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From Steering

What Is a Plenum, and Who Is Our Rep?

Julia Lager-Mesulam, Co-President

The Plenum is a group of representatives from each Reconstructing Judaism-affiliated synagogue. The plenum meets twice a year and has ongoing conversations between meetings. The plenum discusses and shares issues of the day, both internal to the movement and related to the movement's relationship to the world. Plenum members give input and vote on various matters in the movement. For more information about the Plenum you can view more information here: tinyurl.com/HavPlenRep.

Andy Gordon, who moved to Seattle in August, has been a member of Havurah since 1984 and is transitioning out of his role as Havurah's Plenum Rep. Andy has a long history with

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From the Rabbi

In Our Vulnerability, Walking Together

Rabbi Benjamin Barnett

I recently signed rabbinic letters in support of Michelle Alexander and Representative Ilhan Omar. Both women have come under harsh criticism from much of the Jewish community, and I want to articulate why I feel it is essential in these moments for us to speak up otherwise.

Omar, as is well known, tweeted a message about money and the pro-Israel lobby which hit many Jews as anti-Semitic. I did find it, in light of longstanding anti-Semitic tropes, to be careless and potentially damaging. However, Omar swiftly apologized and acknowledged her learning curve regarding anti-Semitism. The backlash against her was scandalously inappropriate and hypocritical. Far more anti-Semitic things are written and said by elected officials with far less accountability. Not to mention Islamophobic, racist, and other hateful rhetoric and innuendos that are regularly ignored. As a Muslim woman and a woman of color, Omar faces particular vulnerability to vilification. Certainly we can and should register concern whenever anti-Semitism arises. But by reactively assailing someone who might otherwise be a fellow sojourner through these precarious moments, we forfeit the opportunity to engage with these difficult conversations in a nuanced, mature fashion, which in turn would cultivate greater safety for Jews and for all vulnerable people.

Alexander is a civil rights lawyer, legal scholar, and author of the *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*. In January, the *New York Times* published her op-ed, "Time to Break the Silence on Palestine," in which she condemns Israeli mistreatment of the Palestinians. While there are elements of the article I wish were expressed differently, nothing in it is factually inaccurate. In addition, Alexander makes a point of acknowledging the rise in anti-Semitism and that critique of Israel, while not inherently anti-Semitic, "can slide there." Responses from some prominent Jewish leaders, however, portray the op-ed as false and bordering on anti-Semitic, attacking not the content of Alexander's arguments but her integrity.

We often witness a reactivity in these moments that inevitably distorts the truth. David Harris, for instance, CEO of the American Jewish Committee, wrote

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PHFS in Transition

This year, with wonderful support from John Devlin, Gloria Halper and other members of Havurah Shalom as part of a larger group of loyal supporters, Portland Homeless Family Solutions (PHFS) opened a new location in the Lents neighborhood. What was it like before, and what is it like now, and how might you volunteer?

In the previous Goose Hollow shelter location at First United Methodist Church, families could not enter the shelter until 7 p.m. Once a month, Havurah members volunteered to help. This meant providing a meal, entertaining kids, guiding folks to the laundry location, sorting donations, and staying overnight with the families. Our meals were provided by individuals as well as families doing a mitzvah, such as Stefanie Hausman and her teen son, Jonas, who is doing the cooking. (He makes a dynamite mac and cheese!).

With the kindness of the church, children could play in the well-stocked playroom. The families slept on thick mats in the church's basement gymnasium. The overnight volunteer helped set up tent-like structures so each family had their own space. Coughing, snoring, and crying children created the background sound for everyone's slumber. In the morning, the overnight volunteer helped serve a light breakfast.

Most of the time, the families enjoyed the quiet with each other. But by 7 am, everyone had to leave the church. Some folks went off to work; some children went to school; and PHFS offered the 13th Street Salmon shelter for others who had nowhere else to go. All of this was clearly better than sleeping in a car or in a camp.

In August, a new wind blew in from the East, but it wasn't Mary Poppins. John and

others had secured funding to purchase a large vacant church building plus eight adjacent apartments to house many more of the homeless population in the Lents neighborhood. Each apartment can accommodate two families, with a shared living room and kitchen. Wonderfully, they did not have to leave the premises in the morning and could arrive home whenever their workday ended.

Havurah volunteers continue to offer one meal a month. This has been a joy. People often come down from their apartments, help themselves to the potluck dinner, and then go back to their apartment for a family meal. Some of

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them hang out for conversation while their children play on the computer.

Meanwhile, workers continue to renovate the former church. When completed in the spring, it will provide shelter for about 23 families. In the new building, meals will be communal and there will be space for programming. What kind of programming? One track of classes focuses on life skills: how to rent an apartment, maintain an apartment, and then exit the



Len and Elayne Shapiro have coordinated Havurah's monthly meal at PHFS since July 2015. For more stories, info about joining their Meal Provider group and more, contact Len Shapiro (lenshap@gmail.com or 971-732-3310) or Elayne Shapiro (elayneshapiro@gmail.com or 503-481-1104).

apartment when their lease is up. Guests can learn about tenant rights and responsibilities.

Like a terrific life coach, PHFS offers another stream of classes that covers topics such as budgeting and money matters, interpersonal communication, stress management, health and hygiene, goal-setting, self-esteem, nutrition and exercise, and safe driving.

Since this is a *family* shelter, a third series of classes covers parenting challenges: how to prevent and treat young children's behavior problems; and how to promote children's social, emotional, and academic competence.

We would love to share this mitzvah with you. If you would like more information, contact John Devlin Havurah member and PHFS board member: John Devlin (john.t.devlin@gmail.com) or Gloria Halper, Havurah member and PHFS coordinator (losninos6@gmail.com).

Another Way to Help: Volunteering to Cook for PHFS

Do you have no time to volunteer on a regular basis, yet you'd like to help those families that PHFS supports? Watch for opportunities in our community email to cook a dinner at Havurah with others. One does not have to attend a PHFS orientation to join in the cooking! The group will buy the ingredients; some people will just cook, others will cook, take the meal to the Family Winter Shelter (FWS) a few blocks away, and stay for a Meal Provider shift. More info: Gloria Halper (losninos6@gmail.com).

The Purpose of *Intercambio* Language Exchange: More Than Meets the Eye

The Spanish/English Language Exchange, or *Intercambio*, is a program pairing Havurahniks who want to learn Spanish and clients of the Ortiz Center who want to learn English. Members of Tikkun Olam Adelante, the community engagement arm of Havurah's Sanctuary Committee, started this program about six months ago, with 20 people now meeting together to learn each other's languages.

While language learning is the obvious goal, when we peel back the onion, we are discovering greater depth and purpose to these meetings that go beyond language fluency. Robbin Isaacson-DeWeese says of her partner Zoemy, a speaker of both Spanish and Maya, "I feel like I am getting a new friend. I'm getting to know her lovely family and look forward to our two families growing together in a long-term relationship."

I can identify with Robbin. My partner, Gloria, originally from Acapulco, is about my age and we laugh about the aches and pains of aging and compare notes about our physical therapy sessions. We always hug and kiss each other on the cheek, the Mexican way, when we greet each other and when we finish our sessions. Gloria, who is a devout Christian and goes to church every Sunday without fail, tells me that G-d brought me into her life.

Stories of deepening relationships like this are common when sessions are one on one, week after week. Perhaps our committee underestimated the impact

they would have. While the first program we started at the Ortiz Center, weekly "office hours" to help clients with paperwork, job searches and miscellaneous personal issues, has struggled to gain traction, we see the potential for these types of unmet needs to come to the surface through the long-term relationships developed in the *Intercambio*. We are hoping for that anyway.

The other insight we are gaining through the *Intercambio* is just how imperative it is for our Spanish-speaking partners to learn English. For vulnerable populations of immigrants in the United States, learning English is essential for communicating with doctors, finding work and even communicating with children who no doubt want to speak English at home as well as at school.

Kathy Gordon, who is a Spanish speaker and has led many of the language partner introductions, always asks the Spanish speakers at their initial meeting, "What is your reason for wanting to learn English?" These are the answers she has gotten:

Alma is married to an English speaker. Her two teenage children speak English. "I'm left out of the conversation," she tells Kathy in Spanish.

Marlene has three school-aged kids who have been bullied at school. She had to move them to a church-based school and feels it's essential for her to be able to communicate with their teachers to ensure they are out of harm's way.

Mele spoke about her need to master better English so that she can manage care for her 28-year-old autistic daughter. She told her language partner, Sandy Ramirez, that although she can't speak English very well, she understands enough of it to know that when she goes to the doctor, the interpreter isn't conveying full and accurate information. All three of these women have been in the U.S. for more than 15 years. It is time for them to improve their English.

I am not downplaying the fact that Havurahniks want to get some Spanish language practice out of this partnership too. By all means, that is what the *Intercambio* is all about. Many Havurahniks are using this Spanish language practice opportunity so that they can be more effective in their professional and volunteer roles with the immigrant community. Others simply enjoy the challenge or want to immerse more effectively when they travel to Spanish-speaking countries. Whatever the reasons, they are all valued. But an awareness of the immigrants' immediate needs to learn English can't be emphasized enough.

We want to continue making the language exchange available to more people from Portland's Latino community and from the Havurah community. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Deb Kallen (503-803-1991 or debkall2010@gmail.com).

—Deb Kallen

Go Behind the Scenes at Lift Urban Portland

Please join me on March 27 at 5:30 pm for an Open House at Lift Urban Portland, which provides food and more to our neighbors in need. Starting at the food warehouse at 2860 NW 29th Avenue, we will be shuttled to three program sites. We'll learn about what Lift Urban Portland does, meet some amazing people, and enjoy a delicious (free!) "Supper Club" dinner. Space is limited.

To reserve your spot, please call 503-221-1224 or email brett@lifturbanportland.org. Questions? Contact me, Ruth Feldman (ruthaltenzfeldman@gmail.com).

LIFT URBAN PORTLAND OPEN HOUSE



Wednesday, March 27, 2019 | 5:30-7:30pm
2860 NW 29th Avenue

More Takeaways from Reconstructing Judaism Conference

You may recall in February's Hakol that Havurahniks provided impressions from the Reconstructing Judaism Convention. Here are more thoughts. For ways you can connect to the movement visit reconstructingjudaism.org.

Rabbi Benjamin

In particular workshops as well as from various leaders throughout the convention, I felt that a sense of compassion was front and center. As Deborah Waxman said when talking about the food and justice workshop, referring to the work of Broad Street Ministry, "The answer is always compassion." It is heartening to feel that we are working with that intention—not always succeeding, but wanting to, I think—at Havurah. How can we continue to build a community that is a vessel for compassion, for each of our individual members and member families, as well as in our presence in the broader world? I was inspired to feel ourselves part of a movement that is living that question.

Karen Westerman

I was honored to attend the Convention as a part of the Havurah delegation. The workshops I chose provided me with lots of questions that I brought home. Some examples:

Food Justice—Do we have protocols for donating excess food from events (e.g.

how long can it sit out, what agencies take what types of food, how should it be packaged)?

Honoring the Elderly—Should we have large-print song sheets and siddurim? Do we set up our rooms/chairs so everyone can reach a seat easily?

Eco Judaism—Could we put a solar array on our building? Should we go for an Energy Star rating?

Technology—Should we have a Havurah blog? Are we using social media effectively? Are we using our communication tools effectively?

Sanctuary—While we don't have the proper facilities to house someone in our building (which requires a tremendous community effort and expense), time spent in this workshop confirmed that we have a robust program working with the immigrant community.

Andy Gordon!!

I have been to every Reconstructionist convention since 1998, where I met one of my very best friends!! It was such a joy to have nine other Havurahniks go along this

time. What a treat to share the ruach generated by 500 Reconstructionist friends, all singing the same melodies and being uninhibited in expressing their joy at being able to daven together. To walk into the hall and find Reb Benjamin and his friend Rabbi Micah Becker-Klein (yeah, you know who he is) leading Friday night services (along with another rabbi whose name I missed, not because she wasn't good but because there was sooooo much joy in the room) was one of the high points of all of the conventions I have been to.

It is always amazing to me to go to a convention and talk about the way Havurah does things. Our self-financed building always amazes!! Our lay-lead Shabbat School led by only ONE professional (and a little bit of assistance from one person) is always a marvel. Of course, I seldom speak about our secret weapon (DE-B) but even when I do mention her, people are amazed at what we are able to accomplish.

As one of the ten largest congregations in the movement, we have a lot to give and a lot to learn from this movement we are part of. I only hope that at the next convention or Shabbaton we have more members who are able to participate.

—Julia Lager-Mesulam

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a response in which he repeatedly misconstrued what Alexander wrote. In one example, he claims that she "falsely accuses the Jewish state of apartheid." Her actual words were that Israel "has grown more emboldened in its occupation of Palestinian territory and adopted some practices reminiscent of apartheid in South Africa and Jim Crow segregation in the United States." The difference here, while seemingly subtle, is wide. Alexander is speaking directly about policy and action, not labeling the state. And from my experience, which involves extensive travel and direct encounter throughout both Israeli settlements and Palestinian areas, her claim is undeniable. The distinctions in the West Bank between Israelis and Palestinians regarding freedom of movement, access to basic utilities, and rights to due process are unequivocally delineated.

These are heartbreaking realities, which are difficult for many of us to acknowledge. What if, before invalidating them, our

communal leaders stopped and considered the fear, the grief, and the helplessness pervading them. What if, before each time we analyzed and even challenged, we refined our perspective through the lens of human suffering, wherever we meet it? My experience tells me that we would become less reactive and more able to respond in productive ways.

The antagonism toward Omar and Alexander disregards the lesson we proclaimed after Pittsburgh: that we must see our vulnerability bound up with the vulnerability of all people who might be targeted. Now more than ever, even amidst disagreement and tension, we must continue to walk together. This does not mean we must be comfortable with everything our potential partners say. Some of it may be hurtful and need to be called out. But by attuning to the fear and vulnerability within ourselves and others, we locate ways to speak more clearly and maturely, and more effectively cultivate safety for ourselves and for everyone.

Setting Respectful Boundaries for Us All

Havurah staff and members have been increasingly having interactions with houseless folks who want to use our building for a variety of things--to sleep on the Kearney Street protected entrance, to store their belongings there, to charge devices at the outlet in the courtyard, to eat or smoke in the courtyard, to come into the building to use the restroom or the phone, and for us to provide them with coffee or pens or other supplies.

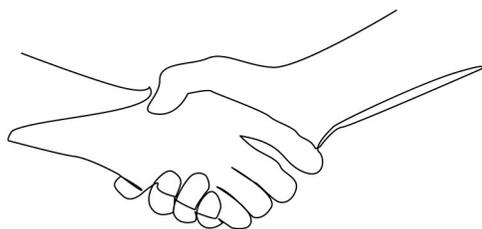
Some of these folks are mentally ill, some are high, some say or shout anti-Semitic things. Most, but not all, are compliant if we ask them to move on. Some leave garbage, including human waste, in the courtyard. We've had campers in the porch on the Kearney St. side of the building, one group of whom our neighbors were particularly concerned about because of drug usage and trash accumulation.

We are experiencing the tension between welcoming the stranger and having our boundaries ignored. We want to be kind, and we want to be comfortable in our place of worship. When people aren't willing to accept the boundaries we set, it puts us in a difficult position.

Staff has had days that are particularly stressful from encounters when one of us is alone in the building. Staff is concerned that not all congregants understand what we face in our workplace, and that not all congregants agree with what we are doing and not doing in dealing with the houseless people they see around the building. Staff is receiving training in Adult Mental Health First Aid and Trauma Informed De-escalation to increase Havurah's capacity to respond to these situations.

The message to the right is one which staff, leaders, and members experienced with this population have agreed can be used with individuals wanting to use our facilities for the kinds of purposes listed above.

Staff appreciates the support congregants show in helping to provide a consistent message about both welcome and respect for communal boundaries. We know this can be a difficult issue, but we're hoping that together we can find our way to ensuring that everyone who visits Havurah is greeted with respect, from staff to congregants, to visitors.



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Guiding Principles for Respectful Boundaries With Houseless Neighbors

- We care about you, and we want to be able to welcome you at Havurah. When you join our services or classes, you bring an interesting perspective to our community.
- We understand that at times you would like to make phone calls from our phone, use our electricity or use our restroom.
- We want you to understand that sometimes we can't invite you inside Havurah when you ask to use our facilities.
- When we can't invite you inside, we will directly and respectfully let you know. We need you to offer us the same respect.
- Respect means the person giving you this message doesn't have to explain why. They don't have to tell you when you can come back. You need to respect them and leave, even if that's not what you want to do.
 - Urging the person at the door to reconsider is not respectful.
 - Explaining that you only need a few minutes inside is not respectful.
 - Asking someone else at Havurah if you can come inside is not respectful.
- On the occasions when you are invited inside, you need to be respectful when you're told it's time to leave.
 - Ignoring a request that you leave is not respectful.
 - Saying you need a few more minutes inside is not respectful.
 - Asking someone else in the building if you can stay longer is not respectful.
 - Staying inside past the time when you're welcome is not respectful.
- Respect for each member of our community is a fundamental right for everyone at Havurah. Treating people at Havurah with disrespect may lead to our not being able to invite you inside anymore. We want to be able to welcome you at Havurah, but we can't unless you respect everyone at Havurah. We will continue to show respect for you as well.

Join Us!

It's Time for Fabulous Family Shabbat!

Saturday, March 9, 10:30 am—This big, fabulous service will combine singing, storytelling, Torah learning, celebration and noshing. We will gather together for some parts of the service, and break into groups for Torah learning and family activities. Especially for families with youth grades K–6 and anybody who wants a boost of kid energy. Followed by potluck oneg lunch. Please RSVP via the website calendar.

Havurah 101 for Shabbat School Parents

Wondering what goes on at Havurah outside of Saturday afternoons? Find out what's happening outside of the Shabbat School Community, learn more about Havurah's history, and hear about what's ahead to help families mix with the rest of the congregation. Join us on **March 16 during Shabbat School** for a discussion and snacks with folks working on Intergenerational issues and Leadership Development.

Calling All Actors, Musicians, Chanters & Spielers for PURIM!

Join the fun as we perform a few short skits and musical numbers. Dress up, become a King, Queen, Bad Guy, or part of the crowd. Just two rehearsals, March 3 and 17. All ages, past performers, levels of experience welcome. The Purim Celebration is 6 pm, Wednesday, March 20. Contact Ellen Regal (ellenregal@yhoo.com, 503-288-5042).



Havurah Shalom's 40th Anniversary Celebration & Fundraiser

Sunday, May 19th, 2019
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
21 and over

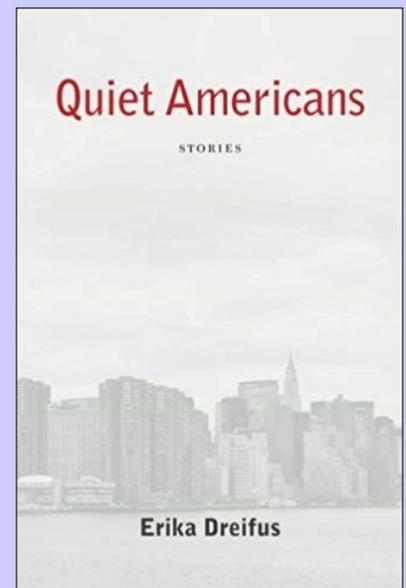
Next Up for Book Group: Quiet Americans

Our March book is a collection of short fiction by Erika Dreifus. Dreifus's short stories tell of lives enmeshed in the Holocaust, scenarios that highlight the existential anxieties of Jewish Americans in the age of Hitler and afterwards. The characters include: a high-ranking Nazi wife and a Jewish doctor in prewar Berlin; a Jewish immigrant soldier and the German POW he is assigned to supervise; a refugee returning to Europe for the first time only to encounter the massacre of Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympics; a son of survivors who discovers long-held family secrets. These Americans are "quiet"—safe and no longer screaming in the night, but most don't want to talk about what they've been through, and some continue to be afraid.

Deceptively simple, Dreifus's tales reframe familiar questions about what is right and wrong, remembered and repressed, resolved and unending.

This book discussion will be led by Stacey Hankin.

Quiet Americans
By Erika Dreifus
March 26, 7-8:30 pm



Join Us!

Save the Date: *Indecent* Shabbaton with Temple Emek Shalom

Come see the Tony Award-winning play *Indecent*, by Paula Vogel, at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival! A spirited and revolutionary love story (with fabulous music and dancing) that celebrates Yiddish language and literature, *Indecent* charts the real-life controversy surrounding Sholem Asch's play *God of Vengeance* and the Jewish artists who faced persecution when bringing it to Broadway in 1932. *Indecent* features an all-Jewish cast and production team and was developed and commissioned by OSF as part of their American Revolutions series. (For more information, see the OSF website).

In addition to being an excellent play, the Jewish themes are rich and deserving of a Shabbaton with our friends from Temple Emek Shalom!

We will enjoy highly participatory Friday night and Saturday morning services at Temple Emek Shalom led by the Rabbis and members of both congregations. On Saturday afternoon, see a

**Labor Day Weekend
August 30 – September 1 in Ashland**

program with the creators of the production tailored especially for us. After the play on Saturday night, we'll stay for a panel discussion with members of the cast.

A limited number of tickets for the Saturday night performance will be available soon through Havurah at the rate of \$75 per ticket. The seats are in the A and A+ section and normally sell for between \$105-145. They will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis, and the ticket price includes all the programmatic activities. If you already have tickets for before August 31, you are still welcome to participate in the Shabbaton in any manner you feel comfortable.

There are still lots of logistics that we are working out with our hevre at Emek Shalom. If you are interested in helping with the coordination of the weekend's logistics, please contact our program director Adela Basayne (adela@havurahshalom.org).

—Emily Simon

Spiritual Refinement, Chanting and Writing in Community

Counting the Omer: 7 Weeks of Spiritual Refinement

Either Tuesdays 8-9am
or Wednesdays 12-1
from April 23 or 24 to June 4 or 5

The Counting of the Omer, which connects Pesach with Shavuot, lasts for 49 days. Each of its seven weeks represents one of the kabbalistic *sefirot*, divine emanations or qualities. Thus each week is an invitation to reflect on the presence or absence of that quality in our lives, as a means of refining our awareness and behavior. Following the liberation of Passover, this period gives us a road map through which to live the question: To what do we dedicate our freedom?

At each of our meetings, we will connect with material about the *sefirah* of the week, reflecting on its meaning and how we understand its role in our lives. Toward that end we will utilize various practices—meditation, chanting, contemplative study, and dialogue. Guidance will be given for continuing practice and reflection during the rest of the week, helping us make the most of the Omer period as a whole. Our intention will be to form a trusting and supportive group as a foundation for this journey.

If you are interested in participating,

please go to www.havurahshalom.org/form/omer-meet-time and indicate whether one or both of the times would work for you. The time with the most votes will be announced.

Lev Tahor (Pure Heart) Chanting

Mon, Mar 4th and April 15
7-8 pm

We will gather to lift sacred phrases through melody, harmony, and rhythm in order to open our hearts, clarify our minds, and cultivate qualities such as gratefulness and compassion. Interspersed with periods of silent meditation, the chanting will be guided by teachings and intentions from Rabbi Benjamin. Each of these gatherings is open to anyone—no experience, musical ability, or commitment necessary. Check the calendar for additional dates. Lev Tahor Chanting is free for members; non-members are asked to make a small donation.

Writers Workshop Returns

Thursday beginning March 7
7-9 pm

In the spirit of Havurah's theme this year, David Kertzner is organizing a new Havurah adult amateur writers workshop

for anyone who wants to go Panim el Panim, or Face to Face, with themselves as exploring writers, and with the community in a culminating Friday Oneg with writers sharing their work in public reading. Joining the group does not mean you must read publicly, though—but it has been fun, transformative and moving in the past! The goal is to create a supportive, reflective environment for people who want to write and share in a context that they might not have experienced before.

Group size is limited to 8 participants. The focus of the writing group is memoir writing in the broadest sense of the word. We will meet together for 8 sessions on Thursday evenings from 7-9 pm, beginning on March 7. We will skip the week of 4/23 for Passover.

This is not for people who are in the middle of a writing project like a book and are seeking feedback on their big work.

Please call David (503-231-2906) for more information or if you have questions.

Register via the website calendar. If the form tells you more than 8 people have registered, then contact David (dkertzner@proactive-english.com) to be put on a waiting list.



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Havurah and our relationship with the movement. He was

part of the committee led by Layton Borkan to research and recommend that we became part of Reconstructionist Movement.

In 2000 he was asked to become Regional VP for the northern half of the region, which included at the time three congregations in Oregon and three in the Bay Area. In 2002 Andy started the PNW President's Council, a networking group for Affiliate Presidents of the PNW Recon shuls. The group is completely lay led and is the model for the current attempt by the movement to create Presidents Councils in three other regions. The PNW Council meets three to times times a year to support the presidents of the seven affiliates in Oregon and Washington.

In 2004, Andy and Mimi Epstein co-chaired the Local Committee for the Bi-Annual Jewish Reconstructionist Convention held that year here in Portland. Also in 2004, Andy became Regional President for the Western Region of Jewish Reconstructionist Federation, which is now Reconstructing Judaism. This area included thirteen affiliates from Seattle to San Diego and as far east as Las Vegas and Salt Lake City.

Andy will continue to work with the movement as part of the Congregational Services Committee. This is a group that creates structure and goals to provide services to new Reconstructing Judaism affiliates. Andy has been a pivotal force in the movement and the plenum. We thank Andy for his incredible dedication to the movement and to Havurah and are grateful for his work and the connections he has made for Havurah. Andy, your love for the movement is obvious and contagious. Thankfully we will continue to see him as he is remaining a Havurah member and will join us for the PNW Presidents Council.

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We are grateful to have strong and willing members who have and will continue to volunteer their time to represent Havurah within Reconstructing Judaism.

—Julia Lager-Mesulam



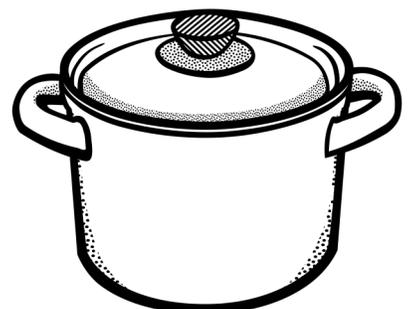
Kitchen Task Force is Sparking Joy in Cleanup/Policy Efforts

The Kitchen Task Force has been hard at work looking at the many issues surrounding the kitchen. A committee has been taking a look at how we are maintaining the kitchen, who uses it and updating our understanding of the values that relate to our shared kitchen.

We had two huge cleanup days in February to take stock of what's in the cupboards as well as a much-needed fridge cleanup (see picture) You may have noticed a big pile of dishes, vases and assorted "stuff" on tables that have been offered for folks to take home.

We're not making any decisions yet--right now we are in the process of taking stock and

listening to all the stakeholders. We'd like to be able to update our usage, catering and equipment policies to align with both new ideas and current practices. If you'd like to be part of the conversation (and all voices are welcome) please contact Fran Berg or Nancy Becker.



'I never have to stop learning'

Michele Goldschmidt Says Shalom to Havurah

On April 6, Havurah is hosting a Shabbat morning service and oneg in appreciation of Michele Goldschmidt and the Jewish learning she has generously shared with our congregation. Michele has been a volunteer tutor to teens and parents in preparation for b'nai mitzvah for 14 years. She agreed to take a break from packing for her move to Aurora, Colorado, to reflect on her time with Havurah. (Responses have been summarized):

What brought you to Portland from the East Coast?

I came to Portland in 1998 for a two-year postdoctoral fellowship as a recent Doctor of Education at OHSU & Kaiser Permanente's Center for Health Research Program. Our eldest son, Ian, was in a specialized school program for children with autism. Since I was only to be in Portland two years, my husband Robert stayed home with him. Our sons Ari and Lee insisted on coming to Portland with me.

How did you find Havurah compared with the congregations you had belonged to on the East Coast?

I was raised Catholic and was intrigued by Judaism at the age of 15 when I read *The Chosen* by Chaim Potok. As an adult, it was critical to me to have an authentic religious connection. I converted to Judaism after Ian was born but had to practice on the periphery of congregational life as I was constantly questioned, as a black person, for the reason I became Jewish. The result was that my sons and I were left feeling uncomfortable and unwelcome. Havurah was recommended to me by one of my post-doc colleagues. Our experiences at Havurah were so welcoming and



inclusive, from the time I first attended minyan until now, that the difference is hard to describe. Suffice it to say that at the end of the two-year fellowship, my sons made it clear that they were not returning to the East Coast. We called Robert to let him know that we found a new home.

How did you become a B'nai Mitzvah tutor at Havurah?

I learned to chant Torah alongside my son, Ari, as he prepared for his bar mitzvah. I am passionate about learning and Havurah made it inviting to learn. I took Melton classes, learned holiday trope and then learned how to help lead services. I knew it was time to give back; after being encouraged to tutor Lee, I decided I could tutor others.

What is your teaching philosophy?

There is joy in sharing Judaism with young people and encouraging them to find their own meaning and relevance in Torah. I am facilitating a journey that doesn't end at B'nai Mitzvah. It has amazed me, how B'nai Mitzvah preparation can have a lasting impact in a young life and how I can be a part of that. My approach is to use the three Ts as a foundation: Torah, Tefillah, Tzedakah. Torah provides the guideposts. Tefillah is about mood/feelings. Tzedakah is the most important; the obligation to do Tikkun Olam. I want my students to tell me what is important to them. I want parents to be part of the learning experience.

What are the highlights of your time with Havurah?

Certainly, my sons' b'nai mitzvah and the re-dedication of my marriage vows with Robert on

our twenty-fifth anniversary. We did not have a Jewish wedding, so it was all the more meaningful to celebrate with this wonderful Jewish community. I must admit I am surprised and moved by the fuss being made over my departure.

What are you looking forward to in your move to Aurora, Colorado?

I have 7 grandchildren in Denver and I am excited to be an active part of their lives, closing the physical distance between us. I want to support their Jewish experience, celebrate Jewish holidays and participate with them in Jewish community. I hope to become more proficient in Hebrew and learn how to play guitar. Tutoring has reinforced for me that I never have to stop learning!

—Shelley Sobel

Climate Action Team: Info About March Events & Activities

Climate Discussion Course: Change is Our Choice

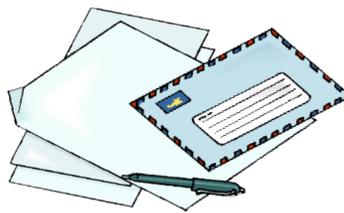
Mondays, March 11, 18, April 1, 8, and 15
7 to 8:30 pm at Havurah

Do you want to learn more about climate change and what is going on? Do you want to learn what we can do about it or be inspired to take more action? Then join us for a 5-week discussion course on climate change, "Change Is Our Choice: Creating Climate Solutions," which will explore climate issues from scientific, psychological, and social perspectives, and ask you to consider how we can take action together to address these issues in our community and beyond.

This will be an interactive course that will follow the curriculum developed by the Northwest Earth Institute, where you will learn and share ideas and explore actions that can be taken at the individual and community level. The course will require purchase of the e-book *Change is our Choice*. There are scholarships available to cover the cost, and no one will be turned away. Please RSVP via the website calendar. For more information please contact Don Caniparoli (don.caniparoli@jacobs.com).

Stronger Clean Energy Jobs Bill Now Being Considered in Salem—Your Voice Matters— Make it Heard Now!

The Oregon Clean Energy Jobs Bill, HB2020, may be the most influential Oregon climate legislation ever put forward by Oregon lawmakers. It seeks to cap carbon pollution from most sources, and uses the revenue generated by the carbon fees to fund green energy growth and to foster just climate solutions to fund mass transit



expansion, weatherizing homes and home energy efficiency.

Now is time to email written testimony to ccr.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov. A sample letter can be found at tinyurl.com/SampleHB2020. We also encourage you to urge your Oregon representative, to support this critical effort. Find their address

at tinyurl.com/ORLegisFind. Click on the tabs that come up for "Senate" and "House". If you have any questions, please contact Steve Birkel (sjbirkel@gmail.com) or Michael Heumann (heumannhealth@gmail.com).

Action Planned in Salem to Help Stop the Jordan Cove Liquid Natural Gas Project

The State of Oregon has authority to stop the Jordan Cove LNG export terminal and Pacific Connector fracked gas pipeline, and we need to encourage Governor Brown and many of our state legislators to come out against it. On Thursday, March 28th, Havurah members are invited to join communities across Oregon to go to the State Capitol to meet with legislators and ask them to oppose the fracked gas project proposed in Southern Oregon. Please fill out the RSVP form (bit.ly/nolnglobby) if you're interested in joining the "2019 No LNG Lobby Day." The day will include a lobby training in the morning and meetings with your legislators throughout the day.

For more information please contact Michael Heumann.

Transparency Question: How to Start a Class at Havurah

A question that came to the Transparency group: **I am interested in teaching an adult education class at Havurah. How do I go about doing that?**

Answer: The Lifelong Learning Committee programs most adult education classes, with input from Education Director Deborah Eisenbach-Budner. If someone wants to teach a class, they would go through that committee by contacting the committee chair. Currently the chair is Eve Berry (berryeve@yahoo.com).

If you are interested in teaching a class related to climate change and/or solutions, contact the Climate Action Team lead, Michael Heumann (heumanncycle@gmail.com).

Some questions these committees can help you answer about your class are:

- How does this class fit in with other programming at Havurah?

- How is it helping us reach congregational goals?
- What resources do you need--projectors, chart paper, copying, books, tables, chairs, etc.?
- When do you want to teach the class?
- Is there a space in the building?
- Is there enough lead time for publicity?
- What help do you need from the office staff? Can they provide it?

Traditionally, instructors leading classes do not get paid. Havurah does not charge members to take adult education classes and only charges non-members a nominal amount. (The exception to this has been when we've had a scholar-in-residence, who does get an honorarium and expenses.) If necessary, a materials fee for the class may be assessed. This should be discussed with the Lifelong Learning Committee or Climate Action Team.

Join Us!

Thinking Globally: New Tikkun Olam Work Group Reaches Out

Exciting news: a lively cluster of Havurahniks has come together to form “Tikkun Olam Global” (TOG). This workgroup aims to increase Havurah’s engagement in international social justice work, so that we can be—as our mission statement says—“a force for equity and basic human rights in the developing world.” Although Havurah has supported internationally focused efforts and even organized volunteer trips to Nicaragua and Uganda in the past, this will be a first attempt to maintain an ongoing focus on the wider world.

Come join us! Our next meeting is scheduled for March 10 at 3:30 pm and all are welcome. Maybe you have traveled and made some vital connections with a community far from Portland. Maybe you are a big-picture thinker with good ideas about how to make the world a fairer, greener place. Maybe you are overwhelmed right now, but curious nonetheless. You may find yourself feeling inspired and energized by the chance to be part of this effort from the very beginning.

At our last meeting, we adopted a set of guiding principles to inform our work. We agreed that TOG projects should always be collaborative, community focused and environmentally sustainable. They will also honor the Geshet principle by inviting the involvement of various Havurah groups and teams. We have begun to talk about doable projects that would embody our principles and engage the community at many levels. Such as...

- ... forming a long-term partnership with Dumbeta Secondary School, in rural Tanzania. This public school serves 550 students, all of whom have passed a rigorous examination in order to attend. In the Tanzanian economy, education is the key to entering a profession and moving beyond subsistence farming. But the secondary schools tend to lack electricity, basic equipment, enough classrooms, and hygienic toilet facilities.
- ... focusing on solar energy projects in multiple locations. Recognizing that solar energy literally empowers communities, we have discussed supporting Green Empowerment’s solar-oriented efforts in Nicaragua, Sun Box’s work in Gaza, and/or the Rafiki Village Project’s work in Tanzania, among other possibilities.

... partnering with the nonprofit Kulanu (“all of us”), whose mission is to support isolated, emerging, and developing Jewish communities around the world. Kulanu works to support Jewish education and observance in such diverse places as India, Uganda and Indonesia. Kulanu has also supported projects aimed at improving access to water, hygiene items, and other essentials in the communities they serve.

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Help us decide among these options or bring your own proposal to us if you have other thoughts. We welcome your ideas and your voice.

—Laura Orgel

Transparency Q: Adult Ed and You

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People who want to teach a

class in the building as a private contractor would need to rent the space. All rentals go through the office.

Please note: Havurah has grown to become a congregation of more than 400 families. Because of this, long range planning is becoming an important tool in helping us reach our congregational goals. Both program and financial planning for the July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, fiscal year has begun. If you have an idea for a class that you would like to teach, now is the best time to propose it and get it scheduled. While new class ideas are welcome throughout the year, they may not be able to be scheduled during the timeframe you had in mind.



Teach at Havurah: LLC Seeking Class Ideas for 2019-20!

The Lifelong Learning Committee is soliciting ideas for classes to offer next year, beginning after High Holidays at Havurah. Generally, these classes offer opportunities to learn more about the Torah, Jewish Culture, Services, History, Life Cycles and/or Practices.

If you have an idea for a class, please let us know by contacting Eve Berry (berryev@yahoo.com).

In addition, if you have an area of expertise that you are willing to share with the congregation, let us know. We are always interested in learning from our members!

Relating to Each Other Better: The Case for Brit Kavod

In November's Hakol, I wrote about our theme of Panim el Panim (Face to Face) and the idea of a Brit Kavod, a covenant of respect. I said that the rough and tumble of community life at times leads to us bruising or being bruised by each other. When we don't know each other's stories, when we are in a hurry, when we are not listening or feeling unheard, when we are under pressure, when we are sure we know the right thing to do, we can slip into treating each other less than respectfully.

To live within our Jewish values, to promote spirituality, learning, and acts of social responsibility, we aspire to be more genuine, caring and authentic with each other. Yet the larger our community grows, the greater our need to explicitly articulate how we want to be together, and what kinds of behaviors do and do not express the values we share. Member to

member, member to staff, staff to staff: we all want to be met as the whole person we are, with kindness and respect. Unfortunately, sometimes we miss the mark. A few examples:

- A committee member disagrees with the leadership of a co-chair, and sends email accusing the co-chair of dishonorable intentions.
- A person interested in joining a committee has their contributions dismissed as not germane to the topic at the first meeting they attend.
- Staff finds dirty dishes in the kitchen sink when arriving for work in the morning.
- A participant in a class is publicly personally critical of another participant whose ideas they disagree with.
- A member feels disrespected when staff does not call them back in a timely manner.

These are all things that have happened at Havurah recently. Leadership could, of course, create a set of behavioral guidelines for staff, leaders, and members to follow that would attempt to prevent interpersonal injury. In Havurah Shalom, such a document would be gathering dust in no time! We can instead use a Panim el Panim process, in line with our values and strengthening our community, to describe the way we want to treat each other and how we want to hold each other accountable.

Bill Kwitman is gathering a committee together to create this process, which will bring Havurahniks together to talk about what's important to us over the next year. Contact him, or me, if you are interested in being on the committee or in participating in other ways.

—Adela Basayne

Make friends on a committee!

The Leadership Development Committee will be publishing a monthly list of Havurah Committee needs. There are numerous ways for all members to participate in Havurah.

Here are a few current needs:

- Our Safety Committee is looking for new members, especially those with disaster preparedness experience.
- We need three to five volunteers to work with the Northwest Neighborhood Parking Committee to see how our needs can be accommodated, and also to

work with nearby businesses on potentially using their parking after hours.

- We have a newly formed Personnel Committee also looking for members. If you have experience working in personnel or human resources, we could use your skills.

To learn more, contact Debbi Nadell (debbinadell@gmail.com).

Do you like office work?

Various and sundry tasks await! Contact Rachel Pollak (rachel@havurahshalom.org) for more info.

Get Involved Today: Steering Seeks New Leaders in 2019

Havurah's Nominating Committee has started work to fill positions for the 2019-2020 Steering Committee. We will be submitting nominations for the following positions in the spring:

- Vice-President (four-year commitment)
- Corporate Secretary
- Avodah (Spiritual) Lead
- Kehillah (Community) Lead

We are looking for motivated Havurah members who want to be involved in a hands-on manner with our governance and planning. With the exception of Vice-President, new members will serve from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.

If you have questions about Steering positions, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members: Eve Berry (berryev@yahoo.com), Janice Kettler (jket123@gmail.com), Julia Lager-Mesulam (lagermes@gmail.com), Debbi Nadell (debbinadell@gmail.com), Aaron Pearlman (aapearlman@gmail.com).

May 1 Deadline for Shabbat School Enrollment and Parents Joining Havurah

Shabbat School enrollment will be opening at the end of March. In order to retain the integrity of our Shabbat School model of parent-taught classes and to meet the diverse needs of families, their children, and the larger Havurah community, we have the following policy for Shabbat School enrollment:

Families must be Havurah Shalom members and enroll their children for Shabbat School by May 1 to ensure a spot for the 2019-20 school year. From May 1 to August 1, enrollment in a particular grade is subject to space availability, in consultation with and at the discretion of the Education Director. Many of our grade-level classes are already at capacity. Enrollment in Shabbat School is not available after August 1 for the 2019-20 school year.

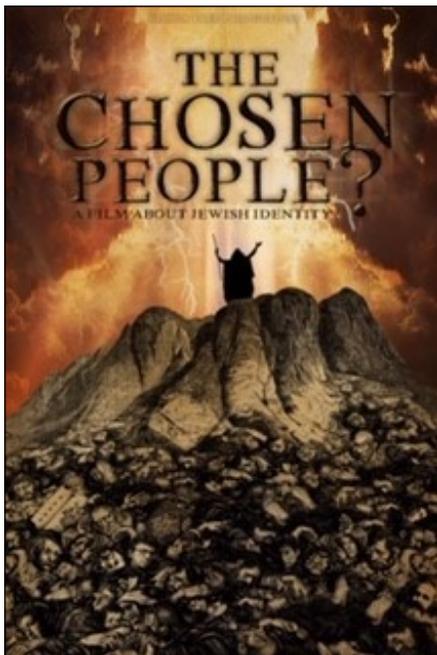
Keep your eye out for communications about enrollment! If you have questions, please email Deborah Eisenbach-Budner (deborah@havurahshalom.org).

'The Chosen People?' March 3 Film Will Explore "Chosen-ness"

Please join us on Sunday, March 3, from 3-5 pm for a provocative movie experience!

The Lifelong Learning Committee is hosting a viewing and discussion (as well as snacks) of the movie "The Chosen People? A Film about Jewish Identity." This film thoughtfully illuminates the complexities of Jewish identity today. Multiple voices are allowed to speak, and each sheds light on the history, theology and debates surrounding Judaism.

Another interesting coincidence is that the filmmaker, Josh Gippin, is Havurahnik Dave Weil's cousin! Come out and support Dave's family!



Still Kvetching

A few people have asked for clarification of "throwaway" comments we have made on recycling at Havurah. Throw away... or not.... Get it?

Sometimes we have referred to the blue bins. These are two large blue plastic tubs usually found in the kitchen on the shelf under the stainless steel table. They are for mixed recycling that is clean and dry. This can include paper or cardboard, tin cans, plastic tubs that hold at least 6 ounces, plastic bottles, aluminum foil and other aluminum or small metal things. The *unwanted* items I find in there most often are the "clam shell" containers much of our food comes in these days. (There is the occasional opportunity to recycle some of these plastics at special collections. See New Seasons for information.) If the blue tubs are too full, you can empty them into our big blue, again blue, roll cart in the garbage closet. Incidentally we never revealed that the garbage closet is accessed from the courtyard; a labeled key is in the kitchen drawer.

We also recycle glass bottles and jars. Same standard, clean and dry. These also can go into the blue tubs in the kitchen but are placed in a separate roll cart in the garbage closet. Most of these procedures are the same as those used for Portland's household recycling.

Now to the throwaway part. Please place broken glass, plastic lids, disposable coffee cups, plastic bags, and the above-mentioned clam shells in the garbage. Pizza boxes have been addressed in previous articles.

Have you been using the white compost container that sits on the kitchen counter? We are limited to collecting actual food, not paper napkins or paper towels (though tea bags and coffee filters are fine). When serving food in classrooms or the social hall, please collect food scraps and empty them into this container. Watery waste should be drained into the sink first. If the compost container is getting full, you can take it out to the big green roll cart in the garbage closet. Compostable liners for the kitchen container are under the stainless steel table.



There are pictures illustrating this information on the kitchen wall.

Our hauler collects the garbage, glass, and blue roll carts weekly but the green bin only as needed.

Now you know as much as the kvetch.

Thank you for your kind remarks. Send us your questions.

—Adele Thompson
(adeledt@live.com)

Bulletin Board

Condolences



Eva Klin, wife of the late Mendel Klin, mother of Sharon and Debbie Klin, mother-in-law of Greg Bishop, grandmother to Elena and Sylvie Klin Bishop, passed away Jan. 22.

Anh Cong, mother of Khin Cong, mother-in-law of Amy Cong, grandmother to Kobe and Micah, passed away Feb. 19.

office hours
 Monday-Thursday
 10am-4pm
 Friday
 10am-3pm

April Hakol

The deadline for submissions is

Tuesday, March 12



Email submissions to
info@havurahshalom.org
 (Please limit articles
 to 500 words.)

*In the coming months
 Havurah Shalom will call to the
 Torah the following Bar Mitzvah:*

Saturday, March 23

Isaac Benjamin Cissna
 Son of Jill Ory Cissna and Joe
 Cissna

Saturday, March 30

Isaac Levi Bechtel
 Son of Sarah Wetherson and
 Mark Kreider

Saturday, April 13

Amaya Korin
 Daughter of Tatum and Saul
 Korin

Saturday, May 4

Eliza Kerstetter
 Daughter of Jessie and Brad
 Kerstetter

Saturday, May 11

Maxwell Jablonski
 Son of Debra and Bryan
 Jablonski

Saturday, May 25

Daphne Shreve and Sarah Shreve
 Daughters of Beth and Andy
 Shreve

Saturday, June 1

Spencer Litwin
 Son of Jennifer and Seth Litwin

*Please join us in celebration and
 welcome him to our community.
 MAZEL TOV!*



Mazel Tov!

Easton Samuel Abraham Donahue, son of Abra Rosenthal and Michael Donahue, grandson of Susan Rosenthal, was joyfully welcomed into the world on Feb. 6!



Tributes

General Contributions

Nancy and Frank Weintraub, in memory of Telsa Weintraub.

Lesley and Michael Alter, in memory of my dad, Milton Alter.

Sivia Kaye, in loving memory of my father, Harry Karansky.

Beth Kaye, in loving memory of my grandfather, Harry Karansky.

Laura Chock, in memory of Jay Chock.

High Holidays Contributions

Givin-Back Family Fund, in recognition of all the time and effort volunteers put in to make the 2018/5779 services so lovely.

Adult Education Fund

Adele and Jack Thompson, in memory of our parents, Evelyn and Sam

Diamond, and Armella and Jack Thompson.

Educator's Discretionary Fund

Nathan Cogan, in memory of Sara Glasgow Cogan (1939-2006), Harris Hyman, Mary Oliver, Amos Oz, and Arthur Lerner.

Library Fund

Sharon Stern, in memory of Barbara Stern.

Rabbi Discretionary Fund

Betty and Jacob Reiss, in memory of Betty's brother Burt Stein, and with deep gratitude from our family to Rabbi Benjamin for your caring and compassion during this difficult time.

Calendar — March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3 (26 Adar I) Purim Spiel Group Practice 10:00am "The Chosen People" 3:00pm</p>	<p>4 (27 Adar I) Lev Tahor (Pure Heart) Chanting 7:00pm</p>	<p>5 (28 Adar I) Jewish Meditation 12:00pm Thinking About Israel/ Palestine 4:30pm,7:00pm Welcome Team Meeting 5:30pm</p>	<p>6 (29 Adar I) Morning Minyan 8:30am Middle School 6:30pm High School 6:30pm Ultimate Liberation: Exodus 7:00pm</p>	<p>7 (30 Adar I) Rosh Chodesh Adar II The Poetry of the Soul 12:00pm Writers Group 7:00pm</p>	<p>8 (1 Adar II) Rosh Chodesh Adar II Candle Lighting Cancelled: Dorot. 6:00pm</p>	<p>9 (2 Adar II) Pekudei Family Shabbat! 10:30am Havdalah 6:59pm</p>
<p>10 (3 Adar II) Tikkun Olam Meeting 2:00pm</p>	<p>11 (4 Adar II) Change Is Our Choice: Climate Solutions 7:00pm</p>	<p>12 (5 Adar II) Hakol Deadline Jewish Meditation 12:00pm Thinking About Israel/ Palestine 4:30pm,7:00pm Steering Meeting 6:30pm</p>	<p>13 (6 Adar II) Morning Minyan 8:30am Middle School 6:30pm High School 6:30pm Ultimate Liberation: Exodus 7:00pm</p>	<p>14 (7 Adar II) Spiritual Life Meeting 6:00pm Writers Group 7:00pm</p>	<p>15 (8 Adar II) Candle Lighting 6:59pm</p>	<p>16 (9 Adar II) Vayikra Parshat Zachor Community Minyan 10:00am Tot Shabbat 10:30am Shabbat School 3:00pm Havurah 101 3:10pm Whose Bar or Bat Mitzvah Is It Anyway? 3:10pm Grade 6 Kehillah Night 5:15pm Havdalah 8:08pm</p>
<p>17 (10 Adar II) Purim Spiel Group Meeting 10:00am Maintenance Work Party 2:00pm</p>	<p>18 (11 Adar II) High Holidays Plan- ners 7:00pm Change Is Our Choice: Climate Solutions 7:00pm</p>	<p>19 (12 Adar II) Jewish Meditation 12:00pm Thinking About Israel/ Palestine 4:30pm,7:00pm</p>	<p>20 (13 Adar II) Taanit Esther Erev Purim Morning Minyan 8:30am Purim Celebration 6:00pm Middle School 6:30pm High School 6:30pm</p>	<p>21 (14 Adar II) Purim Writers Group 7:00pm</p>	<p>22 (15 Adar II) Shushan Purim Tivnu & Havurah Teens & Families 6:00pm Candle Lighting 7:08pm</p>	<p>23 (16 Adar II) Tzav Bar Mitzvah of Isaac Cisna 10:00am Havdalah 8:17pm</p>
<p>24 (17 Adar II) Tikkun Olam Global Meeting 10:00am</p>	<p>25 (18 Adar II) Sanctuary Committee Meeting 7:00pm</p>	<p>26 (19 Adar II) Jewish Meditation 12:00pm Book Group Discussion 7:00pm</p>	<p>27 (20 Adar II) Morning Minyan 8:30am Ultimate Liberation: Exodus 7:00pm</p>	<p>28 (21 Adar II) Last Thursday Witness: IMIRJ I.C.E. Vigil 10:00am Writers Group 7:00pm</p>	<p>29 (22 Adar II) Candle Lighting 7:17pm</p>	<p>30 (23 Adar II) Shmini Shabbat Mevarchim Parshat Parah Bar Mitzvah of Isaac Levi Bechtel 10:00am Havdalah 8:26pm</p>
<p>31 (24 Adar II)</p>						

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RSVP for KABBALAT SHABBAT DINNER

Friday, March 8, 2019

**Dinner at 6:30 pm
Services at 7:30 pm**

Cost adjustments for the dinner are available.
Contact Rachel in the Havurah office for information
at (503) 248-4662. She will be happy to help.

Dinner will include dairy-free, gluten-free,
& nut-free choices.

You are invited to bring wine/juice to celebrate.

RSVP by midnight, Sunday, March 3

*Please mail the completed form (right) with payment
to the Havurah office or visit
www.havurahshalom.org/KabbalatShabbat*

Due to space limitations, we must limit seats for the dinner, so
please sign up as soon as possible to be assured of a seat.
Registration will close when seats are filled; however, RSVP no later
than the time noted above. If your RSVP is being mailed, please let
the office know. All are welcome to attend the service at 7:30 pm—
no RSVP required. If you are unable to attend the dinner, we hope
you will join us for services.

Kabbalat Shabbat Registration Form

First and Last Name(s) for name tag(s):

Number of Adults (Ages 13+) _____

\$16.50 Each \$ _____

Number of children ages 4 to 12 _____

\$5.50 each \$ _____

Number of children ages 3 & under _____

No Charge

Consider an extra donation to
help others attend _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Childcare is available for ages 2-8, from 6:30 pm until the
end of the service.

Name(s)/age(s) of child(ren): _____
