored by Susan Berk) containing Shabbat candles, prayers, notes and special delights. Shabbat candle lighting times and monthly meeting notices will be posted in local newspapers throughout the year.
- For more information on lighting Shabbat candles, go to www.fridaylight.org

Get Involved!

There are several ways you can get involved in the Women's Circle:

- *Become a sponsor.* Just \$54 helps fund a monthly event as well as outreach activities. Contact **Diane Miller**, 982-9666.
- *Host an event:* Assist with setup, buy refreshments and act as "MC" for the evening. Contact **Ryfqah Jean Brener**, 661-4987.
- *Be a greeter:* Welcome members, sign up new members and make newcomers feel at home. Contact **Linda Krull**, 820-1265, to volunteer for this important job.
- *Join:* The annual fee of \$36 goes toward monthly events and outreach activities. Call **Joan Grossman** at 988-8945 or send check (payable to the Women's Circle) or credit card information to Chabad Jewish Center of Santa Fe, 242 W. San Mateo Rd., Santa Fe, NM 87505.
- *Participate in outreach.* Social outreach to those in need is an important mitzvah we offer the community. We bring our unique "women's touch" to hospitals, the elderly, children, newcomers to Santa Fe and those finding themselves in temporary need. Volunteers assist with a variety of emotional, physical and financial support. Our desire to serve others is the special spirit defining our group. Contact **Miriam Feder** at 474-8828 for more information on these activities.

BROCHURE LAYOUT: REGINA KLAPPER

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From Shabbat and holidays, to yartzaits and Chanukah, light and candles are an integral part of Jewish tradition. This year, the Jewish Women's Circle invites women to gather together and Share the Light.