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Mornings:
Sundays 8:30 a.m.
Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m.
Shabbat 9:00 a.m.
Evenings
Monday - Friday 5:00 p.m.
Saturdays (Minchah-Maariv)
throughout December 5:00 p.m.

SHABBAT TORAH PORTIONS

- DECEMBER 1
Vayishlach
- DECEMBER 8
Vayeshev
- DECEMBER 15
Mikketz
- DECEMBER 22
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- DECEMBER 29
Vayechi



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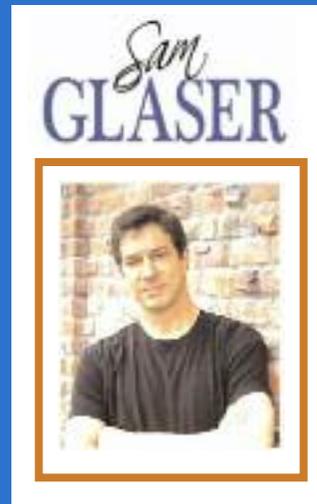
CHANUKAH BEGINS
SATURDAY EVENING,
DECEMBER 8

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 AT 4 PM

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co-sponsored by
the Education & Youth Department
and the Men's Club



SHABBAT CARE EVERY SHABBAT FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

beginning at 10 am in Room 110

The youngsters will be brought upstairs to join the congregation for Adon Olam at the conclusion of the Shabbat Morning Service.



WE'RE PLEASED TO LET YOU KNOW...

DR. MICHAEL GELLIS has been appointed Chief Medical Officer of Sono Bello, a multi-state medical practice which performs laser-assisted liposuction. A former member of Adat Shalom and our Executive Committee, Michael now resides in Scottsdale, Arizona.

ALLAN NACHMAN was recognized as one of the Jewish Federation's 2012 Distinguished Volunteers by the Association of Fundraising Professionals. The ceremony took place on National Philanthropy Day, November 14, at the Dearborn Inn.

ELAINE & MICHAEL SERLING will be honored by StandWithUs Michigan at a Festival of Lights Evening to Celebrate and Stand with Israel. The event will be held on Saturday evening, December 15, at Adat Shalom. The Serlings will be honored for their contributions to Israel Studies and Jewish culture.

JOYCE WEINGARTEN will be installed for a second term as a vice president of Women's League for Conservative Judaism. The installation will take place at the group's biennial convention, December 2-5 in Las Vegas.

We look forward to sharing your good news with the Adat Shalom family! Please email engagement, marriage and birth announcements and notable achievements to Judy Marx at: jmarx@adatshalom.org.

SPECIAL ADAT SHALOM PRICES

Hazzan Gross to Perform in Candlelight Cabaret

Hazzan Dan Gross will be performing in a Candlelight Cabaret at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 13. Hazzan Gross will be featured along with the Cliff Monear Jazz Trio in this performance at the Berman Center. Included are songs from the American songbook, classics from the holiday season, and much more!



Inquire about special ticket prices for Adat Shalom members. For more information and reservations, call 248-661-1900 or visit berman-center.jccdet.org/ticketing.

Mazal Tov to our December B'nai Mitzvah



Dayna Sara
Katz



Zoe Anne
Weil



Joshua Alexander
Chynoweth



Zachary Noah
Felsenfeld

December 1

Dayna Katz is the daughter of Laura & Matthew Katz and the granddaughter of Michael Weiner & the late Eileen Weiner, Ruth Katz, and Marilyn Katz & the late Lawrence Katz.

December 8

Zoe Weil is the daughter of Elysa & Michael Weil and the granddaughter of Janet Weil & the late Ralph Weil, Judy Hoher & the late Robert Hoher, and Sandy Eichenhorn & the late Patricia Eichenhorn.

December 15

Joshua Chynoweth is the son of Gail & Gary Chynoweth and the grandson of Karen Block, Mary & Dennis Block, Ila Chynoweth, and the late Joyce & Robert Chynoweth.

Zachary Felsenfeld is the son of Brenda Weingarten & Robert Felsenfeld and the grandson of Ruth & Charles Weingarten and Shirley & Bill Felsenfeld.



- Finding a Spiritual Place for Yourself -

Join Rabbi Aaron Bergman at
10 a.m. on December 2 & 9

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

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YOUNG ADULT GROUP

CHANUKAH AND THE END of the calendar year are approaching. You can join our Facebook group by searching for "Adat Shalom Young Adult Group." Send an e-mail to youngadultgroup@adatshalom.org or bethlrodgers@gmail.com for more information.

Beth Rodgers,
Young Adult Group Chairperson

EMPTY NESTERS PLAN CHANUKAH PARTY



Our Empty Nesters are holding a dairy potluck Chanukah dinner on Saturday, December 15, at the home of Alex and Joe Wener. There will be a "white elephant" gift exchange.

Space is limited to the first 40 people who respond. There is a \$5 cost per person.

Please respond by December 3 to the Weners, 248-738-9912, or email awener@comcast.net.

Messages

FROM THE PRESIDENT

RETREAT AND MOVE FORWARD

In mid-October, 35 members of the Board of Trustees attended a retreat to strategize about the future of Adat Shalom. We divided into three groups to discuss different pre-selected topics. People were engaged and passionate, and many different suggestions were made, though three themes emerged.

Perhaps the most important idea that was discussed is that while it is important to attract new members to our synagogue, it's even more important that we retain the members we have. Sure, services are critical, but it is essential to strengthen people's sense of belonging to Adat Shalom by focusing on different demographics among our congregation and creating more connections among and within our membership. Young families with children represent our future, but members with college age children and empty nesters may

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DAVID
SHERBIN

FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ

LOOKING FOR OLD PHOTOS...

Congregations Ahavas Achim (1912-1968), Beth Aaron (1943-1968) and Beth Achim (1968-1998) are all part of Adat Shalom's history. When Adat Shalom merged with Beth Achim in 1998, our congregation absorbed the histories of Beth Achim and of the congregations which merged to become Beth Achim in 1968.

Two years ago, when the call went out for photographs of Ahavas Achim and Beth Aaron, many of you who were members of one of those congregations answered the request by sharing pictures. Those two congregations merged in 1968 to eventually be called Beth Achim - at first, the merged congregation was called "The New Congregation."

The editor of *Michigan Jewish History*, Wendy Rose Bice, selected photographs belonging to our members Gary Leeman and Lila Kash Zorn to be included in the Fall 2012 article, "The Histories of Congregation Ahavas Achim and Congregation Beth Aaron"

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RABBI
YOSKOWITZ



HAZZAN
GROSS

FROM HAZZAN GROSS

DAILY PRAYER FOR RAIN...IN DECEMBER?

There are many personal prayers that I'm sure are said in December: "Lots of snow!" "No snow!" "The iPad mini for Chanukah." "Good health." "A Red Wings victory (or at least a game)." And on the 5th of December, in our liturgy we start to pray for... rain. Rain? Yes, rain.

The ninth blessing in the weekday Amidah is known as *Birkat HaShanim* - the blessing of the years. This prayer is a request for agricultural abundance, specifically for the success of the harvests. The Amidah is one of the most private moments in a service, yet amidst praying for our own personal needs, we turn our hearts to the needs of our land - specifically our ancestral homeland, Israel. This speaks volumes about our liturgy and about our religion. Prayer is often associated with deep, innermost requests involving petitions to God. Here in the Diaspora, however, during the middle of winter and the darkest time of year, we unselfishly think and pray for others. Israel is mostly desert land and desperately requires water. Our ancestors did not have the advanced irrigation systems that are now scattered throughout the country - therefore, they needed rain. This prayer provides a tangible way for us to connect to Israel.

You may be confused and thinking,

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FROM RABBI BERGMAN

CHANUKAH, OH CHANUKAH...

Everyone loves the first days of Chanukah. Children are excited by what gifts they may get. Parents are hopeful that their children will appreciate the gifts they receive. We can all eat just one more latke without guilt or heartburn. The lights, small as they are, fill the room.

The last days are another story. We can't look a potato in the eye. The children know the good presents are over, or maybe they will get socks or school supplies. The thank yous to the parents have probably stopped, even if the perfect gift was given.

This is precisely why the last days of Chanukah are probably more important than the first. Let me explain.

In the Talmud there is a debate over how many candles we should light each day. The school of Shammai says we start with eight, and then count downward. This way we would know how many days were left. The school of Hillel, which we follow in general, says that we start with

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BERGMAN

FROM RABBI SHERE

LET'S CONNECT!

Last month I taught a Lunchtime Learning class at Adat Shalom about Martin Buber and his seminal work, *I and Thou*. The book is complicated, but its central message is that the place to find God is in our relationships with other human beings.

Buber writes, "Don't we find that modern developments have expunged almost every trace of a life in which human beings confront each other and have meaningful relationships?" This statement, written in 1923, could easily have been written today. In our era of Facebook, text messaging and the Internet, meaningful face to face contact between human beings is becoming more and more rare. I am not sure what "modern developments" Buber was highlighting, but I can only imagine what he would have to say about today's modern developments and the ways in which they expunge life with meaningful relationships.

Earlier this year, Stephen Marche authored a well-written article in *The Atlantic* entitled, "Is Facebook Making Us Lonely?" The article states, "Within this world of instant and absolute communication, unbounded by limits of time or space, we suffer from unprecedented alienation...We have never been more

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RABBI SHERE

Out and About

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HOPE HOSPITALITY & WARMING CENTER...

DECEMBER 25-28, 7-10 PM

HOPE HOSPITALITY AND WARMING CENTER is a safe overnight location for the homeless in Pontiac. Without this center, many of the guests would be staying on the streets at great risk. Our volunteers serve a warm and filling meal in a cozy, caring atmosphere. There are unusually about 50-60 men and women who stay at the warming center each night. Many of them have spent the day on the streets, and this is a safe and warm haven for a few hours. The meals are prepared in advance and reheated and served at the facility. We need 6-8 volunteers, over the age of 18, each night. The guests are very appreciative of our kindness. Volunteers may carpool to the center. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** Please call Evva Hepner, 248-798-7673, if you are available any of those nights.



ANNUAL BOOK DRIVE...

DECEMBER 3-21

PLEASE DONATE NEW BOOKS for pre-schoolers and early elementary age children. The books will be donated to various literacy programs. Each book will go with a bookplate explaining that it is a gift from Adat Shalom. Unwrapped books, in plastic bags for their protection, may be placed in drop-off boxes in front of the main office and the religious school office. Monetary donations will also be accepted to purchase books.

YAD EZRA...

WE DELIVERED GROCERIES TO HOMEBOUND Yad Ezra participants on Sunday, October 14th. Thank you to Bobby Blum, the Betman and Pevos families, and Martha and Ian Zinderman for taking the time so that food could be taken to those unable to pick up their weekly groceries. Even the rain waited until all of the groceries were safely delivered!

Welcome and thank you to Martha Zinderman, who has volunteered to coordinate our Yad Ezra volunteers in the future. Martha commented, "It is nice to be able to socialize a bit with the people who are unable to get out and to let them know that others are thinking of them."

OUR NEXT SCHEDULED DELIVERY DATE IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 20TH.



RONALD McDONALD HOUSE...

ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, we served dinner at the Ronald McDonald House. We thank the following families who provided the food and went down to serve the delicious meal: The Hepner, Colton, Strauss, Lusky, Weiss, Kaplan, Bradford and Lapin-Randel families. The residents were, as always, very complimentary of the dishes and remarked that they didn't think that meatless lasagna could be so good! There were left-over brownies to snack on over the next couple of days. Many of these families are a great distance from home and family. Thank you to Deb Lapin for coordinating the dates, arranging for the food donations, and for going down to the Ronald MacDonal House with her family to serve dinner.

ONGOING PROJECTS...

THE WEATHER OUTSIDE IS CHILLY...Like to knit or crochet? Drop off 7x9 inch squares in the synagogue office, donate or pick up yarn, or help put together afghans. These completed afghans are donated to seniors in our community. Yarn is available in the synagogue office. Thank you to Helen Bayles and Dottie Mandell for many hours of knitting and to Eleanor Selvan for assembling the squares into the colorful afghans. Special thank you to Claire Richmond for her many years of coordinating this project.

DONATE YOUR USED BABY ITEMS TO THE MITZVAH CRIB, located in the hallway on our lower level. The items are given to needy members of our community through Jewish Family Service. This is a great way to help new parents at Healthy Start and the Goodwill Inn.

LEND A HAND...FEDERATION MITZVAH DAY 2012

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25



CELEBRATE the strength of our community. Select and participate in a volunteer service project at one of many locations in metropolitan Detroit. Questions? Email Sarah Crane or call 248-642-5393 ext. 102.

"TOO OFTEN WE UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF A TOUCH, A SMILE, A KIND WORD, A LISTENING EAR, AN HONEST COMPLIMENT, OR THE SMALLEST ACT OF CARING: ALL OF WHICH HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO TURN A LIFE AROUND." - *LEO BUSCAGLIA*

Evva Hepner, Social Action Chair,
(c) 248-798-7673, (h) 248-661-0114 or evva987@aol.com

FROM RABBI BERGMAN (continued from page 3)

one candle, and add one each day. The idea is that we increase the amount of holiness over time, and not decrease it.

This is a great metaphor for our lives. I feel bad for people who always say, "same old, same old," or "been there, done that." I feel worse for the people who have to live with them or listen to them. They are bored by just about everything.

Judaism says that every moment of every day of our lives can be filled with holiness if we bring enthusiasm to it and show appreciation for what we do. You may have eaten a thousand sandwiches, but you have never eaten the one you are about to have for lunch. That sandwich was made out of ingredients that will never occur again exactly that same way.

This is only a way of thinking about things. I chose the sandwich model because I am about to eat lunch, but you get the idea. If we say to ourselves each day that the world is newly created and that we have a chance to enjoy it in a way that no one before or after us could, then we will grow in appreciation for our lives, and not be bored by even the most mundane things.

When you light those last Chanukah candles, remember that we can increase the light, the holiness, in the world each day.



Our Active Affiliates

■ MEN'S CLUB HAPPENINGS

Men's Club - Empty Nesters Bowling Saturday, December 1, 7:30 p.m.

Strike up new friendships at Langan's Lanes with members of the Men's Club and our Empty Nesters group. If you have not pre-registered, call Larry Kaplan, 248-982-6851, to see if you can still join the fun!



Family Latke Party Sunday, December 2 5:30 p.m.

The Men's Club is pleased to co-sponsor our Family Latke Party with the Education & Youth Department. Flyers have been sent to all Synagogue families. See details, page 1.

Chanukah Sing-a-Long with 5th Graders Sunday morning, December 9

We will visit local senior residences for Chanukah song and merriment.



ANNUAL MOVIE NIGHT Monday, December 24 7:30 p.m. featuring Disney's BRAVE



A skilled archer named Merida defies an age-old custom, causing chaos in her kingdom.



Also showing at the same time:
CROSSING DELANCEY
a 1988 romantic comedy
starring Amy Irving
and Peter Riegert

No charge if you respond
by Sunday, December 23.
\$3/person or \$7/family at the door.

Films - Snacks - Lots of Fun

Please be sure to join in the Men's Club activities this month, offering something for every member of your family.

Special thanks to...

Gary Graff for chairing the Sports Night Dinner.
George Dickstein for chairing Euchre Night.
Alan Chandross for hosting our Book Discussion Group.
Larry Kaplan for chairing "Chillin with the Clergy."

Joe Wener, President

WHY SISTERHOOD?

BY CAROL VIEDER

Adat Shalom



Sisterhood

AS A JEWISH WOMAN in a suburb of Detroit, I am a part of a larger community. When I joined Adat Shalom over 25 years ago, I became a part of another community of congregants. I married into a family that was active in the Adat Shalom community on every level, and for me that felt very intimidating. My mother-in-law, a lifelong member and past leader of the Sisterhood, encouraged me to become involved. I resisted, thinking that the women in the Sisterhood were not like me - more religious, in a different phase of their lives, interested in different things, etc. The bottom line was I felt that I wouldn't be comfortable, and I didn't belong, and I couldn't imagine what I could contribute, let alone what I had time for. So I went to some luncheons, and the larger events to appease my mother-in-law, but that's as far as my involvement went.

I couldn't have been wrong. Our Sisterhood is made up of a community of "women," of *all* ages, *all* in different stages of life, *all* with different passions and interests, and *all* who make up the welcoming community of Adat Shalom women. A new member can feel comfortable "getting her feet wet" just by showing up. A member can be involved as little or as much as she wants, but there is something in Sisterhood for everyone. We offer way more than fundraising, book clubs, lunches, tzedekah, learning and yoga.

I myself have made great new friends while spending time with old friends in running the Sisterhood gift shop. After a successful buying trip to New York, my excitement builds every time new merchandise arrives to share with our members. I love helping the men, women and children pick out a tallit for a special simcha, or a menorah made of stone from Jerusalem for their homes. I have friends in Sisterhood who love to cook, or learn about cooking, friends that love giving back by participating in our "helping the homeless" weekend.

We welcome all new members as well as old members who've been uninvolved. Come join our community! It's time! And please stop by our Sisterhood boutique, check out our great new artists and merchandise and say *hi* to Lillian Schostak, Stacy Brickman and me.

Happy Chanukah!

CELEBRATE CHANUKAH WITH A GIFT FROM SISTERHOOD

20% OFF ON A REGULARLY PRICED ITEM DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

(WITH SOME EXCLUSIONS)

SUNDAYS 10:30 A.M. - NOON OR BY APPOINTMENT

Questions, comments, requests?

Call: Stacy Brickman, 248-310-4600, Lillian Schostak
248-310-2018 or Carol Vieder, 248-661-9008

Celebrate

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 - David Averbach | 6 - Beth Berk | 8 - Elysa Weil | 19 - Harry Weber | 29 - Robert Shapiro |
| Lillian Efros Kaufman | Myles Hoffert | 10 - Michael Feldman | 21 - Eugene Perlman | Eugene Smoler |
| 2 - Kevin Keller | Carol Vieder | 11 - Sharon Rocklin | 24 - Gerald Gershune | Marc Wasser |
| Harvey Klein | 7 - Madelon Seligman | 12 - Shirley Carp | Rochelle Lieberman | 30 - Marshall Lett |
| 3 - Marsha Baker | Helene Little | 14 - Bryan Anstandig | 26 - Jeffrey Kraft | Hanna Linden |
| Abe Pearlman | 8 - Cliff Dubowski | 16 - Karen Crane | 27 - Fred Brown | Marilyn Logan |
| Jackie Perlman | Alice Muskovitz | 17 - Eliana Loomer | 29 - Howard Babcock | 31 - Dina Ashmann |
| | | Elissa Miller | Stacey Columbus | |

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 - Marsha & Harold Baker | 18 - Harriet & Allan Gelfond | 21 - Carrie & Roger Kushner | 23 - Beverly & Alan Yost |
| 5 - Marlene & Gary Kraft | 19 - Ellen & Edward Betel | Jackie & Aaron Perlman | 24 - Carol & Sidney Lifton |
| 6 - Dahlia & Harvey Klein | 20 - Rochelle & Allen Klegon | 22 - Dina & Sanford Ashmann | 25 - Sheila & Ronald Schechter |
| 13 - Ronna & Lawrence Bassin | Lauren & Mark Rosenberg | Maureen & Sanford Kornwise | 26 - Claire & Eugene Richmond |
| 16 - Deborah & Stuart Logan | 21 - Harriet & Michael Kovacs | Fay & Larry Kritzer | |



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 RABBI YOSKOWITZ

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Now as I research the history of Congregation Beth Achim, I make the same request of you that I made at the beginning of this multi-year project of recording our history. If you can, please provide me with photos from Beth Achim's history. As best as you can, please identify the people in the photographs, the occasion or event, and the date.

You will receive this issue of The VOICE just before Chanukah. Perhaps the first photographs that you send will be that of Chanukah celebrations at Beth Achim.

Next spring we will have forums at Adat Shalom to discuss what we have learned about Beth Achim's history, including to what extent the 1968 "merger would overcome the congregation's two separate origins and its fault lines to become knit together as one congregation." (page 25 of the full 2012 article).

I look forward to seeing photographs of Beth Achim and to sharing highlights of my research with you. Thank you.

Mazal Tov!

Marriage of Emily Biederman, daughter of Sharon & Neil Biederman and **Daniel Feldheim**, son of Helaine Kramer and Beverly & Stuart Feldheim.

Marriage of Lawrence Lawson, father of Rabbi Rachel (Dan) Shere and Jeffrey (Erica) Lawson, son of the late Victor and the late Mayme Lawson, and **Myra Greenwald**, daughter of the late Betty & Irving Banner



Marriage of Robert Pensler, son of Brenda & Mark Pensler and **Rachel Burko**, daughter of Thomas & Risa Burko

FROM THE PRESIDENT *(continued from page 3)*

be our lifeblood. We have to develop programming and events that attract different subgroups and create a reason for people to want to be involved in the Synagogue. Our members will seek out smaller groups of like-minded congregants, which will strengthen and enrich their connection to Adat Shalom.

The second theme that emerged is that people are interested in both shorter and alternative services. Working with Rabbi Bergman, our Spiritual Committee will evaluate how we can retain the integrity of our services but shorten them too. This idea is not new; it was, in fact, one of the common themes that emerged from our 2008 congregational survey. Four years later, we haven't done anything with this idea, but it's worth revisiting. The fact that it keeps resurfacing is significant and cannot be ignored. A different approach may be to retain our current service but also provide an alternative for people to attend. The two services would end at the same time so everyone could enjoy the Kiddush together.

The third takeaway from our retreat is that we have to rethink what it means to be a member of our Board. Our governing model has relied upon the executive committee to be the key decision making body, and as a result, board members feel disengaged and are tired of passive participation in monthly meetings. By empowering our board members and, at the same time, asking more of them, I really think we will have more engaged and effective lay leaders.

We discussed these issues and more during our retreat, and we benefited from the participation of Rabbis Bergman and Shere, as well as Alan Yost and Melissa Ser. Some of these issues have been bandied about before, but I'm confident that we will continue this conversation we restarted in October, and we will be better off because of it.

- MICHIGAN JEWISH HISTORY -

You may read Rabbi Yoskowitz's full article in the Fall Journal, either by becoming a member of the Jewish Historical Society of Michigan or by purchasing that one issue.

You can learn about JHSM at www.michjewishhistory.org. The site provides full information about the organization and access to the index for past journals. You may phone the JHSM office at 248-432-5540 or e-mail info@michjewishhistory.org.

AS WE GET CLOSER TO CHANUKAH, we're nearing the end of the first book of the Torah, Bereshit. We are used to thinking of these beginning stories as stories of the deeds of men. And they are... but they are also stories of the deeds of great women, from whom we can learn much about what it means to ignite our Jewish souls.

Sarah went forth with Abraham to a new land and gave birth to a new nation. When her son Isaac meets Rivka, we will see how she determines the fate of the Jewish people, as she is instrumental in choosing Jacob over Esau. Rachel and Leah together form the maternal core of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Soon we'll begin to read the stories of Shemot, and we'll be rescued by not just Miriam the Prophetess, but also by Pharaoh's daughter – without these two girls, Moses would never have survived. We are just so used to reading Torah with a masculine lens that we miss the integral role of our matriarchs. Rivka did not stand by and let her husband determine the future of his children; she may have been deceptive, but she knew which of her boys was ready to be a leader – and which was not. Esther didn't stand by and watch as her people were decimated; no, she infiltrated the kingdom! She became the king's right hand woman – and ultimately saved the Jewish people. Each of these women is important because she took initiative. And each of us can learn from them.

The description of Mt. Sinai is powerful: fire, thunder and lightning filled the air; every single person stood still and witnessed a miracle. At the time, midrash tells us,

A Message from Melissa Ser Director of Congregational Learning

the level of prophecy was so high that it was never attained again, not even by Ezekiel. The mountain was on fire, but no one was afraid. The people of Israel stood and watched, and announced “we will do, and then we will understand.” The thing they agreed to do – before ever knowing the details – was Torah.

Shammai said: “Make your study of the Torah a fixed habit. Say little and do much, and receive all men with a cheerful countenance.” In other words, study something regularly: once a day, once a week, even once a month. Make it a habit. Don't talk about what you're going to do – simply DO it. And in the meantime, be pleasant – the ways of Torah are pleasant, and the ways

of those who study Torah should be pleasant as well. Another of our sages, Shimon ben Gamliel, said: *Studying Torah is not the most*

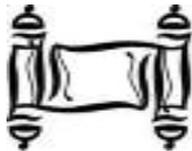
important thing but rather *fulfilling* it. But how can we fulfill Torah – and how can we thus be fulfilled by it, drinking in its words to soothe our Jewish souls – if we don't study it?

Come learn. Join me, and our wonderful clergy and educational staff, and learn. You have your choice: Torah study (Wednesday and Saturday), Conversational Hebrew, 1-Hour Holiday Workshops, and more. Want to learn something specific? Drop me a line at mser@adatshalom.org. I can meet you halfway – but I have to know what that halfway point is.

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Wednesday Torah Study DECEMBER 5 10 AM WITH MELISSA SER

Following that morning, we will take a break until **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2**, with Rabbi Bergman. You and your friends are invited to these welcoming and inspiring Torah study sessions. Come whenever you want. Each week is a separate experience.



**THERE IS NO CHARGE.
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.**

DECEMBER SHABBAT TORAH STUDY

Learn about the weekly parsha
and enhance your Shabbat experience

<p>December 1 <i>with Rabbi Bergman</i></p> <p>December 8 <i>with Ruth Bergman</i></p> <p>December 15 <i>with Rabbi Shere</i></p>	<p>December 22 <i>with Rabbi Shere</i></p> <p>December 29 <i>with Rabbi Shere</i></p>
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**10 A.M. EVERY SHABBAT
FINISHING IN TIME FOR THE RABBI'S SERMON**



LUNCHTIME LEARNING CONTINUES MONDAYS, DECEMBER 3 & 10

**Where the Wild Things Went:
Maurice Sendak and Moral Development
with Rabbi Aaron Bergman**

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.

So Was It a Miracle or Not?



COULDN'T ATTEND LAST MONTH?

Melissa Ser will repeat her pre-Chanukah workshop on Wednesday, December 5, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

- ✦ Was there really a little vessel of oil that lasted for eight days?
- ✦ Are we supposed to eat fried foods, and why (or why not)?
- ✦ Where are we commanded to kindle the Chanukah lights?
- ✦ Why do we say *Hallel* on Chanukah?
- ✦ Where did that little dreidel game come from?

& MUCH MORE - NO CHARGE - BRING FRIENDS



JEWISH FAMILY EDUCATION



TAKIN' & BAKIN'

Kindergarten students and their families learned about Shabbat and took home tasty loaves of Challah to bake.



WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN *Winter Family Camp* and *Pre-B'nai Mitzvah Family Camp*, you may ask? I am so happy to tell you.

Winter Family Camp is the same wonderful Family Camp that we have offered for years. This year I will have the pleasure of hosting it with Melissa Ser, our Director of Congregational Learning, and her family. Winter Family Camp is perfect for families of any age; we program it specifically for those who register. Camp includes special time as families, fun time for adults, and bonding time for our kids. It is an amazing weekend that is not to be missed. Applications are coming out soon but save the date now: **January 25-27**. If you have any questions feel free to call, or ask me for the name of a previous participant. You won't regret it.

Pre-B'nai Mitzvah Family Camp is **February 15-17**. This weekend is only for families with children in fifth and sixth grade preparing for their B'nai Mitzvah. In planning for this special time, Adat Shalom requires all families to take four classes, one with each of the clergy and one with the Education Department. Attending the Pre-B'nai Mitzvah Family Camp will provide you the opportunity to attend all four of these classes in one weekend. This also means that you will have a chance to spend time with all of your clergy in the same weekend. Family camp rules of fun, bonding and good Jewish living still apply. Attending camp will also allow you to talk with other parents in the planning process. Rabbi Bergman and I are hosting the weekend and would love for you to join us.

I am looking forward to two wonderful weekends with you!

*L'shalom, Debi Banooni,
Jewish Family Educator*

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS

Family Education programs are endowed in memory of Oscar Cook and in honor of Jeanette Cook

6TH GRADE YAD PROJECT - Sunday, December 2, 9:15 a.m. Join us for a special 6th grade family program. Make a Yad (Torah pointer) that can be used the morning of your child's simcha or any time you read Torah.

SHAKE, RATTLE & TWIST - Fridays, December 7 & January 4, 11:15 - noon. Parents, grandparents and caregivers of children 3 years and under (older sibs welcome), join Rabbi Rachel and Hazz'n Gross for music and challah braiding in the parent-toddler room.

SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS - Saturday, December 15, 5:15 p.m. Families with Kindergarten age children and younger (older siblings welcome), please join us for dinner, Havdalah, craft project and playtime. No charge.

THIRD GRADE HAVDALAH - Saturday, December 15, 5:15 p.m. Families with third graders in our Religious school are invited to join us for dinner and a culmination of their study of Havdalah. Your students will have completed their Havdalah set and it will be available to use for the first time on this night.

1ST GRADE SANCTUARY HOP - Sunday, December 16, 9:15 a.m. Students in 1st grade (Aleph) and their parents "hop" throughout the Synagogue to learn about what makes a space holy and what makes a group a congregation.

PJ's, PASTA & STORIES - Wednesday, December 19, Preschoolers through first graders and their families are invited to say goodnight amongst friends, crafts and food. We begin at 6 p.m. with pasta for \$3/person, chai's the limit (\$18). Watch for your flyer to see who the guest reader is. If you have older children in the Religious School, we will help make arrangements for them to join us once school is over.

For more information or to reserve your place, contact Debi at 248-626-2153 or dbanooni@adatshalom.org.

With Chanukah coming...



I would like to share with you some ideas of how to add Jewish values to the eight days. Here is a list of "Jewish Values." Pick four that work for your family and use them on four nights of Chanukah.

1. Bikkur Cholim ★ Visiting the Sick
2. Tzaar Ba'alei Chayim ★ Caring for Animals
3. Ha'chnasot Orchim ★ Welcoming Guests
4. Shalom Bayit ★ Keeping Peace in the Home
5. Ma'achil R'evim ★ Feeding the Hungry
6. Bal Tashchit ★ Not Destroying Needlessly
7. Halbashat Arumim ★ Clothing the Naked

Here are some non-gift ideas for Chanukah that you may use on some additional nights:

- Celebrate oil - Make latkes or doughnuts.
- Celebrate family - Close yourselves off and have a family night.
- Celebrate light 'or' - Light Shabbat candles (7th night)
- Celebrate scent - enjoy Havdalah with bisamim (1st and 8th night)

Chag Sameach, Debi

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IS AN ONGOING JOURNEY, at Adat Shalom and in Metro Detroit. Teens today are extremely busy. They have more freedom to decide their schedules than ever before. There are teens dedicated to being *Madrichim* (teacher assistants) during Religious School. They truly enjoy being role models. Some of the teens volunteer as Madrichim; for others it is their job.

Madrichim do a variety of tasks, such as helping students one-on-one read Hebrew, assisting teachers, selling and delivering bagels, greeting students at classroom doors and much more. The students enjoy having a teen in their class. We appreciate their energy and their dedication to helping teachers create positive Jewish learning experiences for our students. Perhaps, one day *their* students will want to be Madrichim at Adat Shalom.

This year's Madrichim are Rikki Bergman, Hannah Bradley, Jonathan Brasch, Brian Dickstein, Brittany Diskin, Zach Jirik, Josh Kavner, Nate Lawler, Marissa Meyerson, Lauren Novick, Carrie Stollman, Ariel Stollman, Lilyanna Wolberg, Samantha Perlman, Jamie Sacksner, Mackenzie Tarockoff, Ian Zaback and Kyle Zaback.

All of the Madrichim have told me that they truly enjoy working with kids and helping the teachers at Adat Shalom. The following teens said:

"I'm so thankful I was given this opportunity to be a student's buddy and to work as a Madrich. I hope that in the future, I can help more people out in the community as well."
 - Brian Dickstein, sophomore

"Helping and watching my students improve is very rewarding."
 - Jamie Sacksner, junior

"I enjoy giving back to Adat Shalom. It's making me a better person and has helped me to consider a future career. Being a Madrich is a cool teen job experience."
 - Zachary Jirik, junior

"BE A MENSCH" PROGRAM

Thank you to everyone who donated shoes to the National Council of Jewish Women's Greater Detroit collection.



We were Menschen in October!

During December, please donate new and gently used books for Adat Shalom's Social Action Committee project. (See page 4)

Meet Some of our Madrichim



DECEMBER YOUTH CALENDAR:

- **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2** – Sam Glaser Family Chanukah Concert. Family Latke Party, co-sponsored by the Men's Club, with entertainment donated by Joe Cornell
- **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13** – Rabbi Shere and Jodi Gross have lunch with Hillel students
- **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16** – Teen Volunteer Corps project at the Baldwin Center in Pontiac
- **MONDAY, DECEMBER 17** – Rabbi Bergman, Rabbi Shere and Hazzan Dan invite students at Frankel Jewish Academy to a FREE lunch at Jerusalem Pizza
- **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19** – "Mitzvah Circuit 101" program led by Joe Cornell for 6th & 7th graders

COLLEGE STUDENT & YOUNG ADULT ENGAGEMENT



Special thank you to the parents who assembled our mailing for Chanukah. We hope your undergrad or grad student and/or young adult enjoy the Adat Shalom "gift."

Updating our database is an ON-GOING project. Help us stay connected to your son/daughter. It is not too late to email jgross@adatshalom.org your son/daughter's name, mailing address, email address, cell phone, date of birth and expected year of graduation (if in school).

WHERE HAVE I SEEN THAT?????

Last month's winner was Sandy Shapiro, who correctly identified the "gentleman" in the **November VOICE Mystery Picture**. Sandy knew that this photo was a portion of the bronze sculpture in Goldin Garden courtyard.



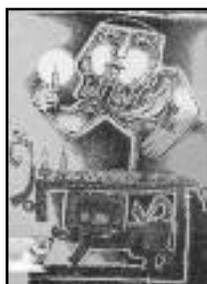
The piece was created by artist Itzak "Izzy" Assour, a retired Israeli Army colonel-turned-sculptor, who specializes in bronze. It was donated to Adat Shalom by the late Betty & D. Dan Kahn in 2002. The sculpture represents a Conservative and an Orthodox rabbi in a dramatic dis-



ussion of Talmud. The piece was commissioned in memory of the late Muriel Steinberg, sister of D. Dan Kahn.

WANT TO WIN THIS MONTH'S CONTEST?

SEND ME AN EMAIL TO LET US KNOW WHERE YOU'VE SEEN THIS FELLOW LIGHTING THE CHANUKIAH? THE FIRST CORRECT ANSWER WILL WIN A PRIZE.



EMAIL ME AT [JMARX@ADATSHALOM.ORG](mailto:jmarx@adatshalom.org).

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

SPREAD THE WORD...

Adat Shalom Early Childhood Center is the place to be! At 6:30 p.m. on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18**, we are having our

ECC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Come meet our creative, passionate, and qualified, teaching staff. Hear about our incredible programs from 6 months old and up. We are offering a **new Just For Me class** beginning in January for children 20-27 months old.

We will highlight our rich preschool environment and curricula along with the best kept secret: our Kindergarten.

Our ratios are better than the State of Michigan requires and allows us to give individualized attention and maximize each child's abilities, rather than teaching to the majority. At Adat Shalom each youngster is given the opportunity to experience and learn, achieving milestones along their continuum of education. During the open house we will offer wonderful incentives to make signing up early your best decision. Now is when you should give your child the gift of an Adat Shalom Early Childhood Education.

Coming in January, we will have an expanded children's book selection in the Youth Lounge. With the help of Rachel Albert the children's book area is labeled and organized. We are happy to open the Children's section to our members. Feel free to browse in the library or take a book home, but please return it when you are finished.

We are excited to announce that through the box tops program we have raised \$70. This is a wonderful beginning for a new program. We are hoping to increase our earnings, so please remember to clip your box tops and turn them into the ECC office.



May your Hanukkah lights be as bright as the smiling faces we see everyday.

- Julie Eisman, Director

FROM MELISSA SER (continued from page 7)

- Learning Through Art -

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR JANUARY 16, because then you can come together with your children and grandchildren and parents and do some Jewish Learning through Art together, with visiting artist-educator Julie Wohl - creating a permanent mural that will hang in the hallways of Adat Shalom. As we grow together, we will continue to add more and more opportunities for community-wide education. We are already planning an Adat Shalom Israel trip for a year from February - and we hope to continue to learn in our ancestors' footsteps, together, there.

We have to take the initiative, just like our ancestral mothers did, and take ownership of not only our future but also our past and present. Please come and learn with me, and kindle your Jewish soul.



FROM RABBI SHERE (continued from page 3)

more detached from one another, or lonelier. We live in an accelerating contradiction: the more connected we become, the lonelier we are."

For me, the best antidote to social media is Shabbat. On Shabbat, our kids know that family time replaces screen time, that any "chatting" we do is face to face, and when we refer to "text," we mean the Torah. Even for those who don't observe Shabbat in such a traditional way, it still makes sense to designate Friday night or Saturday afternoon as "unplugged."

I'd love to hear what you think about this idea and the role technology plays in your family life. If you have a chance, send me an email and let me know. Better yet, let's meet in person.

FROM HAZZAN GROSS (continued from page 3)

"Didn't we start to pray for rain right after Sukkot?" We did. During Sh'mini Atzeret, we added the line "*Mashiv haruach umorid hagashem*" (You cause the wind to blow and the rain to fall) to the second blessing in the Amidah. Here, water is a metaphor for life. Just as water is essential for life, so is God. That is why during this second blessing, God is praised as being the source of life to all things, even the dead. It is the ninth blessing, however, in which water is requested for its literal need to sustain our lives.

During this time, it is very easy to turn our thoughts toward material desires and hope for that perfect Chanukah gift. Sometimes though, there's nothing more satisfying than a good glass of water.

In Memoriam

We send heartfelt condolences to the families of:

SUSAN HORWITZ,

wife of the late Bertrand Horwitz, mother of Alene (Bernie) Goodstein, Linda Horwitz, Larry (Marla) Horwitz and the late Lori Horwitz, grandmother of Ben Goodstein and Alex Greenstone, sister of Michael (Joanne) Simon

NEWMAN KOPALD,

father of Seth Kopald, Ronald Kopald, Michelle Kopald and the late Alan Kopald

MAX PINES,

husband of Lola Pines, father of Esther (Izzy) Tal and Jack (Leslie) Pines, grandfather of Donna Tal, Jonathan Pines and Jarrod Pines

ALLAN ROSENBERG,

husband of Dorrann Rosenberg, father of Don (Shelley) Rosenberg, Terri Ellen and Ferne (Steven) Young, grandfather of Renee (Jeff) Barratt, Micah (Martha) Shawn, Erin Rosenberg, Jason Rosenberg, Alexandra (Fiancee Jeremy Burnstein) Young, great grandfather of Chaya, Solana and Rhianna Barratt, Neil Schlick and Alison Schlick

CAROLYN ROSENSTEIN,

wife of Beryl Rosenstein, mother of Susan (Larry) Slabotsky and Jonathan (Lisa) Rosenstein, grandmother of Zachary, Ariel and Anne Slabotsky and Matthew, Amanda, Benjamin and Samantha Rosenstein



ADAT SHALOM MEMORIAL PARK

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



Attention Snowbirds!

We want to make sure that you receive The VOICE and other mailings this winter. If you plan to be away during the next few months, please call Nancy Wilhelm at 248-851-5100 or send an email to her at nwilhelm@adatshalom.org, with **your winter address and phone number**. Have a healthy, happy winter!

Minyan Musings

FROM BARRY L. LIPPITT, RITUAL DIRECTOR
& COORDINATOR, BAR/BAT MITZVAH INSTRUCTION

THIS YEAR CHANUKAH BEGINS on Saturday evening, December 8, and runs through Sunday, December 16. Remember to bring your children and grandchildren with you to our evening minyan, as we always invite our youngest congregants to lead us in chanting the blessings and lighting the *chanukiyah*. For those who prefer to come to morning services, remember that we read Torah each day during the festival, and we try to give an aliyah to everyone who joins us during the week.

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OUR NEWEST PROJECT IS TO COLLECT THE HEBREW/YIDDISH NAMES of all of our congregants, along with their parents' names. Our purpose is twofold: first, to enable us to call up congregants by name for an aliyah (at least on holidays and non-b'nai mitzvah Shabbats) and second, to facilitate offering a prayer for healing when circumstances dictate. Please send an email to either me or to my assistant, Caren Harwood, with this information.

Also, include your Bar/Bat Mitzvah Parasha and Haftarah (if different). We are trying to give *aliyot* to our members to commemorate these events, and having the information available will make it easy to reach out to you to offer an *aliyah* (or an opportunity to chant *Haftarah*) when these occasions approach.

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WITH WINTER HERE, we lose many of our minyan regulars (both morning and afternoon) to warmer climates. When you have a morning open (7:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. Sundays) or an evening at 5 p.m., please join us for services and help warm up the chapel. You will be performing a mitzvah so that people can say *kaddish*.

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UPDATE ON JANUARY CLASSES: We will have an organizational meeting for an Adult Torah Reading Class Sunday, January 6, at 10:30 a.m. (Note: time and day of future classes will depend on availability of class participants. Classes may not be held on Sundays.) We will need at least five students for the class to proceed.

The "Tips for Chanting Trope" program will be held toward the end of January. Watch the Adat Shalom Minyan Blog for information. If you don't receive our posts, subscribe to the blog and receive information throughout the year on our religious services, minyan activities, and bar/bat mitzvah instruction lessons. You can find us at adatshalomminyan.wordpress.com

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SPEAKING OF OUR BLOG, the next blog project will be to make recordings of the Torah reading cycle and the *Haftarot* available on the blog website. At the least, you'll be able to play them online, but I hope to put downloadable files on the blog for subscribers. We will also try to put up the text of the *Haftarot* so that you can practice on the site.

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FINALLY, I am still looking for congregants who can read part or all of our Torah readings from December 24 through January 3. If you can help out that week, whether on Shabbat or at our morning weekday minyan, please let me know as soon as possible.

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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 B'nai Mitzvah of Jessica and Benjamin Fisher *by Helene & Marvin Cherrin*
 Birthday of Hazzan Daniel Gross *by Marilyn & Steven Robinson; Linda Schafer*
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 Marriage of Larry Lawson & Myra Greenwald *by Cheryl & Marc Bocknek; Barbara &*

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 Special birthday of Jeffrey Madven *by Blanche Flakauff*
 Engagement of Amy Miller & Adam Kay *by Michele & Morley Wassermann*
 Rabbi Shere and wonderful high holidays *by Marilyn & Steven Robinson; Linda Schafer*
 Wedding of Cheryl Waller & Seth Solondz *by Tammi & Scott Cooper*



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IN MEMORY OF:

Yahrzeits of:
 Max Efros *by Lillian Kaufman*
 Martin Wener *by Joe Wener*

IN HONOR OF:

Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan Brasch *by David Lerner*
 Bar Mitzvah of Oren Lerner *by Tammi & Scott Cooper and family*
 Bar Mitzvah of Noah Marcotte *by David Lerner*

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Marriage of Dana Holcman & Andrew Baer *by Trudy & Arthur Weiss*



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IN HONOR OF:

100th birthday of Martha Burnstein *by Shelly & Gene Perlman*
 Jacob Podell becoming an Eagle Scout *by Cathy & Ken Podell; Tammi & Scott Cooper and family*

Tributes


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by Judy & Mark Gordon
Birth of Addison Alexandra Graham
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Trudy & Arthur Weiss*
Birth of William Ezra Aaronson
by Nancy & Dennis Liefer


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IN MEMORY OF:
Jack Goldberg, Mary Magzamin
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Marriage of Miriam Lieberman & Larry
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Shirley Weiner *by Rachel & Harry Maisel*
Yahrzeit of Kay Shapiro
by Maureen & Robert Shapiro
IN HONOR OF:
Irwin Alterman and his wonderful chanting
of the Maftir *by Saul Rose*
Anaruth & Henri Bernard
by Rachel & Harry Maisel
Ruby & Richard Kushner and their
wonderful Masorti program
by Carol Maisels
Celia & Michael Lubetsky's children's
engagements *by Carol & Jeffrey Maisels*
Paul Magy and his career move
by Saul Rose
70th birthday of Jackie Sobel
by Rachel & Harry Maisel

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Anne Talon *by Julie & Marty Wiener*
IN HONOR OF:
90th birthday of Fern Lutz
by Laura & Jeff Jaffe
High Holiday Honors
by Sheryl & Cliff Dovitz


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Stuart Falk; Sheila Kasselman; Elsie &
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Yahrzeits of:
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Bar & Bat Mitzvah: Benjamin Fisher and
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IN MEMORY OF:
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BREAKFAST & SEUDAH SHELISHIT

October
In memory of Pearl Kahn
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by Lee Schostak
In memory of Marvin Bernstein
by Melissa Ser
In memory of Phillip Selvan
by Eleanor Selvan
In honor of the B'nai Mitzvah of Jessica &
Benjamin Fisher *by Lisa & Jay Fisher*
In memory of Martin Sorkowitz
by Julie & Doug Shiffman

November
In memory of Fannie Clinton
by Frances Holtzman
In memory of Edith & Larry Kowalsky and
Joan & Norman Shapiro
by The Kowalsky & Shapiro families
In memory of Esther Hollander
by Gordon Hollander
In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Abigail
Brickman *by Stacy & Neil Brickman*
In memory of Benjamin Shifman
by Rosalie Gold
In memory of Sarah Miller
by Judith & Martin Miller
In memory of Sol Gold
by Rhoda & Ted Kahn
In memory of Harriet Berke
by Judith & Martin Miller

The Breakfast Fund

IN MEMORY OF:
Yahrzeits of:
Leo Gold *by Harriet Friedman*
Sally Lippitt *by Barry Lippitt*

Saturday, February 23 PURIM PARTY 2013

Dinner - Dancing - Prizes

\$5,000 Israel Bond Trip to Israel for Two
\$1,000 Israel Bond \$500 Israel Bond

\$150/person for the party (1 ticket in the drawing)
\$300/couple for the party (2 tickets in the drawing)
\$75 per young adult (21-35) party without raffle ticket

\$1,000 PATRON CONTRIBUTION -
bring 8 guests and receive 8 tickets in the drawing

- YEAR-END PLANNING -

The government allows you to count your Purim Party donations, synagogue dues and other contributions as tax deductions. In order to take advantage of these deductions when you file your taxes this spring, we encourage you to remit this year's payments before the end of December. For answers to all your year-end and gift-giving questions, call Executive Director Alan Yost, 248-851-5100.

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"Kosher Style"

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Singer/songwriter Elaine Serling captivated her Adat Shalom audience on Sunday, November 4, with a delightful concert featuring Jewish standards, Broadway & Yiddish favorites, and her unique renditions of musical favorites. The Adat Shalom community is very grateful to Elaine for sharing her special talents with us and to both Elaine and Michael Serling, whose generosity made this evening possible.



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CANDLE LIGHTING

Friday:

Dec 7 . . 4:42 p.m.
14 . . 4:42 p.m.
21 . . 4:45 p.m.
28 . . 4:49 p.m.

SHABBAT ENDS

Saturday:

Dec 1 . . 5:43 p.m.
8 . . 5:42 p.m.
15 . . 5:42 p.m.
22 . . 5:45 p.m.
29 . . 5:49 p.m.

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