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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mornings:
Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m.
Thursday, November 25 8:30 a.m.
Shabbat9:00 a.m.
Evenings
Sunday – Friday 5:00 p.m.
Saturday (Minchah-Maariv)
November 7 5:15 p.m.
November 14, 21 & 28 5:00 p.m.

SHABBAT TORAH PORTIONS

NOVEMBER 7 Chayei Sarah NOVEMBER 21 Vayetzei

NOVEMBER 15 Toldot NOVEMBER 28

Vayishlach



Farmington Area
Interfaith Association
Thanksgiving Service
Monday, November 23

AT THE TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH 26880 LA MUERA, FARMINGTON

Join our clergy and the Adat Shalom family at 7 p.m. for this annual warm, spiritual way to usher in Thanksgiving.



A Taste of Thanks

Kosher Cooking demonstration and wine tasting

Enrich your Thanksgiving with tasty, creative dishes and wines, plus "food for thought" from Rabbi Bergman

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16 6:30 pm

at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital Demonstration Kitchen

- Adat Shalom Adult Learning, Quality Kosher Catering, and Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital invite you to participate in this unique pre-Thanksgiving happening.
- In partnership with the Adat Shalom Sisterhood and Young Adult Group
- Open to the community. \$25/Adat Shalom member. \$35/non-member.
- Please respond by Monday, November 9.
- Register online at www.adatshalom.org/cooking
- Questions? Contact Jodi Gross at jgross@adatshalom.org or 248-851-5100.

Chanukah is coming! First Candle: Sunday evening, December 6

Wednesday, December 9 - 6:15 pm

GALA FAMILY CHANUKAH DINNER

and dance party with music by Star Trax

with hands-on activities for the kids



a collaboration between the Youth Engagement Department, the Men's Club, the Adat Shalom - Beth Achim Learning Community, and the Young Adult Group

There will be a dinner fee. Watch for details in the mail and online!

The Adat Shalom clergy and staff are pleased to wish you a joyous Thanksgiving. As we gather together with friends and family, may we count our blessings and pray for health and happiness for those we love and peace in Israel and around the world.

Coming this month

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 AT 7:30 PM

ADAT SHALOM TO HOST JTS EVENING WITH RABBI NEVINS



he Adat Shalom community is pleased to welcome back Rabbi Danny Nevins at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 15. Rabbi Nevins is the Pearl Resnick Dean of The Rabbinical School at The Jewish Theological Seminary. He will present a talk based on his latest responsum for the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards: Jews and GMOs: Is it Kosher to Mix DNA Among Different Species?

Rabbi Nevins was Rabbi of Adat Shalom for 13 years, until 2007, when he became Dean of the JTS Rabbinical School. He and Lynn and the kids now live in NYC but all still feel at home in Michigan. He looks forward to catching up with the Adat Shalom family.

The program is open to the community at no charge. For reservations or more information, please call the JTS Metro Detroit office, 248-258-0055, or Adat Shalom Synagogue, 248-851-5100.

NOVEMBER SHABBAT TORAH STUDY

Learn about the weekly parasha and enhance your Shabbat experience

November 7 with Rabbi Yoskowitz November 21 with Ruth Bergman

November 14

November 28

with Rabbi Jason Miller No Torah Study

9:45 а.м.

FINISHING IN TIME FOR THE RABBI'S SERMON.

EVENING MINYAN TIME CHANGES TO 5 PM

WEEKDAY MINCHAH SERVICES WILL MOVE TO 5 PM ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 AND WILL REMAIN AT 5 PM UNTIL FEBRUARY 14, WHEN THEY RETURN TO 6 PM.

Morning services continue at 7:30 am on WEEKDAYS, 8:30 AM ON SUNDAYS AND U.S. HOLIDAYS, AND 9 AM ON SHABBAT.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE TIMES VARY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. PLEASE CONSULT OUR MONTHLY ONLINE CALENDARS OR THE VOICE.

-Missing Tallit -

A very special tallit belonging to Shoshana Wolok was last seen here on Shabbat morning, October 3. The light blue silk tallit and tallit bag were in a plastic case. If you have mistakenly taken home this item, please call the synagogue office. Shoshana will be most grateful.

Mazal Tov To our November B'nai Mitzvah



Noah Schwartz

November 7

Noah Schwartz is the son of Rhonda & Jeffrey Schwartz and the grandson of Annette & Martin Newman, Henny & Joseph Schwartz and Shirley *Newberg & the late Art* Newberg

November 14

Elena Hirsch is the daughter of Sarah & Kevin Hirsch and the granddaughter of Judy Tigay, Barry Tigay and Mirriel & Bernard Hirsch.



Elena Kay Hirsch



Maxym Wolberg

November 28 Maxym Wolberg is the son of Iryna & Sheldon Wolberg, and the grandson of Katrina & Valerie Shmehelska and the late

Sadie & Loyed Wolberg.

Meditation AND MINDFULNESS

Join Rabbi Bergman 9:30 a.m. on Sundays, November 8 & 22

- 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 any one or all each session is an individual experience.

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Messages

COMING TO BOOK FAIR

FROM THE PRESIDENT **CAMARADERIE & COMMITMENT**



LORI **ISSNER**

THILE SITTING ON THE BIMAH during the recent holidays, two words came to mind: camaraderie and commitment. Over the past several weeks, I have been energized by the passion for Adat Shalom expressed so eloquently, by so many, regarding their recent holiday experiences. Our synagogue has been bustling with prayer and activity, highlighting our clergy's wisdom, guidance, talent and com-

mitment. Regardless of personal levels of observance, the holidays are a time when we tend to feel most connected to our Jewish selves.

CAMARADERIE was evident while shaking hands and greeting congregants during Torah processionals, while waving the lulav and etrog during Sukkot, and while dancing with the Torah. It was gratifying to see smiling faces and to hear from numerous members that they enjoyed being together at Adat Shalom. There was a sense of camaraderie between our clergy, our congregants, our magnificent choirs, our polished teen Torah readers, our children in youth services, our organized ushers and even among those congregating and socializing in the hallways. While there are many ways to learn about our religion and traditions, there is no substitute for par-

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FROM HAZZAN GROSS MORNING THANKS

N THE SPIRIT of Thanksgiving, I am devoting this article to the very first word we are supposed to



HAZZAN GROSS

say upon waking up: THANKS! The text of this one verse prayer reads: Modeh/Modah ani l'fanecha. Melech chai v'kayam, shehechezarta bi nishmati b'chemlah, rabah emunatecha. "I am grateful to You, living, enduring King, for restoring my soul to me in compassion. You are faithful beyond measure."

There is so much beauty in this one verse that I could write a dissertation on its meaning, however,

since my word count is limited, I will add only a few thoughts of illumination. I would venture to say that the first words out of your mouth when hearing the 6:00 a.m. alarm are not "Thank you." What our tradition urges us is that even when we are overtired, not feeling well, or dreading the day ahead, we should still thank God for giving us a new day of life and breath.

There are two unique characteristics about the Hebrew text of this prayer. The first is that the versions for males and females differ slightly (note the parallel between CONTINUED ON PAGE 12

FROM RABBI BERGMAN

RABBI GREEN: ASKING THE DIFFICULT QUESTIONS



BERGMAN

S A YOUNG MAN, Rabbi Art Green was already a great scholar of classical Jewish sources. As a man no longer young, he is still one of our most radical and creative thinkers. He is a master of Kabbalah and Talmud, and more importantly, a master at asking the difficult questions we as a people need to confront but often avoid.

The first book I read of his was about Rabbi Nahman of Bratslav, called A Tormented Master. This was a very difficult book for me. I have long considered Rabbi Nahman one of my spiritual guides, and Art Green por-

trayed him as far more human than made me comfortable at the time. I came to realize what a gift that was. I gained a deeper appreciation of

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FROM RABBI SHERE GOD IS ONE

SHEMA YISRAEL ADONAI ELOHEINU ADONAI ECHAD.

This is the first prayer we are taught as children and the last prayer we say before taking our final breath. Its six words are often translated as, "Here O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one."

RABBI SHERE

On the surface, it seems like a pretty simple concept: There is only one God.

However, over the years, as I have delved more deeply into the prayer's meaning, I have come to understand it differently. I believe it is not, as some might read it, a statement that God is one, as opposed to two or three. Rather, I believe it is a statement about the "oneness" and the interconnectedness of all life. We all come from God, and we will all return to God; in the middle, however, we each walk this earth carrying a piece of God's presence within us. This piece, the soul, connects us both to each other and to God.

One of the reasons for covering our eyes when we say the Shema is so that we can imagine this interconnectedness, this oneness of all life. With our eyes open, we see boundaries, edges and distinctions; we see concrete definitions of "me" and "you." With our eyes covered, however, we "see" that separateness is an illusion, that we are all part of something greater – and that we are never alone.

One of my favorite writers, Anne Lamott, says: "Though there is only one of each of us, we are all mosaic chips of The One." Yes.

FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ THE TIDE HAS TURNED



The question posed by Mr. Hughes is voiced by many of us today. There is a social revolution accompanied by a sudden shift of mass emotion that has swept through much of the American community. History is



RABBI YOSKOWITZ

usually perceived "in terms of slow change and gradual development," Hughes writes. "We are at a loss to account for the sudden and catastrophic." Simply put, the tide of history has radically changed. What precedent can we find that may help us to grapple with the changes of today?

With Great Pleasure...

High Holy Days 5776...

he beauty of the 5776 High Holy Days was a result of the talents and time put forth by many congregants, our clergy, and staff. We are most appreciative of all those who helped to make this year's High Holidays both enriching and memorable.

Special thanks go to

The Usher Corps, under the supervision of Chairman Gary Graff, for enhancing the decorum at services. Our ushers: Louis Chernoff, Irwin Elson, Jay Guttman, Margery Jablin, Maurice Katzman, Sharon Moss Lebovic, Irving Lichtman, Robert Moss, Harvey Olson, Jerome Olson, Andy Pass, Leonard Poger, Sheldon Rocklin, Don Rudick, David Strauss. Jeff Tackel and Gerald Sukenic.

Elliot Solomon and Alan Gallatin for chanting *P'sukei D'zimra*, Paul Magy, Jason Biederman and Marty Liebman for chanting *Shacharit*, Marty Liebman for chanting Maftir Yonah. Lauren Gross, Marvin Trimas and Robert Schostak for blowing the Shofar.

Paul Goldsmith and Larry Buch for enhancing the aliyot and honors.

Yasher Koach to Our Fabulous Choirs

Wen's Choir – under the direction of Marty Liebman: Michael Anstandig, Jason Biederman, Jonathan Blatt, Stuart Goldberg, Jerry Kohen, Marty Liebman, Noah Liebman, Max Rotenberg, Steve Rotenberg, Asher Tilchin, Mark Vieder (Cantorial Soloist), Sandy Vieder

Mixed Choir – under the direction of Hazzan Daniel Gross: Seth Betman, Deborah Bienstock, Janis Braun-Levine, Paul Chute, Darren DeWitt, Carl Dibble, Alan Gallatin, Kelly Goldberg, Steven E. Goldsmith, Linda Goodman, Susie Graham, Nicole Greenidge Joseph, Ian Greenlaw, Lauren Gross, Diane Howitt, Rayna Kogan, Kochavah Latham, Ari Layno Moses, Dan Medow, Stuart Pinsky, Mark Shatz, Deborah Stein. Julie Wiener, Alisa Z

And to our Teen Torak Readers

Elijah Appelman, Jolie Banooni, Jack Berkey, Ethan Biederman, Allison Bloomberg, Joshua Bradford, Isabel Bradley, Jordan Bross, Matthew Brown, Joshua Chynoweth, Sarah Chynoweth, Evie Dickman, Margo Dickstein, Zachary Felsenfeld, Joshua Gallatin, Ben Goldstein, Joey Greenstein, Dayna Katz, Scott Katz, Elan Krakoff, Micah Krakoff. Maggie Leff, Shelby Michaels, Ethan Mostyn, Jared Perlman, Samantha Perlman, Ethan Podolsky, Max Rotenberg, Sydni Rotenberg, Asher Schreiber, Joshua State, Claire Steinbock, Emily Uzansky, Nikolas Vieder, Rachel Wasserman, Kyle Zaback

And our Askrei Readers

Matthew Berg, Elisha Cooper, Amanda Kolin, Benjamin Shaevsky, Hunter Vainik, Maxym Wolberg

A Hearty Welcome To Our New Members

Lauren & Jordan Acker Susie & David Aisner Doris & James August Annette Berenholz Miriam & Ronald Bergman Sharon & Lawrence Berry Carmen & Robert Biederman Marianne & Robert Bloomberg Marcia & Donald Boxman Eileen & Sidney Bradley Sari & Mitchell Cicurel Rachel & Jeremy Crane Heather & Andrew Daitch Shelli & Michael Dorfman Marcy Feldman Marilyn & Ronald Gold Amye & Louis Goldhaber Eli Grier Micki Grossman Susan & David Harold Patricia & Mark Haron **Constance Harris** Diane Hopp Joel Jacob Sarah & Jonathan Jacobs Barbara & Michael Jonas Dawn & Jeffrey Joshowitz Rochelle & Jack Juni Gary Karp Gabriella Karp Steven Kaufman David Levi Lisa & Hannan Lis

Nina & Jeffrey Lopatin Jacqueline & Ronald Lorfel Semonna & Jared Matz Gert & David Matz Sandi & Steven Matz Wendy & David Mendelson Laurie Mindell Barbara & Stephan Morse Anita & Robert Naftaly Donna Pearlman Stephanie & Jason Pollak Ariella & Tzvi Raviv Kari & Sandy Richmond Jenna Ritten Helene & Merton Robbins Deborah & Barry Rosen Elizabeth & Barry Rosen David Rosenfeld Kimberly & Michael Rubin Andrea Sanfield Shauna & Scott Schwartz Sharon & Bennett Schwartz Miriam & Peter Seagle Elizabeth Seagle Sandra & Stewart Shipper Dorie Shwedel Adrienne & Paul Shwedel Linda Singer Ellen & Tom Slovis Sherri & David Somers Mara & Alan Starr Leora & Mark Tapper Megan & Aubrey Topper Bonnie Tucker Diane & Mark Voight

Daniel Wiener

Gynae Little

Adult Learning at Adat Shalom

from Jodi Gross, Director of Adult Learning

t Adat Shalom we have an impressive array of both individual At Add Shalom we have an impressive array and long term classes for adults in our community. We encourage you to choose at least one opportunity that will enhance your personal growth this new year.

LUNCHTIME LEARNING CONTINUES



Tuesdays, November 3, 10 & 17 Torah From the Yellow Brick Road with Rabbi Rachel Shere

USING THE BACKDROP of the classic film *The* Wizard of Oz, Rabbi Shere will explore what Judaism has to say about God, identity and the search for our true home.

Monday, November 23 The Life & Times of Rabbi Akiva with Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz

WE WILL LEARN ABOUT a true Jewish hero who had not studied Torah until the age of 40 and went on to become the greatest Jewish scholar of his era. (See Rabbi Yoskowitz's Message beginning on page 3.)

Lunchtime Learning meets from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. You are invited 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.

Adult B'nai Mitzvah Classes Begin in January

Join the Clergy and Dr. Melissa Ser to study and explore Hebrew, rituals, liturgy, customs and much more. No Hebrew knowledge is necessary.

Wednesday mornings, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. beginning January 20. The Adult B'nai Mitzvah celebration will be at Shabbat morning services on June 24, 2017.

The program is open to the community. There is a fee. To reserve your spot and for more information, contact Caren Harwood, 248-851-5100, ext. 231 or charwood@adatshalom.org.

THANK YOU TO OUR SHOFAR BLOWERS AT MORNING SERVICES DURING THE MONTH OF ELUL:

Jacob Banooni, Rabbi Aaron Bergman, Seth Betman, Elyssa Biederman, Janis Braun-Levine, Lauren Gross, Joel Jacob, Cindy Posen, Joe Salzman, Bobby Schostak and Marvin Trimas



Offering nourishment for your mind, body & spirit

Learn from Book Fair Guest Scholar

RABBI ARTHUR GREEN

"JUDAISM'S TEN BEST IDEAS: A Brief Guide for Seekers"

> SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 12:30 P.M.



Adat Shalom is pleased to co-sponsor this Lunch and Learn program hosted by JCC Book Fair.

Have you ever wondered "Why be Jewish?" "Is this a legacy really worth preserving" "Is Judaism relevant to my life?" In his new book, the engaging and insightful Rabbi Art Green presents the ideas in Judaism that have kept him loyal to the tradition.

For the past seven years, Rabbi Green has been named to Newsweek's list of the "top 50 influential rabbis in America." Be sure to read Rabbi Bergman's column about Rabbi Green, which begins on page 3.

Tickets: \$18 (includes a buffet lunch). Reservations required one week prior to event. Purchase tickets at theberman.org or 248-661-1900

..... NOVEMBER SUPPER SERIES......

ISRAELI POLITICS EXPLAINED PRESENTED BY RABBI AARON BERGMAN



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 5:30 PM AT THE HOME OF MICKI GROSSMAN (Please note change of date from November 8.)

There is a \$10/person fee. Includes a dairy dinner. Please reserve 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 programs.



Adult Learning

SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK GROUP _

The group is continuing this season under the direction of Rabbi Shere and facilitated by Oakland University Professor Tara Hayes. It will next meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, November 23. It 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.

In November the group will focus on the environment. They will discuss *From Field to Fork* by Paul Thompson.

To attend and/or be added to the mailing list, please email Patti Aaron, pkaaron@gmail.com.

"UP YOUR GAME" IN LIFE



The group gathered for a Kodak moment during the opening session on October 12. Rabbi Bergman and Rabbi Shere each presented two programs during the fall 4-week series. The final session will take place on November 2. Watch for info on future *Up Your Game* sessions: learning, lunch or dinner, fol-

lowed by games, such as Canasta or Mahjong.



THE PASSENGER

November 14-22 At the Detroit Opera House

The Passenger is a not-to-be-missed, complex production written to be sung in six languages for an authentic opera experience. This powerful Holocaust-based story is told within a two level set – the top an ocean liner and the bottom the barracks.

Lauren Skuce Gross will be making her Michigan Opera Theater debut in a cameo role in *The Passenger*.

Adat Shalom members may receive a 25% ticket discount on any of the four performances. Please use discount code: pass2518.



Education & Youth

A Message from Melissa Ser Director of Education

OFF TO ORTONVILLE IN NOVEMBER! COMMUNITY-WIDE PRETEEN RETREAT

s president of the Metro Detroit Board of Jewish Educators, I see first-hand how shared ideas and varied backgrounds can lead to stronger relationships among educators. We each come to the table with different experiences and respectfully work together to create a stronger Jewish educational community. It is part of what makes us a Kehilla Kedosha, a sacred community.

Along with many of my colleagues, I will be spending the first Shabbat in November at Camp Tamarack with Jewish fifth and

sixth graders from multiple denominations around our community. This shabbaton, or Shabbat retreat, has *Creating Sacred Community* as its theme, and we are encouraging all of our preteens to attend. For me this retreat is also personal; I spearheaded the grant that led to its implementation.



This is a cross-denominational program. Participants, who share public and private schools, camps, and – down

the road – their b'nai mitzvah celebrations with those in other movements, will be able to experience first-hand not only what defines each of our observances, but what ties us together in spite of our differences. With the background of camp, that magical informal setting where technology disappears, where friendships are formed and blossom in cabins and around shared meals, in encouraging fellow campers on the high ropes course and in kickball, something amazing happens: students who arrived just 25 hours earlier become part of something much larger than themselves.

When we arrive at Camp Tamarack on Friday, we will take part in a Reform-style learner's Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv service, followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner, ice breakers, games, and an *a cappella* sing-along. In the morning, participants will have a yummy breakfast, experience a Conservative-style learner's Shabbat morning service and Torah discussion, have time with their own congregation, work on a fun interactive presentation with other students, experience the high ropes course, sports, and Shabbat-friendly arts and crafts and, finally, after dinner, end with a campfire havdalah and s'mores. The best part is that this is only the first of two retreats for the same students this year; a second one takes place later this school year on April 15-16. We hope to be able to secure the grant funding for future years.

The fall retreat costs just \$50 per participant (with up to 100% scholarship available), including transportation, thanks to funding by the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit's education division and a grant from the Hermelin Davidson Fund for Congregation School Excellence. I am so excited to see a tiny idea turn into something with so much potential to make a huge impact on our preteens.

When you see fifth- or sixth-graders walking around wearing their Shabbaton t-shirts later this month, ask them all about Ortonville!

Education & Youth

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS

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

SHAKE, RATTLE & TWIST – **November 6 & December 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.

CODE OF ETHICS PROGRAM – November 8, 10:30 a.m. Parents or special guests are invited to an opportunity to learn together and create a family code of ethics.

SAY GOODBYE TO SHABBAT AND HELLO TO CAMP - November 14. Read all about it in the column on right.

FAMILY COAT OF ARMS – November 15. Parents and/or special guests are invited to join their 3rd graders at 10:30 a.m. to culminate a discussion they began on the first day of school. They will use their family's special interests to create a Jewish coat of arms for their home.

KETER HASHEM SHELI - "The Crown of My Name" - November 22. Parents and first graders come together to celebrate their first graders' names and learn about the history behind their names. Parents will learn with Rabbi Shere at 10 a.m., prior to joining with their children to create their special keepsakes.

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



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

Every week we celebrate Shabbat and we mark its ending with the bittersweet ceremony of Havdalah. On November 14, Adat Shalom is joining with Congregation Beth Ahm to "Say Goodbye to Shabbat and Hello to Camp" at the Bowers School Farm. We will celebrate Havdalah with

Rabbi Bergman and hear a story from Rabbi Rubinstein. The evening will be packed with activities coordinated by Camp Tamakwa, Camp Tamarack, Camp Ramah Canada, Camp Tavor and Camp Young Judaea. Of course there will be s'mores (everything will be kosher and nut free; gluten free and dairy free snacks are available too). Cost is \$5 per family, with prepayment requested.



Put on your favorite camp shirts, and join us at the Bowers School Farm at 6:30 p.m. This program is geared to families with children in 2nd grade and older (younger siblings are welcome.) You do not need to be a member of either congregation to attend, so spread the word and bring a friend. We will be saying goodbye to Shabbat and enjoying camp festivities inside and out. So join us regardless of the weather. Registration is requested by November 9, but you may still register at the door. For more information contact me by email or phone.

Congratulations to our Simchat Torah Raffle winners!

Family Camp: David Somers & Sheri Gerber-Somers. iTunes: Sarah Chenowyth & Chava Norber. JCC Pool Party: Norber Family. Yoga Shelter: Darrien Sherman. Jewish Camp Scholarship: Gallatin Family. Adat Shalom-Beth Achim Tuition Discount: Newman Family. Breakfast with the Clergy: Gallatin Family. 4 Tickets to Todd Parr: Tepman Family

If your raffle ticket was called but your name is not listed here, please contact me to make arrangements to claim your gift certificate for Toyology, a Synagogue dues discount, or a Bubble Club semester class.

- L'shalom, Debi Banooni, Jewish Family Educator













Getting Ready for Sukkot and Simchat Torah







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Education & Youth

FROM JODI GROSS Director of Youth Engagement

One of the many ways Adat Shalom engages post b'nai mitzvah teens is as *madrichim* ("guides") in religious school classrooms. With all of the demands on their time, I am happy to share that 32 *madrichim* have chosen to spend several hours each week working closely with students, helping the school run smoothly, being positive Jewish role models, and gaining valuable work experience. Part of building community in our classrooms is showing younger students that Jewish learning and Jewish engagement does not end with bar or bat mitzvah – and having teens in the classroom makes this message come alive.

Our terrific team of madrichim includes: Elijah Appelman, Jacob Banooni, Jolie Banooni, Matthew Berg, Morgan Berg, Julia Bienstock, Margo Dickstein, Jacob Cymerint, Joshua Chynoweth, Brittany Diskin, Megan Diskin, Alyssa Diskin, Sara Elias, Gabi Gamily, Roi Golan, Josh Kavner, Dayna Katz, Elijah Kaye, Julie Klein, Evan Kolin, Hannah Magy, Jack Randel, Megan Rosender, Jared

College....



.....Connection

elp Adat Shalom stay connected to your college and graduate school students, as well as recent grads. Your child will receive a Chanukah and Pesach package. Our clergy hope to visit schools in Michigan throughout the year. Simply send Jodi Gross your child's contact information via email or send us the form below. Students whose contact information is either updated or entered each fall will receive packages and invitations to campus visits.

I am looking for parent volunteers to help assemble Chanukah packages at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 22. If you would like to volunteer, please contact me.

U of M Students - Rabbi Bergman invites Wolverines for coffee and a nosh on Wednesday, November 4 between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Location to be announced.

MSU Students - Rabbi Shere looks forward to visiting with students during the MSU HIllel Brunch on Sunday, November 15, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

COLLEGE, GRAD STUDENT & YOUNG ADULT OUTREACH

Please help us by returning the form below to the Adat Shalom Education & Youth Department, 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 or email jgross@adatshalom.org.

jgross@ac	datshalom.org.
Student's Name	
Parents' Names	
School Address	
City	StateZip
Cell Phone	Home Phone
Email Address	
College	
Expected graduation date	

Perlman, Samantha Perlman, Ethan Podolsky, Maya Siegmann, Claire Steinbock, Eitan Shere, Ben Tushman, Emily Uzansky, and Zoe Weil.



"Shoes to Share" -



A special thank you to everyone who donated shoes for the National Council of Jewish Women Shoe Drive. It was amazing to see how fast our collection box filled up. Your generosity will make a huge difference in many lives.

NOUEMBER YOUTH CALENDAR:

Sunday, November 8, 6th to 12th graders are invited to volunteer with the Teen Volunteer Corps at the JFS Fall Fix Up, J-Serve and *Repair the World* project at Belle Isle. This volunteer day will begin and end at Adat Shalom. Go to www.jservedetroit.org for more information or to register.

Sunday, November 22, A creative mystery event for 5th-8th graders

All About Sisterhood



Sisterhood Knitting Circle Sundays and Thursdays

9:30 - 11 a.m. November 8 Pecember 6 7-8:30 p.m. November 19 & Pecember 17

A dat Shalom Knitting Group meets twice a month to knit together for charity. We have a small but dedicated knitting group and lots of donated yarn. So if there are any other knitters out there who would like to escape for a couple of hours to knit with old and new friends, we'd love to have you join us.

We have several projects underway, including caps for premature newborn babies, hats and scarves for homeless adults, and children's hats for the National Council of Jewish Women's Back 2 School Store. (See photos below.)

We'd like to thank Danielle Ruskin for donating the premie caps to March of Dimes for distribution to hospitals, Evva Hepner who donates the hats and scarves to the Pontiac Warming Shelter, and Judy Robinson from National Council of Jewish Women.

We are also very appreciative of those who have donated yarn, including Lori Issner and Debbie Supowit. If anyone else has dropped off yarn in the office, THANKS SO MUCH! If you want to send me an email, I will be sure to thank you in the next *Voice*.

And a final thanks to all you knitters out there! Thanks for your time and your beautiful completed products.

We meet on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. in the lobby outside the synagogue office. Our upcoming dates are November 8 & 19; December 6 &17; January 10 & 21.

If you would like to knit to donate hats or scarves and can't attend, feel free to pick up some yarn and drop off your completed projects.

If you need more information, please feel free to call me at 248-788-9488 or email me at debbyportney@gmail.com

- Debby Portney





SOME OF OUR KNITTERS AND ITEMS MADE WITH LOVE

Not Yet a Member of Sisterhood?

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Book These Dates!

BOOK CLUB - NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER EVENTS

The next meeting will be held on at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, November 10 *at the JCC Book Fair.* Join the group for a presentation about *The Last Summer at Chelsea Beach* by Pam Jenoff.

Our December 3 meeting will be held 7:15 p.m. at the home of Rochelle Markle in West Bloomfield. That evening Rabbi Bergman will review *Catch the Jew* by Tuvia Tenenbom.

Future discussions will take place on March 3 and May 12.

There is a \$25 yearly Book Club fee. To participate, one must be a Sisterhood member. For more information or to register, please contact chairperson Elaine Robins at 248-681-1885 or erobs2000@aol.com.

SISTERHOOD TO CO-SPONSOR BOOK FAIR EVENT ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 10 AM

Victoria Aarons will talk about her recent award-winning collection of stories and chapters from books: *The New Diaspora: The Changing Landscape of American Jewish Fiction.* Included are pieces by Rebecca Goldstein, Nathan Englander, Jonathan Safran Foer and Dara Horn. For more information, contact Adina Pergament at apergament@jccdet.org or 248-432-5470.

Sisterhood Gift Shop



Chanukah is right around the corner. We have a beautiful selection of menorot, so come on in! There is still time to order a personalized gift for someone special.

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

Men's Club and more...

WE'RE PLEASED TO LET YOU KNOW...

EMILY FISHER is one of three Jewish News High School Athletes of the Year who were recognized at the October 20 Michigan Jewish Sports Hall of Fame Dinner. Hazzan Gross sang the American and Israeli anthems to begin the evening.

ANNETTE & RUSSELL MESKIN will be honored for their work on behalf of Israel at the December StandWithUs "Festival of Lights" event at Adat Shalom. For ticket information, please call 248-891-2563 or email standwithusmichigan@gmail.com.

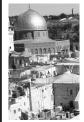
GABE RUBIN is one of 40 professionals in Southeast Michigan who will be honored on November 19 by Crain's Detroit Business for making their marks before age 40. Gabe is the Founder-CEO of gamersaloon.com, Royal Oak.

RABBI SHERE will participate in the South Oakland Shelter's Sixth Annual Dancing with the Detroit Stars charity event on November 22 at The Townsend Hotel. Area "movers and shakers" will pair up with professional dancers for a dance competition with proceeds benefiting the Shelter.

JULIE & MARTY WIENER were honored by Magen David Adom last month at the group's annual gala, which was held at Adat Shalom. Seven ambulances and two medicycles were dedicated that evening. The Wieners' Mobile Intensive Care Unit Ambulance is a specially equipped ambulance, carrying sophisticated equipment, designed to respond to the most severe, high trauma cases. THE KARP FAMILY graciously donated a special 4x4 Life Support Ambulance in memory of the late Alex Karp. It is specially fitted to an off-road chassis for challenging terrains. MDA also honored THE MARVIN AND BETTY DANTO FAMILY **FOUNDATION** for its \$1.5 million commitment to the new, underground MDA National Blood Center, Israel's only blood bank.

We're happy to tell the congregation about significant achievements of adult members of Adat Shalom. Please email Judy Marx at: imarx@adatshalom.org.

Travel with the Adat Shalom Clergy



DISCOVER ISRAEL with Rabbi Aaron and Ruth Bergman February 10-22, 2016



Join Hazzan Daniel Gross on the Cantors Assembly trip to

> **SPAIN** July 3-14, 2016



See details about both trips at www.adatshalom.org

MEN'S CLUB HAPPENINGS

BY GEORGE!

By George Dickstein

Return of the Road Rally

ovember brings more great events from your Men's Club. This month we are arranging two terrific programs for Adat Shalom members and guests.

At 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 8, attorney Harley Manela will speak on elder care and the legal ramifications of taking care of your senior parents. This Sunday breakfast & speaker is free for Men's Club members and \$6 for everyone



Our major event of the month is our Road Rally on November 21. After reviving the rally last fall for the first time in six years, we received overwhelmingly pos-



itive feedback from the 35 people who attended. This year we hope to make the event even larger. Look for the event to be a little bit longer and the clues a little more challenging. Young Adults, Empty Nesters, Sisterhood, Men's Club, clergy, staff and the entire synagogue family are invited. If you are a single person or a couple looking for a team, don't worry about it. We'll arrange a team for you. You'll have a great time and

make new friends.

Our December preview includes:

our annual Chanukah Sing-Along on the 6th, Family Chanukah Party on the 9th, and Family Movie Night on the 24th with an optional Chinese dinner.



Be sure to watch your emails, flyers, and our online *Happenings* for all the

Below: Sunday in the Sukkah featuring Executive Director Alan Yost on October 4 was a grand suc-



We Are a Caring Community — SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTIO Tikkun Adat Sharing more than bricks & mortar Tikkun Adat We will be delivering groceries







Adat Shalom Growth Spurt



Left above: Assembling New Baby Baskets. Looking on was Natalie Banooni and 5-month-old Maya Ser. Right above: Asher Crane and his mom Rachel gave a warm welcome to Tikkun Adat co-chair Charmley Levine, who brought them a basket of gifts from Adat Shalom. Rachel (Lubetsky) Crane and husband, Jeremy, took part in the synagogue baby boom over the past few months; baskets were delivered to eight boys (including a set of twins) and three girls.

Is there a brand new addition to your Detroit area family? Let Charm know at charmlevl@hotmail.com.

- THE WALL -

Family, job or health issue got you down? Don't know where to turn for help?

If it feels like you're facing a blank wall, look to the Tikkun Adat "Wall" - a collection of informative brochures in the women's lounge. (Men, you don't have to stop reading.)*

What sort of issues are we talking about?

Let's say you need a ride to the doctor, and no one to take you...Or home care for an aging parent and no idea where to get the right person to give it... Maybe the cost of college tuition or starting a small business is wrecking your dream....Would an interest-free loan help it come true?... And here's a tough one: a cancer diagnosis. The support of a caring community can be therapeutic, but where does one find that support?

Many service agencies and organizations within the Jewish community and beyond have sent us useful information that answers those questions and many more. Stop by and see the collection for yourself.*

You probably know that tikkun olam is about repairing the world. The Tikkun Adat Wall is about helping to repair our own little world at Adat Shalom, one person at a time.

*Even though the brochures are located in the ladies' lounge, it doesn't mean help is denied to men. Ask a female friend to gather up some brochures you would find helpful. - Charlotte Dubin

SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTION



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 12-1:30 PM...

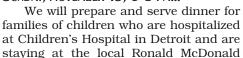
We will be delivering groceries to Yad Ezra clients who are unable to come to the office to pick them up. It's an impor-

tant mitzvah, is easy to do, and is very rewarding.

You'll pick up bagged groceries at the Yad Ezra office, receive Mapquest directions to the recipients' homes, and off you'll go! It's a great activity for the whole family. It takes a minimum amount of time but means so much to

If you can help, please contact Martha Zinderman at 248-207-0612 or marthazinderman@me.com.

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 6-8 PM...





House. This is a new facility that is housed in Hutzel Hospital.

Help is needed to cook and serve dinner, which usually includes baked fish, salad, lasagna, dessert, and drinks. The warmth of a meal and your company means so much to these families during this difficult time. It is another great activity for the whole family.

If you would like to participate, email Deb Lapin at lapes321@sbcglobal.net



Please consider joining our tutoring team at Bennett in Southwest Detroit. The school is very excited about having our support for their children. The program will soon be underway. Contact me if are interested.

THANK YOU...to everyone for supporting this year's Yom Kippur food drive for Yad Ezra. The truck filled up and your contributions will help ensure that Yad Ezra can continue to provide support to Jews in Detroit who need our help feeding themselves and their families.

"If you want to touch the past, touch a rock. If you want to touch the present, touch a flower. If you want to touch the future, touch a life." - Unknown

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

Join us on November 8th for JFS's Fall Fix Up

Three Ways to Spend the Day with Jewish Family Service

All ages are invited to help older adults prepare for winter. Teens can assist in restoring an old cemetery and 6th-12th graders can earn community service points while giving back on Belle Isle. To register, visit jfsdetroit.org/volunteers/fall-fix-up. or contact Lindsay Leder at 248-592-2309 or lleder@jfsdetroit.org.

Celebrate!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Dorene Finer Roger Leemis
- 4 Mira Eisenberg Ronna Hoffert Steven Migliore Shaye Nielsen
- 5 Marcia Boxman Thomas Fox Donna Pearlman Marcy Wasserman
- 6 Stewart Mandell Debrah Warner

- 7 Gary Graff Shauna Schwartz
- 8 Matthew Owen Gary Rosenblatt Elizabeth Seagle
- 9 Wendy Mendelson Rosalyn Schoichit Shari Stein
- 10 Brenda Pangborn
- 12 Mark Tapper
- 13 Barbara Hubert Deborah Logan
- 13 Eugene Richmond Bennett Schartz Ralph Woronoff
- 14 Barbara Charlip Barry Rosenbaum
- 15 Irving Bernstein Sharon Berry Jacqueline Lorfel Larry Wolfe
- 16 Michael Betman Jeffrey Joshowitz Adrianne Katz
- 16 Michael Schostak
- 18 Howard Aston Maxwell Lapides
- 20 Harriet Mall Gary Morof
- 21 Sari Cicurel Richard Kushner Sandra Schram
- 22 Sanford Kornwise
- 24 Claire Richmond Morris Rottman
- 25 Kelly Norber

- 26 Naomi Doren Dennis Liefer Miriam Seagle
- 27 Susan Harold Stuart Jankelovitz
- 28 Elizabeth Rosen
- 29 Hazzan Daniel Gross
- 30 Judith Dubin Judy Keller Andi Wolfe

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Loree & David Gordon Adrianne & Jeffrey Katz
- 3 Madelon & Louis Seligman
- 5 Stacey & Ryan Columbus
- 7 Mira & Leo Eisenberg
- 10 Semonna & Jared Matz
- 22 Elyn & Larry Charlupski Ilene & Steven Kowalsky
- 23 Rayna & Natalio Kogan
- 28 Wendy & David Mendelson Leanne & Edward Miller
- 29 Nina & Jeffrey Lopatin
- 29 Martha & Steven Zinderman
- 30 Elaine & Randall Victor

Each month we list birthdays & anniversaries of those adult congregants who have requested that we print their "special occasions" in The VOICE. If you would like to be listed in this column, please send the information to Nancy Wilhelm at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334, or contact Nancy Wilhelm, 248-851-5100 or nwilhelm@adatshalom.org.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

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ticipating in synagogue life.

For generations, COMMITMENT to the shul has kept us connected. Your membership is a statement of commitment to our heritage, our faith and one another. While honoring the past, we continue to provide programs and services that are most meaningful to you and that contribute to the current and future generations' identification as Jews.

During Yom Kippur, we were presented with an opportunity to help ensure that Adat Shalom will continue to flourish and grow. Our dues do not cover all of our expenses. I thank those of you who have already responded to the Yom Kippur Appeal. It is never too late to respond; please participate at some level to show that you care! The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees have pledged to lead by example and my hope is that 100% of our members will feel inspired to contribute as well. Every gift demonstrates your commitment to our future and your desire for camaraderie as a people.

The overall spirit at Adat Shalom has been exuberant. I am determined to inspire you to get involved at some level of activity at Adat Shalom. If you are not sure how to do so, please don't hesitate to ask! In the spirit of Thanksgiving, my thanks to our clergy, staff, leadership, congregants and guests for helping to ensure that 5776 began with thoughtful and meaningful prayer and a sense of community in our congregation. May your Thanksgiving be a continuation of introspection and a time to pause and be together with those you love.

Mazal Tov!



Marriage of Jennifer Colton, daughter of Marcy & Tom Colton, and Joshua Bienstock, son of Deb Bienstock and Steve Bienstock

Marriage of Danielle Longo, daughter of Sue Wilson & the late Jerry Superstine and Bradley Gordon, son of Barbara Gordon-Scharf & Martin Scharf and the late Michael Gordon

Marriage of Adi Ben Mordechai, daughter of Orly & Rami Ben Mordechai, and Ilan Brandvain, son of Beth & Avi Brandvain

SHARE YOUR GOOD NEWS! EMAIL JUDY MARX, JMARX@ADATSHALOM.ORG, AND WE'LL BE HAPPY TO NOTIFY THE CONGREGATION IN THE VOICE AND IN OUR WEEKLY EMAIL ABOUT MARRIAGES AND NEW ADDITIONS TO YOUR FAMILY.

FROM HAZZAN GROSS (continued from page 3)

Modah and *Todah*). The second special aspect of this verse is that it does not contain God's name in the form of *Adonai*. God instead is referred to as *Melech*, King. One explanation is that because this prayer is said while we are still in bed, out of respect we don't use the name of God that is used during public prayer or ritual.

In the Talmud it is taught that sleep is akin to a partial death and that during our repose, our soul disconnects from our body and is protected and nurtured by God. It is this divine connection that recharges our soul for, hopefully, another day. In today's world when we think of recharging, it is usually courtesy of a USB or Lightning cable and not from the necessity of daily sleep. Tomorrow morning, when you hear the clamor of the alarm in the pre-dawn darkness, try saying *Modeh ani*, or even just "thank you." Then take a deep breath and enjoy the new journey ahead: another day of life!

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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Adat Shalom Clergy and Alan Yost by Scott Hamburger

Jack Berkey reading Torah by Lisa & Paul Berkey

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Bat Mitzvah of Emily Feldman

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Marriage of Hannah Farkas & Gilad Biran by Diane Klein

Aliyah *by Scott Hamburger* Aliyah *by Karen & Scott Lewis*

36th anniversary of Shelly & Joel Lieberman

by Shelly Milstein & Danny Tukel Birth of Ruby Liss by Diane Klein Aliyah by Beverly K & Randy Phillips

Marriage of Haley & Jamie Schafer by Andrea Rogoff

Bar Mitzvah of Noah Ethan Schwartz by Henny & Joe Schwartz

Bar Mitzvah of Eitan Shere by Adat Shalom Clergy & Staff; Francie & Les Berman; Charlotte Dubin; Dorene & Alan Finer;

Rabbi Shere *by Lillian Meisner* Lisa & Gary Shiffman's hospitality *by Rosalie Gold*

Wedding of Sammi & Michael Shapiro

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Ann Katz by Beryl & Mickey Levin Eleanor Selvan by Lisa & Michael Betman

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Recent wedding of Adi Ben Mordechai & Ilan Brandvain *by Debby Portney*

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Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Weitzman by Sharon & Alan Kaplan

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IN MEMORY OF:

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Yahrzeits of: Rebecca Tron; Pearl Barahal

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IN HONOR OF:

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by Evva & Michael Hepner
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IN HONOR OF:

36th anniversary for Rochelle & Joel Lieberman *by Betty Landau; Barbara* & *Dan Redstone; Wendy Winkler* Bar Mitzvah of Benny Shaevsky *by Diane & Ronald Barron*

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Weingarten by Bonnie Shapiro

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IN HONOR OF:

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BREAKFAST & SEUDAH SHELISHIT

September

In memory of Esther Ellias by Ann & Eugene Greenstein; Debbie & Tom Williams

October

In memory of Evelyn Berlin by Lou Berlin and Joyce Weingarten

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Sam Wittenberg by Stacey & Marc Wittenberg

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Hunter Vainik by Sue & Lance Vainik

In memory of Alexander Schostak by Lillian & Lee Schostak

In memory of Leslie Handelman and Arthur Lipsitt by Nancy Handelman

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Izzy Fox by Stacy & Michael Fox

In memory of Hannah Schostak by Lillian & Lee Schostak

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Berg by Carolyn Berg and Adam Berg

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Eliana Schreiber by Lynne & Daniel Golodner

In memory of Meyer King by Ellen Bushman

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Kam by Wendy Kam and Michael Kam

In memory of Saul Leff by Gordy Leff

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Elisha Cooper by Tammi & Scott Cooper

In memory of Ida Moss

by Sharon Moss Lebovic

In memory of Sarah Miller by Judy & Martin Miller

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Yahrzeits of:

Emery Klein *by Diane Klein*Morris Klein, Julius Britman *by Esther Bornstein*Morton Genser *by Sandi & Jeffrey Miller*

In Memoriam

We send heartfelt condolences to the families of:

MASHA COHEN BARAS, wife of Joseph Baras, mother of Sheila (Phil Ochs) Cohen, grandmother of Jackie (Adam) Williamowsky, David Ochs and Jonathan Ochs, great-grandmother of Eli, Gabriella, Jordan and Arielle Williamowsky

HANANIA MEIR BERGSTEIN, brother of Sissi (Maxwell) Lapides

SHIRLEY MERZIN, wife of the late Aaron Merzin, mother of Donna (Warren) Sacks, Mitchell (Cathy) Merzin, Neil Merzin and Jeff (Jacqueline) Merzin, grandmother of Erica, Amy & Jessica Sacks, Alexander and Maxwell Merzin, Joshua, Monica and Elizabeth Merzin and the late Steven Sacks, sister of Doreen (Marvin) Billet

ALEXEY GERMASH, husband of Katie Germash, father of Adam Germash, son of Elaine (Vladimir Dantsker) Kapitulsky and Alexander (Ziva Bennett) Germash, son-in-law of Barbara & Martin Scharf and the late Michael Gordon, grandson of Vladimir (Irma Kapitulskaya) Kapitulsky, the late Tatyana & Aron Germash

THEODORE TALON, husband of the late Anne R. Talon, father of Linda (Robert) Michaels and Neil (the late Pamela) Talon, grandfather of Jennifer (Christopher) Donofrio, Rory Michaels, Melissa (David) Field, Stephanie Talon and Jaclyn Talon, great-grandfather of Colten Rhys Donofrio and Nina Hazel Field, brother of Bernard (Reva) Talon



FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ (continued from page 3)

For a start, we can study a bit of first and second century Jewish history.

Living through a time of radical change for the Jewish people in the first and second centuries C.E. was a hero for many of us: Rabbi Akiva. In addition to being part of a Jewish world that was experiencing radical change, Akiva went through his own personal radical change. As described in *Avot d'Rabbi Natan*, Chapter 6, until he reached 40 years of age, he "had not studied a word of Torah." Later he would become the greatest Jewish scholar of his era. Here in our community, as in other communities, a Jewish Day School is named for him. For being such a great scholar of Judaism, the Romans "rewarded" Rabbi Akiva by killing him in a ghastly way that is described in the Yom Kippur Machzor.

At the Hartman Rabbinic Institute this summer, I studied with colleagues and with a very fine teacher, Dr. Elana Stein Hain, about "The Life and Times of Rabbi Akiva." The last time that I studied about the importance of the life of Rabbi Akiba was at The Jewish Theological Seminary of America Rabbinic School, when I had the privilege of studying with Moreinu – our teacher – Rabbi Louis Finkelstein, one of the greatest scholars and teachers in modern times. His insights into the meaning and purpose of Rabbi Akiva's life as they pertain to our era will be included in my November 23 Lunchtime Learning session.

How challenging it is for us to live in a time of radical changes. Perhaps Rabbi Akiva can teach us how to best live through "the sudden and the catastrophic."

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FROM RABBI BERGMAN

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Rabbi Nahman, not just for his teachings, but for understanding the struggles that led to those teachings.

I have read many of Rabbi Green's works since. They are inspiring and challenging, uplifting and occasionally infuriating. All are necessary.

Here is a sample of his teaching from his book on Hasidic prayer, *Your Word is Fire*.

Hasidism views all of Jewish life as "the way of service." Man's only task in life is the service of God; prayer, study, and all of the commandments are seen instrumentally: They are the means by which the Jew may fulfill his sacred task. Hasidic authors tirelessly warn their readers against the dangers of robot-like performance of the commandments. Each ritual act must have its way lighted by the glow of inner devotion, else it "has no wings" and cannot ascend to God. Even acts of human kindness, the "Deeds of Love" of which the rabbis had spoken, are here seen in devotional terms: There is no higher sacred act than that of helping another to discover the presence of God within his soul.

The core of "service" as seen in Hasidism is the fulfillment of that desire, deeply implanted within each human soul, to return to its original state of oneness with God. Prayer, by its very nature pointing to the intimate relationship between God and soul, becomes the focal point of Hasidic religiosity. The Ba'al Shem Tov (1700-1760), the first great master of the movement, was told by heaven that all his spiritual attainments derive not from any claim to scholarship (as was commonly to be expected in non-Hasidic circles of the time), but rather from the great devotion with which he prayed.

Rabbi Green will be speaking at the JCC Book Fair on Sunday, November 15th at 12:30 p.m. Reservations are required, but the talk is free. I am thrilled that Adat Shalom is a co-sponsor of the event. (Please see more event details on page 5.)





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