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The Challenge of "Reconstructing" Judaism

by Rabbi Toba Spitzer

Sitting in Shabbat morning services in recent months, I've been delighted to see all the new life that's come into our congregation – we're experiencing our own Dorshei Tzedek baby boom! As we welcome each of these infants into our congregation, and as I peek into classrooms and family programs in our religious school, I have been struck by how wonderfully diverse our Jewish community is becoming.

In his writings in the first decades of the 20th century, Mordecai Kaplan, the founder of Reconstructionist Judaism, emphasized the centrality of Jewish "peoplehood." While acknowledging that Judaism is a system of beliefs and practices, Kaplan had the insight that first and foremost what it means to be a Jew is to belong to the Jewish people, to be a part of a group that makes meaning in ways developed over thousands of years of evolving history. Kaplan understood that being Jewish is a religious identification but also an ethnic or communal status, like being Chinese or Irish. Being Jewish is about the food we eat, the history we connect to, and the holidays we share; it is also about engaging in ancient practices that have the power to profoundly affect how we live in the world.

What would Kaplan make of our Jewish people today? He was an expansive and visionary man, and I think he would be thrilled by the changing face of the American Jewish people, by the different types of families, by the children and adults from other cultures and ethnic groups who have made their way into our community.

Yet the notion of "peoplehood" that Kaplan articulated was based in another time, when even with the pressures of assimilation extremely few American Jews intermarried, and adoption outside of the Jewish community was rare. This is not to ignore those Jews, especially in the wake of the Holocaust, who denied and hid their Jewish heritage,

and we are now seeing a re-emergence of the children of that generation, people who may not have even known they were Jewish until they were teens or adults. But for a significant number of American Jews in the first half of the 20th century, and even in the decades thereafter, one simply knew that one was Jewish, regardless of level of observance. The force of Jewish peoplehood allowed a kind of Jewish identification by osmosis, even when that identification may have been less than positive.

Everything is different today. The challenge and the excitement of being a member of the Jewish community in the 21st century is precisely that we cannot take anything for granted. Osmosis is no longer a viable Jewish survival strategy. Rather, we are each challenged to join actively in re-making what it means to be a part of the Jewish people. This was Kaplan's central argument: that in order for Judaism to thrive in America the Jewish community would have to be motivated not simply to hold on to Jewish practice for its own sake, but to "reconstruct" a living Judaism that is viable and dynamic.

I often detect great ambivalence among Jews whom I meet, ambivalence born of negative Jewish experiences in childhood, of internalized anti-Semitism, of lack of knowledge (and some shame around that lack) about Judaism and Jewish practice. Such ambivalence is not surprising, given the complicated and often painful history

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of our people. Kaplan's challenge to us is to turn that ambivalence into an active and positive re-engagement with what it means to be a Jew. For each of us as individuals, this is an opportunity to become empowered vis-à-vis the Jewish tradition, to become a "producer" instead of a "consumer" of Judaism. It is an opportunity for us as a congregation to help each other in this journey, to think together about what kinds of Jewish learning and Jewish experiences we want for ourselves and for our children. It is an opportunity to think less about the kind of Jew that we don't want to be and more about the Jew that we would like to be. Such a project is an ongoing dance between old and new, between maintaining tradition and welcoming change. This is the project that I feel we at Dorshei Tzedek are embarked upon together, and I look forward to meeting these new challenges in partnership with you, and with our next generation of Reconstructionist Jews!

Contacting the Rabbi: Rabbi Spitzer does not have regular office hours, but is available to talk about any spiritual, religious, or personal issues that you might want to discuss. Please call her directly to make an appointment, at 617-924-6242.

Rabbinic Liaison Committee: The Rabbinic Liaison Committee exists to ensure the maintenance of a good relationship between our rabbi and the congregation. Any questions or concerns should be directed to Louise Enoch, Linette Liebling, or Mark Farber. These matters will be handled confidentially and appropriate solutions sought where possible.

Members' Meeting

Please mark your calendars for **Sunday evening, March 17, 7:15 pm**, for the next Members' Meeting. Every household is encouraged to send at least one representative to this important meeting. Stay tuned for details.

Notes from Our Board

by Elizabeth Ross

The Board last met on December 12.

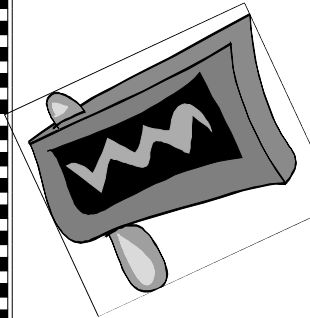
Judy and Chayim Herzig-Marx reported that Rabbi Spitzer's current contract is coming to an end. Steve Leonard has agreed to lead the negotiation of a new contract, and Ora Gladstone will lead a formal evaluation of our rabbi and the many roles she plays. The Rabbinic Liaison Committee, chaired by Louise Enoch, will interact with both of the above and make a presentation at the next Board meeting which will include a summary of the new JRF (Jewish Reconstructionist Federation) publication, *The Rabbi-Congregation Relationship: A Vision for the 21st Century, Report of the Reconstructionist Commission on the Role of the Rabbi*.

In Religious School updates, Cindy Shulak-Rome announced that the search for a full-time Education Director is again in full swing; Jill Volk is currently chairing this process.

Debbie Waber reported that the Space Committee has recommended remaining in our current space for an additional year. Rental office space will be sought to better accommodate our professional staff. In order to keep members current on space-related issues, Steve Siegel will send a monthly space update to the membership via e-mail.

Betsy Hinden reported that the Tikkun Olam Committee's Middle East discussions have generated a great deal of enthusiasm and energy. The Committee has invited other area congregations and organizations to participate in a broader effort to increase educational opportunities in the Boston Jewish community about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and prospects for peace.

Issues related to our Dorshei Tzedek calendar and leadership transitions were discussed. It was noted that our current Board calendar may not be ideal. The new Board starts in the summer, when many people are away and it is difficult to schedule meetings, and the work-intensive period of the High Holidays falls soon after the new Board takes office. It was suggested that it may be advantageous to have a new Board start yearly at Simchat Torah. This would ensure that more experienced leaders are in place and accountable through the High Holidays, allowing for a training period for new Board members and officers starting in the summer and extending through the High Holidays.



Purim 5762

Tuesday, February 26, 7 – 9 pm

at the Unitarian Society, 1326 Washington Street, West Newton

Remember 5759's *Queen Monica*, *Mishegas Impossible* in 5760, and *Election 5761*?

Don't miss the Dorshei Tzedek Purim 5762 Spiel! And Dorshei Tzedek's Purim celebration is more than just a premier Broadway show. Join us for an evening of merriment, noshing, and booing Haman!

Purim *davvening* and costume parade with prizes (7 – 7:40 pm)

Megillah reading, singing with Kitot Aleph and Bet, and *hamentaschen*! (7:40 – 8:15 pm)

The Fabulous Purim Spiel 5762, followed by dancing (8:15 pm onwards)



All ages are encouraged to dress up in costumes! And you can bring a little schnapps as well...



Career opportunities like never before: The producers of Purim Spiel 5762 are looking for people to sing, act, and help with costumes and sets! Kids from grade 3 and up and all adults are welcome to join in the fun. There are opportunities for everyone to participate! Save these rehearsal and set building dates: **Sunday, February 10, 4 – 6 pm; and Sunday, February 24, 3 – 5 pm.** If you are interested in being in the spiel, please contact our director Sheree Galpert at galpert@bigfoot.com and/or 617-558-8697.

Mishloach manot ("sending gifts"): In keeping with the Purim tradition of sending gifts we ask you please to bring one plate of goodies (fruit, nuts, hamentaschen, candy, etc.) to exchange with another household.

Food Pantry Donation: In honor of the mitzvah of providing food for the hungry, Kitah Gimmel is organizing a food drive for the Newton Food Pantry. Students of Kitah Gimmel request that you bring to the party cans or boxes of non-perishable food to donate – a great way to get a head start on your Passover cleaning!



School News

by Cindy Shulak-Rome



As I wander from class to class I am continually impressed by the energetic, creative, and thoughtful learning processes in which our students are in-

involved. At this writing, Kitah Hay (5th grade) is enthusiastically engaged in helping to organize a fair to raise funds for the Women's Lunch Place. Kitah Vav worked to organize our annual Chanukah crafts fair and bake sale, and raised over \$220, which they proudly sent off to the American Jewish World Service to their program that supports Afghan women and children. Students in Kitah Gimmel are eagerly working to master the Erev Shabbat blessings and recently made their own *kiddush* cups. Kitah Dalet is buzzing with excitement each day when they start off with *k'tzat ivrit*: a bit of Hebrew conversation.

Torah, *tefilah*, Hebrew language, *tikkun olam*, Jewish values, customs and holidays: there is much that our teachers try to pack into a few short hours per week. As we complete the first half of our school year, I want to acknowledge our teaching staff, each of whom come to Dorshei Tzedek every week with a strong commitment to their work. Their dedication and devotion goes well beyond the classroom, in the hours they spend planning lessons and curriculum, meeting with school staff, and talking with parents. A well deserved *todah rabah* to Lesley Chapman, Miranda Phillips, Liz Offen, Ilana Blatt-Eisengardt, Amy Leichtner, Meg Berenson, and Elaine Pollack. Our gratitude to you for embracing our community's children and working in partnership with our families and our congregation to educate our young members. It is an honor and a joy to work with each one of these talented educators!

Our Young Teaching Assistants

On Shabbat mornings twice a month, our Kitah Aleph and Kitah Bet students and teachers are lucky to have the help of some of our older students in the classroom. Our special thanks to Michelle Blitzman, Jolie Demuth, Aviva Hess, Sarah Hutcheson, Leah Netsky, and Shoshie Paris-Saper for helping out. Any other students in Grades 4 and higher are welcome to participate. If interested, please contact Miranda or Cindy in the office.

Membership

Member Survey Results

Thanks to the 63(!) households who responded to our fall survey. You provided clear feedback to the Membership, Chesed, Ritual, Finance, and Space Committees that will help us focus our efforts in the coming year.

The Membership Committee is planning several community-building groups and events based on your responses. Discussion groups are forming for parents dealing with adopted children and Judaism, and for members with non-Jewish or uninvolved partners. Plans are being made for a bowling event and an Israeli dance party. We will have our first musical Shabbat potluck this month, and hope to have a movie/discussion evening as time allows. We definitely could use extra help organizing some of these events! Call Judy Hersh at 617-332-2487 to volunteer.

New Congregation Dorshei Tzedek E-mail Lists

In early January, Dorshei Tzedek launched two new e-mail mailing lists ("listservs") for communication within the Dorshei Tzedek community:



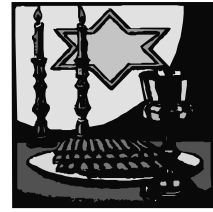
cdt-list@shamash.org: a list for exchange of ideas and information among members of Dorshei Tzedek.

cdt-announce@shamash.org: a list for distribution of official Dorshei Tzedek announcements

Paul Carson is the manager of both of these new lists. Contact him at p-carson@ti.com with problems concerning the lists, if you would like to change your e-mail address, and to add new addresses for your household (post b'nei mitzvah kids welcome!). *Note*: these lists are for Dorshei Tzedek members only.

cdt-list@shamash.org replaces our old listserv on Yahoo (dtzedek@yahoogroups.com). To unsubscribe from the old listserv, send a blank message to dtzedek-

Shabbat Programs



Erev Shabbat Family Services

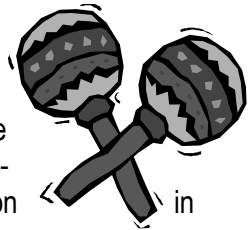
On the first (or so) **Friday** of most months, we welcome Shabbat with a musical, all-ages Erev Shabbat family service, from **6-7 pm** at the Unitarian Society. Mark your calendars: the dates for the year 5762 are **February 1, March 1, April 5, May 10, and June 21 (please note the new date for June).**

Chanting & Meditation Services

Our next Chanting and Meditation service will be held on **Shabbat morning, March 23, at 9:45 am**. Please join us for this contemplative service that combines singing, silence, and Torah study (no meditation experience necessary!).

Tot Shabbat for Families with Preschoolers

You're invited to join us one Saturday morning a month for a delightful session with singing, storytelling, crafts, and a snack. Upcoming Tot Shabbat programs will be held on **February 9, March 16, April 27, May 18, and June 8, 10:30 – 11:15 am**, in the Childcare Room at the Unitarian Society. Tot Shabbat is designed for children age 2½ – 5 and a parent (or two!), and siblings are welcome. (If you have an older child in Aleph or Bet, come on right after "Torah Talk.") For more information, call Sheree Galpert at 617-558-8697.



Bar Mitzvah of Gabe Donnini

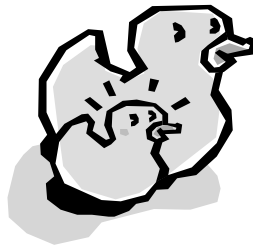
Dorshei Tzedek is pleased to announce the following upcoming bar mitzvah celebration. This is a community celebration, and we encourage all members to join in welcoming Gabe into our minyan at Shabbat morning services.



Our son, Gabe, will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, March 2, and we hope you can join us in celebrating this event. Gabe has been a member of Dorshei Tzedek since he was five years old and looks forward to celebrating his becoming a bar mitzvah with the congregation. He's especially pleased that the Italian side of our family will be joining us. Gabe's a seventh grader at Bigelow Middle School in Newton, where he enjoys math and science. He also plays electric guitar and is probably one of Boston's most ardent EverQuest fanatics. He enjoys snowboarding and traveling just about anywhere. Our family had hoped to make our first trip to Israel this summer; we look forward to going there soon.—Amy Berman and Alex Donnini

Naming Ceremonies

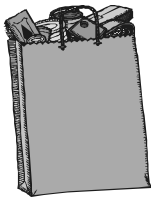
Please join us at Shabbat morning services, **February 9, at 9:45 am**, as we welcome Hannah, daughter of Marc Steinberg and Linda Hsu, into our community!



Tikkun Olam Opportunities

Family Table

Volunteer drivers are needed for Greater Boston's Jewish food pantry, Family Table, on **Sunday, February 17, 2002**. This task involves arriving at Congregation Kehillath Israel on Harvard St., Brookline, at around **12:45 pm**, packing up groceries located in the pantry at KI for a specific household, and then driving these groceries to the household in the Boston metropolitan area. It is a meaningful mitzvah activity for members of all ages. Call Barbara Shatkin for information and to sign up (617-964-3121).



Jewish Reconstructionist Federation Tikkun Olam Initiative

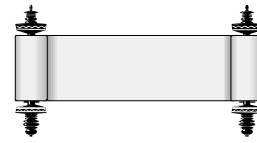
"Social Action/Social Justice: A Regional Gathering for Networking and Skill-Building"

New York City, **Sunday, March 3, 10 am – 4 pm**

Join Rabbi Spitzer and other movement activists and teachers for a one-day session devoted to exploring new and more effective ways for Reconstructionist congregations to organize for social, economic and environmental justice. The day will include text study, networking among JRF congregations, and concrete skills-building workshops. Please contact Betsy Hinden, Tikkun Olam Committee Chair, if you are interested in participating in this exciting event.

The Jewish Environmental Leadership Institute

Sponsored by the Coalition on Environment and Jewish Life, this three-day program includes opportunities to explore the connections between Judaism and the environment, to develop skills as Jewish environmental educators and activists, and to enjoy nature in a beautiful setting. The Institute takes place in Ojai, California, **March 14 – 17**. For more information, see www.coejl.org or call 212-684-6950.



Torah Update

As many of you may recall, we experienced the unfortunate occurrence of our beloved Torah falling from the ark a few months ago. In response, Rabbi Spitzer, members of the Ritual Committee, and other Dorshei Tzedek members undertook a day-long fast, concluding with Torah study. Other members made contributions to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund for *tzedakah*, and a contribution in honor of the Torah has been made to the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College to further the study of Torah at that institution. A contribution has also been made to Bat Kol: A Feminist House of Study, which runs wonderful summer study programs for women in Jerusalem. Temple Hillel B'nai Torah has graciously loaned us a Torah scroll while we wait for our Torah scroll to be fixed. In addition, Leslie Rubin is making alterations to our portable ark so that the Torah scroll will no longer be in danger of falling.

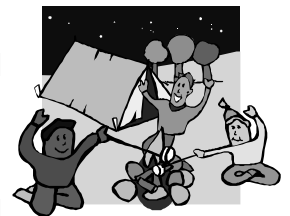
Thanks to everyone who responded and took on some piece of making amends for our Torah scroll's fall.

Retreat!

The much-anticipated 4th Dorshei Tzedek Berkshires retreat weekend will be happening **June 14 – 16**.

Watch for a registration letter with more details coming in the mail this month. Please return your form and deposit sooner rather than later,

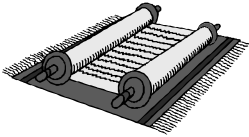
because we expect the weekend to sell out. The Retreat Committee has just formed, and is looking for a few more people to help make this social, spiritual, physical, and creative weekend happen. Call Judy Hersh if you're interested at 617-332-2487.



Adult Education

Shabbat Morning Study with Rabbi Toba Spitzer

**Winter/spring dates: February 9, March 16, April 6,
May 11, June 22; 8:45 – 9:40 am**



In our Shabbat morning study this year, we will explore the weekly Torah portion with the help of a variety of commentators, ancient and modern, including rabbinic midrash, the medieval commentator Rashi, Hassidic interpretations, and modern feminist insights. All texts will be provided in English translation, and no previous experience with text study is necessary. A pre-reading of the week's Torah portion is helpful but not required. Bring your own coffee/tea and join us for this early morning prelude to the Shabbat service! (no fee)

The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: Can Dialogue Still Work? with Rabbi Andrea Cohen-Kiener

February 3, 10:15 am – noon
Temple Hillel B'nai Torah
120 Corey Street, West Roxbury
(co-sponsored by Dorshei Tzedek)

Rabbi Andrea Cohen-Kiener is director of the Children of Abraham Educational Project, which works to restore harmony among groups in conflict with specific tools helping people to gradually learn to listen to and understand opposing narratives. She has brought her compassionate listening tools to areas of conflict in different parts of the world, but will be focusing on her experiences with the Israeli-Palestinian conflict for this presentation. The session will be an opportunity to learn more about the different narratives that all parties bring to the conflict, and the possibilities for true dialogue and negotiated settlement.

Children of Abraham is a branch of the private nonprofit Mid-East Citizen Diplomacy which sponsors delegations from diverse religious and cultural backgrounds who journey from North America to Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza. Rabbi Cohen-Kiener is a well-respected teen and family educator and a frequent guest speaker at congregations and retreat centers in New England and throughout the US.

"Ink, Link, and Think: The Art of the Sofer" with sofer (scribe) Jay Greenspan

February 10, 3 – 4:30 pm
at the Second Church, 60 Highland Street, Newton
(just up and across the street from the Unitarian Society)
(free for members, \$18 per non-member family)

What do the Torah and the Statue of Liberty have in common? Come to this interactive workshop and find out! This is a wonderful, rare opportunity to meet with a full-time scribe (based in New York City) who will teach us about the sacred art of creating a Torah scroll, as well as about the scrolls inside *mezuzah* and *tefillin*. Jay Greenspan comes highly recommended, and this program is designed for both adults and kids. Don't miss it!

Adult Education Opportunities at Hebrew College

at the new campus, 160 Herrick Road, Newton Centre

Responding to a Modern Challenge: How to Read the Bible When It Isn't History with Professors Everett Fox and Marc Brettler

January 31; February 13, 28; April 4, 11, 18; 8 – 9:30 pm
\$15 per lecture (or \$48 for all six lectures)

The Literary Genius of Esther with Professor Jon D. Levenson

February 6, 13, and 20, 7:30 – 9 pm, \$75

Prepare for Purim with a close textual study of the Book of Esther, to better understand both its literary artistry and its world-view.

Challenge, Tragedy, and Response in Jewish Tradition with Rabbi Alan Ullman

February 28; March 7, 14, 21; 7:30 – 9 pm; \$95

Consider recent challenging events in light of biblical, rabbinic and Hassidic insights. For more information or to register, call Lina Reznikov at 617-278-4939.



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Andrew Schiff and Susan Manheim

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Deborah Waber and Stephen Leonard

The Gertz/Cohen Family

In honor of the Dorshei Tzedek community, with deep appreciation for all the many ways in which you helped our family navigate a difficult course – through prayer, meals, phone calls, visits, flowers, and other gifts of the heart and soul; we are graced to be recipients of your loving kindness

In honor and appreciation of Cindy Shulak-Rome, Miranda Phillips, and the Torah Talk cast for your gifts of light and learning

In memory of Clifford Goldsmith's grandfather

In honor of Judy and Chayim Herzig-Marx, whose efforts as co-presidents of the congregation are greatly appreciated

In honor of Henry Micah Wasserman, whose spirit is strong and bright, mirroring that of his mothers, Karen Wasserman and Betsy Hinden

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In honor of Cindy and Dan Rome, by Nancy's parents

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

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In honor of Rabbi Toba's adult education courses

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Holy Book Fund

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In honor of Elaine Pollack

School Fund

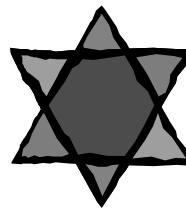
Paula Kaplan

In memory of her husband Marty Bresnick, at the time of his yahrzeit which is on 29 Tevet

Todah Rabah

Thanks to the support of Dorshei Tzedek and other friends and family members, I recently sent \$825 to the Protect an Acre Program of the Rainforest Action Network. I raised this money by designing and selling rainforest tee shirts for my bat mitzvah *tikkun olam* project. Thank you for your enthusiastic support of my project.—*Hannah Epstein*

Condolences



To Jane Schwartz and her family, on the death of Jane's mother, Caroline Schwartz, and to Elise Brenner and her family, on the death of Elise's father, Leon Brenner. May you find comfort in this time of sadness and loss.

Send items to be published in future newsletters to dtnews@yahoogroups.com. Thanks!—*The Newsletter Committee: Mark Farber, Dan Halbert, Ezra Hausman, Tim Rosa, and Susannah Zisk.*



February Calendar



Date	Time	Event	Set-up/Clean-up
Fri Feb 1	6 – 7 pm	Erev Shabbat Family Service	Eva Rosenn, Ira Schor (see page 5)
Sat Feb 2	9:45 am – noon	Shabbat Morning Services	Jill Stanzler-Katz, Steven Siegel
Sun Feb 3	10:15 – noon	The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: Can Dialogue Still Work? <i>at Hillel B'nai Torah</i>	(see page 7)
Sun Feb 3	2 – 4 pm	Kitah Dalet Family Ed Program Kitah Vav Family Ed Program	
Wed Feb 6	7:45 – 9:15 pm	Adult Education: Jewish Perspectives on War and Peace	(see page 7)
Sat Feb 9	8:45 – 9:45 am	Adult Education: Torah Study	(see page 7)
Sat Feb 9	9:45 am	Shabbat Morning Services	Stan Fleischman, Sandy Sedacca
Sat Feb 9	10:30 – 11:15 am	Tot Shabbat	(see page 5)
Sat Feb 9	10 am – noon	Kitah Aleph and Kitah Bet Classes	
Sun Feb 10	2 – 4 pm	Gan Family Program	
Sun Feb 10	4 – 6 pm	Purim Spiel Rehearsal (see page 3)	<i>This rehearsal only is at the Second Church, 60 Highland Street</i>
Sun Feb 10	3 – 4:30 pm	Adult Education: The Art of the Sofer	<i>at the Second Church (see page 7)</i>
Sat Feb 16*	9:45 am	Shabbat Morning Services	Elise Brenner, Jane Schwartz
Tues Feb 19		<i>No School (February Vacation)</i>	
Thurs Feb 21		<i>No School (February Vacation)</i>	
Sat Feb 23	9:45 am	Shabbat Morning Services	Susannah Zisk, Erica Streit
Sun Feb 24	3 – 5 pm	Purim Spiel Rehearsal	(see page 3)
Tues Feb 26		<i>No School (Staff In-Service)</i>	
Tues Feb 26	7 – 9 pm	Purim Party	Melanie Adler, Donna Webber, Marcia Okun, Judy Shapiro, Bill Schorr, Leeann Simons (see page 3)

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Events and services are held at the Unitarian Universalist Society, 1326 Washington Street, West Newton, unless otherwise noted. An asterisk (*) denotes Rabbi Spitzer's weekend off. Free child care is available during Shabbat morning services in the large classroom near the office on the first floor.

If **Religious School is cancelled** due to inclement weather a message will be left on the Dorshei Tzedek School line (617-965-0330 ext. 4) and notification will be posted on the WBZ Storm Center (1030 AM and WBZ-TV Channel 4).



March Calendar



Reminder: Members' Meeting

Please mark your calendars for **Sunday evening, March 17, 7:15 pm**, for the next Members' Meeting of the year. Every household is encouraged to send at least one representative to this important meeting

Please check the March newsletter when it arrives for changes and additions to this schedule.

Date	Time	Event	Set-up/Clean-up
Fri Mar 1	6 – 7 pm	Erev Shabbat Family Service	(see page 5)
Sat Mar 2	9:45 am	Shabbat Morning Services: Gabe Donnini Bar Mitzvah	Joel Katz, Tim Rosa (see page 5)
Sat Mar 2	10 am – noon	Kitah Aleph and Kitah Bet Classes	
Sun Mar 3	2 – 4 pm	Gan Family Program	
Sun Mar 3	2 – 4 pm	Kitah Hay Family Ed	
Sat Mar 9*	9:45 am	Shabbat Morning Services	Betsy Hinden, Rob Saper
Sat Mar 9	10 am – noon	Kitah Bet Family Ed Program	
Fri Mar 15	6 – 8 pm	Kitah Bet Shabbat Seder	
Sat Mar 16	8:45 – 9:45 am	Adult Education: Torah Study	(see page 7)
Sat Mar 16	9:45 am	Shabbat Morning Services	Laurie Kahn-Leavitt, Josh Leichtner
Sat Mar 16	10 am – noon	Kitah Aleph and Kitah Bet Classes	
Sun Mar 17	7:15 – 9:30 pm	Members' Meeting	Carole Slipowitz
Fri Mar 22	6 – 8 pm	Kitah Aleph Shabbat Seder	
Sat Mar 23	9:45 am	Chanting and Meditation Service (see page 5)	Tracey Rogers, Debbie Sher
Sun Mar 24	2 – 4 pm	Kitah Zayin Family Ed Program	
Wed Mar 27		(Pesach – 1st Seder)	
Thurs Mar 28		No School (Pesach)	
Sat Mar 30	9:45 am	Shabbat Morning Services	Shelly Isaacs, Dede Ordin
Sat Mar 30	10 am – noon	Kitah Aleph and Kitah Bet Classes	

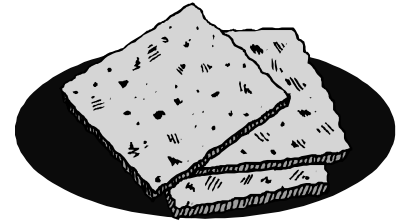
A Night of Questions: A Passover Haggadah

Edited by Rabbi Michael Strassfeld and Rabbi Joy Levitt

A haggadah rooted in tradition yet accessible to contemporary Jews.

Exciting innovations include:

- "Four-in-One" haggadah: customized seder outlines geared towards young children, older children, interfaith groups, feminist themes.
- Traditional texts combined with contemporary commentaries. Study guide available.
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