ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE





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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mornings:
Sundays 8:30 a.m.
Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m.
January 1 8:30 a.m.
Shabbat9:00 a.m.
Evenings
Monday - Friday
through February 125:00 p.m.
beginning February 14 6:00 p.m.
Saturdays (Minchah-Maariv)
January 2 & 9 5:00 p.m.
January 16 5:15 p.m.
January 23 & 30 5:30 p.m.
February 6 & 13 5:45 p.m.
February 20 6:00 p.m.
February 27 6:15 p.m.

MINYAN TIME CHANGE

Please note that weekday evening services will move to 6 p.m. on Sunday, February 14.



Shabbat Minchah/Maariv times vary. Please refer to the Adat Shalom monthly calendars in the Voice and online.

SHABBAT TORAH PORTIONS

JANUARY	2	
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Shemot

FEBRUARY 6 Mishpatim

JANUARY 9

Va'era

FEBRUARY 13

JANUARY 16

Terumah

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JANUARY 23 Beshalach

FEBRUARY 20

SHABBAT SHIRAH with the

Tetzaveh

Adat Shalom Choir

FEBRUARY 27

JANUARY 30

Ki Tisa

Yitro

SHABBAT ZACHOR

SAVE THESE DATES

SPECIAL SHABBAT featuring **Billy Jonas**

March 25-27

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Learning Community, Men's Club, Sisterhood,

Social Action Committee and Tikkun Adat



WATCH FOR YOUR INVITATION

Coming this month

Building Bridges Together -AN AFTERNOON OF SONG & INSPIRATION

A CELEBRATION HONORING THE LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Sunday, January 17 3:30 pm

Russell Street Missionary Baptist Church 8700 Chrysler Service Dr., Detroit

The program will feature the Adat Shalom and Russell Street choirs under the leadership of Hazzan Gross and Reverend Michael Kennedy. Other presenters will include the Reverend Dr. DeeDee Coleman, Rabbi Aaron Bergman, Rabbi Rachel Shere, Reverend Dr. Lawrence C. Glass, Jr., Bishop P.A. Brooks II, our own critically acclaimed soprano Lauren Skuce Gross and the Russell Street Youth Choir. There will be a special guest presentation by Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein, the founder and president of the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews. afternoon will be dedicated to Dr. King's legacy of friendship and support towards Israel during the civil rights struggle and to his commitment to build bridges between African Americans and Jews," says the Reverend Coleman, Pastor of the Russell Street Church. All donations raised during this event will go towards building a bomb shelter in Israel.

The afternoon is sponsored by The International Fellowship of Christians and Jews (IFCJ) and the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC).

Also see Hazzan Gross' column beginning on page 3.



Celebrate Shabbat Shirah Saturday Morning January 23rd with the Adat Shalom Choir

While every Shabbat at Adat is a Shabbat Shirah (Shabbat of Song), on January 23 our prayers will be enhanced by the beautiful voices of the Adat Shalom Choir.

JANUARY-FEBRUARY SHABBAT TORAH STUDY

Learn about the weekly parasha and enhance your Shabbat experience

January 2 No Torah Study January 9 with Rabbi Shere January 16 with Dr. Melissa Ser January 23 with Ruth Bergman January 30

with Rabbi Bergman

February 6 with Rabbi Bergman February 13 with Jodi Gross February 20 with Hazzan Gross February 27

with Ruth Bergman 9:45 а.м. FINISHING IN TIME

FOR THE RABBI'S SERMON

Mazal Tov to our lanuary B'not Mitzvah



Jillian Dana Sacksner



Sacksner

January 9

Jillian and Marlee Sacksner are the daughters of Susan & Jordy Sacksner and the granddaughters of Janet & Leonard Bakst and Frances Sacksner & the late Lyon Sacksner.

Soulful Yoga with Rabbi Shere and skilled yoga instructor Mindy Eisenberg



January 16 & 30, February 27 10 - 11:15 a.m.

Connect body and soul as we apply the wisdom of Torah to the gentle practice of yoga. Join us in the Youth Lounge.

No yoga experience necessary. Dress comfortably. Please bring a mat if you have one.

Meditation AND MINDFULNESS

Join Rabbi Bergman 9:30 a.m. on Sundays, February 7 & 28 January 17 & 31

- Find your internal spirituality and realize that Judaism can make you happier.
- A refreshing hour for individuals of all ages.
- Sessions continue throughout the year. There is no charge.
- Attend one or all each session is an individual experience.

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Messages

FROM THE PRESIDENT **THOUGHTS FOR 2015**



LORI **ISSNER**

T THE BEGINNING OF A NEW secular year, we often make resolutions and reflect on hopes and dreams for the future. This month, our Strategic Planning Committee, comprised of lay leaders, congregants, clergy and staff, embarks on a process that will guide a renewed vision for our future. We will set goals, recommit to issues we deem important, and objectively examine the needs and interests of our con-

gregants. While our vision will undoubtedly embrace תורה (study), תיקון צולם (worship) and תיקון צולם (social justice), we are committed to a warm and welcoming environment that encourages relationships among our members and partnerships with community organizations.

As we evolve and seek new ways to maintain excellence, we will rely on your input and encourage you to ask questions. While we redefine what it means to be a Conservative Jew in the 21st century, we will be mindful of the values expressed by Gustav Karpeles, a 19th century German-Jewish historian who studied at the University of Breslau where he also attended the Jewish Theological Seminary. According to Karpeles, "Judaism, which served us so well in the past, will serve us equally well in the future. It will promote the cause of truth, the cause of progress, and of the modern spirit."

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FROM HAZZAN GROSS LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

N SUNDAY, JANUARY 17 AT 3:30 PM, we are partnering with the Russell Street Missionary



HAZZAN GROSS

Baptist Church in Detroit in a special program to celebrate and honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. While King's dedication to civil rights is universally recognized, not nearly as well known is his concern for the plight of Jews, in general, and his dedication to Israel as the Jewish state, in particular. Just ten days prior to his tragic assassination, King delivered the following words at the

1968 Rabbinical Assembly convention: "Peace for Israel means security, and we must stand with all of our might to protect its right to exist, its territorial integrity. . . I see Israel as one of the great outposts of democracy in the world, and a marvelous example of what can be done, how desert land almost can be transformed into an oasis of brotherhood and democracy. Peace for Israel means security and that security must be a reality." King's words echo just as

FROM RABBI BERGMAN WHAT THE CALENDAR TELLS US



RABBI BERGMAN

HIS YEAR IS A LEAP YEAR, on both the secular and I Jewish calendars. On the secular calendar we add one day, February 29th, but on the Jewish one we add an entire month, Adar II. This is done seven times every nineteen years.

There is nothing in the Torah about adding this month. The Torah only mentions lunar months. If we followed the lunar calendar only, the holidays would be

The reason that we add this month to the Jewish calendar is to make sure that the Jewish holidays come

during the proper season. This way, Pesach is always in the spring and Sukkot is always in the fall. Otherwise, the holidays would essentially

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RABBI SHERE

FROM RABBI SHERE **ACTING ON OUR FAITH**

SAW A GREAT CARTOON the other day with the caption, "My desire to be well-informed is currently at odds with my desire to remain sane." With Martin Luther King, Jr. Day later this month, I've been thinking about the ways in which King's powerful message of hope and justice might speak to a world that often feels drenched in darkness and despair.

Dr. King's words, "Take the first step in faith, You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step" embody the life of the Reverend Faith Fowler, the author of our Social Justice book group's February book choice. Her innovative and transformative work at Detroit's Cass Community Social Services agency has received national attention, and her book, This Far By Faith, is truly the perfect antidote to the anguish that permeates today's conversations about our world. The true stories she shares are a profound reminder that one person can make a tremendous difference and that hope and light are possible even in the depths of despair.

The Reverend Fowler has an extraordinary sense of humor, evident in the story she tells about her first sermon at her church in Midtown, given twenty years ago. She began to passionately speak, only to be inter-

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FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ STOP & TAKE A LOOK

HE NEXT TIME that you leave the Joseph D. Shiffman Chapel, take a moment to read the words on a plaque that is in the hallway on your left. Dedicated in February 1975, the plaque has been in that same space on the wall since Adat Shalom Synagogue and Congregation Beth Achim merged in 1998. Note that the location is adjacent to a site where Adat Shalom worship occurs every day.



YOSKOWITZ

There is much that we can learn from that plaque. Its words, "A House of Worship" precedes references to "A House of Learning" and "A House of Assembly." In my four years of serving Congregation Beth Achim as its Rabbi from 1994 to 1998, the leadership and the membership, while treasuring Jewish learning and social gatherings, valued the congregation's holiday and weekday services most of all.

The names of the clergy who led services, taught about Jewish sub-



Adult Learning at Adat Shalom

from Jodi Gross, Director of Adult Learning

LUNCHTIME LEARNING WITH RABBI BERGMAN



Mondays, January 11, 18 & 25 Jewish Denominations: What's the Difference?

We will look at the history of Jewish denominations, beginning two thousand years ago, to our own day. We will also discuss whether there is a future for denominations in Judaism, and whether we can say if we are still really one people.

Lunchtime Learning meets from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. You are welcome to bring your own dairy/parve lunch. Adat Shalom will offer complimentary drinks and dessert. THERE IS NO CHARGE.

Reservations are requested by the preceding Friday. Please call Sheila Lederman, 248-851-5100, ext. 246, or send her an email at slederman@adatshalom.org.



RABBI BERGMAN WILL LEAD A CLASSES ON MONDAYS, MARCH 7, 14 & 21

RABBI YOSKOWITZ WILL TEACH ON: MONDAYS, MARCH 28, APRIL 4 & 11

TOPICS TO BE ANNOUNCED

BEGINNING NEXT MONTH...AN 8-WEEK HEBREW CLASS SPONSORED BY MEN'S CLUB

Wednesday evenings, February 24 to April 13 7-8:30 p.m.

The class will focus on the Hebrew alphabet, basic Hebrew reading skills and an introduction to the prayers of our Friday night service and prayers of the Shabbat morning service. It will be taught by Don Rudick, experienced Hebrew literacy teacher

There is a \$40 fee (to cover cost of book and materials). Reserve your spot now by sending a check (payable to Men's Club) to the synagogue office. For more information, please contact Don at zeedon1@juno.com.

SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK GROUP

The group will meet on Monday, January 25, under the direction of Rabbi Shere and facilitated by Oakland University Professor Tara Hayes. That evening the group will have a discussion on practices of responsibility emanating from concepts in *Doing Good Better* by William Askill. On Monday, February 22, the participants will discuss *This Far By Faith*, by the atypical, outrageous local pastor, Faith Fowler.

The group is open to anyone who has an interest in reading about and discussing social justice issues and wants to take part in a journey of discovery, connection and action! There is no charge. To attend and/or be added to the mailing list, please email Patti Aaron, pkaaron@gmail.com.

BECOMING AN ADULT BAR OR BAT MITZVAH: THE JOURNEY BEGINS JANUARY 20

Becoming an Adult Bar or Bat Mitzvah at Adat Shalom is an amazing and transformative 18-month group study experience that focuses on Hebrew reading, rituals, liturgy, and basic Jewish knowledge.

Our new Adult B'nai Mitzvah class will begin on January 20. Participants will study with our clergy and education staff on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 11 a.m. No Hebrew knowledge is necessary. The program will culminate on Shabbat morning, June 24, 2017.

Classes are open to the community. There is a fee of \$250 for Adat Shalom members and \$500 for non-members. Registration is required.

To reserve your place or obtain more information, please contact Caren Harwood, 248-851-5100, ext. 231, or charwood@adatshalom.org.

YOGA & MEDITATION RETREAT

led by Rabbi Rachel Shere in collaboration with Rabbi James Jacobson-Maisels, Phd, Founder and Director of the Jewish Spiritual and Meditation Center



Friday, March 11 through Sunday, March 13 at noon Inn at St. John's in Plymouth

You will have the opportunity to deepen your understanding of Jewish spirituality and be guided

toward finding life-transforming meaning in the Jewish tradition. Yoga, mindfulness practices, prayer, meditation and much more in a luxury environment.

Space is limited. Please make your reservation at www.adatshalom.org/retreat, where you will find complete details, including costs. For more information or questions, feel free to contact Jodi Gross at jgross@adatshalom.org or 248-851-5100.

SAVE THE DATE



LIMMUD IS COMING TO MICHIGAN. Save Sunday, March 13, for a full day of Jewish learning at the Michigan Union in Ann Arbor.

Rabbi Bergman, Ruth Bergman and Dr. Melissa Ser will be among the teachers. This program is inspired, led and run by volunteers. Go to www.limmudmichigan.org for more information or email askus@limmudmichigan.org.

New and Newsworthy



SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

for adults and youth of all ages

Why volunteer at Adat Shalom?

Our synagogue is a place of study, gathering and worship. When we gather together to make the Jewish values of *Tzedakah* and *Tikkun Olam* meaningful, we make the world a better place for our community, families, kids and grandkids. Volunteer Day has become an annual tradition. A committee of volunteers has worked hard to create important projects that will serve community efforts within our local Jewish world and throughout metro Detroit. *Special thanks to the Harold Dubin Memorial Tikkun Adat Fund.*

You'll find new projects this year and a continuation of some of our favorites from last year.

Lunch is available for \$5/person with advance registration. If you have questions or to register for lunch, contact Jodi Gross at 248-851-5100 or jgross@adatshalom.org.

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We all have a vested interest in the future of Adat Shalom. Your concerns and well-being are important to the leadership of Adat Shalom and we want to know whether your congregational needs are being met. At the end of each Executive Committee and Board of Trustees meeting, we always take time for "Good and Welfare," sharing personal moments of pride, joy & sorrow as well as enlightening the committee with issues or events affecting our personal lives. If you have news to share or would welcome a conversation or visit from our clergy, please do not hesitate to call the synagogue office, 248-851-5100. We want to know, because we care.

As you set new goals in all areas of your life, I hope you will take time to investigate all that awaits you at Adat Shalom. Have a happy, healthy secular New Year and for a humorous take on how the Jewish New Year is different from the secular New Year, please see the following link: http://forward.com/articles/206005/10-reasons-why-celebrating-both-jewish-and-secular/

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around the calendar. Chanukah in July might be appealing, and Passover in October might be more convenient, but the spirit of the holidays would be diminished.

There is a deeper meaning to adding this month, too. The Jewish calendar is a symbol of the partnership of God and human beings in the creation of the world. In the Torah, the very first commandment given to the newly freed slaves was about Rosh Chodesh, the new month. Being free means having a say in your own schedule, in how you choose to spend your time. It means having the courage to make adjustments and changes in your life when necessary.

As a people, we have refused to just accept the world the way it is. We do not say that things can never change. We look at the world and try to figure out how to make it better, even when things are difficult. The calendar is not just a way to mark time, but to remind ourselves that at all times we can create lives of great meaning and possibility.

Shabbat Weekend

MARCH 25-27

WITH AWARD-WINNING MUSICIAN
BILLY JONAS

FRIDAY EVENING SPECIAL SERVICE FOLLOWED BY A SHABBAT DINNER AND "AN EVENING WITH BILLY JONAS"

SHABBAT MORNING ALTERNATIVE SERVICE WITH BILLY JONAS

- FAMILY CONCERT -



NO CHARGE - IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF METRO DETROIT.

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WATCH FOR YOUR INVITATION
WITH COMPLETE DETAILS IN FEBRUARY

FROM RABBI SHERE CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

rupted by an older woman in the back of the room, yelling, "Hey lady! We're out of toilet paper!" She learned quickly that sometimes the most profound spiritual work begins in meeting people's most practical needs.

I hope you will read her inspiring memoir and join us on February 22 at 7 p.m., as we discuss her book and consider ways in which we might partner with her and the extraordinary community she so devotedly serves. (See more about the Social Justice Book Group on page 4.)

Celebrate!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Barbara Eskin Tobi Fox Joel Levi Shelly Perlman
- 4 Arthur Weiss5 Dawn JoshowitzMarsha Wein
- Michael Schulman 6 – Lila Zorn
- 7 Ronald Goldenberg
- 7 Judy Goldis Bill Handelman Natalio Kogan Susan Shlom Paul Shwedel
- 8 Barbara Jonas Sally Saginaw
- 9 Donna Belen
- 11 Beverly Liss
- 12 Kenneth Been
- 12 Gert Matz Julie Wiener
- 13 Constance Harris Myra Jane Lawson Lee Schostak
- 14 Annette Berenholz Stephen Feldman
- 16 Jack Bindes Ella Moskovitz Mel Raznick
- 17 Sandra Feldman Bill Graham Michael Zerin
- 19 Elaine Rosenblatt
- 20 Dawn Eisenscher Nancy Handelman Joel Kaufman Stanford Rapp Amy Robbins-Dickstein
- 21 Elaine Aidem Tzvi Raviv

- 22 Deborah Goldberg
- 23 Larry Weiss
- 25 Alan Starr
- 27 Ellen Betel James Bloom
- 28 Joan Fischer Jenna Klar Michael Rubin
- 29 Mildred Berg Roslyn Miller
- Joanne Tucker 30 – Joanne Katz Howard Miller

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Helene & Merton Robbins
- 4 Beverly & Randy Phillips
- 6 Michele & Louis Elkus
- 7 Ronna & Myles Hoffert
- 10 Lisa & Gary Shiffman
- 11 Brenda & Mark Pensler
- 15 Barbara & Larry Weiss
- 16 Beverly & Arthur Liss
- 20 Sharon & Lawrence Berry
- 21 Helen & Irving Bernstein
- 29 Linda & Michael Schulman
- 31 Sharon & Thomas Lebovic

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sandford Ashman Fay Kritzer Stephen Zorn
- 2 Allen Menuck
- 3 David Sommers
- 4 Aaron Berg
- 5 Lisa Betman Rochelle Markle
- 6 Carol Lifton Diane Voight
- 8 Anna Levi

- 9 Florence Havis Eli Grier
- 10 Donald Aaron Lori Issner Nancy Liefer Diane Zameck
- 12 Martha Zinderman
- 13 Harvey Aidem Alice Klegon Danielle Randel Rita Sitron
- 14 Craig Bradford Sandy Crane Stephen Feldman Buddy Sollish
- 15 Abram Epstein Marcy Feldman
- 16 Ann Frankel Beth Norman Jim Issner
- 17 Beverly Wine
- 18 Abe Saham

- 19 Thelma Goldstein Randy Phillips Robert Schostak
- 20 Ellen Silberman
- 21 Phillip Greenblatt Sharon Gaspas Goldenberg Steven Kaufman Robert Naftaly
- Deborah Williams 22 – Michael Anstandig
- 23 Loree Gordon Helene Robbins Bruce Rosen
- 24 Maureen Kornwise
- 25 David Aisner
- 26 Nancy Kaplan-Rubin Ruby Kushner
- 28 Rodney Broder Ethel Droz Harriet Dunsky Mollie Nucian

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Julie & Marty Wiener
- 6 Judy & Ike Engelbaum
- 11 Rachel & Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz
- 12 Susan & Jack Bindes
- 15 Ruby & Richard Kushner
- 27 Joyce & Abram Epstein

EACH MONTH WE LIST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE CONGREGANTS WHO HAVE GIVEN US THE DATES OF THEIR "SPECIAL OCCASIONS." IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE LISTED IN THIS COLUMN, PLEASE CALL THE SYNAGOGUE OFFICE.

WE'RE PLEASED TO LET YOU KNOW

RABBI SHERE participated in and won the 2015 *Dancing with the Stars* Charity Competition in support of the South Oakland Shelter. As the winner, she has been asked to dance again in next year's competition.

The History of Congregation Beth Achim: 1968-1998, an article by **RABBI HERBERT A. YOSKOWITZ,** appears in the Fall 2015 journal Michigan Jewish History, including quotations from some Adat Shalom members and photos too. The same journal includes an article by **GERALD S. COOK,** Detroit's Oakland Avenue / North End Jewish Neighborhood. This journal is published annually by The Jewish Historical Society of Michigan.

WE'RE HAPPY TO TELL THE CONGREGATION ABOUT BIRTHS AND MARRIAGES, AS WELL AS SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS OF ADULT MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY. PLEASE EMAIL JUDY MARX AT: JMARX@ADATSHALOM.ORG.





Birth of Elliot Estelle Biederman, daughter of Rachel & Robert Biederman, granddaughter of Sharon & Neil Biederman and Judy & Allen Milgrom.

Birth of Dylan Samuel Migliore, son of Jessica & Steven Migliore, grandson of Joni & Fred Fischer, Pam Migliore and Frank & Laura-Ann Migliore, great-grandson of Gloria Collen and Eleanor Marx

Marriage of Ashley Musoff, daughter of Fredda & Roy Musoff and Marc Miller, son of Sandra & Jeffrey Miller

We Are a Caring Community

SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTION



RONALD McDONALD HOUSE...

We had another successful dinner at the RMH on Sunday, November 15. The following families generously provided items for the dinner: Betman, Bradford, Colton, Hepner, Kaplan, Portney,

Strauss and Warner. When the House's calendar for 2016 is set, we will let you know our next date, probably in March or April. Watch the next Voice for your opportunity to participate. Again, we thank Deb Lapin for coordinating and going down to serve the delicious meal.

YAD EZRA...

We delivered groceries to homebound participants in the Yad Ezra Program on Sunday, November 8. Thank you to Warren Tessler and Rafi, Martha & Steven Zinderman and Bobby Blum. This is an ideal opportunity for the



entire family. Please consider it - it is so greatly appreciated by the recipients, and the entire time commitment is only about an hour. The program is well organized and easy to do, but we need some additional volunteers!

To sign up to deliver on February 28, please contact Martha Zinderman at marthazinderman@me.com.

BENNETT ELEMENTARY TUTORING PROGRAM...



We continue to look for tutors to go to this elementary school in Southwest Detroit to work with their children. Everyone who has gone has had a very positive experience and looks forward to returning. Contact me if you have any questions or want to

AND PLANNING AHEAD...

South Oakland Shelter guests will be spending the week of May 29 - June 5, 2016 with us. Yes, this is early and yes, this is the week of Memorial Day. To Austin Kralisz, Volunteer



Coordinator for SOS, "Have I told you lately that I love you!" It is difficult to fill holiday weeks, so we help when we are needed. I hope you can plan to devote some time during that week to this important program. More info to come later.

"The main thing in the performance of a mitzvah is the elation we experience from having merited the opportunity." - The Chazon Ish

> Evva Hepner, Chairperson, Social Action 248-798-7673 or evva.hepner@gmail.com





Tikkun Adat

Sharing more than bricks & mortar

CALLING ALL BABIES...

Those of you kids who are new to the congregation will love the gift that's in store for you from Tikkun Adat and your new friends at Adat Shalom.

On Family Volunteer Day, January 17, there will be a lot of good things happening at the synagogue. Some of our folks will be preparing and delivering Baby Baskets, filled with a meal, goodies and gifts to honor your arrival.

But there's a catch:

So that we can make this special delivery, your parents must let the Baby Basket team know of your presence and your desire to receive this warm welcome. If they don't respond to our invitation with a phone call or email message ASAP, you and they may be out a neat gift.

But just between us, if your parents are pretty busy with you these days, tell your bubbie or zaidy to make the contact. That's okay, too. Tell your family to get going and contact Charmley Levine at 248-798-3985 or charmleyL@hotmail.com. She and her team will make it all happen.



Noted University of Michigan archivist Mike Smith stopped coaching for a moment as these Adat Shalom 5th graders smiled for the camera. Learning how to interview their elders for the first Tikkun Adat L'dor Vador Oral History Program are Julie Goldfaden's students (from left) Elijah Fox, Jonathan Prog, Elina Rosender, Ethan Rosender, Tyler Richmond, Sasha Ruskin, Hannah Michaels, Sydney Ruskin, Dayna Starr and Ravi Appelman. Not shown are: Rose Gallatin, Jacob Hirsch, Emma Moskovitz and Grace Vainik.

- Charlotte Dubin



EXCERPTED FROM A LETTER WE RECEIVED LAST MONTH FROM "SHOES TO SHARE" CO-CHAIRS NANCY JOSEPHSON, ELLIE SLOVIS AND RUTH ZERIN:

Thank you, your staff, your members, and especially your students for helping with our (NCJW) Shoes to Share 2015 shoe drive. This year we collected more than 2500 pairs of shoes and gave them to a dozen agencies in Oakland and Wayne Counties. The agencies were thrilled to receive these shoes and boots...We truly believe that children who share in such activities will learn to care about those in need in our community. We were impressed with the generosity and the way the shoes were presented...and hope that you will put us once again on your calendar for next fall.

Our Active Affiliates and more...

YOUNG ADULT EVENING



GOOD SHABBOS DETROIT

Friday, January 29th

We'll be bringing the young adult community together for a uniquely personal NEXTGen Shabbat experience at Adat Shalom.

Beginning with an uplifting Shabbat-Appella service at 5 p.m. followed by dinner and schmoozing.



The Adat Shalom knitting club has already donated 80 scarves this winter to homeless individuals in Detroit through the heart2hart program. (Read about the knitting circle on page 9.)

Empty Nesters Celebrate Chanukah at Weners' Home



MEN'S CLUB HAPPENINGS

BY GEORGE!

By George Dickstein

- Winter 2016 -Men's Club is Chock Full of Events

On behalf of the Men's Club of Adat Shalom, I would like to wish everyone a very happy and healthy 2016. After a fairly quiet month of social activities in December, Men's Club is back with a number of January and February events for all Adat Shalom members and some for Men's Club members only.

The Men's Club is sponsoring or assisting with two programs in mid-January. On January 17, we are helping with the Family Volunteer Day lunch. On Shabbat, January 23, Men's Club will be sponsor the *seudah shelishit* before evening minyan.

We have three *Men's Club only* events during in January and February. On January 24, we will be gathering for our annual

football watching party at the home of Harold Schiff. This is a free event for members only, where we get together and watch the conference championship game. Snacks and drinks will be provided



February brings two more *members only* events. On February 11, we join in the **Annual Intercongregational Men's Club Dinner.** See box below. Tickets will be available soon.

Finally, February will finish with a **Guys' Night Out**. This is a free event, when club members get together for dinner and schmoozing. Keep an eye out for details. Last year's event at Champps in West Bloomfield was very successful.

Also coming up: February 7 is the **World Wide Wrap**, when we



will be wrapping teffilin beginning a 8 a.m. on that Sunday morning along with other men's clubs around the world. Everyone in the synagogue is invited to join us. Hazzan Gross will be teaching

and demonstrating prior to the morning minyan. Join us afterwards for an enhanced breakfast.

And keep an eye out for March: We'll be playing Texas Hold'em, having our Daddy-Daughter Dance and more. Watch your snail mail, email and upcoming synagogue events for more details.

MEN'S CLUB INTERCONGREGATIONAL DINNER

Thursday, February 11 Temple Beth El

Ilan Berman, Vice President of the American Foreign Policy Council in Washington and an expert on regional security in the Middle East, Central Asia and Russia, will speak.

Appetizers and cocktails will begin at 6 p.m., followed by a Kosher dinner and the speaker. Cost per person is \$54. Please reserve your place by returning the form on your flyer with your check. Questions? Contact Ralph Woronoff or Steve Woronoff at 248-487-2600 or Joey Lebovic at 313-949-9921.

All About Sisterhood

With the new moon comes opportunity for self-renew

New Moon ○ New Start

We are all busy caring for others. Experience the potential Rosh Chodesh offers you in caring for yourself.

Tuesday, February 9 9:30 - 11 am

Join with other women at Adat Shalom for Torah study, participatory prayer and light refreshments in honor of the new month of Adar I.

L'Shalom. Rabbi Rachel Shere and Lisa Soble Siegmann

> RSVP to Rochelle Lieberman, 248-553-2498 or rochelle.r.lieberman@gmail.com



Knitting Circle Sundays and Thursdays

9:30 - 11 a.m. January 17, February 7 7-8:30 p.m. January 21, February 25

Spend time with other members of the synagogue, and make something to give back to the community. No experience necessary. For more information, contact Debby Portney at debbyportney@gmail.com or 248-788-9488. (See photo on page 8 and read more about the "Heart 2 Hart" project in our March

Sisterhood

SUNDAYS 10:30 A.M. TO NOON or call for a shopping appointment: Carol Vieder, 248-661-9008, Stacy Brickman, 248-310-4600, or Lillian Schostak, 248-310-2018



The Wonders of the Detroit Public Library

Women Plan January 19 **Art & Architectural Tour**

c isterhood invites you to participate in a trip to the Detroit Public Library on Tuesday, January 19, when you'll have the opportunity to learn about the art and architectural treasures within the magnificent Italian Renaissance-style masterpiece that opened on Woodward Avenue in 1921.

The group will have a private guided tour by Barbara Cohn,

Detroit Public Library Friends Foundation board member. A vegetarian lunch is planned at Seva Detroit, on Forest near the library.

Our bus will leave Adat Shalom at 9 a.m. and return at 3 p.m. \$54/person includes the tour, transportation and lunch.

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Please send a check (payable to Sisterhood) to the synagogue no later than January 11.

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PLAN AHEAD FOR MARCH BOOK CLUB

Sisterhood will hold its next meeting on Thursday, March 3 at a private home. Sharon Schwartz will review The Forgetting River by



Doreen Carvajal. For more information or to register, please contact chairperson Elaine Robins at 248-681-1885 or erobs2000@aol.com.

Education & Youth



Family Education programs are endowed in memory of Jeanette & Oscar Cook

It's hard to believe that we are celebrating yet another New Year. Yes, this time it is the secular one, but it is amazing how quickly the time flies. The new year always inspires me to look back and see how much we have accomplished since the end of the last school year.

Over the summer, we celebrated Shabbat outside with music and friends. Our youngest playmates came every month to sing with Hazzan Gross and play on our playground. Our preschool through first grade families prepared for and celebrated Sukkot following High Holiday programming that was diverse and available to our members and the community. Our building was bursting at the seams. When it came time for Simchat Torah, there were few seats left in the Chapel, which was overflowing with singing and dancing and raffle winners galore.

As 5776 got off to its start, we began programming in the classroom. Families were asked to come in and learn about what their children were experiencing. So far we've had several amazing programs. Our fourth-graders have studied *Pirke Avot* and created a Family Code of Ethics. Our third-graders have explored family values, helping them to create a Family Coat of Arms. Our first-graders have learned about their names and name-sakes, and our kindergarten families have learned about the sanctity of Shabbat. Our youngest friends join us twice a month for Tuesdays with Tots, playing and singing in our indoor playroom, while their parents stay warm and trade parenting secrets. We celebrated havdalah with our older students, teens, and friends from many different Jewish overnight camps at the Bowers School Farm. With more than 100 adults and their children, the atmosphere was warm, and the energy was high.

With just half the year completed, there is so much more to do. While most of our programming is already being planned, there is always room for new ideas throughout the year. If there is a program that you would like to see happen, please talk to me as soon as possible.

- L'shalom, Debi Banooni, Jewish Family Educator

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS

SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS – January 9. Families with children in kindergarten and younger (older siblings welcome) are invited to join us for dinner, havdalah, a craft project and playtime. No charge.

TUESDAYS WITH TOTS – January 12 & 26 and February 9, 10 a.m. Join us in our indoor playroom for music, activities, snacks and playtime. This program is open to the community and is free of charge.

PJ'S & STORIES – Shabbat, Saturday, January 16 & February 27, 10:30 a.m. Preschoolers and their families are invited to two special Shabbat PJ programs this winter, with Shabbat appropriate crafts and snacks. Our guest readers will be Rabbi Bergman in January and Hazzan Gross in February. There is no charge.

FAMILY CAMP – January 22-24. Spend the weekend with Rabbi Rachel Shere and Debi Banooni and their families. Applications have gone out, and there are only a few rooms left. Call now for more information or to register. Scholarships are still available.

SHAKE, RATTLE & TWIST – Fridays, February 5 & March 4, 11:15 a.m. Braid challah and sing songs with Rabbi Rachel and Hazz'n Dan on the first Friday of every month at 11:15 a.m. Programs are free for members, \$3/non-member family. Geared to children three and younger and a parent, grandparent, or caregiver. Older siblings are always welcome.

For more information or to reserve your place, call Debi Banooni, JFE, at (248) 626-2153.

A Message from Melissa Ser Director of Education

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CLASSROOMS? HEBREW & PRAYER: A MID-YEAR REPORT

We are about halfway through our school year, and I want to share some of the developments in Hebrew and Prayer that we have been exploring in our classes. We have moved away from Hebrew through Prayer, a concept that has been in use in religious schools for many years, in favor of teaching Hebrew and Prayer as separate entities.

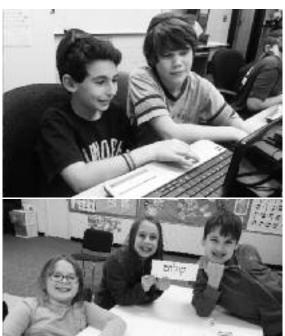
Our students in Pre-K through grade two learn Modern Hebrew through immersion experiences. In addition, they are developing rote prayer skills, learning such prayers as *Modeh Ani, Shema, Oseh Shalom*, and others by heart. Kindergartners learn letters and key vocabulary, including synagogue vocabulary, and first-graders work on pre-reading skills such as simple letter and vowel combinations. Second-graders move full-force into a reading primer that introduces Modern Hebrew vocabulary alongside some prayer words.

Beginning in third grade, students are learning to read Hebrew through Modern Hebrew textbooks. Students meet twice per week for a half hour in an appropriate level reading group. Rather than decoding unfamiliar sounds, they are learning vocabulary and concepts through stories and dialogue. Their reading skills are honed through this experience.

Students begin learning prayer a bit more in depth in second grade, and by third grade are ready to start delving into deeper concepts. We discuss God, why we pray, how we pray, and we practice

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LOOKIN' GOOD...



Education & Youth

FROM JODI GROSS Director of Youth Engagement







A CHILL'N AFTERNOON for 5th - 7th graders



Students made fleece blankets that will be donated to a family that 5th and 6th graders are adopting through Jewish Family Service.

JANUARY-FEBRUARY YOUTH EVENTS:

Monday, January 11: Our Clergy and Jodi Gross will visit students at Hillel Day School during lunch

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17: Synagogue-wide Volunteer Day

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30: 6th-8th Grade Mystery Event

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31: Teen Volunteer Corps Winter Project

Sunday, February 7: Kids' Afternoon of Fun: Bowling at Langan's

Monday, February 8: Our Clergy and Jodi Gross will visit students at Hillel Day School during lunch

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21: Teen Volunteer Corps project at Yad Ezra



Learn more at www.teenmissiondetroit.org

Sisterhood Summer Youth Scholarships

The Celia Schwartz Scholarship Fund was established to provide funds for use towards an accredited Jewish summer camping or travel that would enhance a child's or teen's Jewish educational experience. Sisterhood will be offering scholarships to our students for the 2016 camping season.

Students must be currently enrolled in a Jewish education program, such as our afternoon school, a day school, or ATID. Parents must be members in good standing of Adat Shalom Synagogue.

All applicants will be asked to write an essay on:

If you were given \$1,000, how would you use this money to help others and why?

Age divisions: 3rd-5th graders, 6th-8th graders, 9th-11th graders.

Entry forms will be available soon.

Deadline for submission forms: February 24.

GO GREEN!

Visiting students at MSU



MATTHEW SCOTT DOREN 5"7 CAMP RAMAH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Synagogue is pleased to offer once again the Matthew Scott Doren Memorial Camp Ramah Scholarship, established by Naomi & Martin Doren in memory of their beloved son Matthew.

This annual scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is open to current 6th and 7th graders, or those in the year of becoming Bar or Bat Mitzvah. The scholarship can be used for attendance this summer at either Camp Ramah Wisconsin or Camp Ramah Canada.

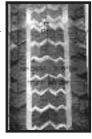
The scholarship will be awarded based on financial need. Applicants must submit essays on "Why a Summer Camping Experience at Camp Ramah Would be Personally Meaningful to Me." The winner of the scholarship will be determined by a committee consisting of Naomi & Martin Doren, their daughter, Cheryl Copley, and members of the Adat Shalom clergy.

Interested applicants should forward their essays for consideration to Executive Director Alan Yost. Essays are due by April

Tributes

Adat Shalom Synagogue Tribute Contributions

ADAT SHALOM'S tribute funds provide support for our many important synagogue programs and services, which help to define us as an outstanding congregation.



We have set a \$10 minimum price for tribute cards, on par with other area congregations. Prayer Book Fund contributions are \$36 for the daily Sim Shalom Prayer Book, \$50 for the Shabbat Sim Shalom Prayer Book, and \$50 for an Etz Hayim Chumash.

We are very grateful to members and friends who have consistently purchased tributes, marking lifecycle events and other significant occasions, and we encourage your continued support. Each greeting is individually prepared on a handsome card.

To arrange for a tribute, please send the following information to the Synagogue office:

- 1. Name of Fund
- 2. Occasion: (In memory of ... In honor of ... Speedy recovery to ... (Please print names.)
- 3. Name(s) (first & last) and address of person(s) to be notified
 - 4. Your name(s) & address
 - 5. Check for \$10 per tribute

We will process your tribute and mail it promptly.

To make a tribute online, go to: www.adatshalom.org/donate.php

Tributes received by the 1st of the month will appear in the following month's VOICE.

If you would like information about how to establish a fund, please contact Executive Director Alan Yost.

We record with sincere appreciation the following generous contributions designed to maintain the programs of Adat Shalom:

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BREAKFAST & SEUDAH SHELISHIT

November

In memory of Martin Guyer by Dan Guyer

In memory of Milton Hubert by Les Hubert

In memory of Benjamin Shifman by Rosalie Gold

In memory of Helen Devries and Sherri Traison Devries by Jeff Devries

In memory of Barbara Leff by Gordie Leff

Tributes

In Memoriam

In memory of my parents, Ruthe & Milton Graff by Gary Graff
In memory of Erwin Miller by Judy & Martin Miller

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IN HONOR OF:

Morning Minyan Breakfast Group by Les Berman The Krakoff's new home by Esther Bornstein SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

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We send heartfelt condolences to the families of:

MICHELLE PLATT, sister of Florence Miller

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FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

jects, and who befriended congregants through this period of the plaque dedication appear on the lower right hand side of the plaque.

On the lower left hand side of the plaque are the names of the first four Presidents of Congregation Beth Achim, each of whom contributed to make the merger between Congregation Ahavas Achim (1912-1948) and Congregation Beth Aaron (1943-1948) a successful one. In addition, they helped us to celebrate the insight "Maaseh Avot Siman Labanim – the deeds of the fathers are a sign for their children to emulate, a verse based on a statement in Bereshit Rabbah 48:7 "God said to Abraham . . . you are a sign for your children."

The children of these four Beth Achim Presidents include one who became National President of AIPAC and another who became President of a large metro Detroit congregation.

I hope that the next time that you approach this plaque in our Adat Shalom corridor you will stop and look at it. It tells so much about a congregation that is now a part of our synagogue's history.



FROM HAZZAN GROSS CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

they did nearly half a century ago.

The Reverend Dr. DeeDee Coleman, the pastor of Russell Street, is a passionate advocate of Israel and has been involved with AIPAC for many years. I was thrilled when she approached Julie Wiener and me about having Adat Shalom partner with them on this program. There will be many participants and presenters, including our Adat Shalom rabbis and Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein, the founder and president of the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews. The program will also include music that celebrates the unity between African Americans and the Jewish people. Both Lauren and I will be singing, and the Adat Shalom Choir will join with the choir from Russell Street. All donations raised during this event will go toward building a bomb shelter in Israel.

I envision that the highlight of the afternoon will come when all of us join our voices together in song with "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Regarded as the "Black American National Anthem," the words were written in 1899 as a poem and were first publicly performed in 1900 by five-hundred school children at a celebration of Abraham Lincoln's birthday at the segregated Stanton School in Jacksonville, the first school for black children in the state of Florida.

Lift every voice and sing Till earth and heaven ring,

Ring with the harmonies of Liberty.

This inspirational song is the epitome of faith and harmony. I hope that you will join us at this unique program of fellowship, honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

FROM MELISSA SER CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10

God, why we pray, how we pray, and we practice prayer together as a school and separately in our classrooms. Through the course of the school year, each grade will tackle the deeper meanings of five to six prayers, while learning to read those prayers as well. We are aiming for depth, not breadth, and we aim to engage students with the art of prayer, not just the words. Our third-graders, of course, will receive their first prayerbooks at the end of the school year.

In the March Voice, I look forward to sharing our Judaics curriculum with you. $\,$

Adat Shalom Hosts Diversity Program













To the Adat Shalom Community:

In the wake of September 11, Metropolitan Detroit was steeped in an increasing atmosphere of fear and bombarded by negative stereotypes. Many concerned teachers and religious leaders realized the urgent need for interfaith education in our community – especially among our youth. The response was the establishment of the Religious Diversity Journeys (RDJ) program.

In alignment with the seventh-grade curriculum in world religions, the RDJ program takes select students from 16 school districts in both Oakland and Wayne counties on six immersive religious and cultural experiences over the course of the school year. Students visit a synagogue, church, mosque, Hindu temple, Sikh gurdwara, and summate at the Detroit Institute of Arts. These full-day field trips give students the opportunity to explore the faith traditions that surround them in their everyday lives in a safe and welcoming environment, encourage them to ask questions and, in doing so, break down stereotypes, combat bullying and increase religious awareness.

Rabbis Bergman and Shere, along with Hazzan Gross and a myriad of volunteers, opened the doors at Adat Shalom to over 150 students, along with 50 parents and teachers, on Wednesday, November 11, to teach us about the beliefs, customs and traditions of the Jewish people. They created a warm, welcoming and engaging atmosphere as we rotated through education sessions on ritual observances, holidays, and sacred texts and objects, before concluding with a mock wedding, lunch and Israeli dancing. One parent said, "I could not think of any experience that would be more valuable for my son than having the opportunity to meet such amazing people and be completely welcomed into their house of worship. The humor and good will of everyone we met at Adat Shalom will remain with me in the years to come. Thank you all for taking the time to teach us, answer our questions and welcome us into your home."

Meredith Skowronski, Director Religious Diversity Journeys Program

Thank you to the following members who volunteered at the Religious Diversity Journey program in November: Charlotte Dubin, Micki Grossman, Evva Hepner, Margery Jablin, Charm Levine, Jeannie Weiner, Trudy Weiss, Debbie Williams and Fran Wolok. The program was a big success, thanks in part to their essential help with latke preparation, serving lunch, and cleanup.

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