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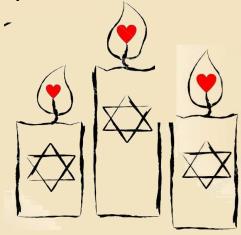
Sunday, November 12, 10:15am -No Charge

Rededication of the Holocaust Memorial

Join us for a moving rededication of the Holocaust Memorial recently relocated from Ner Zedek to CSS and a commemorative program recognizing Kristallnacht. Laura Jacobs, the artist, will be in attendance and will be speaking on her inspiration for the piece.

A Survivor's personal journey will be presented by one of our own congregants.

Participate in a "moment" of shared unity.



RSVP required by November 3rd

Reception to Follow

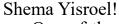
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If you and/or a family member are Survivors of the Holocaust, please contact the synagogue office as we would like to recognize you during our special program.

RABBI'S STUDY



One of the great Rabbis of the 19th century was the Italian Rabbi, Isaac Samuel Reggio. In his masterpiece, *Torah and Philosophy,* he wrote, "He who seeks truth must listen to his opponent."

In that simple statement, a man who lived two centuries ago, sums up one of the major issues of our time. In both the Jewish community and in the secular community, the ability to listen to those with whom we disagree is becoming a lost art.

Why is this dangerous? It is dangerous on too many levels to discuss in one article, but I will discuss two of the major reasons. The first, and perhaps most important reason, is that the cessation of civil discussion is the first step towards violence. First, I reject listening to

you. Then, I reject your right to disagree with me. Then, all who disagree with me must tow the line or be killer. We see that in almost every conflict the world has known.

More importantly, when we stop listening, we stop learning. It is not possible to learn from someone with whom we agree about everything. We can only learn from those who have new insights and new perspectives.

The Talmud teaches us that the reason our most important tefilla is the Shema is to teach us that listening is more important than speaking. As this year's holidays are etched into memory, let us remember the power of that lesson, and let it guide us through the next year,

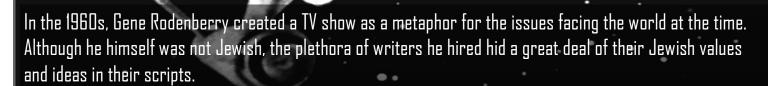
As always, feel free to disagree—I like to learn too!:)

Rabbi Dan Wolpe

STAR TREK & JUDAISM WHERE NO JEW HAS GONE BEFORE

Sunday, November 5th, 12th, and 19th at 7pm

Reservation Requested. Call 215-677-1600 or register online at www.shaareshamayim.org



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Join Rabbi Wolpe for this three part series exploring Judaism in the Final Frontier.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

I loved celebrating the holidays with you! Among my favorite memories this year:

Greeting everyone at services, meals, and throughout the building.

Seeing so many of you experience all the beautiful enhancements in our spaces: the Holocaust memorial, the century old ark in the Karff, and the Yahrzeit Memorial Board.

Enjoying the services, the sermons, and beautiful holiday melodies. Enjoying also, our Torah and Haftorah readers.

Watching our babysitters play with the little children.

Tashlich at Randi and Marlene's home.

Rebecca Shefcyk's beautiful Yizkor memorial speech.

Seeing our awesome teens and students at services! Too many to mention!

"Bebopping" Hallel. Not my word, but so true.

Sukkah Lunch. We are so lucky to have our incredible luncheon committee which includes Shelly Keeny, Mindy Poliner, Denise Ellner, Bobbie Slosberg, Linda Korsin, Steve Albert, Toby Lundy, Rhona Sloan, Jacques Lurie, Barry Wagner, Harriet Davis, Gerry Zaretsky, Rich Raisman, and Evelyn Goldberg.

Steak and Wine "Near" the Sukkah. The weather wasn't perfect, but Mike Goldinger and Jay Kaufman's dinner was, and so was the rest of the evening! Thanks to our chair, Tobi Levin and the awesome crowd, for a beautiful evening!

Watching faces of so many people honored to hold Torahs in procession at Simchat Torah. Those adults were as happy as the children receiving candy!

So, how does our post holiday normal look?

It is warm and sunny as I walk past fabulous preschool teachers and adorable preschoolers. As I pull down the synagogue drive, our Cook for a Friend Garden is still bright with vegetables, a last beautiful burst of nature.

By the time you read this, the garden and probably the warm weather will have faded.

There is activity and laughter, warmth and beauty within the walls of our building. Our synagogue families are celebrating many simchas here the next few months including Bar Mitzvahs, a baby naming, and a wedding. CSS life is all around us!

The synagogue calendar is filled with programs, classes, and events that we celebrate as a community. Please join us on November 12th as we rededicate the Holocaust memorial. Laura Jacobs, artist of the memorial, will join us for that ceremony.

On December 3rd, we pay tribute to Congregation Presidents throughout our history. I hope you will attend the brunch in their honor.

I am so grateful to Charlotte Rosenthal and Jack Belitsky and to Denise Ellner for their leadership of the respective committees which are working diligently to make these events meaningful and beautiful. An additional thank you to Vice President Karen Simansky who tirelessly brings programs to CSS.

Information about all of our happenings can be found elsewhere in the Scroll, on our website, in the events booklet you received at Holidays or by calling or visiting the office.

I hope to see you soon!

Fran Gabriel francesgabriel@comcast.net

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.

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

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TYLER SWEENEY Saturday, October 21st

Tyler Sweeney is a distinguished honor roll student at CCA Baldi Middle School. For those of you who are lucky enough to know Tyler, you know he is a head above most of his peers—physically that is. He puts his great stature to good use at home. He is always willing to help reach tall objects for his Mom, he sees eye to eye on all things with his Dad and lifts his 5 year old sister, Rebecca, to new heights. But, he is so much more than a vertically blessed teenager.

Tyler has been playing the clarinet for over five years and the tenor saxophone for a little over one year. He has played in the Baldi Orchestra, Band and Jazz band throughout his Middle School career and the Anne Frank Elementary Orchestra before that. He auditioned and was accepted to play in the All City Orchestra and All City Jazz Band for

the first time last year. It was so exciting to watch him play at the All City performance in May at Washington High School but even more exciting was his All City Jazz Band performance at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. Tyler played the National Anthem, Hatikvah, on his clarinet at his Bar Mitzvah reception on October 21st. His Zeyde, Marvin May, loves to brag to Tyler about how well he played the Israeli National Anthem, Hatikvah, on his clarinet at his Bar Mitzvah. Challenge accepted!

In addition to doing very well in school and playing his instruments, Tyler enjoys making people laugh. His sense of humor started at a very young age-even if it was unintentional on his part. When he was six years old he was very interested in flags of different countries. During a road trip to the Jersey shore, we passed the German flag which he easily identified. His next question, asked in all seriousness, was, "Are we Germ-ish?". Tyler did not realize at the time his question was so funny but quickly learned his quick wit was quite entertaining. His



Mom Mom, Vivian May, thinks he will be the next Jerry Seinfeld but of course she is partial.

Jokes aside, Tyler has been preparing for this important religious rite of passage since he started his Jewish studies as a Kindergardener at Shaare Shamayim. We are so proud of all his accomplishments and truly what a bright, funny and caring young man he has become!

Mazel Tov Tyler! We love you!

Mom, Dad, Rebecca, Mom Mom, Zeyde and Uncle Mikey



JOSEPH COVONE Saturday, October 28th

Joseph David Covone is the son of Michael and Helene, brother of Adrianna, Samantha and Nicholas and the grandson of Marilyn Steinberg. He is in 8th grade at Greenberg Elementary School and has been attending school at CSS since he was three years old. He graduated from Hei class last Spring and will resume his Jewish studies in January. Joseph loves sports, especially football and basketball. He

also has a passion for video games and the WWE wrestling world...an interest he shares with his siblings.

For his Mitzvah project, Joseph has assisted adults with disabilities through an organization called Tikvah/AJMI. He is very good with this population and makes an impact on the members' lives.

Joseph is also a very compassionate, loving, kind and sweet individual. We are very proud of his accomplishments and cannot wait to see him become a Bar Mitzvah!



The Men's Club of the Congregations of Shaare Shamayim:

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PAID-OF MENTERS PORTER

Monday–November 13, 2017

Social Hour: 6:30 p.m.

Dinner Served: 7:15 p.m.

Surcharge: \$29 ppd



Special Guest:

MICHAEL SIELSKI – Sports Columnist

To reserve your place R.S.V.P. by October 20 please call:

Barry Leiber: (267) 237-6718 Howard Rosen: (215) 745-1147

Or Synagogue office

2018 Lottery Calendar

Lottery numbers are 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! Ask the office for a 2018 Lotter Calendar Form and fill it out.

It's just that EASY!!

We are now selling numbers for our 2018 Lottery Calendar!

Here's How It Works:

- •Select a 3-digit number and send it in to the office. (In case of duplicate requests, you will get your second or third choice)
 - •If that number (played straight) matches the 3-digit number drawn at 7pm by the PA Daily Lottery, you're a WINNER!
- •Cash award is determined by the amount printed on each calendar date, and the minimum prize awarded will be \$50 daily.
 •Start date: January 1st, 2018.

Cost of the Calendar is \$36.

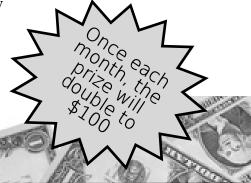
For less than 10 cents a day, you have a chance to win as many times as your number is drawn for the entire year!

Cost remains the same \$36 per calendar even after the January 1st start date.

Please call the office for more information, or to participate at 215-677-1600



No Hassle - We track the winners, and checks will automatically be issued on a monthly basis



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anna & Mark Keller and Rosalie & Gary Cohen announce the birth of their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Rachel June Kauffman. Proud parents are Dr. Ben & Sara Kauffman.

Mary Ann & Sylvan Kesilman announce the birth of their grandson, Aaron Michael Kesilman. Proud parents are Joseph & Rachel Kesilman.

Barbara and Norman Stein announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachel to Kevin Birns. Barbara & Solomon Weinstein announce the birth of their grandson, Eric Talcott Weinstein. Proud parents are Lee & Jenna Weinstein.

MITZVAH COMMITTEE

Donating to the Mitzvah Committee is often a hit or miss thing. You may think about writing a check to help our congregants but before you know it you're busy doing something or another and another day goes by; no check is written.

The following is an excerpt from thank you notes that were received by our committee. "I only hope you know how much we appreciate it [food scrip] and how much it helps us."

"Thank you for your gift for food. Thank you for caring enough to help me. grateful and humbled by your kindness."

"It is so kind of you. Your continued

support during this rough time is greatly appreciated. Thank you again from the bottom of my heart."

Thank you to the Dickters, Karen and Chuck, for sharing their produce with some of our congregants. Our nursery children also grew vegetables in our Cook For A Friend Mitzvah Garden which were distributed to our congregants.

So next time you think about our Mitzvah Fund, please be as generous as you can be.

Rosalie and the Ladies of the Mitzvah Committee

THANK YOU

Art Love and his family want to sincerely thank Rabbi Wolpe, Rabbi Schlesinger, and Rabbi Abraham along with Cantor Samuels for their many visits to Iris during her illness in the hospitals and at home. Lest I forget, thank you to Cantor Bitton who was at minion each night during the Shiva week.

I want to thank my fellow minyanaires for their support of me for the many weeks while Iris was ill. Finally, to the many congregants and office staff for their support and concern, thank you. We were so overwhelmed with the number of congregants who visited and have made donations in her memory. Thank you all so much.

Art love and Family, Marc, Bonnie, and Scott

Calling all PAST PRESIDENTS of our combined/merged synagogues. We need vour assistance.

We are preparing a Tribute Book and would like to include your information, include your years and term(s) of service. We are seeking to record all of our merged synagogues' history from first to last leadership.

Additionally, if you know the name of a living relative of a deceased Past President, please provide that information to the office.

Your respective Presidencies will be honored at an upcoming Fundraising event this Fall.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Omission from October: 10/22 M/M Sheldon Stein

10/24 M/M Sid Weinberg

11/3 D/M Jon Glass 11/7 M/M Ivan Wolfson

11/14 M/M Gerald Steinberg

11/14 M/M Evan Oslick

11/20 M/M Stephen Figlin

11/20 M/M Paul Adelman

11/20 M/M Steven Schmidt

11/22 M/M Barry Pogach

11/22 M/M Alan Schultz

11/23 M/M Alan Steinberg

11/24 M/M Sheldon Plam

11/25 M/M Henry Blackman

11/30 M/M David Slosberg

THE LIBRARY SHELF



Dear Readers,

The following is an excerpt from *Family Circle Magazine*. The article connects to my own feeling about reading. "Reading for pleasure is so important for emotional health. It's good for the soul." It strengthens creative ability. In

a sense, it's a workout for the brain. You get invited into a different world with people you have never met before. You get to be involved with a situation that is different from your own life.

Don't leave home without a book (or a reading device). I snatch a few lines wherever I go. If you are tightly scheduled, pencil it in. Grab fifteen minutes to a half hour wherever you are.

Trade TV time for reading time.

Keep a book next to your bed.

Make it a habit!

Check with your friends for a good title. Look at best seller lists or get a recommendation from a friend who likes the same type of book or genre you do.

I've said it before, a book is a marvelous thing! It can transport you to another time or place. It can make you dream and plan. Books expand your horizons.

Books can be a comfort or provide information. Some books deserve to be read several times and begin to feel like an old friend. Amazingly, each time you read it you learn something new. So if you haven't picked up a book in a while, try it. You're sure to like it.

Happy Reading, Rosalie Cohen

Want to Learn Hebrew?

Beginner and Intermediate Hebrew Classes

Learn to read, write and speak Hebrew.

Every Sunday, beginning October 22

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 including learning Hebrew words and phrases, reading comprehension, and speaking skills.

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To register, please call the synagogue office at 215-677-1600 or sign up on our website, www.shaareshamayim.org.

Television I

How Jews have been portrayed in television

Join Rabbi Dan Wolpe as we watch and discuss various portrayals of Judaism throughout different television series and eras. Have Jews been portrayed positively or stereotypically? Has it changed over time?

Wednesdays 10am-12pm October 25, November 15, November 29, December 6, and December 13

Cost: \$15 per person (includes all classes) Donor Credit \$3

Classes sponsored by Sisterhood. All are invited to attend.

For more information, please contact Toby Lundy, Religious Chair. Sisterhood

Popcorn is on the house!

Don't miss this fun and informative class!

The History and Structure of the Siddur

Wednesdays, following Minyan at 7:00 AM

Join us every Wednesday morning outside the chapel for a light breakfast and learn about the history of our prayers, what they truly mean, and how they connect us to each other, the world, and the Creator of the Universe!

No Charge. All are welcome!

ADULT EDUCATION

Get your calendars out so you can pencil in dates for the November Adult Education classes at CSS. There is a lot going on and I'm sure there is something of interest for almost everyone.

Saturday, November 11th marks the return of Bagels and Bible. After the end of both services, we all come together in Karff Auditorium to sit down for a discussion of the weekly Torah portion while enjoying bagels and a shmear. For those of you with a sweet tooth, pastries are also available.

Rabbi Dan will be hosting two limited run classes in November. First up is "Where No Jew Has Gone Before: Star Trek and Judaism" on Sunday the 5th, 12th and 19th at 7:00PM. As many of you know, Rabbi Dan is a major fan of the Star Trek franchise.

On a more serious note, Rabbi Wolpe will be presenting "Introduction to Midrash" on Thursday, November 2nd, 9th, 16th and December 7th. Classes are at 7:00PM. Both of these classes are free. Just drop in and enjoy the experience.

Continuing in November is the Wednesday morning Tefillah class, which starts at the end of morning minyan (approximately 7:30AM). Rabbi has been explaining the meaning and purpose of the various prayers in the Siddur. A light breakfast is served. Also ongoing in November is "Introduction to Judaism" from 10:00 to 11:00AM on all Sunday

THANK YOU

Our shul is truly a family. Since our son Mark's diagnosis everyone we see or speak to tells us they are praying for him. Your prayers must be working because so far he is tolerating the chemo. Please keep him in your prayers.

Thank you, Ray and Mindy Poliner mornings that Hebrew School is in session. Each class is self-contained so you can pick and chose the topics that interest you. Classes are in the small chapel.

Also on Wednesday, November 15th and 29th is the Rabbi's Sisterhood class starting at 10:00AM. Class runs about 2 hours and the topic is "Jews in Television".

Looking ahead please save Wednesday, December 6th for the return of KI's Senior Rabbi, Lance Sussman at 7:30PM. Rabbi Sussman will be presenting his newest topic in his discussion series, "You Say You Want a Revolution: Jews, Judaism and Rock N Roll". A donation of \$5.00 per guest is requested. Refreshments will be served.

Finally if you never learned Hebrew or would like to brush up on your Hebrew, there will be Hebrew Across America classes on Sunday mornings. Call the office for further information and to register.

Denise Ellner Adult Education Chair

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.

We truly apologize to Mindy Poliner, Harriet Davis, and Gail Rubin for omitting their holiday greetings and dates in our 2018 calendar.

CELEBRATE YOUR NEXT SIMCHA IN YOUR SYNAGOGUE!! Rent Space for your next private event

Kids parties, bris or baby naming, baby shower, family reunion, formal dinners, luncheons, banquets, graduation and retirement parties. Discounts available for CSS members.

Call the office for more information 215-677-1600

Men's Club Trip to NYC

Wednesday, November 8 Leave CSS at 8am - Depart NYC at 5:30pm

Discount Theater Tickets - Shopping Sight Seeing - Lunch on your Own

Contact Sheldon Stein for reservations or for more information 215-346-2302





AARP ADRIVER SAETY Program

Two Day Course: Monday, November 20 and Tuesday, November 21 at 10:30am

Refresher Course: Tuesday, November 7 at 10:30am

Drivers 50 and over can earn a discount on their car insurance! If you have never taken the course before or have not taken it in the past three years, you must register for the Two Day Course.

Cost of attendance is \$15 for AARP members,

\$20 for non-members.

You must bring your check to the office before the course in order to reserve your spot. No reservations will be taken without payment.



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Steak and Wine In The Sukkah













Congrats to our Lottery Calendar Winners in October!

Charlotte & Allen Rosenthal Selma Dubrow



Meet the Candidates















Preschool in the Sukkah





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SISTERHOOD HAPPENINGS



When the holidays are upon us, I enjoy them, but it is so nice now that they are over. Hopefully your homes have gotten back to normal.

The luncheon, with "Julia Child" was a huge success. Over 100 people attended. As usual, Fran Gabriel's salmon

was delicious. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard in the kitchen. Special thanks to Susan Steinberg, who chaired the luncheon. Janette, from Food Design, who caters the membership and donor dinners, generously gave us a gift certificate for ten dinners, in the recipient's home. We held a raffle at the luncheon, \$5 for one raffle ticket, three for \$10.

November is also a busy month. The New York trip to see Come From Away will be a very enjoyable day. I was intrigued by the subject matter, the planes that weren't allowed to land in the United States after 9/11. Somehow they relay this in a wonderful musical.

November 14 is the Membership Dinner. As usual, Shelli Keeny will make the martinis, which I will have the job of taste testing. It's a hard job, but someone has to do it. Spending an evening catching up with Sisterhood members helps keep up to date with what is happening in our "sister's" lives. Yasher Koach to Rena Frank for planning the evening.

Tuesday, December 5, is our first Bingo. The cost of \$23 includes a baked ziti dinner and one bingo card. Specials are available for an additional charge. Watch for the Boutique Table. Our reliable bingo callers, Steve Korsin and Dave Slosberg will again be with us.

Have a great Thanksgiving. Don't eat too much turkey, and I'll see you soon.

Mindy Poliner rlmp771065@yahoo.com or 215-676-7716

Sisterhood Calendar 2017 – 2018 *All meetings are held at 7pm unless noted

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Tuesday, November 28, 2017 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, November 14, 2017, 6pm 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

Wednesday, November 1, 2017, New York Trip, 8:45am

Friday, November 3, 2017, Sisterhood Shabbat, 7:45pm

Tuesday, November 14, 2017, Membership Dinner, 6pm

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 Dinner, 6pm

Tuesday, June 5, 2018, Donor Dinner, 6pm Tuesday, June 12, 2018, Installation, 6pm

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Always been curious about Judaism? Never paid attention in Hebrew school? Have questions you never knew how to ask?

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Sundays 10:00—11:00 AM

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MEN'S CLUB TIME OUT



Our Meet The Candidates brunch last month was a huge success. A special thank you to the following people:

Paul Kaplan for running the brunch and getting the candidates; Ruth Horwitz

for being our moderator; and all of the Men's Club members that helped in the kitchen!

Please join us on Wednesday, November 8th for our fall bus trip to New York City. The cost of this event is \$38.00 per person (this includes the tip for the bus driver). This is always a very popular event, so make sure you contact Sheldon Stein at 215-346-2302 to sign up for a fun filled day. We leave the synagogue at 8AM sharp and we leave New York at about 5:30PM with a estimated time back in Philadelphia at about 8PM. Once we arrive in NYC, you are on your own. Go to a museum, go shopping, or go see a show. The day is yours and you can do whatever you want.

Please join us for our annual Men's Club paid up Membership Dinner. This year the dinner will take place on Monday, November 13th. Dinner is called for 6:30 PM and once again we will be enjoying a delicious meal by Food By Design. Back by popular demand, our speaker for the evening will be Inquirer sports columnist Mike Sielski. Cost for the dinner will be \$29.00 per person. Return the dinner forms that were sent by mail with a check made out to CSS Men's Club (make sure

you tell us your dinner selection on the form!). Or please call the office to RSVP. It will be a wonderful night that you won't want to miss.

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 of the evening 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.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and we will see you in Shul!

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, November 2, 2017 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

Wednesday, November 8, 2017, NYC Bus Trip, 8am Monday, November 13, 2017, Paid-up Membership Dinner, 6:30pm 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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Bagels and Bible

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Saturday, November 11

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This Yiddish Learning and Discussion Group led by Jack Belitsky will meet the First Tuesday of the month starting on October 3rd, from 1pm to 2pm.

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Our Mechina and Sunday School students enjoyed the first weeks of school learning about all of the holidays.

For Rosh Hashanah we read about the creation and the birthday of the world. We enjoyed celebrating by having birthday cake, ice cream, and apples and honey. For Yom Kippur, we participated in a Tashlich program and talked about forgiveness. We drew pictures for Sukkot and made decorations for the synagogue's sukkah.

For Simchat Torah, we studied at the Torah and learned that we finish reading the end of the Torah and begin reading it all over again on the same day.

We shall begin learning about Shabbat and will be involved in many Shabbat related projects in the weeks to come.

Our students, parents, and teachers wish everyone a sweet, healthy and peaceful new Year!

Jack Belitsky

KVELLER KORNER

We invite you to let the office know if you have something to share that we can include in our monthly newsletter. Please send happy announcements to Debbie@shaareshamayim.org. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie in the office.



Ron & Gita Farbman's Daughter-In-Law, Julia Fisher Farbman, is the Co-Founder/Executive Producer at Ready Set Productions. She was featured in the October issue of *Her Magazine* for her creation of the digital video storytelling platform, Modern Hero. Julia is the host and executive producer. Modern Hero is a new series that celebrates incredible women who are defying the odds, shattering glass ceilings, and making a difference in their careers and in the world. The series takes an interactive approach by having the audience and the women featured nominate their Modern Heroes. The goal is to inspire young girls and women to dream big and not let gender norms hold them back from success.

CONDOLENCES

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

Condolences are sent to Anita Allen on the loss of her brother, Arthur Gordon.

Condolences are sent to Joan Cohen on the loss of her husband, Stan Cohen.

Condolences are sent to Marcie Spiller on the loss of her mother, Lois G. Spiller.

Condolences are send to Barry Schwartz on the loss of his wife, Luba Schwartz.

The Congregation mourns the passing of long-time member Marvin Munstein.

Condolences are sent to Beth Goldberg on the loss of her mother, Irene Goldberg.

Condolences are sent to Joni and David Brill and Jared & Alan Dashoff on the loss of their mother and grandmother, Lorraine Brill



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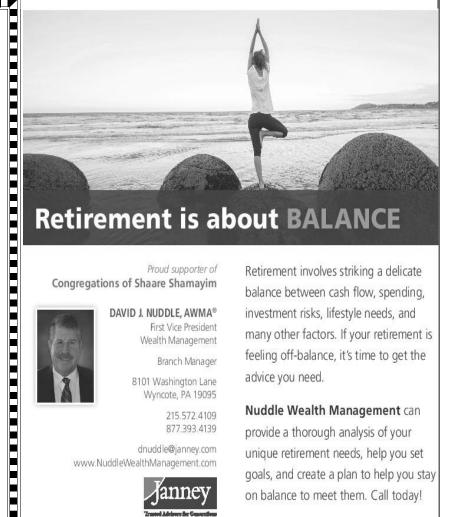
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