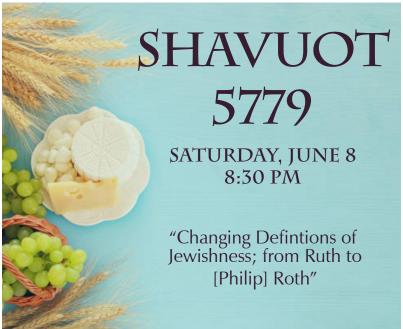


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The 2nd Annual Congregation Har Shalom Kiddush Cup Monday, May 13, 2019

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SIP AND PAINT Recap

On February 19, Har Shalom members enjoyed a wonderful evening of painting under the artful eye of Talya Weinberg. Talya is dedicated to teaching individuals art appreciation, confidence and skill in a fun environment. We certainly had fun as she led us through each of the brush strokes in order to create our own Tree of Life painting. While she demonstrated before us, we were able to bring our own creative energies to our paintings to personalize and individualize them. Har Shalom members can't wait for another painting evening!









PURIM CARNIVAL Recap







This year's Purim Carnival, on March 17, had a wonderful turnout! Children enjoyed games, prizes, and playing on the moon bounce. Thank you to the Men's Club for all their hard work in putting this event together.

2019 AIPAC Conference

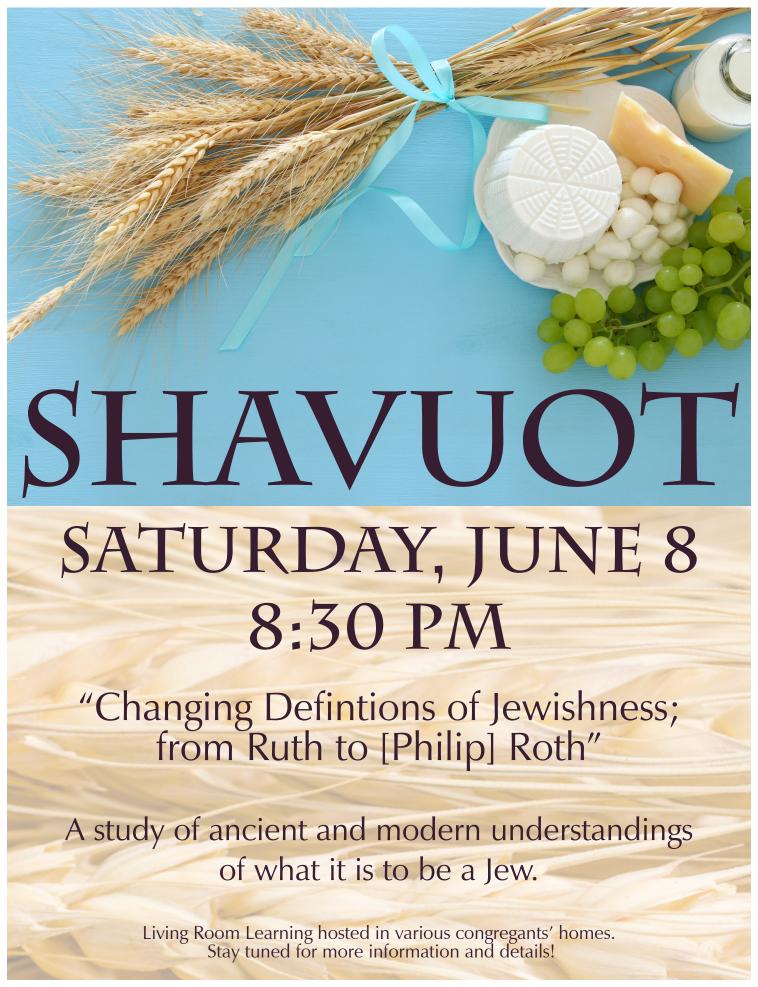


First Row, left to right: Rachel Robin, Rori Malech, Barry Korb, Barbara Korb, Jackie Haynes, Rabbi Adam Raskin, Laurie May, Jan Shapiro, Ruth Newburger, Irma Raker. Second Row, left to right: Hal Freed, Robert Shapiro, Mark McCaffrey, Larry Goldkind, Lenny Haynes, Randy May, Louis Popkin, Mark Newburger, Joelle Spector. Third Row, left to right: David Helfand, Mia Raskin, Yael Shafrir, Michelle Malet, Michelle Loya, Rami Loya, Ed Schapiro, Deb Schapiro.

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FROM THE Rabbi.

Dear Friends.

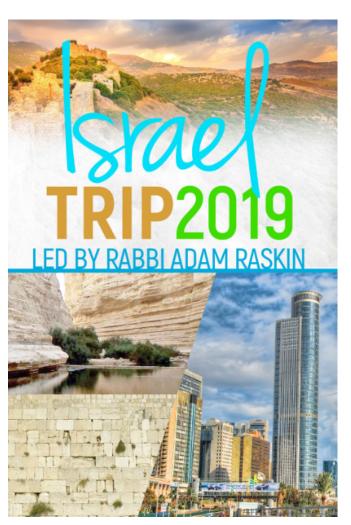
In the coming year, I am very excited that a bright, talented rabbinical student from the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York will be doing a field placement with our congregation. The Seminary encourages rabbinical students to spend time in a variety of professional settings, so that they get a sense of the many possibilities of the rabbinate, and experience mentorship from rabbis serving the Jewish people in different ways. I am thrilled that Kayley Romick, a second year rabbinical student at JTS, currently studying in Israel, will be visiting Har Shalom several times in the coming year. Kayley is a graduate of Vanderbilt University (2017), where she majored in Cognitive Studies and Education. What makes this extra-special for me is that Kayley is originally from Dallas, and I have known her since she was in elementary school! When I was an assistant rabbi, part of my responsibilities included teaching one class at the local Solomon Schechter Day School. Kayley was in my fifth grade "Humash with Rashi" class, and I could tell back then that she possessed exceptional intellect, remarkable kindness, and a profound devotion to Jewish life. A few years after being in my class, Kayley was my kids' summer camp counselor at Camp Young Judaea! Since beginning rabbinical school, Kayley has staffed USY on Wheels, worked at Camp Ramah in the Berkshires, and served as a companion to hospice patients. Kayley has also been an intern at the David Project, an Israel advocacy training program for college students. She is one of the star students that the Seminary sends out to speak on behalf of Torah Fund, as an example of the high caliber of students and future leaders of the Conservative movement preparing for the rabbinate at JTS. Kayley will visit on two weekends during the fall, and three in the spring (dates to be determined). She will also be here throughout the High Holidays, leading family services, educational programs, and doing some preaching as well. She is dynamic, intelligent, and warm. I know you will enjoy meeting her, learning with her, and having the nachas of being part of her rabbinic education. Please plan to welcome her on her first visit to our community the weekend of September 6-8!

With warm wishes to you and your family for a hag kasher ve'sameah!



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FROM THE Executive Director



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Legacy giving is not a capital campaign; it is not a current gift. Legacy is a future gift, a sustaining and enabling gift, a gift for the future, a gift to insure a Jewish home for our children, for our grandchildren and forward." – Diana Rabinowitz, Chair CJL excerpt from her Rosh Hashana 5777 message

Har Shalom is a congregation of many generations, families have raised their children here, watched them get married here and some lucky ones have seen their grandchild have their B'nai Mitzvah in our building. The Legacy Circle was created for our future generations. If you are interested in joining the many families (see back cover) already in the Circle, please fill out the form below. If you have already added Har Shalom to your will, let me know and we will add you to the growing list of Legacy Circle Members. The Steinborn family raised their children at Har Shalom and most recently watched their son walked down the aisle to the Chuppah in our very own Burke Sanctuary. Please take a moment to read their story.



Shelley Engel, FSA

Declaration of Intent

of Intent
I/We intend to include a legacy gift to Congregation Har Shalom in my/our estate plan within the next months.
$\ \square$ I/We already made a provision in my/our will or estate plan.
Bequest
Life insurance beneficiary
Retirement plan beneficiary
Other

Find the full form at: www.harshalom.org/cil



The Steinborn Family

When asked whether we would commit to donating to Har Shalom's Family Legacy Fund, our answer was easy....of course, Har Shalom is our family. Now a bit of background.

Steve and I moved from Michigan to the DC area in 1987: newly married, just out of law school, and our only family locally was an elderly aunt. Though many families consider joining a synagogue when the kids are ready for Hebrew school, for us it was different. We were confident that joining a synagogue would give us a sense of belonging. It wasn't an easy task. We seriously considered three synagogues and joined two before we found, and became members of, Har Shalom.

Being a member of Har Shalom has been an integral part of our lives for the past 25 years. We found that because of our involvement in HS, be it co-chair of the nursery school "PTA", Rabbi search committee, or on the Sisterhood Board, we created a new family: our Har Shalom family.

Our children followed suit. From nursery school, B'nai Mitzvah, confirmations, and let's not forget USY, Har Shalom engendered a love of Judaism that followed Zack and Kayla to college: Zack started an AEP chapter at Dickinson and Kayla started a Hillel chapter at Wheelock. Our most recent celebration at HS was Zack's wedding in November.

Har Shalom did their job. By our commitment to the Har Shalom Legacy Fund, we are doing our part so HS can continue "their job" for our grand children as well as the Har Shalom community.

- Alyse and Steve Steinborn, congregants since 1994

FROM THE President

With Appreciation, Sincerity, and Gratitude

The old adage that time flies is very true. On May 31, 2019, the sun will set on my term, but will also rise, with new hopes and beginnings, when Steve Susswein will assume the leadership mantle of Congregation Har Shalom. Two years ago that date seemed very distant. As my term comes to a close, it has been an honor and privilege to represent the Har Shalom community.

My personal vision was to lead Har Shalom to future success, to put Har Shalom on a path towards financial stability, to strengthen the religious school, to explore alternative dues structures, to reform our internal governance, and to create a cultural environment implementing the principles of relational Judaism. I set the bar high. I knew it was unlikely that each of those goals and aspirations could be completed within my term. However, my hope was that we could achieve measured progress and success.

Har Shalom is constantly evolving, its journey never ending, but I believe Har Shalom is better positioned today to achieve those goals and aspirations. That being said, our success today will be measured, three to five years from now, when we can honestly and reflectively look back and say that Har Shalom is a better place, spiritually, culturally, and financially, in part, because of the decisions we made over the past two years.

I have said many times that you are only as good as the people that surround you. The people that have surrounded me have been exemplary.

First, I want to thank the members of the Executive Committee for their tireless dedication, devotion, and time to Har Shalom. I am indebted to all of you for your service, your thoughtfulness and valued advice these past two years. It was an honor to serve, collaborate, and work with each of you as part of my team.

Secondly, I have had the privilege to work with Shelley Engel and the entire professional staff, all of whom are exemplary in their passion, their devotion and their service to make Har Shalom the best it can be. At times, the work of our staff is under appreciated. During my term, I delegated authority and responsibility to Shelley and the Rabbi regarding the daily operations of the synagogue. This afforded me the opportunity to concentrate on larger issues such as long term planning, the religious school, financial decisions, fund raising, our relationship with United



Jeff Rubin
President
president@harshalom.org

Synagogue for Conservative Judaism, and relational Judaism. This managerial platform served me well and I hope will continue to serve well for future presidents. Thank you Shelley and the entire staff for all that was done to make my job easier.

A very special thank you to Rabbi Raskin and Hazzan Ozur Bass. I have never met two individuals who live, exude and exemplify the joys of being Jewish every day. Thank you for your leadership and spiritual guidance. Har Shalom is blessed to have such a devoted and dedicated clergy team.

My Dad retired when he was sixty two years old and lived to be ninety seven. I was fortunate and grateful that he sustained his health, vigor, strength, and mental acumen up to his passing. During those thirty five years of retirement, my Dad and my stepmother spent much time volunteering in community service projects that were important to them. They were active in their synagogue in Florida and many other organizations. It was something that I specifically took notice, and reflect on often. Being synagogue President was my first venture to emulate that legacy and prophecy. I know he would be proud.

Lastly, I could not have done this job without the love and support of my family. Thank you Pat for your patience, your understanding, and your never ending love; to my children, Greg, Rob, and Candice; and to my grandchildren, Ryan and Sadie, who are the BEST! All of you mean the world to me and give me great joy.

To Steve, the new Executive Committee, and the new Board of Directors, the future of Har Shalom is in very good hands. I wish you all much success!

As for me, I look forward to my new role and title of Immediate Past President, which many say is the best synagogue job a person can have. Again, thank you for the honor and the privilege.

Jeff

FROM THE Religious School Director

In the lower grades, the students continue to learn Hebrew letters and started reading. The older grades have deepened their studies of Hebrew and Jewish holidays with emphasis on biblical and historical meaning and the tfilot that are connected to each holiday.

The 7th graders had their first Skype meeting with their "twins" from the Nitzanim School in Rishon L'tzion. Both classes wrote each other questions in advance and answered each other in the Skype meeting. We learned a lot about our friends in that conversation and are looking forward to our next Skype meeting at the end of April.

For Tikkun Olam, (Repairing the world) we gave our 7th graders a challenge to lead our activity for the enitre school and they have done an amazing job. They brainstormed, organized and planed everything themselves with the help of our Shlicha and their Tuesday teacher, Yael. They created three different activities that would help the other students understand the meaning of Tikkun Olam and the actions that one can take to make the world a better place. At the end they created a Jeopardy quiz that reinforced these concepts in a fun way.

Thanks to the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington we watched a one-man play from the Israeli Orna Porat Children Theater about life in Janusz Korczak's orphanage. Korczak was a Polish-Jewish education, children's author and a doctor. Through the play the students learned how to make something out of nothing (how many things can you do with an empty matchbox?), how every child is special and an independent thinker, and that kids can be treated with respect, as well as adults. The actor incorporated our students in the play and everyone were very engaged.

We are looking forward to the upcoming months and all the learning and events that they will bring.

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THE SHERMAN ECC in Pictures





Engaging Experiences from Purim to Passover







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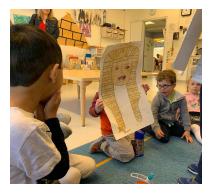














FROM OUR Shlicha

May and June are filled with a lot of amazing and meaningful events, including Israeli national holidays, such as Holocaust Remembrance Day (*Yom Ha'shoa*), Memorial Day (*Yom Ha'Zikaron*), and Independence Day (*Yom Ha'atzmaut*). I'm very excited to bring all of these events to our community with my unique Israeli touch.

For *Yom Ha'shoa* we will commemorate this day by joining together in congregants' homes and hear testimonials from Holocaust survivors.

For Yom Ha'Zikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut we will gather together for a ceremony to commemorate the fallen soldiers and civilian victims of terrorism, followed by celebrations for the independence of my amazing country.

After the month of May, SUMMER TIME is coming and I am going to visit our amazing kids at Capital Camps and Camp Ramah New England! I can't wait to see them and learn from them about the camps they love so much.

Below are some photos from Good Deeds Day!







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My Upcoming Events:

May 1st @ 7:00 PM

Zikaron Ba'salon

Living room Holocaust remembrance program.

May 8th @ 6:00 PM

From Zikaron to Atzmaut

(Remembrance to Independence)

May 13th @ 7:00 PM

Bishulim eim Shlichim - Cooking with Shlichim

May 19th @ 12:15 PM

5th-8th graders Israeli picnic

Joint program with Beth Sholom.

June 2nd @ 10:30 PM

Family Yom Yerushalayim celebration

June 4th @ 7:00 PM

Bishulim eim Shlichim – Cooking with Shlichim –my birthday edition!

















Join Yael the Shlicha and Har Shalom for...

Zikaron Basalon Remembrance in the living-room

How do you commemorate the Holocaust?

Wednesday, May 1st @ 7pm Will be held in congregants homes

Register at:

www.harshalom.org/ZikaronBasalon

Zikaron BaSalon invites you to commemorate the Holocaust in a personal way, among friends, family and guests, in an intimate atmosphere.

It is a unique and authentic tradition of people gathering together to open their hearts to the stories of the survivors, think, read, talk and most importantly-listen.



Join Har Shalom for an annual community-wide
Yom Ha'zikaron (Israel memorial day)
commemoration ceremony followed by Yom
Ha'Atzmaut (Israel Independence) celebration

FROM ZIKARON

TO ATZMAUT

Wednesday, May 8th

Gathering outside @ 5:45pm

Yom Ha'zikaron ceremony @ 6:00 pm

Yom Ha'atzmaut dinner, celebrations

and activities @ 6:30 pm

Please RSVP at www.harshalom.org/jsraelDay

For more information contact Yael at Yael@harshalom.org



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UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Come hang out &

have fun with your

friends

& the Shlicha, Yael

May 4th Youth

Shabbat and Ha'giggat Ha'siddur

May 19th

@12:15pm

5th-8th graders

Israeli Picnic

June 2nd

@10:30

Final Event

Yerushalayim

Bishulim Eim Shlichim Cooking with Yael & Shlichim



Come meet and make Hummus with SHIR HASSON

Israel Fellow at George Mason University Hillel

Monday, May 13th @ 7pm

Register by May 12th atwww.harshalom.org/cooking

or more information contact Yael at yael@harshalom.org

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FAMILY News

B'nai Mitzvah:



Jacob Eisenberg
May 18
Son of Jennifer & Jason
Eisenberg, Grandson of
Phillip & Barbara Eisenberg



Naomi Esterowitz
June 22
Daughter of
Terri Esterowitz &
Terry Dalle-Tezze



Noah Schnall June 1 Son of Barri & Michael Schnall



Jessa Bradley-Bunkin June 29 Daughter of Doug Bradley



Teddy Ginstling June 8Son of Marta Lederer
& Gary Ginstling



Zev Bradley-Bunkin June 29 Son of Doug Bradley



Julia Levi June 15Daughter of Susan & Benjamin Levi



Mia Raskin, daughter of **Rabbi Adam & Sari Raskin**, on her graduation from Berman Hebrew Academy.

David and Wendy Myers on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, **Sophie**.

Congregation President **Jeff Rubin** on his 65th birthday.

Gerry and Idelle Rosenberg on the birth of their grandson, Dax Benjamin Landerer, son of Allison and Michael Landerer.

Beyla Ozur Bass, daughter of <u>Hazzan Henrique Ozur Bass</u> and Rabbi Janet Ozur Bass, Lauren Katz, daughter of Joe and Rachel Katz, and Abby Elson, daughter of Rabbi Irv and Fran Elson, on their graduation from the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School.

Sari Raskin on her promotion to Vice President of Grants and Community Leadership at the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia.



Lilly Miller
June 15, Minha
Daughter of Beth Rosen &
Larry Miller, Granddaughter
of Honey & Morris Rosen

Mazal Tov (Continued):

Jayme & Justin Boling on the birth of their daughter, Piper Rose Boling. Piper is the granddaughter of Shelley & Todd Engel, great-granddaughter of Israel & Sheila Myers and Lois Engel, niece of Randi & Ricky Leshin, and cousin of Landon and Ilan Leshin.

Joe & Jaime Edlow on the birth of their son, Jacob Samuel Edlow. The excited big sister is Emma in the Sherman ECC.

Lindsay & Scott Tiell on the birth of their daughter, Emma Sloane Tiell, granddaughter of **Dan & Cathy Hodin** and Bob & Judy Tiell.

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Goldstein are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Debbie, to Dr. Jacob Margolis.

Rachel Ginsburg on her birthday.

Dolores & Evan Siegel on the naming of their daughter, Sunny Miko Siegel. Sunny is the little sister of Miles, and the granddaughter of **Sharon Siegel & Arnold Spevack**, Larry & Lisa Siegel, and Dimas & Mirian Chavez.

Bill Bresnick on his birthday.

Barton and Lily Groh on the birth of their granddaughter.

Our Facilities & Kitchen Manager, Joanna Rubin, and her husband Josh on the birth of their son, Zachary Isaac. The big brother is Ben.

Lori Shapiro and Brian Schutz on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, **Jamie Laura Schutz**. Jamie's Bat Mitzvah is being celebrated by her older siblings, **Carly and Jason**.

Jamie and Zachary Kramer on the birth of their daughter, **Jordan Noa Kramer**, welcomed by her big sister, **Molly**, grandparents **Dan & Cathy Hodin**, aunt and uncle **Lindsay & Scott Tiell**, and new cousin **Emma**.

Condolences:

Lauren Ritter on the passing of her mother, Lila Ritter

Joanna Rubin on the passing of her grandfather, Irving Torchinsky

Gaye Feinberg on the passing of her father, Jacob Rausch

Deborah K. Cohen on the passing of her sister, Karen Marks

Jack Markowitz on the passing of his wife, Laverne Markowitz

Richard Feldman on the passing of his father, George Feldman

Sue Sklar on the passing of her husband, Barry Sklar

Renato Levy on the passing of his mother, Sussette Levy

Harley Felstein on the passing of his son, Michael Felstein

Victor Schneider and **Daniel New-Schneider** on the passing of their son and brother, Benjamin Isaac Fischer.

The family of **Lori Gordon** on her passing.

Idelle Rosenberg on the passing of her father, David Wohl.

Bobbie Carin on the passing of her husband, **Philip Carin**, brother-in-law of **Laurie & Hal Freed**.

BROADWAY Cabaret

Buy your tickets today for Har Shalom's 5th Annual Cabaret

Sunday, June 2, at 7:00 PM

Celebrate the upcoming 15th Annual Har Shalom Players (HSP) production, and enjoy the high points from past shows, as you join us for a special retrospective Cabaret on Sunday, June 2, at 7 p.m. The lively event will feature selections from the prior 14 HSP productions, with many of the songs performed by original cast members. The HS Players will be joined by special guest Ben Lurye, who has theater credits at many local community and professional venues.

Music Director Paul Rossen will lead the talented cast in songs from Annie, Bye Bye Birdie, Damn Yankees, Fiddler on the Roof, Hello, Dolly!, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, The Music Man, Oliver!, Once Upon A Mattress, The Secret Garden, Seussical the Musical, Shrek The Musical, and The Wizard of Oz.

Wine and dessert will be served.

Advance purchase tickets are \$20/adult and \$18/children age 12 and under. Tables of 10 may be purchased in advance for \$150. Tickets at the door are \$22/person. Buy your advance tickets at www.harshalom.org/cabaret or from the Har Shalom office.

If you loved past cabarets (including An Evening on Broadway, RENT—The Concert Version, Infinite Future: Bernstein's Lasting Impact, and MisCast Broadway), this is a not-to-be-missed event. The 5th Annual Broadway Cabaret is brought to you by the Membership and Program Committees.



Don't miss out! Buy your tickets at www.harshalom.org/cabaret

MEN'S Club



Adult Kids Group Activity

The AK Group is part of the Men's Club. This group organizes activities for guys aged approximately 50 and over. These activities are open to all members of the Men's Club and to all men who are considering joining the Men's Club. (No grouches allowed.) We regularly have the following two activities:

- 1. AK Dinners: We arrange dinners once a month usually on the 4th Thursday at restaurants in the Rockville area. We try to select a different restaurant each month. Any selection will have vegetarian and fish dishes available. These dinners are well attended. For example, our March dinner had 21 people attending.
- 2. Golf: We arrange for golf at a public Montgomery County Golf Course every Friday, weather permitting. When weather doesn't permit golf, some of us get together for a Friday morning breakfast/brunch. We also frequently arrange for golf on another day during the week, usually Tuesdays. During the spring and summer, we typically have to get 3 tee times for Fridays. We normally play scramble (best ball on each shot) which enables us to get scores as a team that we could not even dream of individually. Players of all skill levels are welcome.

The purpose of these activities is to get guys together for a fun time. If you are interested, but are not receiving notices with the details for these activities, contact us at adultkidsclub@harshalom.org and specify your interests. If you have an idea for another activity, contact us and tell us about your activity. We will get back to you fairly quickly.



Men's Club Brunch with Doron Ezickson, May 5

Mr. Ezickson is the Director of ADL's Washington, D.C. Regional Office. Mr. Ezickson will discuss the current threats of anti-Semitism in the United States and some of the initiatives undertaken by the Regional Office. These include: No Place for Hate®; Bearing Witness™; Law Enforcement and Society (LEAS); the D.C. Bias Crimes Task Force; and ADL's annual In Concert Against Hate® at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.



Men's Club Brunch with Stuart Eizenstat, June 2

Mr. Eizenstat was a senior diplomat and advisor to Presidents Carter and Clinton. He is a noted author, lawyer and Jewish leader with a long and distinguished career in public service. His presentation is sure to be insightful and informative.

Mr. Eizenstat served as President Jimmy Carter's Chief Domestic Policy Adviser, and Executive Director of the White Policy Staff from 1981-1987. He was President Bill Clinton's Deputy Secretary of the Treasury 1999-2001. In 1998, he organized the Washington Conference on Holocaust Assets, resulting in the Washington Principles on Nazi-Confiscated Art. He served as the United States Ambassador to the European Union from 1993-1996.

Sisterhood

From Your Sisterhood President, Susan Rabkin



This is the last column I will write for the Tablet as your Sisterhood President. I have loved doing this volunteer job, but after 4 years in this position, I will be turning over the gavel to the very amazing Susan Grant! I'm confident that she will take Sisterhood to even greater heights of accomplishment!

We have one more major function during my term of office. Our closing event this year will be a Volunteer Appreciation dinner on May 16, at which we will honor all of the volunteers who have helped out at the many successful Sisterhood events. Our speaker is State Senator Cheryl Kagan, a member of Har Shalom. This will be a fascinating evening, so be sure to put this date in your calendars.

This year Sisterhood has accomplished so much:

- We assembled and delivered 900 Purim Baskets. This is our biggest fundraiser, involving the efforts of about 100 volunteers! It has become a Har Shalom community tradition. As we do every year, we donated Purim Baskets to 90 Jewish residents of local nursing homes, and gave one to every staff member of Har Shalom.
- We held our third annual New to You Sale in July, and then donated the profits of over \$4000 to the Religious School. Save your giveaways, because we're going to hold it again this summer on July 14! Each year our profits from this fundraiser have increased, and we have gotten better at running the event.
- We had a wonderful Sisterhood Shabbat weekend in March. We led a beautiful Shabbat service and served the Congregation a sumptuous Kiddush luncheon.
- We provided snacks and gifts to the Religious School children on several occasions.
- We gave a large donation to the Silent Auction which will support the Congregation and the Nursery School.
- We gave a large donation to the Kiddush Cup Golf Tournament fundraiser to benefit the Congregation.
- We held a very successful Paid Up Membership Dinner and a terrific joint brunch with the Men's Club.

- We held a joint Torah Fund Dinner with the Sisterhood of B'nai Israel, and expect to surpass our quota of \$25,000 for Torah Fund this year. The money we raise through the Torah Fund campaign supports the 5 Conservative Jewish seminaries throughout the world, in New York, Los Angeles, Israel, Argentina, and Germany.
- We sponsored two successful and well attended Parent Encouragement Programs for the Nursery School and Religious School parents.
- We collected and donated another 150 bras to the I Support the Girls charity to be distributed to women in shelters. Please continue to drop off your donations in the collection box in the coat room across from the Har Shalom front office.
- Our daytime drop-in Mah Jongg group has been very successful and has expanded to two days a week (Tuesday and Thursday).
- We met monthly to discuss books, and we go bowling each week.
- We delivered a number of meals to Congregant families who are dealing with an illness in the family through our Bikkur Holim program.
- We held two Bingo parties for Jewish seniors in our community.
- We operated a Judaica Shop.
- We donated food and many household items to local shelters through our Tikkun Olam program.
- We gave incentive scholarships to children going to Camp Ramah and USY on Wheels this summer.
- We sponsored a Belly Dancing Class taught by the Israeli mother of our Shlicha, Yael Shafrir.

As you can see, Sisterhood members have been very busy. Together we've had fun, we've eaten well, and we've performed a variety of services to our community. Do come and join us!





Purim Wrap-Up

Sisterhood completed its 2019 Purim Basket Project with great results! Over 75 volunteers stuffed envelopes, set up tables and chairs, set up the stuffing lines, packed hamantashen, stuffed baskets and boxes, printed labels and stuck them on everything in sight, recruited other volunteers, and drove all over to deliver the goodies. We couldn't have done it without you, and you deserve a big thank you.

Thanks also to everyone who ordered baskets for friends and family, made donations to provide baskets to Jewish residents of local nursing homes, and stepped up to be Purim Patrons. Your generosity enabled Sisterhood to raise a net of over \$15,000. Bravo!

Sisterhood New To You Sale

Do a mitzvah - donate new or nearly new items or your volunteer time for the July 14 Sisterhood New to You Sale.

Sisterhood wants your stuff! The New to You Sale is Sunday, July 14th and donation collection is in full swing. Are you down-sizing? Moving? Cleaning out your basement? Clearing out kids' outgrown clothes, toys, and books at the end of the school year? NOW is the time to purge!

Starting Sunday, July 7th until Thursday, July 11, from 12 pm - 2 pm and 7 pm - 9 pm, you can drop your items off directly in the Paul Family Social Hall! If you cannot wait until July 7th, please drop off your donations starting June 2 anytime in the Burke Sanctuary Coat Room. There are tax receipts available near the collection boxes or at the front reception desk.

We are looking for clothing for men, women, children and babies, shoes, linens, housewares, kitchenware, toys, books, electronics, jewelry, accessories, and home decor. Have designer items to donate? We will take them too!

We are looking for volunteers to help publicize the event, sort and organize the items the week before the sale, and help the day of the sale and day after the sale.

Contact Eileen Sherr at esherr2@gmail.com

Sisterhood Book Club

May 1, 2019 "White Chrysanthemum" by Mary Lynn Bracht Facilitator – Ellen Bresnick

Korea, 1943. Hana has lived her entire life under Japanese occupation. As a haenyeo, a female diver of the sea, she enjoys more independence than most Koreans. Until the day Hana saves her younger sister from a Japanese soldier and is herself captured and transported to Manchuria. There she is forced to become a "comfort woman" in a Japanese military brothel. But haenyeo are women of power and strength. She will find her way home.

South Korea, 2011. Emi has spent more than sixty years trying to forget the sacrifice her sister made, but she must confront the past to discover peace. Seeing the healing of her children and her country, can Emi move beyond the legacy of war to find forgiveness?

Suspenseful, hopeful, and ultimately redemptive, White Chrysanthemum tells a story of two sisters whose love for each other is strong enough to triumph over the grim evils of war.

June 6, 2019 Annual Book Club Luncheon

More information will be provided. Be sure to note that June 6 is a Thursday, not our usual Wednesday!

SATO/Sisterhood Cares!

Congratulations to JCADA 5K walkers and runners and Sisterhood belly dancers who donated to the Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse to raise awareness about the realities of power-based violence in our community.

May collection:

New toys for Children's Inn at NIH and gently-used toys for A Wider Circle.



June collection:

Household cleaning supplies for Stepping Stones Shelter.



Please support Har Shalom's efforts to help those in need throughout the year!

DAYTIMERS Jewish Film Festival



"Hava Nagila (The Movie)" May 15 at 12:00 PM USA — 75 minutes 2012

The song you thought you knew. The story you won't believe. It's a documentary romp through the history, mystery and meaning of the great Jewish standard. Featuring interviews with Harry Belafonte, Leonard Nimoy, Connie Francis, Glen Campbell, Regina Spektor and more, the film follows the ubiquitous party song on its fascinating journey from the shtetls of Eastern Europe to the kibbutzim of Palestine to the cul-de-sacs of America. High on fun and entertainment, the film is also surprisingly profound, tapping into universal themes about the importance of joy, the power of music and the resilient spirit of a people.

This date was added to accommodate our snowed-out February film.

Note: There is no film in June.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION Dinner

SISTERHOOD VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

May 16, at 6:00 PM

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time... they just have the heart." —Elizabeth Andrew

Come join us for a special evening of food, friends, and our guest Speaker, State Senator Cheryl Kagan (D-17), as she talks about her involvement in the community and her legislative accomplishments.

All members of Sisterhood are invited to this lovely dinner, where we will acknowledge our volunteers' endeavors and salute our outgoing president, Susan Rabkin, who for the last three years has served with great diplomacy, wisdom, and willingness.

And, complimented with Senator Cheryl Kagan as our guest speaker, it should be an outstanding evening.

The E-Vite should already be in your computer mailboxes. Please respond and hope to see you on May 16th! Questions? E-mail Lindalsen@aol.com



SIXTH ANNUAL JTS EVENING OF Learning

ENCOUNTERING GOD: JEWISH CONCEPTIONS OF THE DIVINE

Sunday, May 19 from 5:00-9:00 PM

Join JTS scholars at B'nai Israel Congregation to explore what Jewish texts and thought can teach us about how we might understand and experience God, God's role in Jewish history, and what it means to be in relationship with the divine.

- Rabbi Eliezer Diamond, PhD, Rabbi Judah Nadich Associate Professor of Talmud and Rabbinics
- Dr. Eitan Fishbane, Associate Professor of Jewish Thought
- Dr. Benjamin Sommer, Professor of Bible and Ancient Semitic Languages
- Rabbi Jan Uhrbach, Director of The Block / Kolker Center for Spiritual Arts

Program Partners: Adas Israel Cognregation, Agudas Achim Congregation, B'nai Israel Congregation, B'nai Shalom of Olney, Beth Sholom Congregation, Congregation Beth El, Congregation Har Shalom, Congregation Olam Tikvah, Congregation Sha'are Shalom, The Haberman Institute for Jewish Studies, Kehilat Shalom, Kol Shalom, Ohr Kodesh Congregation, Shaare Tefila Congregation, Shaare Torah, Tifereth Israel Congregation, Tikvat Israel Congregation



Topics will include:

"Did God Write the Torah—and If Not, Does Torah Still Matter?"
"Conceptions of God in Jewish Mysticism:

From Kabbalah to Hasidism"

"God of the Faithful, God of the Faithless: Belief and Doubt in Prayer"

For more information, please contact Tani Schwartz-Herman at (212) 678-8996 or tanischwartz@jtsa.edu.

Register at: www.wizevents.com/register/6617

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