

# B'NAI ZION CONGREGATION

*THE OLD SHALL DREAM DREAMS AND THE YOUTH SHALL SEE VISIONS*

## From Our Rabbi Jana De Benedetti

### Tree of Life



Tu B'Shevat (the fifteenth of the Hebrew month of Shevat) is designated as the birthday of the trees. We are given the opportunity to focus on and celebrate trees. We get to stop and truly look at them and appreciate them. Trees provide us with food, shelter, comfort, and they purify our air. During our Tu B'Shevat Seder we examine these attributes and others.

As you look at trees this month, think about ways in which we are like parts of a tree. In our families, I think that the roots are our elders and ancestors. They keep us grounded, and draw our sustenance. The parents are like the trunk since they bind us to the generations, help us to achieve great heights, and protect us. The children are our branches. They are eager to explore new directions. Together they produce the fruit that will perpetuate the family, and leaves that fly away, leaving signs of the family wherever they land. Sometimes families are flexible like willows in the face of challenges, and sometimes families stand strong like oaks. The family is a tree of life. [Continued on page 7]

## Shreveport Jewish Music Month



Music and song have been important parts of Judaism for as long as we have been a people. We began singing as soon as we realized we were free and no longer slaves. Our music is often happy – a simcha is not complete without Hava Nagilah and the Hora. We have also heard our share of sad songs. Jewish music reflects the same variety of flavors as our various cultural backgrounds. Our music celebrates, commiserates, and contributes to fulfilling our spiritual needs when we pray.

The Shabbat that falls February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> is called “Shabbat Shirah” the “Sabbath of Song.” It will begin a month filled with Jewish musical experiences. Both Friday and Saturday of Shabbat Shirah our worship will be filled with music. The music will span traditional melodies to youth group/camp melodies. You will enjoy being sung to, and will want to join us in song. [Continued on page 11]

## From Our President Fred Kent

"The more you put into something, the more you get out of it." I would say that one statement is true of life, as I look back upon my experiences. We have so many chances to make life interesting, fun and rewarding if we will only do something for someone else.



I would like to thank Heidi and Gregory Kallenberg for agreeing to chair the B'nai Zion fundraiser on Saturday, February 7, 2009. They both have the energy and wonderful insight to make this a special night. This party will feature Chuck Kesilman, an acclaimed musician, singer and songwriter who will be performing his "Night to Honor the Beatles." We will have a wonderful dinner with the choice of "Fred's Filet Mignon" or "Heidi's Famous Vegetable Lasagna."

The event is for B'nai Zion but the added bonus is bringing our Jewish community together. You will be able to see our new furniture in our foyer that was so graciously funded by Gloria Meyer; or walk into the newly remodeled educational wing with new lighting, paint and flooring. The hard work was done by our own David Brainis. This will provide a good atmosphere for our children to learn from our Sacred Torah.



"The more  
you put into  
something  
the more  
you get out  
of it"

I would like to thank Helaine Braunig for calling all of our angels and who always can be counted on to make it happen. I want to thank Sue Rubenstein who is our Special Event Coordinator and who has the experience to draw upon to make sure all of the details are perfect. And last but not least I am grateful to Joe Badt Jr. for help in pulling together our Brotherhood kitchen crew to make sure the meal is done with the flair you have come to enjoy.

Do not miss this opportunity, which only comes once a year to be there for our congregation. The evening comes with a money back guarantee and a lot of hard work. But I will have to tell you, the people above will enjoy the evening more than they will ever expect because of the time-tested rule: "The more you put into something, the more you get out of it."

## From Our Educator Helaine Braunig

As I walk through the hallways and look into Religious School classrooms, I am reminded that our school represents a shared vision. Children and teachers from both B'nai Zion and Agudath Achim are together on Sunday mornings, learning by doing the things Judaism values most—studying, worshipping, and building community. At our recent PTA meeting, I was so pleased to see our faculty and our parents listening to each other, supporting each other, and offering ideas for programs and projects that will enrich our children's lives and contribute to their Jewish memories. I thank Susan Gross for joining us to help shape a shared purpose that extends into the larger Jewish community of all ages. The meeting was a warm, cheerful respite from some cold January days.

Cold winter days remind me that warmer weather is just around the corner, along with our lovely spring holidays: Tu B'Shevat, Purim, Passover, and Shavuot. First comes Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of the Trees that marks the arrival of spring in Israel. On Sunday, February 8 Rabbi Jana will lead our children in a Tu B'Shevat Seder, and I thank Laura Holman for her leadership of this annual event. Our children look forward to the fruits and nuts of the Seder and the beautiful changing colors of the Seder "wine." Laura will need help with the Seder, so please call her if you can assist. In addition to being present on Sunday morning, we need people who can shop and set tables in advance.

Our children had a chance to view the Jacobs Camp video and meet with Assistant Camp Director Abram Orlansky Sunday, January 25. The Shreveport Jewish community has a commitment to helping make camp affordable to all families. We want to see all our kids in Jewish summer camps—Jacobs, Young Judea, or any other. Parents, financial aid is available to all; speak to our rabbis about sources for financial aid.

Plan ahead to enjoy the Jewish community's Purim Carnival Sunday, March 8. We'll need lots of workers that day and in advance of the holiday celebration. Watch for opportunities to volunteer. In addition, we're offering something new this year: a Purim Costume-Making Workshop for parents on Sunday, Feb. 22 during Religious School. We envision a group of parents sharing old costumes with parents of younger children, researching ways to make clever (but easy) costumes, and actually having those who are handy with fabric, glue, or needle and thread helping those who are not. Come join us.

Please look elsewhere in the bulletin for a fabulous chance for adults to learn to draw with our own Katherine Mahler, experienced teacher and artist. This class is for adults, and it will be limited to 12 participants. Sign up today!

Thanks to a true spirit of cooperation within our faculty and parent body, we've had an excellent year. I look forward to a springtime filled with opportunities for growth in knowledge and commitment to Jewish life and practice. As always, let me know how we can help you.



People of the  
Book Club  
7 PM Feb 10  
Discussing:  
*History of Love*  
By Nicole Krauss



See page 7



See page 9



North American Federation  
of Temple Youth ☆ ★ ☆  
An affiliate of the Union for Reform Judaism and a unit (branch) of Netzer Olami

ShFTY =  
Shreveport  
Federation of  
Temple Youth

## ShFTY Isaac Haas, President

New ShFTY Board Members  
January to June 2009:

President:

Isaac Haas

Programming V.P.:

Leah Caminker

Religious/Cultural V.P.:

Martin Black

Membership V.P.:

Leigh Anne Evensky

Treasurer:

Lindsey Toys

Secretary:

Sarah Abrams

Last month we postponed  
Meals on Wheels until the  
Spring and instead we  
participated in the World  
Religion Day for the community  
at the Highland Center.

We are currently planning to  
help with preparations for the  
Purim Carnival.

Leah Caminker is scheduled  
to attend the NFTY Convention  
in Washington DC this month.

## Sisterhood Bethany Sorkey, President

Have you been one of the generous people who have brought food  
for Oneg Shabbat or Potluck dinners?

We really appreciate you.

Have you left anything at B'nai Zion — dishes, serving utensils,  
pans, trays?

Please come by B'nai Zion **before March 31 to claim whatever is  
yours.** The Sisterhood will be cleaning out the kitchen in  
preparation for Passover. Anything that is left after March 31 will be  
donated to a worthy cause.

~ ~ ~

Although we currently are not requesting hosts for each Oneg  
Shabbat, it is always appreciated when someone offers to sponsor  
or provide refreshments. Think about offering the Oneg Shabbat  
in honor of a birthday or anniversary, a visit from relatives, or in  
memory of a loved one. Contact the office and we will help arrange it.



WRJ =  
Women of  
Reform  
Judaism



## From Our Librarian Judith Grunes

When is a cookbook not just a cookbook? When it is a Jewish cookbook – full of history and traditions and memories and innovations on a theme. Thanks to the Jewish book fair held at B’Nai Zion last November, the library acquired more cookbooks to add to our collection. *The Hadassah Jewish Holiday Cookbook: Traditional Recipes from Contemporary Kosher Kitchens* lives up to its promise in the title.

“In every facet of our nourishment, we celebrate the future by digesting the past. Make no mistake,” says the book cover, “tradition survives only in the observance of it.” *The Book of New Israeli Food: A Culinary Journey* is irresistible from its cover displaying a wooden bowl of pomegranates to its pages of Israeli natural history. “The Bible is brimming with food, used for welcoming friends and appeasing enemies, for seduction and bribery, for comfort and religious rituals. Food or the lack of it, often played a pivotal role in Jewish history” says this cookbook. Add these foods to those of their Arab neighbors, mix Ashkenazi and Sephardic cookery, and a dollop of modern trends in a modern state and you have some hint of what you will find in this cookbook. Then, how can you resist a book entitled *The Gefilte Variations*? In keeping with our modernization theme, this book gives you 200 recipes that are “reinterpretations of traditional dishes designed for everyday meals as well as holidays.” We are talking breakfasts and brunches, soups and fish, meatless meals, dairy dishes, sweet kugels and desserts. In the *Holocaust Survival Cookbook*, the

arrangement deviates from the normal structure of separating recipes by category. Recipes are grouped by the contributing family and the story of survival that goes with the recipes is more than co-equal to the recipes themselves. You need to use the index to find a specific recipe but I recommend reading and using the book the way it is laid out. Anna Kledstadt, born in Germany in 1886, escaped to Holland in 1939 and finally came to the U.S. When she lived in Hawaii, she witnessed the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Anna’s granddaughter gave the authors Anna’s recipe for marzipan chocolate cake as well as her own lemon almond cake recipe. Faye Rothstein Toporek was born in Poland and spent years in the Lodz Ghetto until it was liberated and she was sent to Birkenau. She survived with a brother and sister but passed away in 1970 at the age of 47. Her daughter sent in Faye’s recipe for cottage cheese salad, as well as her own recipe for matzo stuffing. Come read for yourself the stories of the survivors and the survivor families and the foods that bound them together.

For lighter reading I recommend a series of novels by Sharon Kahn. These lighthearted and light mysteries involve Ruby the rabbi’s wife. Technically, Ruby is no longer a rabbi’s wife as her husband was killed. She remains at Temple Rita (and there is another funny story behind the name of the Temple), putting up with the likes of the whiney Rabbi Kevin and the President-for-Life of the Temple Board, Essie Sue, while making her living as a co-owner of a bagel shop and a fledgling internet business in

Eternal, Texas. Thank goodness she always finds the time to get involved in murder mysteries and solve them with wit and grit. How can you resist with titles such as : *Fax Me a Bagel*; *Never Nosh a Matzo Ball*; *Don’t Cry for Me, Hot Pastrami*; *Which Big Giver Stole the Chopped Liver?*; and *Out of the Frying Pan, Into the Choir*.

In a Jewish bookstore in Florida this summer, I discovered a series of children’s books, called *The Family Midrash Says...* of course written and published in Brooklyn. This series is age appropriate with help from fourth grade to sixth. I began the library’s collection with the five books in the Tenach that follow the Torah, ie., Joshua, Judges, I & II Samuel and I Kings. The illustrations may be in black and white, and the print ordinary block, but these books are brimming with details and additions based upon Rashi, Rishonim and Midrashim. It asks and answers many questions in its analysis of the literature of the Bible. There are keys to the quizzes, a glossary, and a selection in Hebrew in each of the books in this series. All of the books are written from a literalist, Orthodox viewpoint but can add much to your child’s education into our sacred books. In religious school, we do cover the topics in these books on the prophets so it becomes a double whammy. One of our best readers in our Temple family has already begun reading the set before I even cataloged it.

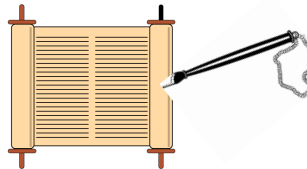


## Shabbat Shirah — a Sabbath of Song



Friday February 6 will begin Shabbat Shirah — The Sabbath of Song. The Torah portion sings the oldest recorded song in history (when we celebrated after crossing the Sea of Reeds to our freedom). During services on Friday evening a variety of melodies will fill our service. Our new Jewish Choir will lead us in harmonious song. B'nai Zion will continue to sing through Shabbat morning service with Rabbi Jana and Virginia. Come sing a new song to God — and some old songs too.

## Torah Shabbat

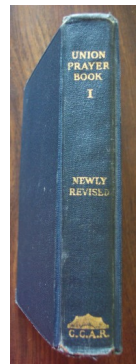


One of the best parts of Shabbat in Shreveport is Torah study at B'nai Zion on Saturday mornings. However, at least once a month we will try to also read directly from the Torah on Friday evenings. The Torah is our Tree of Life, and we love to keep it in our midst. Join us on the third Friday of the month, February 20 to hear the Torah read. Please contact the office if you would like to recommend or have a Torah honor, such as blessing or undressing/dressing the Torah, or lifting the Torah.

## Tot Shabbat



Pre-readers and their families are encouraged to join us in frolicking worship, music, storytelling, fun and friendship during Tot Shabbat services with Rabbi Jana, the last Saturday of the month, February 28 from 9-9:30 AM.



*Pray with  
the old  
Union Prayer  
Book on  
February 27  
and  
February 28*

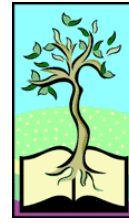
## Shabbat Service Times



Shabbat worship is 6 -7 PM Friday evenings and 11 AM-12 PM Saturday mornings. Some people have suggested that if the time of the service were different, it may be easier for them to participate. Please let the office, the Rabbi, or Executive Board members know if you would like to try a different starting time for our worship services.

## Tu B'Shevat Seder

The Religious School will be celebrating Tu B'Shevat February 8 with a special Seder to celebrate the Birthday of the Trees. Adults who would like to help or participate please call the Office by Thursday February 5 so that we can make sure that we have room for you.



Four different colors of wine and fruits and nuts from Israel are eaten at this seder.

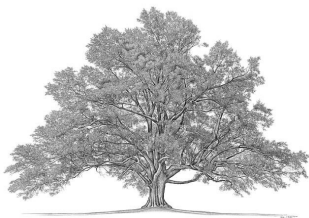
## Purim Costume Making

Kids — have you outgrown your old Purim costume? Do you want to wear something new this year for our Purim Carnival? Tell your parents to come to Religious School on February 22. We will have a special Purim costume -making program where they can share ideas, old costumes and skills.

Please bring old costumes to B'nai Zion by February 22. If it doesn't fit you anymore, it will probably fit someone else now.



Purim Carnival will be March 8 after Religious School



[The Torah] is a  
Tree of Life  
to them that  
hold fast to it  
and all it's  
supporters  
are happy  
(Proverbs 3:18)

### TREE OF LIFE (Continued from page 1)

I think it is also true for our family at B'nai Zion as well. We are a family which can be seen as a tree, or perhaps better yet as a grove of trees. We have many roots that nourish us, trunks that raise us, and branches that widen our horizons.

As the Talmud would say, "How much moreso" to see all of Judaism as a forest of trees. The greater the forest, the more benefits can be derived from it. I especially love thinking about how trees help make our air better. I think that Judaism also acts in a similar way to make our lives better. We take in information and experiences, and when we filter these through deeds and prayer and mitzvot, it infuses the world with righteousness, mercy and love, like a breath of fresh air.

May we always be conscious of the blessings of the family, of our holy congregation, of our place in Jewish history – and of the contribution of all kinds of trees:

Barukh Atah A-do-nai, Eloheinu Melekh ha'olam, Borei p'ree ha'etz

Praised are you, our Eternal God, Ruler of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the tree.



Sing with the Choir  
Rehearsals are

5:30 PM Tuesdays

Contact the office  
for information

## Shreveport Jewish Choir

The Shreveport Jewish congregations are proud to announce that we have successfully re-created a choir composed of members from Agudath Achim and B'nai Zion. The first opportunity it had to lead us in song was at the B'nai Zion Chanukah Shabbat service in December. It also sang during worship services at both B'nai Zion and Agudath Achim Shabbat services during Shreveport Shabbat.

The choir is being led by Virginia Walker, who is the soloist and keyboard player at B'nai Zion.

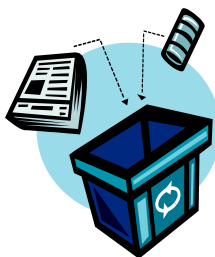
If you enjoy singing, and like spending time with other Jews who like to sing, please come to rehearsals at 5:30 PM on Tuesdays at B'nai Zion. Notice that the requirement isn't that you sing well, just that you like to sing. We hope to continue to sing at worship services, and other events.

## Hadassah Happenings



Shreveport Chapter of Hadassah is hosting an evening of great interest. Dr. Howard Lippton will speak on the most up to date information on the research being done on heart and lung disease both here and at Hadassah Hospital in Israel. Monday, February 9, 7 p.m. at Agudath Achim. There is no charge.

## Saving our Trees — Recycling



B'nai Zion will get  
your phone books  
to a local school  
for recycling

February is the month when we usually get our new telephone books delivered. The local schools sponsor a recycling competition. The schools that bring the most telephone books to recycle win awards. If you bring telephone books to B'nai

Zion we will get them to schools. If you need someone to pick up the old telephone books from you, please call the office and we will arrange for the pick up.





## Passover Wine Tasting

Why is this wine different from all other wines? Which wines should be served during Passover? Are some more appropriate for a Seder, or for another night?

Join us Thursday, February 12 at 6:30 PM at Wine Styles for an opportunity to taste various Passover wines. You can help choose which wines to serve at the B'nai Zion Community Seder, or choose to order some wine for your own use at home or for Passover visits.

Fee is \$5 per person payable to B'nai Zion. Call the office by February 10 so that we can be sure there are enough glasses.



**Why Whine?**  
Come taste  
Passover wines  
at Wine Styles  
6030 L:ine Avenue  
6:30 PM

## Senior Driving Class at BZ

The AARP Driver Safety Program is the nation's first and largest refresher course for drivers age 50 and older that has helped millions of drivers remain safe on today's roads. B'nai Zion's own Claire Maisel is licensed to teach this course and is offering it to members at B'nai Zion February 25 and 26.

The course is designed to help you:

- Tune up your driving skills and update your knowledge of the rules of the road.
- Learn about normal age-related physical changes, and how to

adjust your driving to allow for these changes.

- Reduce your traffic violations, crashes, and chances for injuries.
- Qualify for an auto insurance premium reduction or discount.

Classes will be from  
8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

Fee is \$12 for AARP members and  
\$14 for non AARP members.

Contact the office by Wednesday,  
February 18 to reserve your space.



AARP members get  
a discount for the  
class. Everyone will  
probably get a rate  
decrease for auto  
insurance.

## Adult Art Education: Basic Drawing

**Adult Education** – Something new and different– no reading required! Adults and college students: Interested in learning how to draw, but think you don't have talent? Believe it or not, drawing is something everyone can learn to do. Art is a language that is learned and mastered like any other academic subject. Come join Katherine Mahler, trained artist and K-12 art teacher in a basic drawing workshop. We will learn the "alphabet" of art, how to see shapes in objects, and then we'll practice with several drawing techniques and materials. Don't miss this chance for creativity and fun!

Join us at B'nai Zion on Wednesday nights March 11, 18 and 25 from 7-9 PM. Cost is just \$ 18.00 for the entire series of lessons. Materials will be provided. Class is limited to 10 participants. Your check to B'nai Zion will hold your place. **Register by February 26.**



Learn the  
**"Alphabet of  
Art"**  
as you  
Learn to Draw  
with B'nai  
Zion's  
Art Teacher.  
Classes are in  
March

## B'nai Zion Fundraiser



# Chuck Kesilman

Internationally Acclaimed Musician, Singer, Songwriter  
and member of B'nai Zion

## "NIGHT to HONOR THE BEATLES"

with

### "Return of the Walrus, Flight of the Blackbird"

Plus songs of Beatles, Creedence Clearwater Revival, Eagles and other 60s and 70s Classics

7 PM ~ Saturday ~ February 7, 2009

FIRST CLASS STEAK DINNER – OR VEGETARIAN – WINE – COFFEE – DESSERT

TICKETS: \$50

SPONSORS (includes 2 tickets):

☆ LOVERS OF ZION = \$250 ☆ GUARDIANS OF ZION = \$500 ☆

Event Chairs: Gregory and Heidi Kallenberg



Guardians of Zion  
\$500 sponsors

Lovers of Zion \$250 sponsors

*Terie & Jon Black*

*Amy & David Brainin*

*Regina Braunig*

*Nell & Abry Cahn*

*Shirley & Lionel Ellis*

*Betty & Leonard Goldman*

*Susan & David Gross*

*Elaine Herold*

*Tina & Randolph Kallenberg*

*Michelle & Sandy Katz*

*Barbara & Ronnie Laudeneimer*

*Marti & Ron Lepow*

*Laurie & Steven Levine*

*Dorothy & Bernard Lobel*

*Susan & Charlton Meyer*

*Lisa & Herb Miller*

*Vivian Murov*

*Tanice Muslow*

*Richard Muslow*

*Mollie & Mitch Newstadt*

*Ruthie Nierman*

*Peggy & Leroy Nuckolls*

*Connie & Donald Posner*

*Maurie & Lane Rosen*

*Sue & David Rubenstein*

*Cheryl & Harvey Rubin*

*Mandy Selber*

*Shirley Seligman*

*Jean & Herman Van Os*

*Helaine & Bill Braunig*

*Sylvia & Carl Goodman*

*Heidi & Gregory Kallenberg*

*Sandi & Jeffrey Kallenberg*

*Melinda & Fred Kent*

*Hollisann & Sidney Kent*

*Raymond Morris*

*Pauline Murov*

*Berte & Ike Muslow*

This sponsor list is current as of the printing of the bulletin. Sponsors are still being added.

## North Louisiana Jewish Federation Gala

*The North Louisiana Jewish Federation*

### *Annual Gala*

*Sunday, February 15 at Agudath Achim.*

*Wine and Cheese 6:00 PM / Seated Dinner 6:30 PM*

*Featuring the*

### *Dueling Guitars of*

*Rabbi J and Rabbi K*

*and*

*Special Guest Lecturer*

*Gary Kenzer*

*National Executive Director of Honest Reporting,*

*will speak on*

*"The Media and Israel:  
Finding Common Ground"*

*Reservations to the Federation office*

*Required by February 9*

*There is no charge for this event.*

*A minimum pledge of \$500 per person*

*to the 2009 Campaign is appreciated*



North Louisiana Jewish Federation



Gary Kenzer  
National Director of  
Honest Reporting

[www.honestreporting.com](http://www.honestreporting.com)

Monitoring Mideast Media  
Anti Biased Reporting

### **SHREVEPORT JEWISH MUSIC MONTH** (Continued from Page 1)

When Shabbat is over we will be entertained at the B'nai Zion Fundraiser by Chuck Kesilman, who is an internationally acclaimed guitar player, singer, and song writer. He is also a member of B'nai Zion. That weekend also marks the anniversary of the Beatles beginning their career in America, so Chuck will present his annual Salute to the Beatles for us, and add other songs from the sixties and seventies.

The following weekend, Sunday February 15, the North Louisiana Federation will have their Gala event at Agudath Achim. There will be dinner, a guest speaker, and – you guessed it – music performed by our own Rabbi Jana and Rabbi Kawaler. You can find more information about the "Dueling Guitars" and the evening events in the article above.

We aren't all musicians, but we all have songs in our souls. We are all instruments of our Judaism. What a blessing to have opportunities to "Sing a New Song to God" or to sit back and enjoy an old one, or even, as it says, "Make a Joyful Noise to God." Let the music fill your soul. Come share Shreveport Jewish Music Month. Put a song in your heart.

## Guardians of Zion

### B'nai Zion Endowment

*You will find, as you look back on your life,  
that the moments that stand out are the moments  
you have done things for others.*

*We would like to acknowledge these  
significant contributions  
to the B'nai Zion Endowment Fund,  
which support our present and sustain our future:*



#### Current Contributions:

*Henry Brenner*

*\$25,000*

*Gloria Meyer*

*\$20,000*

*Muslow Family*

*\$25,000*

#### Multi-year pledges:

*Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Kent  
and Mr. & Mrs. Fred Kent*

*\$100,000*

*Aaron & Peggy Selber Foundation*

*\$100,000*

*Sklar Family*

*\$1,100,000*

*Zadeck Family Foundation*

*\$25,000*



- ☆ To Grant Nuckolls and Ann Hogan on their wedding. He is the son of Peggy and Leroy Nuckolls and the grandson of Betty Grant.
- ☆ To Brandon McGovern on his engagement to Kelly Fisher of Atlanta, GA. His parents are George & Ellen McGovern and his Grandmother is Ruth Lewis
- ☆ To Stephen Muslow and family on his appointment as President of the Louisiana Forestry Association. His proud mom is Janice Muslow.
- ☆ To Matt Rabinowitz, who was the top seed and finished first in his class at the Ken Cole Wrestling tournament. His parents are Mike & Floy Rabinowitz, and his grandparents are Keith & Rita Rabinowitz.

## Tributes

### ENDOWMENT FUND

#### *In Honor of the Recovery of:*

- ✧ Hollisann Kent  
Marion Freyer

### HENRY S. JACOBS CAMP FUND

#### *In Honor of the Bar Mitzvah of:*

- ✧ Cole Evensky  
Marla & Perry Hyman

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

#### *In Honor of the Anniversary of:*

- ✧ Betty & Leonard Goldman  
Regina Braunig
- ✧ Marcia & Albert Katzenstein  
Regina Braunig

#### *In Honor of the Recovery of:*

- ✧ Michelle Miller  
Jeri Miller
- ✧ Ron Nierman  
Jeri Miller  
Shirley Seligman

#### *In Memory of:*

- ✧ Gershon Marcus  
Eunice Marcus

### GENERAL FUND

#### *In Honor of:*

- ✧ Mimi Hussey  
Mary Jane & Julius Ridgway
- ✧ Stephen Muslow  
Mary Beth Muslow  
Amy Quinn

#### *In Honor of the Birthday of:*

- ✧ Joe Hafter  
Jean Amber  
Charlotte Bernstein

#### *In Honor of the Recovery of:*

- ✧ Helen Badt  
Marcia & Albert Katzenstein
- ✧ Henry Elaine Dreyfuss  
Marcia & Albert Katzenstein  
Gwen Murov
- ✧ Shirley Eltis  
Marcia & Albert Katzenstein
- ✧ Hollisan Kent  
Marcia & Albert Katzenstein  
Gwen Murov

#### *In Memory of:*

- ✧ Dr. Norman Fein  
Harlyn Fein Lattner
- ✧ Helen Levy Levy  
Abe & Jo-Ellyn Kupperman
- ✧ Irwin Muslow  
Hinda Muslow
- ✧ Marvin Muslow  
Mary Beth Muslow  
Amy Quinn

### GENERAL FUND (continued)

#### *In Memory of:*

- ✧ Neal Nierman

Rachelle Gomolsky  
Juan Sybert-Coronado  
Hinda Muslow

### RENOVATIONS FUND

#### *In Honor of the Recovery of:*

- ✧ Ron Nierman  
Shirley & Lionel Eltis

### WE CARE FUND

#### *In Honor of the Birth of:*

- ✧ Olivia Cohen Bates  
Jeri Miller

#### *In Honor of the Recovery of:*

- ✧ Helen Badt  
Jean & Herman Van Os
- ✧ John Hussey  
Jean & Herman Van Os
- ✧ Hollisann Kent  
Jean & Herman Van Os
- ✧ Kathy Plante  
Jeri Miller

#### *In Memory of:*

- ✧ Neal Nierman  
Kenny & Robin Murov

Mark your Calendars for the B'nai Zion Passover Seder:

This year it will be 6:30 PM, Wednesday, April 8 at B'nai Zion.

Food will be cooked with the help of students from the Culinary School of Career/ Technical College. We will be teaching them about keeping kosher.

If you are interested in helping make matzah balls, charoset, or chopped liver (we provide the ingredients and recipes), please contact the office.

The Religious School will help make decorations for the tables.

Look at page 9 for details about a Passover Wine-Tasting in February.

Watch for the Seder Reservation form in the March bulletin.





## Yahrzeits

### **February 6-7**

Samuel Atkins  
Steve Brainis  
Benjamin B. Eltis  
Lewis Feinberg  
Zelda Finkelstein  
Isadore L. Goldman  
Bennie Goldstein  
Irene Hermer  
Morris Hirsh  
Mrs. Sol Kaplan  
Rabbi David Lefkowitz, Jr.  
Shirl S. Morris  
Helen S. Wilhelm

### **February 13-14**

Samuel Abramson  
Donna Aronstein  
John B. Cheatham, III  
Mrs. Ray Marks Gilbert  
Janice C. Kent  
Frances Rubin Kreisman  
Philip Ben Lieber  
Dr. Howard Marcus  
Pauline Marrus  
Louis Matloff  
Bessie F. Murov  
Bertha Davis Ochs  
Doris Muslow Pallot  
Tecla Schalit  
Lillian Perlstein Selber  
Fred Simon  
Doris Gordon Udes

### **February 20-21**

A. J. Abramson  
Ruth Lieber Anisman  
Jacob H. Bodenheimer  
Louise Weiss Bronner  
Walter James Cozzens  
H.H. Jack Fleishman, Jr.  
Marlene Forman  
Leslie B. Frankel  
Max Friedman  
Edith Gladstein  
Bertha P. Goldsmith  
S. F. Gordon  
Paul Manasseh  
Jacob A. Mandel  
Rebecca R. Murov  
Emanuel Phelps  
Blanchie L. Raas  
Celia Schlinsky  
Ralph Simon Segall  
Alfred Selber  
Annette Weiss Selber  
Marjorie Weisman  
Emily L. Wile  
Freida Kaplan Wilenzick

### **February 27-28**

Raymond J. Anthony  
Esther G. Barron  
May F. Benson  
Sigmund Blum  
Harry Cohen  
Isaac Erbesfield  
Herman Goodman  
Samuel Grossman  
Philip Gumbiner  
Janice H. Hyman  
Andrew B. Kelly  
Ruth Lerner  
Ben Levy, Jr  
Brodie Sorkin Maritzky  
Simon Marx  
Miriam Miller  
Isadore Segall  
Irwin Siegel  
Jennie Simon  
Lillian Spitzer  
Fanny Tefka

B'nai Zion sends out reminders of Yahrzeits for B'nai Zion members and their family. You can choose to be reminded of Yahrzeits according to the secular or Hebrew calendar. All Yahrzeits that fall between Sunday through Saturday are read during the Friday and Saturday Shabbat services at the end of that week. Please be sure your list is complete by contacting the office.

*May their  
Memories  
Be for  
A blessing...*



## Shabbat Blessings / Pulpit Honors

2/6 Shirley & Lionel Eltis  
2/13 Helaine & Bill Braunig  
2/20 Bethany Sorkey  
& John Meyer  
2/27 Julie & Michael Miller

2/6 Joe Badt, Jr.  
2/13 Jon Black  
2/20 David Brainis  
2/27 Julie & Michael Miller

### **Shabbat Schedule**

























**Friday Evening Service - 6:00 PM**  
**Saturday Torah Study 9:45 AM**  
**Saturday Morning Service- 11:00 AM**



### **Office Hours**

**Monday through Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**  
**No Business on Shabbat or Holidays**

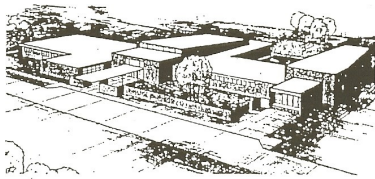
## February 2009 ~ Shevat / Adar 5769

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 7th Shevat	<b>2</b> 8th Shevat	<b>3</b> 9th Shevat	<b>4</b> 10th Shevat	<b>5</b> 11th Shevat	<b>6</b> 12th Shevat  <b>Shabbat Shirah - Musical Shabbat</b>  <i>Servises 6:00 PM</i> <b>5:34</b>  	<b>7</b> 13th Shevat Shabbat Shirah Beshalach Exodus 13:17-17:16 (p. 431) Judges 4:4-5:31 (p. 462)  <b>FUNDRAISER</b> <b>Chuck Kesilman</b>  <i>Torah Study 9:45 AM</i> <i>Service 11:00 AM</i> <b>6:11</b> 
<b>8</b> 14th Shevat Religious School Tu B'Shevat Seder 	<b>9</b> 15th Shevat Tu B'Shevat New Year For Trees Hadassah 7PM @ AA	<b>10</b> 16th Shevat Book Club 7 PM <i>History of Love</i> Nicole Krauss	<b>11</b> 17th Shevat	<b>12</b> 18th Shevat Passover Wine Tasting 6:30 PM @ Wine Styles 	<b>13</b> 19th Shevat <b>Bulletin Deadline</b>  <i>Servises 6:00 PM</i> <b>5:41</b>  	<b>14</b> 20th Shevat Yitro Exodus 18::1-20:3 (p. 468) Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6 (p.507)  <i>Torah Study 9:45 AM</i> <i>Service 11:00 AM</i> <b>6:17</b> 
<b>15</b> 21st Shevat  North LA Federation Gala 6:30 pm At Agudath Achim	<b>16</b> 22nd Shevat No School President's Day B'nai Zion Office Closed	<b>17</b> 23rd Shevat B'nai Zion Board Meeting 7 PM	<b>18</b> 24th Shevat Deadline to RSVP for Driving Class	<b>19</b> 25th Shevat	<b>20</b> 26th Shevat  <b>Torah Shabbat</b>  <i>Servises 6:00 PM</i> <b>5:47</b>  	<b>21</b> 27th Shevat Shabbat Shekalim Mishpatim Exodus 21:1-24:18 (p. 511) Jeremiah 34:8-22; 33:25-26 <i>Torah Study 9:45 AM</i> <i>Service 11:00 AM</i> <b>6:23</b> 
<b>22</b> 28th Shevat Purim Costume Workshop 	<b>23</b> 29th Shevat	<b>24</b> 30th Shevat Rosh Chodesh Adar	<b>25</b> 1st Adar Rosh Chodesh Adar  Driving Class 8:30 - 12:30	<b>26</b> 2nd Adar  Driving Class 8:30 - 12:30  Deadline to RSVP for Art Class	<b>27</b> 3rd Adar <b>Union Prayer Book</b>  <i>Servises 6:00 PM</i> <b>5:52</b>  	<b>28</b> 4th Adar  <b>TOT SHABBAT</b> <b>9:00-9:30 AM</b> T'rumah Exodus 25:1-27:19 (p. 543) I Kings 5:26-6:13 (p. 559) <i>Torah Study 9:45 AM</i> <i>Service 11:00 AM</i> <b>6:29</b> 
<b>Mar 1</b> 5 Adar	<b>Mar 2</b> 6 Adar	<b>Mar 3</b> 7 Adar	<b>Mar4</b> 8 Adar	<b>Mar 5</b> 9 Adar	<b>Mar 6</b> 10 Adar  <i>Servises 6:00 PM</i> <b>6:20</b>  	<b>Mar 7</b> 11 Adar T'tzaveh Exodus 27:20-30:10 (p. 561) Ezekiel 43:10-27 (p. 577) <i>Torah Study 9:45 AM</i> <i>Service 11:00 AM</i> <b>6:35</b> 

## B'nai Zion Congregation

245 Southfield Road  
Shreveport, LA 71105

318-861-2122  
BnaiZion@Bellsouth.net  
BnaiZionCongregation.org



Rabbi Dr. Jana L. De Benedetti  
Helaine Braunig, Educator  
Fred Kent, President

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
SHREVEPORT, LA  
PERMIT No. 213

## Rock & Roll at the BZ Fundraiser



Internationally  
Acclaimed  
Musician and  
Songwriter  
Chuck Kesilman  
will entertain us.

See page 10  
for details

Chuck Kesilman will present his famous: Night to Honor the Beatles Saturday, February 7 at 7 PM.

Fred Kent will present his delicious steak dinner. Heidi Kallenberg will present her scrumptious vegetarian option.

Chaired by Gregory and Heidi Kallenberg this will be a rocking good time. See inside for details about getting your ticket and help raise money the rockin' way for B'nai Zion.

Call the office for tickets.

## Mark Your Calendars



- ☆ Feb 6-7 Musical Shabbat (p. 6)
- ☆ Feb 7 Fundraiser (p. 10)
- ☆ Feb 8 Tu B'Shevat Seder (p. 7)
- ☆ Feb 12 Passover Wine Tasting (p. 9)
- ☆ Feb 15 Dueling Guitar Rabbis (p. 11)
- ☆ Feb 20 Torah Shabbat (p. 7)
- ☆ Feb 22 Purim Costume Workshop (p. 7)
- ☆ Feb 25-26 Senior Driving Classes (p. 9)
- ☆ Feb 27-28 Union Prayer Book Shabbat (p. 7)
- ☆ Feb 28 Tot Shabbat (p. 6)

### PLAN AHEAD:

- ☆ March 8 Purim Carnival (p. 3)
- ☆ Adult Art Classes in March (p. 9)
- ☆ April 8 Passover Seder (p. 13)