

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS

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| Friday, March 25 | 7:15 pm Family Shabbat Service with Eli 8:15 pm Shabbat Eve Service and Oneg Shabbat | Tuesday, April 19 | 6:00 pm Passover Seder with the Homeless With Ve'ahavta |
| Sunday, March 27 | 7:30 pm Doc. Film: <i>Prom Night in Mississippi</i> | Tuesday, April 26 | 10:00 am Passover Yiskor Service |
| Saturday, April 2 | pm Bar Mitzvah of Max Levy, son of Mandy Armstrong and Adam Levy | Friday, April 29 | 8:15 pm Shabbat Eve Service and Oneg Shabbat |
| Friday, April 8 | 7:15 pm Combined School & Shabbat Family Service | Saturday, May 7 | pm Bat Mitzvah of Julia Reinstein, daughter of D. L. Aguilar and Arthur Reinstein |
| Sunday, April 17 | 10:00 am Pesach Family Program at the Jewish, Heritage School | Saturday, May 14 | 10:00 am Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Zweig, son of Jill and Carey Zweig |
| | | Saturday, May 14 | pm Bar Mitzvah of Noah Roelofsen son of Kim Druckman and Cameron Roelofsen |

Saturday, May 21 10:00 am
Bar Mitzvah of Sammy
Tough, son of Karen Geller
and John Tough

Saturday, May 21 pm
Bat Mitzvah of Meagan
Kenley, Daughter of Emma
and Evan Kenley

Friday, May 27 8:15 pm
Shabbat Eve Service and
Oneg Shabbat

Saturday, May 28 10:00 am
Bar Mitzvah of Cameron
Hyde, son of Caren
Feldman and David Hyde

Sunday, May 29 8:00 pm
Doc. Film:
Who the Jew are You

HABONIM AND VE'AHAVTA
HOLD THEIR
12TH ANNUAL PASSOVER SEDER

On the second night of Passover, Congregation Habonim and Ve'ahavta, the Canadian Jewish Humanitarian Relief Committee will again host the Ve'ahavta/Habonim Passover Seder for the Homeless. We would love to have you and your family join the celebration.

Our guests will have the opportunity to

enjoy a warm spiritual evening full of good food, laughter and learning. As we celebrate the transition from slavery to freedom, we will also traverse the way between strangers and friends. The cost of the evening is \$36.00 and the date is

Tuesday April 19, 6:00 pm

Please contact Elizabeth at 416-782-7125 to make your reservation. The Seder will be led by Avrum Rosensweig and Eli Rubenstein.

CRISIS IN JAPAN

The extent of loss of life in Japan is still unknown, but is thought to be in the tens of thousands. Many others are homeless and with the recent explosions at the nuclear facilities in Fukushima, yet more lives are in danger. As members of the Jewish community, we know that one of our prime responsibilities is "Tikkun Olam", mending our often broken world.

You can help out through one of the following organizations:

Ve'ahavta
The Canadian Jewish Humanitarian
and Relief Committee
UJA Federation of Greater Toronto,
UNICEF Canada
World Vision Canada
Care Canada
Save the Children
Oxfam Canada and others.

Please log onto one of the websites below to assist in worldwide efforts to help our Japanese brothers and sisters.

www.veahavta.org/
www.jewishtoronto.com/
www.together.ca

DOCUMENTARY FILM SERIES

"Who the Jew Are You?"

Sunday, May 29, 2011

Time: 8.00 pm

Admission: Donation at the door

Place: Congregation Habonim 5 Glen Park Avenue

Everybody welcome.

Please bring a friend or two.

This film' theme is topical, relevant and affects many of us today. Following the birth of his son and the realization that, because he married a non-Jewish woman, his son isn't technically a Jew, Goldman set out to explore the question of faith and Jewish identity. The film documents a journey that brings him face to face with a variety of eclectic Jews who have reconnected to their faith. Along the way, he uncovers a progressive, modern reinvigorated Judaism and realizes that the journey is as important as the answers he seeks.

Who the Jew Are You? explores the question of Jewish Identity in a way that is both humorous and thoughtful, and with emotions and questions that abound for couples in many mixed marriages, beyond Jewish and non-Jewish, who seek to keep connected to their faith, while maintaining a

healthy respect for each other's heritage.
<http://www.whothejewareyou.com/>

Paul Kuttner

MY BOY @ 5

By Avrum Rosensweig

My son, Noah River, will be 5 on April 24th. I am astounded that five years have passed since his birth; that he is such a big boy and that I'm a Daddy; that I'm Noah's Daddy.

My life has shifted dramatically since Noah came into our world. I am acutely sensitive to the suffering of others, particularly children, around the world. The recent terrorist attack in Israel in which three children were slaughtered, conjured up images in my mind I couldn't shake. The devastation in Japan from the earthquake/tsunami/nuclear crisis, has compelled me to consider over and over the fallout and its effect on little ones.

At the same time I have become a 5 year old my self and developed a passion for the 'Backyardaggin's' as well as 'Big and Small' and 'Arthur'. Not so long ago, Noah sat in my drivers seat and learned about all the buttons and gadgets that make a car work. He asked me to climb over the hood and roof of the car while he shpritzed windshield wiper. I did. I'm fifty. I was soaked.

Noah is articulate. "All in a days work" he said to me recently and "Daddy, remember when I was inside God?" We converse; he and I do, talking about architecture, goodness and values. One of his key quandaries is why I am not a vegetarian

and he and his mom are. I wear leather and he doesn't, and like a little fundamentalist (which actually makes sense at that age) he castigates me for my "misdeed".

Noah is fine company and he is an architect, engineer (both train and mechanical design), a lawyer arguing his rights, a fine 'fine artist' and the fastest runner on planet earth, ever. Once we walked through Sherwood Park and there in front of us, was a stick. It was about 3 ? feet long and 3 inches in diameter. Noah picked it up and said, "Daddy lets call the stick, Perry." Why not? We did.

He is my son, which means a part of me. I often, after five years wonder what that means. Do I own him? Does he own me? Are we inextricably bound? Is my task to show him his journey or direct him on it?

I can't believe Noah is five. What I meant was - 5 was a very significant age in my life. For some reason all my early childhood memories seem to have happened when I was 5. I don't know why. It must be a very important year when a toddler becomes a boy/girl. Perhaps it is the Bar/Bat mitzvah year of a child - when an important transition occurs.

Regardless, once he crawled; then he walked; soon after he spoke and today his big toe is a tad longer than the others (babies' toes are all the same length). All of the stuff that makes a 'bigger person' is happening within and to Noah.

Should I have brought a child into this stormy and unpredictable world where Isaacs are slaughtered and twin towers are dropped? Am I a good father able to be intimate and emotionally close to my boy? What gives me the right to raise another human being, really without any sort of blueprint or a boss?

Noah River. Yom hu'ledet samayach. Happy

birthday. I love you as fathers love their sons, as God loves Her creation. I am honored to be your father, forever, always.

DONATIONS

In memoriam:

Deepest sympathy to Eli Rubenstein and family on the passing of Israel Isadore Rubenstein -

Esther Cole, Paula Schipper and Joel Finkelstein; Jan, Rick, Rebecca and Ben Sutin; Beth Warren, Eric Hurowitz and family

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JAHRZEITEN?**

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JAHRZEITEN
APRIL – MAY 2011

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| Dr. Joseph Spitzer | Nisan 11 | Apr 15, 2011 |
| Julius Jekel | Nisan 11 | Apr 15, 2011 |
| Maurice Goodman | Nisan 12 | Apr 16, 2011 |

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In mourning:

Labol Levy, Robert Cook, Bernard Simon, Richard Goranson, Rosalyn Borins, Tamarah Buium, Nell Warren; Oscar Zuker; Israel Rubenstein

Information and contributions to THE BULLETIN?
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Deadline for contributions to the next Bulletin:
Wednesday, May 11, 2011

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