



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mornings:

Sundays 8:30 a.m.
 Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m.
 Shabbat 9:00 a.m.
 Monday, May 30 8:30 a.m.

Evenings

Sundays - Fridays 6:00 p.m.
 Saturdays (Minchah-Maariv)
 May 7, 14. 8:30 p.m.
 May 21, 28. 8:45 p.m.

SHABBAT TORAH PORTIONS

MAY 7	MAY 21
Acharei Mot	Emor
MAY 14	May 28
Kedoshim	Behar

PASSING OF THE GAVEL:

ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR MAY 18

All members of the congregation are urged to attend Adat Shalom's Annual Meeting on Wednesday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m.

The evening is an opportunity to learn about the accomplishments of our synagogue during the past year, to hear a review of our financial position, and to elect our leaders for the coming season.

There will also be a memorial service for loved ones whose deaths have occurred during the past year.

"Please join us as we celebrate the past and look to the future," says President Lori Issner.

Those nominated as officers for next year are: President: Ken Goss, First Vice President: Sandy Vieder, Vice President: Joan Chernoff Epstein, Recording Secretary: Joyce Weingarten, and Treasurer: Joe Wener.

Nominees for the Executive Committee-at-Large: Maria Pacis-Biederman, Rick Tyner and Jerome Pesick.

Board of Trustees nominees for 3-year-terms are Jennifer Sobol, Gordon Leff and Mickey Levin.

Also nominated for 3-year-terms for the Memorial Park Board are Joel Gershenson, Nancy Handelman, Roger Leemis and Neal Zalenko.

Additional candidates may be nominated by Tuesday, May 10, by a petition of at least 25 members.



LORI ISSNER AND KEN GOSS,
WITH PLANS TO PASS THE GAVEL

JTS 2016 GALA
WILL HONOR RICHARD NUCIAN

THURSDAY,
JUNE 9TH

CONGREGATION
BETH AHM



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Celebrate
Israel
this month!



MAY 11
YOM HAZIKARON

MAY 12
YOM HAATZMAUT

WALK
FOR ISRAEL
MAY 15
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Sisterhood Donor Day

Tuesday,
May
10th

an Inspiring Afternoon with
#1 New York Times
Bestselling Author

Laura Schroff

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MAY SHABBAT TORAH STUDY

Learn about the weekly parasha
and enhance your Shabbat experience

May 7
with Rabbi Bergman

May 14
with Ruth Bergman

May 21
with Rabbi Krakoff

May 28
with Dr. Melissa Ser



9:45 A.M.

FINISHING IN TIME
FOR THE RABBI'S SERMON

Meditation AND MINDFULNESS

Join Rabbi Bergman on Sunday, May 1
9:30 a.m. for the *final session* of the season

- Find your internal spirituality and realize that Judaism can make you happier.
- A refreshing hour for adults of all ages. There is no charge.
- Feel free to attend even if you have not participated before.

Soulful Yoga

with Rabbi Shere
and skilled yoga instructor
Mindy Eisenberg

May 7 & 21
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.

Mazal Tov to our May B'nai Mitzvah



Thea B.
Jacobs

May 14

Thea Jacobs is the daughter of Sarah & Jonathan Jacobs and the granddaughter of Janet & Ellsworth Levine and Gail & Paul Jacobs.



Benjamin
Gamily

May 21

Benjamin Gamily is the son of Judy & David Gamily and the grandson of Marsha & Jerry Avrushin, Laurie & Lorenzo Manzini and the late Ben Zion Gamily.

Isaac Michaels is the son of Nanci & Jacob Michaels and the grandson of Paul Schwartz, Anne L. McDaniel and Lois & Milton Michaels.



Isaac Asher
Michaels



Elijah Tucker
Steinbock

May 28

Elijah Steinbock is the son of Rebecca Kushner Steinbock and Alex & Bonnie Steinbock and the grandson of Roger & Carrie Kushner, Paula Matlen, and Sharon & Roy Steinbock.

TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT

Adat Shalom will hold its annual Tikkun Leil Shavuot on Saturday, June 11. Join us for minchah-maariv services at 8 p.m., followed by study sessions with our clergy, and a sampling of tasty cheesecakes, a traditional Shavuot dessert. Havdalah will conclude the evening.

Jews demonstrate their love for the study of Torah by participating in this extended, late-night study session on the eve of Shavuot, which commemorates the revelation of the Torah at Mt. Sinai. One interpretation says that we remain awake to show that, unlike the situation of our heavy-lidded ancestors at Sinai, we are showing that we are ready to receive Torah. The Tikkun is a kabbalistic (mystical) custom that is relatively new to Jewish tradition but has become increasingly popular among modern Jews.

All adults and teens are welcome to attend. There is no charge.
Watch for more information on our presenters and their topics.

- Shavuot Services -

The Synagogue will hold 9 a.m. services on Sunday and Monday, June 12 & 13. Yizkor prayers will be recited on June 13.



Save
the
date:

Saturday
Evening,
June 11

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Messages

FROM THE PRESIDENT

COUNTING UP AND DOWN



**LORI
ISSNER**

IN ACCORDANCE with the Torah, we are obliged to verbally count the 49 days from Passover (the Exodus) to Shavuot (commemoration of the giving of the Torah). We refer to this period of time as the "Counting of the Omer." We state the daily count of the Omer in both weeks and days. An omer is an ancient unit of measure for grains and other dry commodities. In ancient days, on the second day of Passover, an Omer of barley was brought to the Temple as an offering.

In our secular lives, we spend a great deal of time counting down to significant events, milestones and life-cycle moments; for the Omer, we count *up*.

Lately, I have been asked by many if I am happy to be counting *down* the days left of my presidency. While I am aware that my term is coming to an end, counting down implies I am anxious to become "Immediate Past President." That is not at all how I feel. It has been exceedingly rewarding and an honor to have served in a leadership capacity for so many years, on the Board, the Executive Committee and finally as President. This year, when we finish counting the Omer, Adat Shalom's next President will be installed. The method of counting the Omer upward is an encouraging lesson to look forward toward even higher goals.

In this spirit, I will take what I have learned as

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FROM HAZZAN GROSS

CHRISTIANS AND JEWS CELEBRATING ISRAEL TOGETHER



**HAZZAN
GROSS**

I RECENTLY PARTICIPATED in a "Day To Honor Israel" service at Word of Faith International Christian Center in Southfield. It was an eye-opening experience that I would like to share with you.

Throughout my cantorial and operatic careers, I've sung in many large venues, the largest being Comerica Park. Luckily, I am not intimidated by large spaces or crowds, or I would have difficulty being successful in my profession. Adat Shalom's beautiful 1002-seat sanctuary is a fairly good size, but after walking into Word of Faith's 5000-seat sanctuary, ours seems small by comparison! The sanctuary started to fill up about an hour before the service start time. By the time the service began, the place was packed! Believe it or not, even though it is a massive room, it felt less enormous once it was full. The warmth and kindness expressed by the worship-

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FROM RABBI BERGMAN



**RABBI
BERGMAN**

I was so lucky to have the support and confidence of some really wonderful people. I still do. I never would have imagined that day that someday I would sit in the office of Rabbi Jacob Segal and be a rabbi at such a great congregation as Adat Shalom. It is an honor I think about every single day, and do not take for granted.

As Jews we live in the past, present and future all at once. I have tried very hard to find a balance between

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A PRECIOUS LEGACY

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO THIS MONTH I sat in the courtyard of the Jewish Theological Seminary waiting for my name to be called for the first time as HaRav Aharon Ben David v'Sarah, Rabbi Aaron Bergman. My family was there, including my wife, Ruth, who was pregnant with our first daughter.

In a period of just two months, I would become a rabbi and a father. We would move to Michigan where I would begin my career. To say I was nervous and feeling out of my league is an understatement at best.

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FROM RABBI SHERE

NUMBER OUR DAYS



RABBI SHERE

ON THE SECOND NIGHT OF PESACH, we began the mitzvah known as the *Counting of the Omer*. In Leviticus 23:15, the Torah teaches us to count the forty-nine days between the biblical holidays of Pesach and Shavuot. *Omer* refers to the unit of barley that was offered in the Temple on each of those days. The grain harvest which began on Pesach with the harvest of barley, then culminated, fifty days later, with the beginning of the wheat harvest on Shavuot. Whereas barley, the first of the grains to ripen in Israel, was considered food for animals, wheat, which took significantly longer to ripen, was considered human fare. It follows then, that during the days between Pesach and Shavuot, our Jewish tradition asks us to work on uplifting the animal-like aspects of ourselves in order to grow toward the

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FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ

ATTENTION TEENAGERS...AND EVERYONE ELSE!

IN ISRAEL, THE KNESSET has officially designated 27 Nisan as the day to remember the Six Million and to honor the heroes of the resistance movements during the Shoah (Hebrew word for "Holocaust"). This year Yom Hashoah is on May 4-5.

Teenagers and parents of teenagers, do you know that many in the resistance movements were Jews and non-Jews in their teenage years? While many of us know of the brave Jews who, whenever possible, participated in armed rebellion against the Nazis and the Nazi collaborators, how many of us know of courageous non-Jews who at the risk of their lives stood with the persecuted?

For example, as early as February 1941, Dutch workers came to the aid of Jews when the Nazis attacked the Jewish quarter of Amsterdam. A workers' strike was called in solidarity with the Jews. Gradually the workers' strike developed into a general strike but was suppressed by the Nazi military. The non-Jews of Amsterdam took risks on behalf of the Jews



**RABBI
YOSKOWITZ**

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Adult Learning at Adat Shalom

from Jodi Gross, Director of Adult Learning

LUNCHTIME LEARNING in May



Thursday, May 12
with Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz

IN HONOR OF ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY:

The Highs and Lows of USA-Israel Relations

The discussion will be based on *Doomed to Succeed*, the 2015 book by Ambassador Dennis Ross, in which the author discusses the foremost villains and foremost admired figures in our government's relationship with Israel. A focus will be placed on which American presidents have been most helpful to Israel and which have been the least. Ambassador Ross' selections may surprise you.

11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. You are welcome to bring your own dairy/parve lunch. We will offer complimentary drinks and dessert. **THERE IS NO CHARGE.**

Reservations are requested by the preceding Friday. Contact Sheila Lederman, 248-851-5100, ext. 246, or slederman@adatshalom.org.

RABBI BERGMAN TO SPEAK AT JEWISH FILM FEST

RABBI AARON BERGMAN will lead a "talk back" following the screening of *Gett: The Trial of Viviane Amsalem* at 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 15 at The Berman.

The film is a powerful story of a woman battling in the Israeli court system to receive a *gett* from her husband. Rabbi Bergman will provide an explanation of the traditional laws pertaining to divorce and the giving and receiving of a *gett*, as well as offer information about the Israeli religious court system.

This film is one of many that will be shown over two weeks at the 18th Annual Lenore Marwil Jewish Film Festival, May 8-19 at The Berman. For information go to www.jccdet.org/filmfest.



SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK GROUP

The Social Justice Book Group will meet on Monday, May 23, under the direction of Rabbi Shere and facilitated by Oakland University Professor Tara Hayes. That evening the group will focus on the topic of "Race & the World," with a discussion based on the book *The Fire Next Time* by James Baldwin.

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.

JUNE SUPPER SERIES

GOD IN CLASSICAL MUSIC

PRESENTED BY HAZZAN DANIEL GROSS

SUNDAY, JUNE 5 5:30 PM
AT THE HOME OF JUDY & DAVID GOLDIS



Some of the most profoundly spiritual experiences take place when listening to music. God can be found not only in the music of prayer itself, but as the spiritual inspiration behind music created outside traditional houses of worship. Come explore with Hazzan Gross how the spirit of God is illuminated through Classical music.

Originally scheduled for May, our final Supper Series of the year will take place on June 5.

There is a \$10/person fee which includes a dairy dinner. Please reserve your place by sending a check to the synagogue. Limited to the first 36 who respond.

Questions? Contact Sheila Lederman at 248-851-5100 or at slederman@adatshalom.org.

Shelly Perlman and Adele Staller chair both our Supper Series and Lunchtime Learning events.

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and Ariella Lis Raviv of *Weight Watchers*

Wednesdays, May 11 - June 15

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Adat Shalom Synagogue

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Space limited to the first 15 registrants. Reserve your spot by emailing ariella@wwgroup.com. Questions? Call Jodi Gross, 248-851-5100.

MODERN ISRAELI ART & MUSIC COURSE

ISRAEL IS ONE OF THE MOST fascinating cultural experiments in world history, each of its peoples helping to create a new Israeli culture.

RABBI BERGMAN will teach a class featuring the works of Jews, Arabs and Druze, tracing the development of art, music, dance and film in Israel from the beginning of the 20th century to today. It is set for Mondays from 12-1:15 p.m. for five weeks beginning May 2, at the Federation Building on Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills.

The course is co-sponsored by Federation's Israel and Overseas Division and the JCC Seminars for Adult Jewish Enrichment. To receive more information and register, call 248-205-2557.

Irina Mishura in Concert *Thursday, June 2, 7 pm*



World-renowned opera star, Irina Mishura, will present a free concert at Adat Shalom as a way of saying "thank you" to the congregation. *(To learn why you must come to the recital!)*

Hazzan Daniel Gross will also be featured on the program, and they will be accompanied by pianist Kevin Bylsma.

Russian-born Irina Mishura has established herself as one of the most important dramatic mezzo-sopranos singing today. She made an auspicious debut at the Metropolitan Opera in

2000, when she appeared as Dalila in *Samson et Dalila* opposite Plácido Domingo. A recent performance of Bizet's *Carmen* led one critic to write, "Irina Mishura's *Carmen* absolutely floored the audience. Hers is a big sultry voice, evenly produced throughout its range, particularly solid in its lower register, but easily floated on top. Her *Carmen* is truly voluptuous, with restrained, smoldering intensity."

The community is welcome.

ADAT SHALOM HONORS NUCIAN AT JTS GALA

RICHARD NUCIAN, long time Adat Shalom member and leader, will be honored by the Jewish Theological Seminary at its upcoming Gala Dinner scheduled for Thursday, June 9, This year's event to raise scholarship assistance will take place at Congregation Beth Ahm.



VISITING ISRAEL
THIS WINTER

A Detroit native, Richard attended Wayne State University in Detroit, where he received his BA degree. He moved to San Francisco in 1968 where he attended Law School at night and sold real estate. In November of 1974, he worked at Norman Levy Assoc, the largest international industrial auctioneers and appraisers in the country, where he was executive Vice President. After the company was sold in 2000, he worked at Dove Bid as VP of sales for North America, and then was named COO/Principle of Hilco Auction Company. Currently, Richard is self-employed and mostly retired.

Richard and his family have been members of Adat Shalom since the congregation's early days on Curtis and Livernois. He served as a member of the Board of Trustees for 11 years. He and his late wife, Susan, are the proud parents of Joshua Nucian and Stephen Nucian, who live in Franklin.

Richard is an avid sailor spending most of the summer in Charlevoix on his sail boat. He also enjoys skiing, diving and golf. In 1992 he served as Commodore of the Great Lakes Yacht Club where he was a member for 20 years.

Richard has donated his time and expertise to Channel 56, archives of American Art, Founders Society of Detroit Institute of Art, Cranbrook Academy of Art, Fashion Group of Det/P.A.L., Charlie Sanders Foundation (Detroit Lions), University of Michigan Health System, University of Michigan Museum of Art, Young Women of the Jewish National Fund, and Kadima. Richard established an endowment in his late wife's name at the University of Michigan for pancreatic cancer research.

Joyce Sherman and Joyce Weingarten are citywide event chairpersons. Debbie & Stuart Logan are Adat Shalom chairpersons.

This year's Gala speaker will be Dr. Alan Cooper, the Elaine Ravich Professor of Jewish Studies and provost of The Jewish Theological Seminary. He is the first person to hold concurrent professorships at JTS and Union Theological Seminary.

For more information or for reservations, please go to <http://www.jtsa.edu/detroit2016> or call the Metro Detroit office at (248) 258-0055.

OUR EXPERIENCE AT AIPAC

by Julie Wiener



THE AMERICAN ISRAEL PUBLIC AFFAIRS Committee, known as AIPAC, hosted their largest conference in March, in Washington DC. Amongst more than 18,000 delegates, including 4,000 students, Adat Shalom had 75 delegates in attendance.

As an acknowledgement of our synagogue and clergy's participation and growing support, we were awarded four suites in the Verizon Center to enjoy one of the exciting general sessions together.

This year, as in past election years, we were fortunate to hear live Vice President Biden, Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, four Presidential candidates, Prime Minister Netanyahu via satellite, and many other riveting and informative speakers.

It is impossible to describe the emotion one feels when surrounded by so many pro-Israel advocates spanning all ages, religions and races from throughout the United States, all there for the same purpose. AIPAC works with Democrats and Republicans in Congress and leaders in the executive branch to protect and strengthen the U.S.-Israel relationship.

Over the years, I have convinced many friends and family members to attend this Policy Conference, and everyone has continued to participate. I hope you will join me and other Adat Shalom members at next year's conference. There is a discount if you register early at www.aipac.org. I promise, you will not be disappointed!



Men's Club and more...

MEN'S CLUB HAPPENINGS

BY GEORGE!

BY GEORGE DICKSTEIN

**I'm so glad we've had
this time together...**

Well, this is it – my final *Voice* article as Men's Club president. This will be the 20th article I have written for the *Voice*, and as I considered what to write about, I couldn't help but think of how quickly the last two years have flown by.



As I reflect on that time, I start to consider the metrics by which my leadership time will be considered. Has membership improved? Are our finances in good shape? Do we offer a large enough array of programming options to the synagogue community while still providing enough value to our members?

My greatest hope for the Men's Club is that I leave the club in better shape than it was when I started. That Men's Club continues to offer quality programs and services to the Adat Shalom community as well as its own membership.

But maybe, most importantly, that Men's Club offers its members a way to connect to a smaller, more intimate group of people within the larger synagogue community. Of course, that is why I joined Men's Club, as I wrote in my very first *Voice* article back in May 2014.

As for May 2016, Men's Club will be sponsoring and judging the religious school Yom Hashoah essay contest, cooking as usual for the end-of-year religious school BBQ, sponsoring a night with the homeless guests at our shul, and of course playing softball with two teams in the intercongregational softball league. Our annual Tiger baseball outing is in June, but ticket requests are due in mid-May.



After our elections dinner in late May, your next leadership team will be hard at work planning our slate of programming for next year.

Finally, I want to thank the clergy, executive committee and staff of Adat Shalom, as well as the board of trustees and executive board of the Men's Club for all of your support over the past two years. Finally, thank you to my kids, Brian and Margo, and my wife, Amy, for your support and understanding as I took time away from you to pursue this important endeavor.

- LIVING WITH EASE -

DR. RUTH LERMAN is offering two new *Gentle Hatha Yoga & Guided Mindfulness Meditation* programs.

The Adat Shalom series is planned for May 31, June 14 & 28, July 26 and August 2, 16 & 30. The Beaumont Medical Center option in Warren is set for June 7, July 5 & 19, and August 9 & 23. All at 5:30 p.m. and are suitable for all experience levels. There is no charge. You may attend one or all sessions.

For information, go to silverlinings@beaumont.edu.

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or Lillian Schostak, 248-310-2018**



Knitting Circle Sundays and Thursdays

**9:30 - 11 a.m. May 15 and June 5
7 - 8:30 p.m. May 26 and June 23**

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 debby-portney@gmail.com or 248-788-9488.

WE'RE PLEASED TO LET YOU KNOW...

RABBI YOSKOWITZ was the opening speaker at the Wayne State University School of Medicine Ethnic Week, March 21-26. He discussed "Medical Ethics in Europe During the Holocaust."

MICKI GROSSMAN will be honored at this year's Jewish Senior Life "Eight Over Eighty" awards programs. The event will take place on Sunday, May 22, at Adat Shalom. **LIBBY SHERBIN**, mother of David Sherbin, is also being recognized as one of the eight extraordinary individuals.

The Jewish Federation of Metro Detroit will honor four individuals for Lifetime Achievement. The event is planned for Thursday, May 19, at Adat Shalom.

TERRAN LEEMIS and **JOHN MARX** will be recognized for their volunteer contributions to the community. Sally Krugel and Sandy Schwartz will also be honored that evening.

WE'RE HAPPY TO TELL THE CONGREGATION ABOUT SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS OF ADULT MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY. PLEASE EMAIL JUDY MARX AT: jmarx@adatshalom.org.

All About Sisterhood

SISTERHOOD OF ADAT SHALOM CELIA SCHWARTZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND ESSAY CONTEST

"AND THE WINNERS ARE..."

BY HARRIET DUNSKY

It is with great pleasure that the Sisterhood announces the three winners of this year's Celia Schwartz Scholarship Fund contest. The fund was established to provide monies for use towards an accredited Jewish summer camp or travel trip experience that would enhance a child's or teen's Jewish education. This year's essay topic was *If you were given \$1000, how would you use this money to help others and why?*



SASHA

Current third to fifth graders were asked to submit a drawing and one paragraph. The winner in this category is Sasha Ruskin, daughter of Danielle & Aaron Ruskin. She is looking forward to her 3rd summer at Tamarack and her first full session of overnight camp. She loves all the camp activities and trying new things. This summer she will have her first opportunity to go on a trip with her bunk. Sasha will be in 6th grade at Novi Meadows Upper Elementary School this fall.



CLAIRE

Students entering grades six to eight submitted one to two-paragraph essays. Claire Wolfe, daughter of Marla Beth Schram-Wolfe and David Wolfe, submitted the winning entry. She is using her prize money toward the tuition at Camp Tamarack, which she calls "the best place on earth with THE best food ever!" Claire will be attending Norup International School in the fall. She will be going into the 7th grade.



ALLISON

Students going into 9th - 11th grade this fall were asked to write two-paragraph essays. Allison Bloomberg, daughter of Marianne & Robert Bloomberg, is the winner of this division. Allison will be using her scholarship money to attend the Ramah Poland Israel Seminar. This fall she will be a senior at the Frankel Jewish Academy.

Each entry was written with much thought. We thank all who participated, and a very special *thank you* to our judges for taking time out of their busy schedules to read and judge all 24 entries: Hazzan Daniel Gross, Ralph Woronoff and Trudy Weiss.

The winners will be recognized at Shabbat morning services on Saturday, May 7.

Chairing this special Sisterhood project were Harriet Dunskey and Cindy Posen.

Tuesday, May 10

Meet Laura Schroff at Donor Day



There is still an opportunity to hear Laura Schroff, the New York Times bestselling author of *An Invisible Thread: The True Story of an 11-Year-Old Panhandler*. Schroff has entranced audiences with her passionate and compelling voice on the power of small acts of kindness and mentorship.

A former advertising executive who helped launch three Time, Inc.'s most successful start-ups: *InStyle*, *Teen People*, and *People StyleWatch*, Schroff has dedicated herself to advocating and inspiring others. During the program Schroff will share her personal story and discuss her new book *Angels on Earth*, due in September 2016, which explores the huge impact that small acts of kindness from strangers can have on the world around us.

As the keynote speaker at more than 100 events, Schroff encourages her audience to look for their own invisible thread connections and highlights the importance of opening up their eyes and hearts to the opportunities where they can make a difference in the lives of others.

Complimentary Coffee Corner 10 a.m. - Noon
Unique Boutiques 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Luncheon & Program Noon

Donor Day sponsorships are available beginning at the Bronze level for \$54, which entitles one person to lunch and the program. All members have received invitations.

Jennifer Freedland, Sue Lutz and Danielle Ruskin are co-chairing this year's Donor's Day.

Please make your reservation as soon as possible. Want to register online? go to:

<http://adatshalom.org/events/donor-day-2016>



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SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

Sisterhood will hold its final book club meeting of the season on Thursday, May 12 at the home of Elaine Robins in West Bloomfield. That evening the group will discuss *Gangsterland* by Tod Goldberg. For more information or to register, please contact Elaine at 248-681-1885 or erobs2000@aol.com.



Celebrate!

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1- Viola Cohen | Kenneth Whiteman | 8- Lauren Tackel | 13- Carrie Kushner | 22- Harold Baker |
| David Harold | 4- David Forst | 9- Rochelle Juni | Scott Schwartz | Steven Goodman |
| Ellen Labes | Daniel Shere | 10- Helen Bayles | Thomas Williams | 23- Sue Kaufman |
| Sy Lusky | 5- Alan Yost | Aaron Greenspon | 15- Mark Voight | 24- Lori Ashmann |
| Linda Singer | 7- Sanford Mall | Paul Magy | 17- Diane Hopp | 26- Adele Staller |
| 2- Taal Ashmann | Elayne Ritten | Rayna Kogan | Lauren Rosenberg | Sara Wasser |
| Melissa Novetsky | Phyllis Soltz | Howard Terebelo | 18- Jim Berger | 27- Mark Bernstein |
| Deborah Rosen | 8- Joan Epstein | 11- Susan Feldman | Martin Doren | Fred Fischer |
| 3- Joseph Glazer | Joyce Epstein | 12- Idelle Neuvirth | Howard Kowalsky | Shelley Kohl |
| Marla Parker Goldberg | Scott Hamburger | Gary Shiffman | Sherri Morof | 28- Barry Goodman |
| Michael Robbins | David Otis | 13- Craig Glaser | 19- Irwin Elson | 29- Barbara Benjamin |
| | | | Ronald Schechter | Brett Endelman |
| | | | 20- Bruce Weingarten | 31- Irvin Kappy |
| | | | Lon Zaback | Charmley Levine |
| | | | 21- Jeffrey Young | |

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

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| 3- Sharon & Alan Kaplan | 19- Harriet & Sanford Mall |
| Deborah & Barry Rosen | 20- Susan & Michael Feldman |
| 5- Judy Rudy & Cliff Dubowski | Elizabeth & Derek Hill |
| 6- Jennifer & Cliff Bartlett | 21- Nancy & Dennis Liefer |
| 7- Sherri & Gary Morof | 25- Shelli & Michael Dorfman |
| 8- Cynthia & Aaron Greenspon | Jenna & Aric Klar |
| 11- Susan & Robert Rollinger | 26- Karen & Jim Berger |
| 14- Margo & Steven Goodman | 28- Barbara & Michael Jonas |
| 15- Sandra & Stewart Shipper | Rochelle & Jack Juni |
| 18- Linda & Barry Rosenbaum | 29- Ariella & Tzvi Raviv |

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 notify Judy Marx at jmarx@adatshalom.org.

If your family has celebrated a birth or a wedding, or if you have received a special honor, please let you know that as well.

FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ (continued from page 3)

even before the heroic story of Anne Frank in Amsterdam occurred.

Attention Jewish teenagers: When you go to Israel on Federation's Teen Mission, or when you go for a year of study in Israel or for a visit, you will hear at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem the courageous stories of many non-Jews who helped Jews during the Shoah.

Before you go to Israel and to Yad Vashem, I ask teenagers and your parents to do something very special: Purchase a book about the heroism of non-Jewish teens. It may be a true story or it may be a historical novel. After reading the book that you have purchased, consider giving it to a non-Jewish friend who will benefit from learning what some heroic non-Jewish teenagers did to rescue innocent Jews during the Shoah.

One such historical fiction book that I have read is the recently published *Girl in the Blue Coat*, written especially for teenagers by Washington Post journalist Monica Hesse.

The scene is set in 1943 Amsterdam, where a non-Jewish teenager, Hanneke Bakker, is drawn in to engage in a dangerous assignment to find a Jewish teenager who has vanished from a secret room. Why does this non-Jewish teenager become engaged in a dangerous enterprise? An answer can be surmised from the fictional character's words: "because in a country that has come to make no sense, in a world I cannot solve, this is a small piece that I can."

Teenagers and everyone else, when we light a Yom Hashoah candle on the evening of May 4, please consider beginning to read a book – non-fiction or fiction – which tells the story of a non-Jewish teenager who will inspire you by the courageous choices a teen can make even in wartime. Whichever well-written story you choose to read has the potential to add even more meaning to your already meaningful life.



Mazal Tov!



Marriage of Linda Laderman and Israel Grinwald

Birth of Parker Maxwell Babcock, son of Samantha & Adam Babcock, grandson of Cindy & Howard Babcock and Debbie & David Licker, great-grandson of Zelda Diamond

Birth of Avi Henry and Jacob William Breshgold, sons of Erica & Ari Breshgold, grandsons of Wendy Winkler, Roz & Michael Breshgold, and Kerry & Terry Grushoff, great-grandsons of Beatrice & Joseph Breshgold, Edith Sheffman and Leo Carey

Birth of Alex Sadie Lipson, daughter of Sara & David Lipson, granddaughter of Beryl & Mickey Levin and Nancy & Kenny Lipson, great-granddaughter of Honora Lipson and Janet Weiss

FROM THE PRESIDENT (continued from page 3)

President and apply it toward continuing to help our synagogue thrive and grow. Rather than count the days left, I will count the opportunities to help make a difference, encourage others to become involved and work with our volunteers, staff and clergy to make Conservative Judaism relevant in our daily lives.

Congregational life has enriched so many facets of my life; educationally, spiritually and socially. At Adat Shalom, we refer to ourselves as a family. Recently, after a difficult and emotional week, going to shul reinforced my conviction that Adat Shalom is more than just a place of communal worship. I am so appreciative to be part of a group of caring individuals whom I sincerely consider my extended family.

As we count the Omer, I will count the ways I am grateful for having had the opportunity to serve our congregation. With pride, I pass the gavel to our next President.

We Are a Caring Community



Tikkun Adat

Sharing more than bricks & mortar



One World - One Mitzvah at a Time

If you practice *tikkun olam*, you help repair the world. But you already knew that.

And you may know that *Tikkun Adat* is a way of repairing our own little world right here at Adat Shalom.

But did you know you can do both at the same time? Acts of kindness go beyond boundaries, bringing both worlds together. And Adat Shalom is active on both fronts.

The May 10 Sisterhood Donor Day will prove it. Attendees will hear how seemingly small mitzvot can change lives, and the inspiring program will introduce several opportunities to help our fellow citizens who live on the streets of metro Detroit.

Guests will learn about a joint project of the Sisterhood and the Social Action Committee on behalf of a food pantry and clothes closet-on-wheels that travels from Hart Plaza to other sites downtown where homeless people congregate at lunchtime.

It's called - and this is no spelling mistake - "Heart 2 Hart."

Tikkun Adat is proud to support this Sisterhood event, as well as the Social Action Committee's continuing efforts on behalf of homeless people and others in need. (Heads-up: Watch for Housing the Homeless week at Adat Shalom in late May and our winter week at the Hope Hospitality and Warming Center in Pontiac.)

And that, after all, is what repairing the world and our synagogue is all about: with each small step, the world gets better for all of us.

To learn more and support Sisterhood Donor Day, see page 7.



- Back to Bread -

With Pesach behind us, Tikkun Adat's mystery challah baker is at her mitzvah work again.

Each Friday, two divine-tasting loaves go from her oven to those who can use a little traditional Shabbat medicine: folks who are recovering from an illness, or arising from a shivah week, or just in need of some TLC.

And don't forget: When the need arises for a therapeutic Shabbat dinner, Adat Shalom's volunteer MDs (Meal Doers) are ready.

To arrange for one of these gifts, contact Rabbi Rachel Shere's office, 248-851-5100.

- Charlotte Dubin

■ SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTION ■

IT'S HERE...

HOUSING THE HOMELESS

MAY 29 - JUNE 5



We have been busy preparing for our guests from the South Oakland Shelter. Coordinating the shopping, meal planning, overnight staff and transportation needs are daunting tasks. We try to plan but we know that the schedule will



IT WAS ALL ABOUT FAMILIES WORKING TOGETHER DURING HOUSING THE HOMELESS 2015

need to change - someone needs to get to work very early in the morning or picked up in the evening, a family arrives and we have to set up a new room so that the children can room with their parent, a child needs to get to school so that their education is not interrupted. It is our volunteers that make this possible so that we accommodate everyone's needs. Last minute plans are put into place and we get the job done! Every kindness is greatly appreciated by our guests.

We are still in need of volunteers and your financial support is very much appreciated. Come once and you'll be back! Contact Evva Hepner, 248-798-7673 or Debbie Cohen, 248-755-9940.

NEW ONLINE REGISTRATION - Go to:

<http://adatshalom.org/housingthehomeless>

to choose a task and time that fits your life that week!

■ BENNETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Making a difference one child at a time

The tutoring program at Bennett is up and "reading." The tutors have developed special relationships with their students and are loving the time spent at the school.

Would you like to volunteer for the fall? Carpooling is available, and you can take a tour with one of the current tutors this spring.

Although you don't have to have any experience in teaching reading, there is a reading comprehension strategies workshop scheduled for May 20 at the Max Fisher Federation Building. Interested? Contact Evva Hepner, 248-798-7673.

"An invisible thread connects those who are destined to meet, regardless of time, place, and circumstance. The thread may stretch or tangle. But it will never break."

- Ancient Chinese Proverb

**Bennett
Elementary
School**

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

Education & Youth



**JEWISH
FAMILY
EDUCATION**

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

The Talmud says that it is a parent's obligation to teach his/her child to swim (Kiddushin 29a). While we can understand this metaphorically as a requirement to teach our children how to navigate the world's unfamiliar waters, there is also a literal piece – get outside and jump in!

Judaism believes that getting outdoors and exercising is critically important to our well-being; there is a mitzvah, a commandment, of *shmirat haguf*, the preservation of the body that aligns with this idea. The Rambam (Maimonides) taught that “maintaining a healthy body is among the ways of serving God.”

Research tells us that children need recess in order to do better in school, that brain breaks are crucial for learning – and Judaism agrees. Now that the weather is finally spring-like, playing outdoors is the best way for children to develop and master their motor skills. It also gives them the opportunity to go outside and experience nature in all of its wonder. The Jewish value of *giddul banim* (child-rearing) and *derekh erez* (the way of the world – common decency) can be role modeled in all of the games our children play and in everyday life.

This spring and summer, take the Talmud's commandment literally: go swimming together. Listen to the wise words of the Rambam, and go for a walk, a hike, and take in God's creations.

L'shalom, Debi Banooni, Jewish Family Educator

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE, SHEMA & SWEET DREAMZZ – Sunday, May 1. Children interested in joining our Sunday morning preschool for next year, as well as those continuing in our class for another year, are invited with a parent or special guest to join us for a special program. We will sing, make a project and hear a story. You do not need to be a member to attend this program, but advance registration is required.

SHAKE, RATTLE & TWIST– May 6 & June 3. Braid challah and sing songs with Rabbi Rachel and Hazz'n Dan on the first Friday of every month. 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.

TUESDAYS WITH TOTS – May 24. Join us in our indoor playroom for music, activities, snacks and playtime. This program is open to the community and is free of charge. Doors open at 10 a.m.

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

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

a taste of kindergarten
for our future students
Sunday, May 1 10:30 a.m.
Coming? Call 248-626-2153



A Message from Melissa Ser Director of Education

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OF OUR TEACHERS and staff who have made this school year an amazing one! Every week, our classroom teachers have brought Jewish values to life for our students. They have taught prayer and much more. Students are happily chatting in Hebrew, and learning vocabulary that they can use in conversation as well as in prayer. They can explain several prayers in depth, not just recite them mechanically. They don't want to miss the school-wide musical Havdalah service that kicks off our Sunday mornings, or the Wednesday afternoon service led by Hazzan Gross each week. Students are using our brand new computer lab to do research, create presentations, and more.

Today Rabah to our 2015-2016 faculty and staff, who will be recognized at our **END OF SCHOOL ASSEMBLY ON MAY 22**. Join us to view our year-end slideshow, celebrate the accomplishments of our students and staff, participate in the seventh grade's Celebration of Learning, and then gather for a free family BBQ, sponsored by the Learning Community and the Men's Club.

Thank you to:

7th Grade: Orit Hamburger
6th Grade: Hadass Zaid
5th Grade: Julie Goldfaden
4th Grade: Eva Feuerstein and Batia Kritzer
3rd Grade: Doron Vergun and Abbi Tarockoff
2nd Grade: Ettie Schargorodsky
1st Grade: Zehava Ungar
Kindergarten: Shelly Tarockoff
Preschool: Nurit Sallen and Ariel Stollman
Hebrew Immersion: Rochel Nachlas
Jewish Art: Marla Schram-Wolfe
Music: Lisa Soble Siegmann
Opening the Doors: Debby Stybel and Addy Katz
Office Assistant: Heather Edwards
Hebrew Teachers: Ayala Perlstein, Ayelet Ben-Simchon, Rabbi Jacob Gregg, Rochelle Morais, Rochel Nachlas, Karen Gales, Dora Goldstein, Toby Schlusell, Cillia Kleiman, Brooke Leiberman
Ramah Fellows: Mai Tannen, Darrien Sherman, Jared Skoff, and Miles Greenspoon

We truly could not have done it without your dedication and energy!

WE BID SHALOM TO OUR WONDERFUL PRESCHOOL TEACHER, NURIT SALLEN, who will be retiring at the end of this month after decades of teaching at Adat Shalom. We will certainly miss her!



**More education news
on next page**

Education & Youth

FROM JODI GROSS Director of Youth Engagement

Spring is in the air and kids are definitely having a blast at Adat Shalom.

We are beginning the month with Kids' Afternoon of Fun: Wacky Olympics on May 1. Kindergarten to 5th graders will spend a few hours having fun playing games and making one-of-kind hats.

Rabbi Shere, Hazzan Gross and I are looking forward to our monthly visit to Hillel Day School during lunch.

Kids of all ages and their parents are invited to celebrate spring at a free BBQ on Sunday, May 22.

Teens are going to continue the tradition of weeding and planting the garden in memory of Haley Nathan, ה"ל. They will transform the garden from blah to beautiful.

The Teen Volunteer Corps looks forward to converting the classrooms into guest rooms before Adat Shalom hosts clients of South Oakland Shelter. Watching and chatting with the teens after this transformation is very meaningful. The teens also take pride in assembling a bag of toiletries for each guest. It is definitely going to be a full month of worthwhile youth engagement!

**OUR TERRIFIC TEENS HELPED TO MAKE
THIS YEAR'S PURIM CARNIVAL
AN AMAZING SUCCESS ONCE AGAIN!**



MAY YOUTH EVENTS:

MAY 1 – Kids' Afternoon of Fun: Wacky Olympics

MAY 16 – Clergy visit Hillel during lunch

MAY 22 – Spring BBQ and Garden Project

MAY 29 – Teen Volunteer Corps Housing the Homeless



**TEENS VOLUNTEERING
AT BOOKSTOCK
ON A COLD
SUNDAY**



**Learn about 2016-2017 year-long courses
in Hebrew and Middle-Eastern History,
to be offered for high school students,
right here at Adat Shalom.**

**Teens will be able to earn high school
and college credit. Read details in next
month's Voice or contact Melissa Ser at
248-626-2153 or mser@adatshalom.org.**

**MAZAL TOV! SHELLY TAROCKOFF
RECIPIENT OF THE EMERY & DIANE KLEIN AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN JEWISH EDUCATION**

The 2016 recipient of the Emery & Diane Klein Award for Excellence in Jewish Education is Shelly Tarockoff, our kindergarten teacher. This annual award provides a


stipend of up to \$1,600 for a Jewish educator to attend a professional development conference, program or series of classes that enhance the effectiveness of his/her teaching.

Shelly has been teaching at Adat Shalom for 16 years.

The Kleins established this award in 2006 through an endowment to the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit to recognize the dedication and creativity of those teachers who demonstrate a love of Jewish learning and bring their talents and energy to the classroom.



REMEMBER THEIR SACRIFICE




YOM HAZIKARON

ISRAEL'S NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY
We Join Together to Remember Those Who Have Fallen So That Israel May Continue to Stand

TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016 | 2 IYAR 5776 | 6:00 P.M.
 THE BERMAN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
 6600 WEST MAPLE ROAD • WEST BLOOMFIELD

We kindly ask that you be seated by 5:45 p.m. in order to start promptly.
There is no charge for this community-wide commemoration.
 For more information, contact Lisa Stearn at (248) 502-2856 or stearn@jfmf.org.

 **Jewish Federation**
 OF METROPOLITAN DETROIT | Israel and Overseas

FROM RABBI BERGMAN *(continued from page 3)*

tradition and innovation, of loyalty to Jewish law and openness to the wisdom of the world.

Adat Shalom represents the best of the Jewish world.

The members of our shul are down to earth and kind, and want to do good things for others, both for our people and for all people. Our lay leaders are dedicated to doing what is best for the shul and work incredible hours for no pay and few thanks.

Our staff, led by Alan Yost, is friendly and helpful and put their heart and soul into Adat Shalom, whether or not it is their own faith community.

The clergy and educators I get to work with every day are the best and most dedicated I could have ever asked to work with.

I am certain that Rabbi Segal would be proud to see what we have done with the Adat Shalom that he gave us as a precious inheritance.

Even after being a rabbi for twenty-five years, Adat Shalom makes me feel like I am really just beginning.

And that daughter we were expecting at my ordination ceremony? She is in her third year of rabbinical school there herself.

She and all my daughters and all of our children are the next generations. I know we will leave them a Jewish world that is as nurturing as the one we have today.

FROM RABBI SHERE *(continued from page 3)*

highest expression of our humanity.

Counting the Omer is an ancient "technology" that allows us to focus on one specific character trait each day that we would like to refine and improve. These traits were set in the sixteenth century by the Kabbalists and include various combinations of the following seven attributes: kindness, discipline, compassion, endurance, humility, authenticity, and leadership. In modern times, there are many books and even free apps that can guide you through the counting of the Omer and give you spiritual exercises to make each day more meaningful. The juxtaposition of Pesach and Shavuot reminds us that not being enslaved is only the beginning of what it truly means to be free. May our observance of the Omer help us to actualize the Divine spark we each carry and, in doing so, fulfill the words of Psalm 90:12, "Teach us to number our days so that we might grow for ourselves a heart of wisdom."

A Weekend with the "It" Guy - March 25-27 **Billy Jonas brings a musical treat to members of all ages!**



above: a super-lively
Shabbat Rocks service

right: Havdalah &
Beyond at the home of
Rhonda & Jeff Schwartz

below: Billy with our
students on Sunday



Spirit & joy abounded at Sunday's concert for all ages!



Purim 2016 at Adat Shalom



Adat Shalom was pleased
to host a community
Purim celebration with
Megillah Madness for all
ages and a carnival
like no other!



See teen Purim pix on page 11

In the Community

Bookstock.

**Metro Detroit's Biggest & Best
Used Book Sale - Where Bargains Abound!
Sunday, May 15 through Sunday, May 22
Laurel Park Place, Livonia**

BOOKSTOCK'S BACK, offering incredible deals on used books and media Sunday, May 15 through Sunday, May 22 at Livonia's Laurel Park Place. Proceeds benefit literacy and education projects in metropolitan Detroit. Detroit Free Press columnist Rochelle Riley and *Detroit News* columnist Neal Rubin are Honorary Co-Chairs.

Bookstock's Pre-Sale will kick-off on Sunday, May 15 at 8:15 a.m. There is a \$20 admission charge for the Pre-Sale only, which runs through 11 a.m. and offers savvy shoppers and collectors first crack at Bookstock's treasure trove of bargains.

Bookstock has over 100,000 donated used books, DVDs, CDs, books on tape, magazines and records for sale at bargain basement prices. The sale will continue through Sunday, May 22, running Sundays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Marking 14 years of supporting the need to read, Bookstock has generated over \$1.2 million for literacy and education projects throughout Oakland County and Detroit. More than 800 volunteers work together throughout the year to organize and staff the weeklong Bookstock sale.

This year, Bookstock will feature five "Special Sale" days. Go to www.bookstockmi.org for all the details.

- ALZHEIMER'S WORKSHOP -

The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's disease is a workshop presented by the Alzheimer's Association at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 15, for anyone who would like to know more about Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

The program is a one-hour PowerPoint presentation with embedded video clips of professionals, individuals living with dementia, and family care partners discussing various aspects of the disease.

If you plan to attend, please notify the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-272-3900.

HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

West Bloomfield's spring drop-off date is Saturday, May 7, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Civic Center on Walnut Lake Rd.

Garden/garage, workshop, kitchen/bath and electronic items will be accepted. Shredding may be done on-site.

Friday afternoon drop-off is available by appointment. The information hotline is 248-451-4834, or go to www.wbtown-ship.org.

THE MICHIGAN BOARD OF CANTORS

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! THE STORY OF A ROMANCE

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 7:30 PM

AT THE BERMAN CENTER

HAZZAN DANIEL GROSS will be among those featured at this year's JCC concert. This year's concert was planned in honor of the 90-year anniversary of the Jewish Community Center.

For this special evening, the Cantors will be taking audiences on unforgettable musical adventures while paying tribute to the Jewish influence on music of all kinds. You'll experience the marvelous talent and special camaraderie of our community cantors, guaranteed to excite your senses and elevate your soul!

Pricing and availability can be found online at theberman.org/cantors-concert.

GREAT LAKES

CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

JUNE 21 PERFORMANCE AT ADAT SHALOM

ADAT SHALOM is pleased to host an evening featuring a performance of the Schubert String Quartet No. 12 in C Minor and a selection of six vocal pieces performed by Hazzan Daniel Gross and Lauren Skuce-Gross. The program begins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21.

Hazzan Gross will perform numbers by Finzi and Vaughan Williams. Lauren's works are by Britten, Schubert, Strauss and Beethoven.

The event will be preceded by a 6:45 p.m. Prelude: Mendelssohn's Piano Trio No. 1 in D Minor.

The festival runs from June 11 to 26.

Advance tickets are \$35/person and \$10 for those under 25. All tickets are \$5 more at the door. Complete information about the festival and ticketing is available at greatlakeschambermusic.org.

JEWISH WOMEN'S DAY OF LEARNING

SUNDAY, MAY 22 10 AM - 4 PM

CONGREGATION SHAAREY ZEDEK

THE COHN-HADDOW CENTER FOR JUDAIC STUDIES is presenting a program entitled *Transparent Judaism in the 21st Century: What's Gender Got to Do With It?*

Rabbi Carole Balin of Hebrew Union College is the keynote speaker.

Suggested donation is \$18. Lunch is included.

For information call 313-577-2679 or email cohnhad-dowcenter@wayne.edu.

ADAT SHALOM MEMORIAL PARK



THE CEMETERY IS OPEN FROM
9 AM TO 5 PM SUNDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.
CLOSED ON SHABBAT AND JEWISH HOLIDAYS.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE PURCHASE OF
CEMETERY PLOTS, PLEASE CALL STEVEN GOLDSMITH,
248-798-9995, OR DENISE GALLAGHER, 248-851-5100.

FROM HAZZAN GROSS CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

pers and volunteers was palpable, and all the Jewish guests were welcomed with sincerity. Many Jews I encounter have never set foot in a church – they tell me that it feels inappropriate or that it will tempt some negative superstition (*kenahorah!*) I truly believe that we should educate ourselves by experiencing other faith traditions and services.

There are many non-Jewish organizations, both religious and secular, that support Israel and are very proactive in their Zionism. One of these is the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews (IFCJ). IFCJ was founded by Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein, an ordained orthodox rabbi. In our recent partnership with the Russell Street Missionary Baptist Church to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day, we raised thousands of dollars for the creation of a bomb shelter in Israel, an initiative facilitated by the IFCJ. A second such organization is Christians United for Israel (CUFI), founded by Pastor John Hagee of Cornerstone Church in San Antonio, Texas, a nondenominational evangelical church with over 22,000 members. Pastor Hagee was the guest preacher at the Word of Faith service and delivered an inspiring message which depicted his passion and support for Israel. He informed us that CUFI has over 3 million members. It's astonishing that the CUFI membership is about one-fifth of the entire world's Jewish population! Through CUFI On Campus, they also facilitate important work with Christian college student leaders on campuses across the country to combat the growth of anti-semitism facing Jewish students on a daily basis.

Other highlights from that morning include hearing the spirited hundred-voice Word of Faith choir, plus their orchestra and full band. The place was rocking! The musical highlight for me was when the choir led the congregation in *Hatikvah*, and the choristers all knew the words by heart. My part in the service was singing the beautiful poetic ballad, "Jerusalem is Mine," written in 1975 by Kenny Karen. There was also a presentation about the ALYN Hospital in Jerusalem, Israel's only pediatric and adolescent rehabilitation facility and one of the premiere rehabilitation centers in the world.

This month we observe two special holidays dedicated to Eretz Yisrael – Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut. Israel is the homeland of our people, but it is also home to many people of other religious beliefs. I am grateful to our Christian friends for their tireless work in support of Israel. To paraphrase a resolute statement by Word of Faith's pastor, Bishop Keith Miller, to his congregation: "The Jewish people don't need our Bible [the New Testament]. We would be nothing, however, without theirs!"

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In Memoriam

We send heartfelt condolences to the families of:

REVEREND JOSEPH BARAS, Jewish scholar, teacher of Torah, and longtime ritual director of Congregation Beth Achim

ETHEL DROZ, wife of the late Louis Droz, mother of Howard (Linda Lantin-Droz) Droz, Alan (Shelley Gach-Droz) Droz and Sharon (Sandor) Katan, grandmother of Judy Droz, Eric Droz, Jeffrey (Brooke) Goodstein, Brian Katan, Kevin Katan, Tracey (Jared Ostler) Katan-Ostler, Caryn (Ben) Leonard, David (Amy) Gach, Michelle (Justin) Beckett and Todd (Tanya) Ely, 13 great-grandchildren

IRENE FRANCES KASH, wife of the late Joseph Kash, mother of David (Cynthia) Kash, Sheri (Paul Belleau) Kash and Tracy Kash, grandmother of Morgan, Landon, Elena, Alejandra, Sonya and Sarah, sister of Stuart (Anne) Vosk, sister-in-law of Allen (Marcia) Kash, Dennis (Shelly) Kash, Marilyn (Stanley) Levine and Lila (Stephen) Zorn

DAVID J. LIEBERMAN, husband of Rene Lieberman, father of Lisa (Dan) Mendelson, Rachel (Lee) Buckman and Patti Lieberman (Jeff Knishkowsky), grandfather of Ari (Vicki) Mendelson, Yael (Sammy) Steiner, Ethan Mendelson, Avi Mendelson, Ezra Mendelson, Ilan (Molly) Buckman, and Yoni, Avi and Noam Buckman, Aaron and Noah Knishkowsky, great-grandfather of Yair and Noam Mendelson

GERALD MANKO, husband of the late Barbara Manko, father of Beth (Earle) Erman, Larry (Janis) Shulman and Nancy (Barry) Lefkowitz, grandfather of Dana (Brent) Luria, Brad (fiancee Allison Zeid) Lefkowitz, Lauren Lefkowitz, Brian (Rachel) Shulman, Julie Shulman, Michael (Julie) Shulman, Mark (Audrey) Erman, Alyse Erman and Eric Erman, great-grandfather of Charlie and William Erman, Joey and Owen Luria

ADRIENNE CREED MENDELSON, wife of the late Allan Leonard Mendelson, mother of Steven Mendelson, David (Wendy) Mendelson, Robert (Larry Eschler) Mendelson, grandmother of Alicia, Avery and Ethan Mendelson, sister of Ronald (Paula) Creed

STEVEN S. ROSEN, husband of Evelyn Rosen, father of Jason (Esther) Rosen, Marcy Rosen (David Eisenberg), and Emily Rosen, grandfather of Lev and Joshua Eisenberg, Yossi and Ari Rosen, son of Benjamin Rosen, Delores (Jim) Palazzolo, brother of Esther (Lou) Comaianni, Jerald (Georgia) Rosen, Ilene (Greg) Bischer, and Sanford (Lucinda) Rosen

DAVID B. ROSENTHAL, husband of the late Ester L. Rosenthal, father of Susan (David) Shevrin and Paula (Nazeem) Noordeen, grandfather of Hannah and Rebecca Noordeen

SIMON SCHREIBER, husband of Temi Silver-Schreiber, father of Jeremy, Adam, Rebecca Anny, Ari and Bradley, brother and brother in law of Dvora and Henu Benmoshe, Yoram and Dalia Schreiber, Bonnie & Harvey Silver, Esther & Neal Zalenko and Sandy & Arnold Silver

ARNON SIEGMANN, father of Tal (Lisa Soble) Siegmann, grandfather of Adi, Maya and Amit Siegmann

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:

CONGREGATIONAL FUND IN MEMORY OF:

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David B. Rosenthal *by Lisa & Michael Betman*
Debby Schilling *by Alana & Greg Aronin; Barbara & Jerry Cook; Rosalie Gold; Cheryl & Dan Guyer; Helene & Merton Robbins; Liz & Steve Schubiner*
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Yahrzeits of:

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Thank you Rabbi & Ruth Bergman for a wonderful trip *by Enid & Sam Wapner*
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Special birthday of Randy Phillips *by Ronna & Kenny Whiteman; Will and Danielle Bluford*
Bar Mitzvah of Jared Niskar *by Cheryl & Marc Bocknek; Marsha & Neil Millman*
Recent marriage of Dana & Alex Bonda *by Kathy & Michael Laffer; Phyllis & Bob Pilcowitz and family; Susan & Jeffrey Young*
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Thank you Rabbi Shere, Mindy Eisenberg and Rabbi James Maisels for a wonderful retreat *by Marilyn Robinson and Linda Schafer*

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Wedding of Dana & Alex Bonda
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March

In memory of Abraham Ross
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In memory of Lillian Wine *by Robin &
Gary Wine; Beverly & Hadley Wine*

April

In memory of David Lebovic
by Tom Lebovic and Joey Lebovic
In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Abraham
Miller *by Jessica & Lawrence Miller*
In honor of the end of Kaddish for
Debby Schilling *by Gail Langer*
In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Chloe
Schram *by Jill Kofender & Anthony
Schram*
In memory of Irene Lebovic
by Tom Lebovic and Joey Lebovic
In memory of Harold Ellia *by Anne &
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8:00am: 5K Family Fun Run Starts (registration required)

10:30am: Open to the Public

11:00am: Special Guest Speaker Gil Hoffman,
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12:30pm: Kosher Lunch (no charge)

1:30pm: Walk Starts

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Friday:

May 6 . . 8:21 p.m.
13 . . 8:29 p.m.
20 . . 8:36 p.m.
27 . . 8:42 p.m.

SHABBAT ENDS

Saturday

May 7 . . 9:21 p.m.
14 . . 9:29 p.m.
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