Co-Presidents’ Column

by Judy and Chayim Herzig-Marx

By the time you read this column, our March members’ meeting will be over, and we’ll have spent much of that meeting talking, again, about new space. Space is a subject that is, at the same time, exciting and unsettling: exciting because the fact that we need more space speaks to our vibrancy and attractiveness as a religious community; unsettling because the path is not clear and because more space means a greater financial commitment. We should all be proud of the hard work our community has done around space planning, in parlor meetings, in member meetings, and in our growth, space, and fund-raising committees. We’ve come a long way in the past few months and we’ve a ways yet to go, yet — so let’s step back and take stock of where we are.

We established an ad hoc space committee on the recommendation of a previous ad hoc committee on congregational growth and development. The space committee assessed our current needs vis-à-vis the resources of the First Unitarian Church and found several significant shortcomings: we have but one office and need three; our classrooms are overcrowded; we are approaching the limit of our Shabbat morning davening space; we have regularly exceeded the capacity of the Parish Hall on Purim, Hanukah, and some b’nai mitzvah; and we frequently must resolve calendar conflicts with the Church. We have made a decision to muddle through for one more year, keeping our school and office at the Church, but we have also taken an office for Rabbi Toba at Second Church across the street.

Through a series of parlor and member meetings, we reviewed the earlier work of our growth committee, looked at our demographics with a view to where we might locate, and envisioned our ideal space. We learned that most members would prefer to locate near where we are now, that we want a space that can be flexibly configured, that we like the idea of multi-use, multi-religious holy space, and that we prefer warmth and grace to glitz and glamour. It's important for all of us to realize that we have simply outgrown the First Unitarian Church and that if we can’t find a single location that meets all of our needs, we may have to locate our school in one place, our davening and holiday space elsewhere, possibly our offices somewhere else yet. I think we’d all rather find a single location that meets our needs; but, inevitably, our expenses are going to rise.

And so we have the constant question of what we can afford. No one really likes talking about money, especially in a community like ours that doesn’t view personal wealth as an index of personal worth. But we do need to estimate our financial capacity and will be asking your help.

Underlying the subject of finances, though, is our Torah of Money, the values we bring to assembling the resources needed to fulfill the spiritual mission of Dorshei Tzedek. What are appropriate ways to recognize financial contributions from members, their families, and their friends? How should financial responsibilities be shared between current and future members? How can we acknowledge the importance of non-financial contributions, both to the search and acquisition of new space and to the ongoing operations of our congregation? These are just three of the important questions that Torah of Money should debate.

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Meanwhile, the space committee has been making site visits to buildings that come available within our target geographic area. Partly they just need to develop a shared understanding of what constitutes more and less desirable space. But we also know that the chances of finding space are vastly increased if people know you're looking. One of the buildings the committee visited is the Central Congregational Church on Walnut Street in Newton. Because its location is so close to the Unitarian Church and because the building is both ample in size and beautifully maintained, we asked the church if we could arrange tours for our members, and the church was happy to oblige us. More than 40 of you, representing 35 households, turned out Thursday night, March 7, to walk through the building, and more toured the church on March 17. That level of interest was exceptionally gratifying to the space committee and quite impressive to the church leadership who hosted us. At the time of this writing, we’re looking forward to another well-attended tour on March 17. It's important that as many members as possible become personally and directly engaged in the search for space, because that's the best way to achieve an outcome that works for all of us.

The space committee itself will both continue to explore other sites as we learn of them and perform a due diligence assessment of the Congregational Church. The church has shared their operating costs with us and the terms of their existing rental agreements. The committee is investigating parking arrangements with other buildings and land-owners in the area. They may seek an independent assessment of any structural improvements that might be necessary, as well as an estimate of renovations needed both for our immediate and our long-term needs. All these steps are part of a normal process of carefully evaluating any major decision, and all such things take time and careful consideration. We'll use as many channels as we can to keep you informed of events as they unfold.

So that's where things stand a week before the members’ meeting. If we stay true to our values, if we maintain a frank and open decision process, and if all our members continue to be engaged in this important work, then the excitement generated by our shared vision and our new possibilities will easily overcome our concerns, and we can move forward to the next stage of our development as a community.

Notes from Our Board
by Elizabeth Ross

The board last met on 10 February and 10 March 2002. Judy Hersh summarized the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation (JRF) Kehillah Building Workshop she recently attended. She brought back from the meeting the important message that it is essential to keep our mission and core values visible (and audible) at all times. To achieve this all members, not just the leadership, should be able to describe Reconstructionism and the mission and values of the congregation to new members and non-members. This not only helps our membership stay focused, but also helps to attract prospective members to the congregation who share our values. Judy also learned that vibrancy and internal growth happen when members have connections within their sub-communities, that there is crossover between sub-communities, and that we solidify community by taking care of each other.

The process of putting together a slate of committee chairs and officers for next year has begun. Cheryl Sacks and Linette Liebling have been appointed to chair this year’s nominating committee. Members interested in assuming leadership roles in the congregation should contact Cheryl or Linette. Elections will take place at the Spring Members’ meeting in June. Tours of a potential new space (see the Co-Presidents’ column) and fundraising were discussed. Dan Rome reported that the Fundraising committee recently met with Susan Applebaum, a fund-raising professional in the Jewish community. Echoing similar advice given to us by the JRF, Susan suggested that in order to inform a search for space and supply information upon which to base a potential bid, we hire a consultant to help us obtain a general idea of how much we are likely to raise within our community. The board approved funds for such a study. The need to keep any fundraising consistent with our mission and values was also discussed; a new Torah of Money committee is being put together to focus on this issue.

In a finance update, it was announced that Lynne Brandon has stepped down as Treasurer due to exceptional work demands. Past treasurer Paul Hattis has stepped in as acting chair of the Finance committee and will head up the budgeting process for next year. Paul reported that the number of members making a Nadiv Lev pledge on their membership form increased markedly this past year; we are moving toward (but have not achieved) a goal of 100%
Seventh Day of Pesach

Following the Israeli calendar of holiday observance, we will close the Passover holiday with a seventh-day service on Wednesday, April 3rd, from 9-10:30 am. The seventh day is of Pesach is said to be the day that the Israelites crossed the Red Sea, and we will celebrate with davening, a short Torah reading and discussion, Yizkor, and the singing of Hallel. Bring your timbrels as we cross the sea!

DT Goes Bowling April 28!

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Retreat!

Save the dates! Our members’ retreat will be held June 14-16 in the Berkshires. The retreat is a great time for relaxing, recreating, and davening with the Dorshei Tzedek community. Pre-registration forms have already been sent out to members and the registration materials will arrive in a separate mailing. There are still opportunities to get involved! To find out more, call Laura Willis at 617-492-1814 or Judy Hersh at 617-332-2487 or join us at the next retreat planning meeting, Sunday April 7 at 10 am at Judy Hersh’s home (12 Randolph Street, Newton Highlands).

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participation in Nadiv Lev. The board thanked Lynne for her superb contribution to CDT as Treasurer.

In other updates, Elizabeth Ross is organizing a group to update the Web site; members interested in helping out with this should contact her. Steve Siegel reported that a regular babysitter has been hired for childcare during Shabbat morning services. A parent volunteer schedule is also being set-up. Claudette Beit-Aharon has joined the Dorshei Tzedek staff as our new office administrator (see page 6).

The board meets monthly, generally on a Sunday evening. CDT board meetings are open to all members. Anyone interested in attending a board meeting should contact Judy or Chayim Herzig-Marx.

Contacting the Rabbi

Rabbi Toba 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 617-454-0511. Please note this new office phone number. Rabbi Spitzer’s new office is at the Second Church, 60 Highland Avenue, just across the street and up the hill from the Unitarian Society.
Social Action Committee Report

Middle East Group Forms

Last spring, the tikkn olam committee convened a meeting of those interested in “working on” the Middle East. Some came with little background, hoping to learn; others came ready for political action. It soon became apparent that it was very difficult to discuss the issues. Having made assumptions about how others felt, we were surprised at how easily talking about the intifadah and Israel’s response to it could become divisive. People had a range of strong feelings about the violence in Israel and the roles that both Israelis and Palestinians were (and continue to be) playing in this unfortunate struggle.

As we continued to meet, we began to create a space for respectful listening and safe discussion. We realized that just being able to “have the discussion” and make it possible for others to express their views could be an act of tikkn olam. We decided that supporting such discussions in our own and in other congregations would serve to contradict the seemingly monolithic and unquestioning voice with which the organized Jewish community tends to speak on the subject of Israel. We agreed that alternative voices must be encouraged.

One such voice is that of Uri Avnery, whose visit to the area we recently cosponsored. Avnery, a respected Israeli activist and former member of parliament, strongly advocates for the recognition of both Jewish and the Palestinian “narratives” and holds a vision of peace that addresses the needs of both peoples. Following this event and perhaps inspired by it, we began to work on creating a network of members of congregations who are attempting to generate discussion on the Israeli Palestinian conflict within their own communities.

This network, which has so far included members of DorShei Tzedek, Temple Hillel B’nai Torah (West Roxbury), Temple Shalom (Cambridge), Workman’s Circle (Brookline), Temple B’nai Brith (Somerville), and Shir Ha’dash (Newton), has been meeting to define our common goals, support each other’s efforts, share information about educational opportunities, and plan events together. We hope to expand this network by reaching out to other congregations and supporting their efforts to engage in these discussions. We believe that building such a network would be a unique contribution. Many of us believe that it is important to the peace process for American Jews to question the Sharon government and speak out about the toll that being an occupying force is taking on Israeli society.

As we continue our efforts to build this network, we will keep you informed of educational events (of which there seem to be many) and hope to engage you in ongoing discussion of these complicated matters. We must acknowledge the despair, hopelessness, anger, and fear that we often feel these days, but we must also endeavor to articulate rational and moral visions of what could be.

Yom Hashoah v’Gevurah Holocaust Remembrance and Resistance Day

To commemorate the memory and strength of all those who suffered in the Holocaust, we will view portions of a video interview of Zelda Liebling, mother of DorShei Tzedek member Linette Liebling, who was filmed as part of Steven Spielberg’s Shoah project. In the film, Zelda recounts her life in pre-war Poland and her experiences during the war. (The subject matter is intense, and may not be appropriate for children younger than 12.) Please join us for this evening of reflection and learning, Tuesday, April 9, 7:30 pm at the home of Linette Liebling in Newton Centre (please call to let Linette know if you are coming and for directions, 617-244-7248).

No Fragrances, Please

So that DorShei Tzedek services and events are accessible to all of our members and guests, we ask that people refrain from wearing fragrances (perfume, scented oils, cologne, etc.) to Shabbat morning services and adult education sessions. While pleasant to some, these fragrances can cause illness to those who are chemically sensitive. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility.
Shabbat Programs

Erev Shabbat Family Services

One Friday evening a month during most of the year, we welcome Shabbat with a musical, all-ages Erev Shabbat family service, from 6-7 pm at the Unitarian Society. Mark your calendars: the remaining dates for the year 5762 are April 5, May 10, and June 21 (please note the new date for June).

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 April 27, May 18, and June 8, from 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 in right after “Torah Talk.”) For more information, call Sheree Galpert at 617-558-8697.

Shabbat Tapes Available

Sung by Rabbi Toba Spitzer, Dorshei Tzedek has available audio tapes of: (1) the Friday evening Family Service and (2) our regular Shabbat morning service. To order either or both tapes, please send payment of $6/tape (includes shipping) to Congregation Dorshei Tzedek, 1326 Washington Street, West Newton, MA 02465.
Welcome our New Administrator!

Claudette Beit-Aharon has joined Dorshei Tzedek as our new office administrator. A member of the Newton Centre Minyan, Claudette also teaches Hebrew School at Temple Sinai and manages her husband’s software consulting business. Claudette will be in the office from 8 am until noon, Monday through Friday. Stop by and say hello when you’re in the neighborhood!

Condolences

Condolences to Debra Rattet and her family on the death of Debra’s father, Gerald Rattet.

Mazel Tov

Mazel tov to Gabe Donnini and his family on his becoming bar mitzvah!

Todah Rabah

Thank you to all the cast and crew who made our Purim Spiel such a rousing success! Todah Rabah to Author Jeff Fortgang; Actors Cindy Marshall, Jeff Fortgang, Elaine Landes, Louise Enoch, Ezra Hausman, Alan Epstein, Adam Goldsmith, Doug Hersh, Shana Hausman, Aviva Galpert, Russell Fidelman, Esther Kohn, Amy Goldsmith, Jeff Sachs, and Josh Sachs; Scene/Sound Designer Clifford Goldsmith; Crew Clifford Goldsmith, Esther Kohn, Jeff Sachs, Adam Goldsmith; Props/costume assistance Karla Hailer-Fidelman; and Director Sheree Galpert. Mazel Tov!

Many thanks to Roberta Carson, Paul Carson, and Clifford Goldsmith for their time and energy in helping Rabbi Toba set up her new office and computers, and to Marvin Snyder and Jerold Kayden for their donation of computers.

Rabbinic Liaison Committee

The Rabbinic Liaison Committee exists to insure 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.
Adult Education

Shabbat Morning Study
with Rabbi Toba Spitzer

Remaining winter/spring dates: 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)

Creating a Caring Community
with Rabbi Karen Landy

Tuesday evenings, May 21 & 28, June 4, 7:30-9:00 pm, at the Unitarian Society

Join Rabbi Karen Landy, Spiritual Consultant for Jewish Healing Connections at Jewish Family & Children’s Service (and rabbinical school classmate of Rabbi Toba!) for an exploration of Jewish traditions connected to caring for the sick and comforting those who mourn. Through text study and discussion, the class will focus on the opportunities for, and obstacles to, becoming a truly caring community. How does Jewish tradition understand our obligations to one another in times of illness and grief? What keeps us from being able to be present for one another at such times? How do I make a shivah call to someone I don’t know? These and other questions will be explored in this three-part series. (free for members; $18 for non-members)

The Spirit, the Struggle, and the Songs:
Commemorating the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising

by Ruth Paris

This stirring program of music, stories and visual images evokes an uplifting hope in humanity. Personal accounts from the Warsaw ghetto, historical narrative, and the poetry and music of the Jewish resistance create a dramatic retelling of inspiring determination against all odds.

The program will be presented Saturday, April 6, 8 pm and Sunday April 7, 4 pm at the Jewish Theatre of New England, Leventhal-Sidman Jewish Community Center, 333 Nahanton Street, Newton Center.


Note: Hankus Netsky, musician, and Ruth Paris, chorus member, are both members of Dorshei Tzedek.

Promises: Documentary Film

Dorshei Tzedek’s Middle-East Discussion Group is in the process of planning an event for viewing and discussing the Academy Award-nominated documentary film Promises. Promises is a feature-length documentary that explores the Middle East conflict and quest for peace from the point of view of 7 Palestinian and Israeli children living in and around Jerusalem. The children offer dramatic and emotional perspectives on issues central to the Middle East conflict. This event is being planned for adult members and children in 5th grade and older. An email will be sent out to the congregation as soon as the date, time, and location of the showing and discussion are confirmed.
Contributions
We gratefully acknowledge the following contributions:

General Fund

Steffi Aronson Karp
In memory of the father of Debra Rattet
In honor of the birth of Max Levheim
In honor of the hard work of Judy Hersh in creating Havdalah home events

Cheryl and Jeff Sacks
In memory of Deborah Rubin’s father

Judy Hersh and Tim Rosa
In honor of Gabe Donnini’s Bar Mitzvah

Chayim and Judy Herzig-Marx
In honor of Jeff Fortgang, Sherrie Galpert, Clifford Goldsmith, and the entire cast and crew of this year’s Purim spiel

Chiae Herzig
Pesach Holiday greetings to Dorshei Tzedek Congregants

Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund

Lisa and Deborah Levheim
To Rabbi Toba for a beautiful naming ceremony for Max Meir Noach Levheim

Holy Book Fund

Amy Bermar
In honor of Gabe Donnini’s Bar Mitzvah

School Fund

Lisa and Deborah Levheim
In thanks for the support that we have received from the Congregation since Max’s birth

Etz Hayiim
Quandary

As you may know, one of the etz hayiim, the wooden supports that hold our Torah scroll, was damaged and subsequently replaced. We are seeking community input regarding what to do with these etz hayiim. One option is to place them in a genizah (see the March newsletter for information about a local genizah). Another is that we transform them into a new ritual object or artwork. They appear to be made of mahogany. Any ideas about what to do with the beautiful wood that lovingly held our Torah for many years should be sent to David Pincus at dpincus@alum.mit.edu or 617-492-1814.

Printing Calculator Needed in the Office

If anyone has an unused calculator that prints on a tape cluttering up the closet, our administrator Claudette Beit-Aharon could really use it in the Dorshei Tzedek office. The lucky Congregant that donates it, not only gets a tax break, but more free space on the shelf in honor of Passover ... room for a few more boxes of macaroons! Call Claudette at 617-965-0330 x3 or send email to dtzedek@gis.net.

Rabbinic Evaluation Nears End

For the last three months a Rabbinic Evaluation has been in process. Cliff Cohen, Nancy Gertz and Ora Gladstone have interviewed approximately thirty member of our community and expect to present their report to the board by the end of April. If any member of D.T. feels that they may have a particularly unique perspective which they would like to express, please contact one of the committee members. Many thanks to all those who have spent time helping with this evaluation by sharing your views and expertise.

Send items to be published in future newsletters to dtnews@yahoogroups.com. Thanks!—The Newsletter Committee: Mark Farber, Dan Halbert, Josh Herzig-Marx, Tim Rosa, and Susannah Zisk.
## April Calendar

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*Parashat Behar-Bechukotai* | Ellen Hemley, Sue Pearce, Hillary Marcus |
| Sat May 4  | 10 am – noon| Kitah Alef And Kitah Bet Classes                                     |                                          |
| Sat May 4  | 9:45 – 2 pm | Kitah Hay Shabbat Service & Lunch                                    |                                          |
| Sun May 5  | 2 – 4 pm    | Kitah Vav Family Ed Program                                          |                                          |
| Sun May 5  | 2 – 4 pm    | Last Gan Family Program                                              |                                          |
| Fri May 10 | 5:30 pm     | **Family Shabbat Service**  
*led by Kitah Dalet, followed by class dinner* | Amy Brodesky, Jayne Bailin, Sheree Galpert |
| Sat May 11 | 8:45 – 9:45 am | **Adult Education: Shabbat Morning Study** | (see page 7) |
| Sat May 11 | 9:45 – noon | Shabbat Morning Services  
*Parashat Bamidbar* | James Kaplan, Michael White |
| Sat May 18 | 9:45 – noon | Shabbat Morning Services  
*Shavuot* | Mark Steinberg, Caren Smith, Peter Hess |
| Sat May 18 | 2 – 4 pm    | Kitah Alef and Kitah Bet: last day of school                        |                                          |
| Sat May 18 | 10:30 – 11:15 am | **Tot Shabbat**            | (see page 3)                             |
| Tue May 21 | 7:30 – 9:30 pm | **New Member Orientation**                                         |                                          |
| Tue May 21 | 7:30 – 9 pm  | **Adult Education:**  
*Creating a Caring Community* | (see page 7)                          |
| Sat May 25* | 9:45 – noon | Shabbat Morning Services  
*Parashat Nasso* | Geri Blitzman, Joshua Lieberman                                  |
| Tue May 28 | 7:30 – 9 pm  | **Adult Education:**  
*Creating a Caring Community* | (see page 7)                           |

Jewish Family & Children’s Service Sponsors Support Groups

Jewish Healing Connections sponsors two ongoing support groups:

**Drop-In Jewish Spiritual Support Group**, offering psychological and spiritual support for anyone who is living with illness and those caring for loved ones living with illness. The group meets the **first and third Thursdays of each month, 10 am – noon**, at the Leventhal-Sidman Jewish Community Center, 333 Nahanton Street Newton Center, Room 201.

**Drop-In Bereavement Support Group**, offering psychological and spiritual support for anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one. The group meets **every Monday, 11 am – 12:30 pm**, at the JCC, Room 201.

There is no fee for either group. For more information, call Marjorie Sokoll at JF&CS, 617-558-1278.
Bowling for Babkes*
Join Congregation Dorshei Tzedek
for a Fabulous Bowling Party
(*Cheryl Ann’s Babke’s will be awarded to the top bowlers in three age categories!)

Sunday, April 28
Noon—2 pm
Lanes and Games, Rte 2, Cambridge

Cost: $18 per adult and child 7 and over; $10 per child 6 and under

- Cost includes bowling, rental shoes, pizza, drinks and dessert.
- Bowling shoes must be worn, but are not available below child size 7. Children too young to bowl are invited free of charge.
- Pool tables and video arcade are available, but not included in admission price.

We must order the pizza and lanes ahead of time, therefore you must RSVP by April 21. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate late registrants.

Mail completed form by April 21, to Linette Liebling, 71 Hancock Ave, Newton, MA 02459

Names______________________________ Phone___________________________ e-mail________________________________________

Adults and Kids 7 and over: # _____ x $18 each = ______ sub-total

   Kids 6 and under: # _____ x $10 each = ______ sub-total

Donation to support CDT Religious School:

   $18____ $36____ $54____ $72____ $108____ other____

TOTAL ENCLOSED_________

I can bring a baked good to share_____ I can bring fruit to share_____

Payments above $15 per person are tax-deductible. If you would like to attend but need to make special financial arrangements, please call Rabbi Toba at 617-454-0511 or 617-965-0330.