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# JOIN US AS WE PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR PAST PRESIDENTS

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 10:30AM

Celebrate at a delicious smoked fish brunch catered by Barclay. We will recognize the dedication, devotion, and hard work of our Past Presidential leaders from all the Synagogues that have joined us. It will be a chance to share memories and reflect on our Jewish Community.

\$38 per person

Please RSVP to the Synagogue Office 215-677-1600.



## **RABBI'S STUDY**



It is interesting to note that two of the world's major religions, Judaism and Christianity, celebrate their respective winter festivals, Chanukah and Christmas, at the darkest period of the year, at or around the winter solstice. It is also interesting to note that the major symbols of each of these festivals, the Chanukah menorah, also known as the Hanukkiah, and the Christmas tree, center around the theme of light, the antithesis to darkness.

The central symbol of Chanukah is in fact the Hanukkiah, the eight-branched candelabra which is reminiscent of the seven-branched menorah which stood in each of the two ancient temples in Jerusalem. Of all the objects that were used in the ancient temple, only the menorah is commemorated in any way in our own day. By lighting the Hanukkiah, we ignite the flames within our souls, the flame that cannot be extinguished, the flame that burns not for eight days, but, hopefully, for all of eternity. Just as we place the Hanukkiah in the windows of our homes so that it will be visible to all who pass by, so too must our own inner light

shine against the darkness of evil and indifference in order to rekindle the spirits of our fellow human beings.

The Hannukiah reminds us of the miracle that no matter how dark life may be, there remains a source of light deep within each one of us. The light in our souls reflects the light of God, the one who is all light. This light can accompany us on our way illuminating the darkest path. Although the plague of darkness may seem to be all around us becoming an obstacle to every step we take, the light of the eternal one which is deep within our souls is there, waiting to be fanned so that it may burst forth and light our way in this world.

As we approach these two major winter festivals, may each of us rekindle the light of the eternal one that is in our own souls. And may we cause that light to shine forth with its message of love and peace to all the world.

Chag Chanukah Sameyach!

With a blessing of peace, I am...

Rabbi Reuben Israel Abraham

## **THANK YOU**

Yasher Koach and gratitude to Charlotte Rosenthal and Jack Belitsky, my Co-Chairs for our Holocaust Memorial Rededication and Survivor's Program on November 12th. Their committee is also to be commended for the tireless work that went into making this a successful event. Many wonderful moments of laughter and tears were shared. Finally, a generous Jewish Educational Fund was established by the Kraft family to continue this meaningful work.

With love and thanks,

Karen Simansky  
Vice President of Ways and Means

## **THANK YOU**

It is with great joy that we get to share simchas with our friends and family. Our CSS family is so special to us and we are thrilled that we were able to share the Aufruf for Marlena and Koby's wedding with our CSS family. Thank you to the Sisterhood ladies who did a spectacular job on the Kiddush luncheon, to Joseph Covone who shared his Bar Mitzvah celebration with our family, to Carrie, the office staff, and maintenance staff who went above and beyond to make the wedding day wonderful, and to all of the congregants who made donations in honor of the wedding to CSS funds. Your friendship, warm wishes, and support of the shul mean the world to us.

Gwen and Jacques Lurie



## **Earn cash for our school with Box Tops**

*Bring your box tops for education to the Office so we can redeem them!*

# MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

In my last article, I talked about settling down to a beautiful post holiday normal, but it has not been an easy month. We are sad to see Rabbi Wolpe leave us.

Thank you to so many of you who have reached out to me, our outstanding staff, and our hard working board. If you have concerns, I encourage you to contact me. Your support, your encouragement, and your respectful questions make us a stronger community.

Even as we deal with difficult circumstances, we have settled into a post holiday normal that is, beautiful and well, normal. Our building fills daily with the sounds of happy voices from our wonderful preschool. Rabbi Abraham, Cantor Samuels, and Cantor Bitton help us celebrate new simchas, support us in our sorrows, and help us build a connection to our Jewish identity.

CSS continues its leadership role in the Jewish community. I hope you were able to participate in the rededication of our Holocaust memorial during the commemoration of Kristellnacht. The beautiful memorial hangs in our lobby and I would urge you

to come see it. In December, we will host a conversation on antisemitism on behalf of the state legislature. This is a way to stand together against hate of any kind. Our brunch honoring past presidents of all the congregations that comprise CSS promises to be a large community-wide event. Please join us in thanking our past presidential leaders for their service to our community.

Our busy calendar of programming continues with Rabbi Sussman, a trip to the Revolutionary War Museum, our family Chanukah celebration, cookie baking and delivery to thank our emergency workers, and the ever popular Chinese Dinner and a movie night.

Look for Sisterhood classes to resume in the New Year. Learn to knit with our Knitting Group, or, if you speak a bit of Yiddish, join our Yiddish Discussion Group, both on Tuesdays.

Our synagogue leadership is focused on our future. As we move into 2018, we are dedicated to staying strong and beautiful together, for a long time. Stay tuned.

Fran Gabriel

FrancesGabriel@comcast.net

## THE HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL REDEDICATION

Sunday, November 12th marked a milestone for the Congregations of Shaare Shamayim. The occasion was the rededication of the beautiful and meaningful Holocaust Memorial.

Originally dedicated in 1997 at the Congregations of Ner Zedek in memory of Dorothy Hollander Titman by her husband, Martin, the memorial depicts the three stages of the Holocaust. The panel **Destruction** represents Kristallnacht, the Night of Broken Glass in November 1938. The panel **Abandonment** is symbolic of the individual, those that perished and those that survived. The final panel represents the message “**Always Remember**” and a message of renewal of spirit, hope, and freedom.

The ceremony was extraordinary in having the participants share their thoughts and memories. They included Naomi Titman Jarefsky, daughter of Martin and Dorothy Titman, Laura Jacobs, the creator and artist of the memorial, Barbara Kraft, the

sponsor of the Shirley and Morris Kraft Fund for Holocaust Programs and Activities, Itka Zygmuntowicz spoke of her personal journey as a survivor of the Holocaust, candle lighting ceremony by children of Holocaust survivors.

Rabbi Abraham offered prayers and reflections and Cantor Samuels led us in the Hatikvah as the Holocaust Memorial Plaques were unveiled. The reception that followed was hosted by Naomi, Arne, Mark, and Brett Jarefsky.

The more than 200 attendees experienced a day of remembrance, love, and respect. Many thanks to all who participated, attended, and helped the entire day.

Charlotte Rosenthal and Jack Belitsky

Co-Chairs, Holocaust Rededication Committee

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> 13th of Kislev 4:17p Candle lighting Traditional Service 4:20PM Conservative Service 7:45PM	<b>2</b> 14th of Kislev Trad. Services 9AM & 5:20PM Conservative Services 9:30AM
<b>3</b> 15th of Kislev <b>TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT'S BRUNCH 10:30AM</b>	<b>4</b> 16th of Kislev	<b>5</b> 17th of Kislev YIDDISH GROUP 1PM SISTERHOOD BINGO 6PM	<b>6</b> 18th of Kislev YOU SAY YOU WANT A REVOLUTION 7:30PM	<b>7</b> 19th of Kislev JEVS INTERVIEWING WORKSHOP 7PM MEN'S CLUB BOARD MTG 7PM	<b>8</b> 20th of Kislev 4:16p Candle lighting Traditional Service 4:20PM Conservative Service 7:45PM	<b>9</b> 21st of Kislev Trad. Services 9AM & 5:20PM Conservative Services 9:30AM
<b>10</b> 22nd of Kislev CHAVERIM TRIP TO MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION	<b>11</b> 23rd of Kislev	<b>12</b> 24th of Kislev 5:25p Chanukah: 1 Candle	<b>13</b> 25th of Kislev 5:25p Chanukah: 2 Candles <b>CHANUKAH CELEBRATION 6PM</b>	<b>14</b> 26th of Kislev 5:25p Chanukah: 3 Candles EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 8PM	<b>15</b> 27th of Kislev 4:17p Chanukah: 4 Candles 4:17p Candle lighting Traditional Service 4:20PM Conservative Service 7:45PM	<b>16</b> 28th of Kislev 5:26p Chanukah: 5 Candles Trad. Services 9AM & 5:25PM Conservative Services 9:30AM TOT SHABBAT 6:30PM
<b>17</b> 29th of Kislev 5:26p Chanukah: 6 Candles	<b>18</b> 30th of Kislev Rosh Chodesh Tevet 5:26p Chanukah: 7 Candles EDUCATION COMMITTEE MTG 7PM	<b>19</b> 1st of Tevet Rosh Chodesh Tevet 5:27p Chanukah: 8 Candles KNITTING GROUP 1PM	<b>20</b> 2nd of Tevet Chanukah: 8th Day CONGREGATION BOARD MTG 8PM	<b>21</b> 3rd of Tevet COOKIE BAKING 2PM & 7PM MEN'S CLUB GENERAL MTG 7PM	<b>22</b> 4th of Tevet 4:20p Candle lighting Traditional Service 4:20PM Conservative Service 7:45PM	<b>23</b> 5th of Tevet Trad. Services 9AM & 5:25PM Conservative Services 9:30AM
<b>24</b> 6th of Tevet CHINESE DINNER AND MOVIE 6PM	<b>25</b> 7th of Tevet COOKIE PROJECT DELIVERY 10AM	<b>26</b> 8th of Tevet SISTERHOOD BOARD MEETING 7PM	<b>27</b> 9th of Tevet	<b>28</b> 10th of Tevet Asara B'Tevet	<b>29</b> 11th of Tevet 4:25p Candle lighting Traditional Service 4:25PM Conservative Service 7:45PM	<b>30</b> 12th of Tevet Trad. Services 9AM & 5:30PM Conservative Services 9:30AM
<b>31</b> 13th of Tevet						



# THE LIBRARY SHELF



In October, I had the privilege of reviewing the book *Love Never Sleeps* by Mary Summer Rain. It's theme: living at home with Alzheimer's. It is not an easy book to read and the author states that it was not an easy book to write.

It's about the deterioration of an individual. Although not a textbook, it gives us much information. Yet, much of the book reads like a novel. The book offers emotional support for people facing care of a person with dementia. What's more, the book is a vision of the future. I will not discuss the characters except to say they are two women and a mother of one of the women that live together in a remote area on a mountain in Colorado. Every chapter discusses the symptoms of Alzheimer's basically in the order in which they occur. Some last only a short time. Some overlap. Some last as long as the person lives. Some may never appear.

The first is a loss of cognition, memory, rationale, logic, and a severe loss of common sense. It includes confusion, loss of continuity while speaking, lack of verbal skills, and an inability to follow a conversation. This can creep up insidiously on family and the individual.

Our person starts to hoard and be possessive not unlike a small child. Next our person suffers loss of social graces and basic living skills.

Right on top of those losses comes obsessive compulsive behavior along with paranoia and phobias. Next comes complaining, not to you, but to anyone who will listen: family, friends, or

strangers. The most mild, soft spoken person will use the most vile language. Patients fear the sun setting and night disturbances begin. Our patient becomes demanding and belligerent. Remember how your kiddies followed you around, stayed under your feet and, most of all, wouldn't let you have a phone conversation? Believe me, it will all come back to you.

The patient's first response is denial because they are no longer able to accept responsibility. He or she may hallucinate or fabricate facts. Some patients retaliate for the imagined slights done to them.

There are tools for survival if you are the caretaker. Safety concerns and what to do are also covered. If you plan to read the book, you must read the introduction and preface. They help make the remainder of the book clearer. Our two ladies took care of their patient with love and patience. The book is available in our library. This is not happy reading but it may prove to be very helpful.

Happy Reading!

Rosalie Cohen

The following books are missing from our library. Please look on your bookshelves for them. Thank you.

*The Nightingale* by Hannah Kristen  
*The Measure of a Man* by Martin Greenfield  
*The Dovekeepers* by Alice Hoffman  
*Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford

## TZEDAKAH CHALLENGE

Join in this contribution challenge!

Irving and Shirley Feldbaum made a meaningful donation to Shaare Shamayim to benefit our shul.

He challenges **YOU** to make a similar contribution this holiday season!

## MAHJONGG CARDS

Ladies and Gentlemen,  
It is time to order your Mahjongg cards again. Please send me your list with your check and phone number in case I have a question.  
Thanks,

Marion Lober  
Sidewater House, 780 Byberry Road,  
Apt. 412, Philadelphia, PA 19116



# 2018 Lottery Calendar

A \$36 lottery calendar is a great Chanukah gift for the whole family and a great way to help our synagogue!

Last year, we had multiple winners every month and even one multiple winner to date!

Fill out the form below and send it to the office with your check (please add "Lottery Calendar" to the memo line)

**It's just that EASY!!**

**We are now selling numbers for our 2018 Lottery Calendar!**

## 2018 LOTTERY CALENDAR

Your calendar will be personalized with the number you select. If your number (played straight) matches the 3-digit number drawn at 7:00PM by the Pennsylvania Daily Lottery, you're a WINNER! The cost of the calendar is \$36, and you have a chance to win as many times as your number is drawn for the whole year!

There's nothing else for you to do! We will track all winners, and automatically issue checks on a monthly basis. Winning amounts will be printed on each calendar date. The minimum daily prize will be \$50, and once each month the prize will double to \$100.

Multiple calendars may be purchased. Every calendar sold must have a different number assigned; therefore a separate form will be needed for each.

Valid winning numbers begin January 1, 2018. Calendars may be purchased at any time during the year. The cost will remain \$36 regardless of the date purchased, and eligibility to win begins on the purchase date with no previous winning numbers awarded retroactively.

These make great gifts, and we encourage you to share this winning opportunity with your friends, family, and co-workers. A limited number of calendars will be issued, so be sure to get yours now!

Please fill out the form below and return it to the CSS office with your payment. You will be contacted shortly to verify your submission and available number.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Choose three 3-digit numbers in the order of your preference:

Choice 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Choice 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Choice 3: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I prefer to have only a digital calendar sent to my Email address.

☐ I prefer a printed calendar and will pick it up at the CSS office.

☐ I would like a printed calendar mailed to the above address.

**Thanks for your support. We look forward to sending your winning check soon!**

# **PRESCHOOL PRESS**

We have had a fabulous start to our Shaare Shamayim Preschool and Kindergarten this year! The first several months of this school year were spent adjusting to school, meeting new friends, trying new things, and acquiring multitudes of new skills.

Mr. Don, our animated storyteller, brought his unique presentation of interactive storytelling to the school to help welcome our students to the start of the school year. As is customary, the Jewish Holidays were upon us. We celebrated Rosh Hashanah with a visit from Rabbi Dan, and our own Lisa Gave utilized her shofar blowing skills, to the delight of our students. We also celebrated the holiday with Sagit Zilberman's Rosh Hashanah program. Sagit visited our school and provided her gifts of song and unique instruments, providing new musical experiences for all of the children and staff. We danced to Israeli, Klezmer, and traditional songs and did not want the celebration to end! We decorated and ate snack in the Sukkah, and celebrated Sukkot with stories we read together.

Our children have learned the importance of Tikkun Olam—repairing the world. We teach the children that they have the ability to actually heal the world by performing one good deed at a time. We collect money on Fridays for Tzedakah, and we are actively developing the classroom Mitzvah Projects that usually coincide with Chanukah. We organized a program to aid hurricane victims in Puerto Rico; we collected diapers, wipes, gallons of water, clothing, personal care items, food, flashlights, batteries, and many other necessary supplies. We joined our collection with that of the Indian Orthodox Church. Together we filled a truck with much needed supplies for those who are suffering in Puerto Rico. It was heart warming that through the combined efforts of our preschool, kindergarten, and the church members so many people were able to receive assistance. Financial contributions were also collected and donated via B'nai Brith.

Science is all around us in the preschool and kindergarten classes. Children have been experiencing the excitement of the scientific process. As one experiment ends, they demand to start the next one!! Prediction, calculations, graphing, changes of variables, determining outcomes, and reflections are all a part of the hands-on process. Nature Jack brings his science programs to our school to enhance and reinforce their curiosity and scientific learning through their involvement with very messy science

experiments and exploration utilizing multi-sensory approaches.

We again welcomed our Orchestral Program back to our school as an introduction to classical music. It is important to introduce the children to the arts. The students participated in the story of Peter and the Wolf via classical music performed by world renowned concert pianist, Mr. Lance Wiseman, and world renowned concert violinist, Alexander Spivak. If you google them, you will be impressed that they have chosen to return to provide classical music for our students.

Mr. Tom McDonnell from The Please Touch Museum continues to reinforce our learning via the use of magic! This program has been a valuable tool to reinforce our learning without children realize they are learning!!

Kindergarten has begun their ballroom dance lessons. They love it!! Ballroom dance involvement aids in skill acquisitions such as increased attention to detail, sequencing, impulse control, body awareness, waiting, turn-taking, counting, rhythm, muscle development, spatial concepts, respect, body control, and memory enhancement.

After school yoga classes have started for our students on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. There are many benefits of yoga with children and they cannot wait for the yoga class each week. Parents are constantly sharing their children's desire to demonstrate their yoga poses at home!

Chanukah is approaching, which means by the time you read this, children have shopped till they dropped at our Secret Shop! They purchased holiday gifts for parents, grandparents, and siblings as they made very deliberate choices for their loved ones, with the help of our many volunteers! This involved year long preparation purchasing reasonable buying options for all of our students to chose for their gift buying pleasure!

We look forward to our Chanukah Game Day, the Miracle of Olive Oil Program with Rabbi Gurvitz, and our Chanukah Show, starring...OUR AMAZINGLY GIFTED CSS PRESCHOOL and KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS!!! EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!!

Sherri Hershfeld  
Preschool Director

## **MITZVAH COMMITTEE**

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Mitzvah Fund. Winter causes additional hardships for some of our congregants. They may need help paying a gas or electric bill to ensure they will have heat this winter. Children will need new coats and boots. Of course, food remains a challenge for some of our congregants.

Please continue to fulfill the Mitzvah of Tzedakah as you always do. Your thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated.

The Mitzvah Committee

## **PIANO PRIMAVERA**

Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 6:30pm

Join the Chaverim of CSS for Piano music from the Great American Songbook. Dinner featuring Pasta Primavera, soup to nuts.

Cost: \$30 per person. Please make your check out to CSS, "piano" on the memo line

For more information or to make a reservation, please contact Lynn Ratmanskyy

## **CONDOLENCES**

*May you be comforted among the other mourners for Zion and Jerusalem.*

Condolences are sent to Anita Allen and Roy Allen on the loss of their husband and brother, Arthur Allen.

Condolences are sent to Anita Allen on the loss of her daughter, Randee Allen-Jackson.

The Congregation mourns long-time member of Ner Zedek, Herman Weinraub.

Condolences are sent to Kay Skloff on the loss of her sister, Marcie Silverstein.



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## HOW DO YOU SPELL FUN? SISTERHOOD BINGO

**Tuesday, December 5, 2017 @ 6pm**

**\$23pp includes one bingo  
card, baked ziti dinner &  
dessert**

*\*Ziti without cheese available upon request  
(additional cards, boutiques & specials also available)*

**Contact Gerry Zaretsky @ 215-437-7437 or Nancy  
Black @215-673-5012 for reservations or send  
payment to the synagogue office c/o Sisterhood.**

*\*We are looking for new items for our boutique  
table. If you have something to donate, please bring it  
to the synagogue office.*

### **SISTERHOOD BINGO - DECEMBER 5, 2017**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people attending \_\_ Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I would like cheeseless ziti    \_\_\_\_ I prefer tuna fish

# Want to Learn Hebrew?

## Beginner and Intermediate Hebrew Classes

Learn to read, write and speak Hebrew.

Sundays, please check the website or with the office for dates

**Beginners Class: 9:15AM**

**Intermediate Class: 10AM**

Led by our instructor, Jack Belitsky, the beginners class is designed for Jews with little of no background in Hebrew and concentrates on teaching the Hebrew alphabet and reading skills.

Our Intermediate class is a follow-up to our beginner class and builds on the skills mastered in the previous class.

To register, please call the synagogue office at 215-677-1600 or sign up on our website, [www.shaareshamayim.org](http://www.shaareshamayim.org).



### Join us for our Chanukah Themed Tot Shabbat

Saturday, December 16, 2017, 6:30PM

Learn about Chanukah and honor Shabbat through crafts, songs, and more fun activities.

Dinner included.

No charge.





## **ADULT EDUCATION**

Be sure to mark Wednesday evening December 6<sup>th</sup> on your calendar for the return of Rabbi Lance Sussman, senior Rabbi of Keneseth Israel, at 7:30PM. His topic is "You Say Want a Revolution: Jews, Judaism and Rock N Roll", which is the latest in his extremely popular lecture series. Evenings with Rabbi Sussman are always entertaining and educational. Refreshments will be served.

Anyone dreaming about a career change or thinking about entering the job market, should consider attending a workshop led by Gary Lachow, a job developer with JEVS Career Strategies. This "Career Boosting Workshop" will be held at our building in conjunction with JEVS on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. It is required that you RSVP if you are planning on attending. To register either go on line at [shareshamayim.org](http://shareshamayim.org) or call 215-677-1600.

Check with the Synagogue office to find out the times for the monthly Yiddish group and ongoing Hebrew Across America sessions on Sunday mornings. Also check out our new book review group with Rosalie Cohen on the third Thursday of each month.

Denise Ellner  
Adult Education Chair

Get rid of unused medications at the 7th District Police Station. A box is provided specifically for this purpose. Please do not flush old or unused medication down the toilet as it can contaminate the water.

## **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS**

Our Sunday School students have spent the first weeks of school learning and experiencing the holidays. We have begun to study Shabbat and all of its observances and customs. We will be making Kiddush cups, challah and challah covers, and Shabbat candlesticks. Our study will culminate in a model Shabbat dinner. We look forward to lots of interesting and exciting activities in the weeks ahead!

Mira Brown and Jack Belitsky

## **STUDENT TRIPS TO ISRAEL**

Do you have a teenager or young adult student planning a trip to Israel? If so, contact the shul office. The Jeffrey Allen Memorial Fund is set up to help students fund their trips to Israel.



## **COLLEGE OUTREACH**

Our college students receive packages from us several times a year. It's a wonderful way to let them know they are still connected to their Jewish community while they are away from home. This project is supported by the William and Lois Gross Memorial Fund and the Sisterhood's Barbara Dratch Fund. Be sure that we have their current mailing and email addresses. Send the information to [gwenlurie@aol.com](mailto:gwenlurie@aol.com).



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Gwen & Jacques Lurie and Mildred Lurie announce the wedding of their daughter and granddaughter, Marlena Lurie to Koby Brandstein.

Paul & Ellen Brenner announce the wedding of their granddaughter, Haley Alexa Tucker to Alexander Kendall Fleisher.

Mark & Jill Delfiner and Bernice & Herman Delfiner announce the birth of their grandson and great-grandson, Ari Stone Delfiner. Proud parents are Ashley & Seth Delfiner.

# **You Say You Want a Revolution? Jews, Judaism and Rock n' Roll With Special Guest Speaker Rabbi Lance J. Sussman, Ph.D.**

With deep roots in American Black music, rock n roll emerged in the early 1950's as a global phenomenon, transforming world culture. Jewish artists and businessmen played a vital role in creating and promoting this new musical genre that became the voice of a generation and beyond. In turn, Rock N Roll and its musical descendants has helped transform Jewish and Israeli culture. "You Say You Want a Revolution" takes a look at the amazing story of rock n roll and role of Jews in contemporary culture.

**Wednesday, December 6 @ 7:30pm**

**Cost: 5pp  
RSVP to the synagogue office**



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## **3rd Annual Holiday Cookie Project**

**Baking on December 21 at 2pm and 7pm**

**Delivering on December 25 at 10am**

**Bring the Holidays to our local emergency workers.**

**Help us bake and deliver cookies for our hardworking emergency workers. We will bake in the synagogue's kitchen and deliver the cookies on December 25 to show our appreciation for their hard work.**

**Please contact Debbie in the office to volunteer to bake, deliver, or both at 215-677-1600 or at [Debbie@shareshamayim.org](mailto:Debbie@shareshamayim.org).**



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# PRESCHOOL



Orchestra Program



Nature Jack



Our New Friend Scary

Congratulations

Congrats to our Lottery  
Calendar Winners in November!

Jacques Lurie  
Lynn Ratmanský  
Phyllis & Don Stoltz  
Richard Rubin





# HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL REDEDICATION



Artist Laura Jacobs, speaking about her inspiration for the memorial.



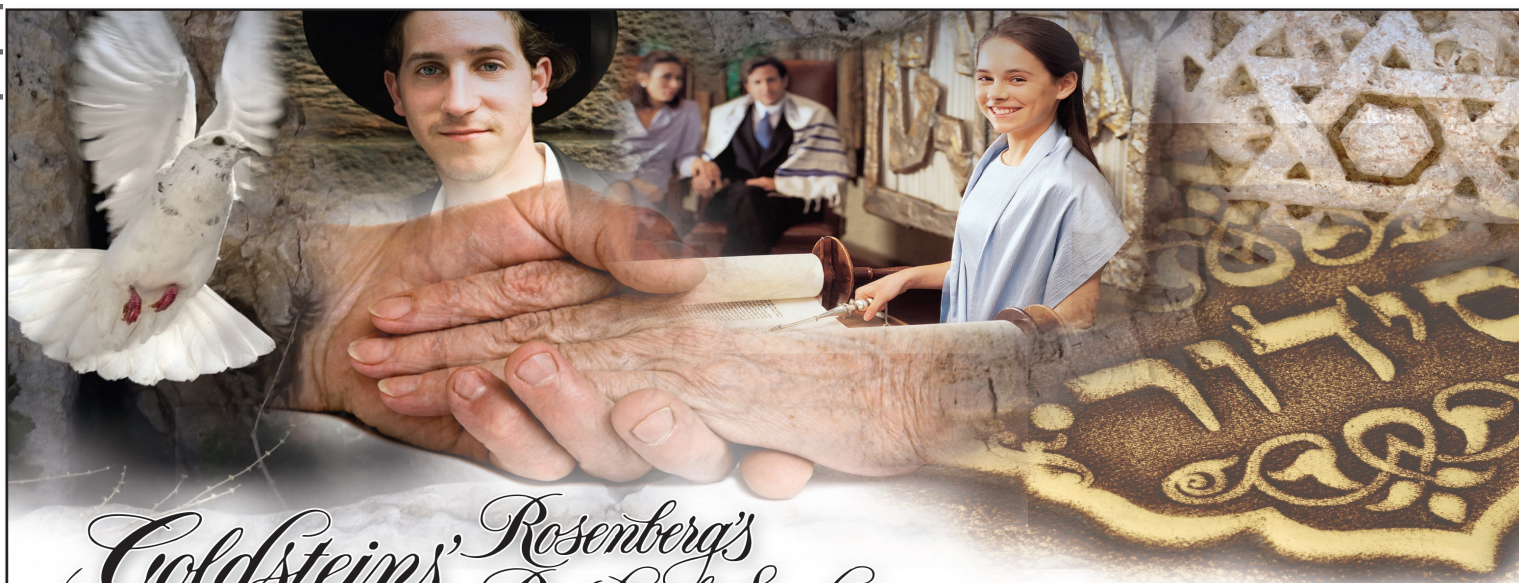
Congregant Itka Zygmuntowicz tells her story of survival from Auschwitz.



*Pictures by Eugene Hurwitz*







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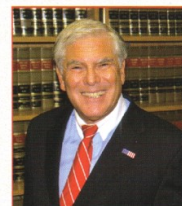
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## **SISTERHOOD HAPPENINGS**



In the past six weeks so much has happened. Not all were Sisterhood events, but Sisterhood members were involved in the preparation of the food. Fran Gabriel, Linda Korsin, Lynn Whitman Azoulay, Harriet Davis, Gerry Zaretsky, Shelli Keeny, Bobbie Slosberg, Nancy Black, Lois Cleghorn, Zelda and Jerry

Oslon, Toby Lundy and Sarah Meller, thank you for all your hard work. A very special thanks goes to Denise Ellner, who is always available when I need her. Our kitchen runs like a well oiled machine.

The Sisterhood Membership dinner, as usual, was a great success. The buffet was a crowd pleaser, and the martinis were delicious. The room looked beautiful. Thank you Rena Frank for chairing the evening.

Some of us saw the show Fast Girls at the Old Academy Players. We car pooled to East Falls and had an enjoyable afternoon.

Not everyone likes bingo. Some say it's boring. But not our bingo. We cheer those who win, and laugh when our cards don't have the numbers called. The food is good and plentiful. Join us to take a chance to win items on the boutique table, and just have fun. Thanks to Steve Korsin and Dave Slosberg, who will be our callers for the evening.

Don't forget the Baby Shower in January. Shop now while everything is on sale. So many mothers count on us. The thank you cards we get from them are heart warming. It's a mitzvah.

Ray and I wish you a Happy Chanukah, and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Mindy Poliner  
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## **Sisterhood Calendar 2017 – 2018**

**\*All meetings are held at 7pm  
unless noted**

### **Board Meetings**

Tuesday, December 26, 2017  
Tuesday, January 23, 2018, **1pm**  
Tuesday, February 27, 2018, **1pm**  
Tuesday, March 27, 2018  
Tuesday, April 24, 2018  
Tuesday, June 26, 2018

### **General Meetings**

Tuesday, December 5, 2017, **6pm**  
Tuesday, January 9, 2018, **1pm**  
Tuesday, February 13, 2018, **1pm**  
Tuesday, March 13, 2018  
Tuesday, April 10, 2018  
Tuesday, May 8, 2018

### **Special Events**

Tuesday, December 5, 2017, Sisterhood  
Bingo, 6pm  
Tuesday, January 9, 2018, Baby Shower,  
1pm  
Wednesday, February 7, 2018,  
Crafternoon, 1pm  
Tuesday, March 20, 2018, Sisterhood  
Bingo, 6pm  
Wednesday, April 18, 2018, Sisterhood  
Tea, 1pm  
Wednesday, May 16, 2018, New York Trip  
Tuesday, May 22, 2018, President's  
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Tuesday, June 12, 2018, Installation, 6pm

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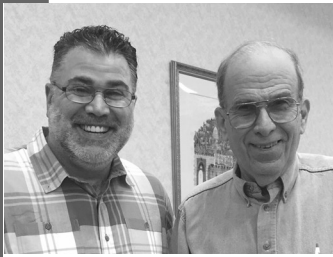
**Thursday, January 25th @ 7pm**  
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The Dictionary will be for sale (\$18) and you can have it auto-graphed by the authors

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# **MEN'S CLUB TIME OUT**



We had a great turnout at our paid up membership dinner last month. It was great once again listening to our guest speaker, Inquirer sports columnist, Mike Sielski, talk about everything

Philadelphia sports.

We want to thank Sheldon Stein for organizing and running another successful trip to NYC last month. We will be having another one in May.

Thursday, December 7th is our monthly board meeting at 7PM.

Everyone is invited to come join us on Thursday, December 21st at 7PM as Herb Kaufman will be our speaker for the evening. His topic will be "The Golden Age of Music: The Singers and Big Bands of the 1930's and 1940's". It will be a fun and nostalgic look at the music that had America Jumpin' & Jivein'. The event is free and light refreshments will be served.

Thursday, January 25th: Mark this date on your

calendar as you won't want to miss it!! Our guests for the evening will be The Word Mavens. Joyce Eisenberg and Ellen Scolnic, authors of the Dictionary of Jewish Words will be at the synagogue to make us laugh. This is a hilarious program from two ladies who know the difference between a dreidel and a draykop.

The program will start at 7PM. The price for the evening will be \$5.00 that can be paid at the door and light refreshments will be served. They will also be selling their dictionary after the event for \$18.00 and will autograph it for you too! Everyone is invited.

Please mark Sunday, February 4th on your calendars. We will be hosting the Federation of Men's Club's World Wide Wrap. More information will be following at a later date.

We want to wish everyone and bright and festive Channukah and a very Happy and Healthy New Year!!!

Barry Leiber and Howard Rosen  
Men's Club Co-Presidents

## **Men's Club Calendar 2017 – 2018** **\*All meetings are held at 7pm unless noted**

### **Board Meetings**

Thursday, December 7, 2017  
Thursday, January 4, 2018  
Thursday, March 8, 2018  
Thursday, May 3, 2018

### **General Meetings**

Thursday, December 21, 2017  
Thursday, January 25, 2018, 7:30pm  
Thursday, March 22, 2018, 7:30pm  
Thursday, May 24, 2018, 7:30pm

### **Special Events**

Sunday, February 4, 2018, World Wide Wrap  
Sunday, March 11, 2018, Blood Drive, 9am-2pm  
Friday, April 27, 2018, Family Shabbat Service, 7:45pm  
Wednesday, May 9, 2018, NYC Bus Trip, 8am  
Thursday, June 14, 2018, Closing Affair: Beer N' Beer, 6:30pm

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