

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS

Friday, December 19	8:15pm	Shabbat eve Service and Oneg Shabbat
Saturday, December 20	p.m.	Bar Mitzvah of Eric, son of Lydie and Joseph Brawer
Sunday, January 4	10:00am	Breakfast Club: Henry Wellish: <i>My Escape from Vienna to Mauritius</i>
Saturday, January 17	7:00pm	Family and School Havdalah Service
Saturday, January 24	p.m.	Bat Mitzvah of Erin, daughter of Judy and Fred Levy
Friday, January 30	8:15pm	Shabbat Eve Service and Oneg Shabbat
Friday, February 20	7:00pm	Family Shabbat Service
Saturday, February 21	10:00am	Bar Mitzvah of Brian, son of Eva and Gabriel Vadasz
Friday, February 27	8:15pm	Shabbat Eve Service And Oneg Shabbat
Saturday, February 28	10:00 am	Bat Mitzvah of Jacqueline, Daughter of Jonathan Goodman
Saturday, February 28	p.m.	Bat Mitzvah of Jacqueline, daughter of Margaret and Martin Groversen

BREAKFAST CLUB

In January our guest speaker will be Henry Wellish, a Holocaust survivor. ***My Escape form Vienna to Maurtius on the "Atlantic"*** will relate his adventures, his escape, voyage and four years spent on the island of Mauritius.

The breakfast is always delicious, the talk will be exciting, and the company is good too. So come and join us **Sunday, January 4 at 10a.m.**

A LETTER TO OUR MEMBERS

I have attended the Shabbat Eve service in November and came away with a feeling of having had a wonderful experience, which I wish to share with those of you who, for various reasons, did not attend.

First, it was good to see old friends and acquaintances. Esther and Eli walked in singing and we all joined, welcoming the Shabbat with songs. After the blessings over the candles, the service got under way. Esther sang the lovely melodies in her beautifully modulated voice, instilling meaning into the words by her sensitive rendition. With Larry's accompaniment and Eli's occasional harmonic contribution, it was a **spiritual as well as a musical treat.**

Eli's sermon was a well thought out commentary on the current parsha, which is about the relationship between Jacob and Esau. Jacob assumed that Esau hated him and therefore armed himself for the meeting with his brother. When they met, however, Esau embraced Jacob. Later, Jacob's sons, who saw their brother, Joseph from afar, hated him so much that they plotted to kill him. The lesson to be learned here is, as told by Eli, that we should not judge people from a distance, but get to know them up close before we make up our minds about them. The sermon was replete with amusing stories and anecdotes, as well as quotes by Rabbis and other famous thinkers. **A real intellectual as well as spiritual treat.**

When it came to Yiskor and remembering, Doris Sommer – Rotenberg, a member who had lost a son, read some moving poetry she wrote about him and about the pain of her loss. **An emotional experience** indeed.

Before the end of the service, Esther taught the congregation a new melody with a chasidic flavour to Adon Olam, **a fun and learning experience.**

The Oneg Shabbat that followed was sponsored by Mrs. Sommer – Rotenberg and was finally **a culinary treat as well as a social occasion.** Elisabeth prepared the best apple strudel I have ever eaten as well as other fine pastries with the coffee and tea, while we sat around the table and discussed various subjects and exchanged some jokes.

I don't know where else you can such a wealth of experiences and pleasures, and the price is right as well.

Dear members and friends, give yourselves a treat and come to these monthly Shabbat services. Everyone concerned goes all out to give us their best and it is a pity to miss out on these wonderful occasions.

Erika Erdos

INCREASE OF DUES STARTING IN JANUARY 2004

Fellow congregants;

Last year we purchased the two adjoining properties to the West of the synagogue on Glen Park Avenue. We are now carrying a hefty mortgage, which requires financial servicing. As a result the Board has decided to increase the yearly dues.

The new amounts taking effect as of January 2004 are:

Family membership is now \$750.00 and single membership is \$430.00

DONATIONS

Greetings:

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. S. Brenner on their marriage

- Gloria and Norton Medline

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Aliyot:

Rogan DeFreitas; Riva DeFreitas

In memoriam:

In loving memory of Betty and Joseph Levy

- Fred Levy

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In loving memory of my mother, Sheilah Freedman

- Jeremy Freedman

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In loving memory of Cantor Albert Feldman and Ingeborg Feldman

- Marj Gettler

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In loving memory of my dear husband, Walter Levy
- Toby Levy

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In loving memory of my dear husband, Gunther Rosen
- - Edith Rosen

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In loving memory of Edith Rogers
- Lisa and David Rogers

ONEG SHABBAT SPONSORS

On January 30, 2004 the sponsors are the Erdos family in honour of Steve's and Erika's special birthdays.

Become a sponsor of our Oneg Shabbat. It is a perfect way to mark a special occasion in your life or honour the memory of someone. You will get acquainted with your fellow worshipers and perpetuate the close family feeling among members and friends of Habonim.

To **SPONSOR AN ONEG SHABBAT** call Tina Patton at 416-223-1577

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QUESTIONS OR NOTICES RE JAHRZEITEN? Call Linda Braeger
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JAHRZEITEN JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2004

Evelyn Bronstein	Tevet	7	January 1
Louis Greenberg	Tevet	7	January 1
Regina Bloch	Tevet	10	January 4
George J. Beer	Tevet	10	January 4
Myer Sugeran	Tevet	10	January 4
Fred Justitz	Tevet	11	January 5
Artur Aaron Wittekind	Tevet	12	January 6
Leon Fleischer	Tevet	12	January 6
Adele Buium	Tevet	14	January 8
Charles Landes	Tevet	14	January 8
Martin M. Stern	Tevet	15	January 9
Harry Spector	Tevet	17	January 11
Harold Miller	Tevet	18	January 12
Mildred Fleischer	Tevet	18	January 12
Danielle Fisher	Tevet	20	January 14
Dora Koch	Tevet	18	January 12
Eve Ross	Tevet	19	January 13
Kaye Katchen	Tevet	21	January 15
Josef Braun	Tevet	21	January 15
John Penfield	Tevet	22	January 16
Hugo Abels	Tevet	23	January 17
Julius Leinung	Tevet	23	January 17
William Ostrow	Tevet	26	January 20
Hershel Ross	Tevet	27	January 21
Marie Ader	Tevet	27	January 21
Harriet Sommer	Tevet	28	January 22
Sigmund Marx	Tevet	29	January 23
Nick Watson	Tevet	29	January 23
Raiza Galler	Shevat	1	January 24
Morris Freeman	Shevat	4	January 27
Barbara Parieser	Shevat	4	January 27
Irving Glucklick	Shevat	4	January 27
Harry Buium	Shevat	7	January 30
Harry Ginpil	Shevat	7	January 30
John Leinung	Shevat	8	January 31

February Jahrzeiten 2004

Danny Rabinowitz	Shevat	9	February 1
Samuel Persiko	Shevat	10	February 2
Bernie Slomen	Shevat	11	February 3
Esther Glucklick	Shevat	11	February 3
Charles Gross	Shevat	12	February 4
Maury Harris	Shevat	13	February 5
Edward Isadore Harris	Shevat	13	February 5

Jessie Kahl	Shevat	13	February 5
Jack Cole	Shevat	14	February 6
Sadie Mandorff	Shevat	14	February 6
Annie Lams	Shevat	15	February 7
Nathan Burrows	Shevat	15	February 7
Malka Wakeam	Shevat	16	February 8
Elizabeth Schwartz	Shevat	16	February 8
Soshe Reisel	Shevat	16	February 8
Dr. Abraham Skudwick	Shevat	17	February 9
David Brown	Shevat	18	February 10
Flora Kohn	Shevat	18	February 10
Rebecca Van Der Hout	Shevat	19	February 11
Josef Burstyn	Shevat	20	February 12
Margarete Weinlaub	Shevat	21	February 13
Louis Marcovitch	Shevat	21	February 13
Paul Freund	Shevat	23	February 15
Herman Seifer	Shevat	24	February 16
Clara Bierman	Shevat	24	February 16
Etta Levine Markson	Shevat	25	February 17
Rudolf Aaron Eisinger	Shevat	26	February 18
Samuel Schwartz	Shevat	26	February 18
Aaron Kendall	Shevat	27	February 19
Franz Koch	Shevat	27	February 19
Jenny Herstatt Ullendorf	Shevat	28	February 20
Irving Dennis	Shevat	28	February 20
Hilda Weiss	Shevat	30	February 22
Morris Hyman Nathanson	Adar*	1	February 23
Joseph Rosen	Adar	2	February 24
Jack Lees	Adar	2	February 24
May Klegon	Adar	3	February 25
Sarah Ostrow	Adar*	4	February 26
Siegmund Koch	Adar	4	February 26
Isador Joseph Isaak	Adar	4	February 26
Henry Shanoff	Adar	4	February 26
Nochin Stein	Adar*	6	February 28
Antonia Kimerling	Adar	6	February 28
Blanche Haber	Adar	7	February 29
Miriam Erdos	Adar	7	February 29
Mary Harris	Adar*	7	February 29
Adolf (Aron) Hammerfeld	Adar	7	February 29

Mourning: Danielle Fisher, Hilda Weiss, Leon Slan, Dennis Urstein, Gerda Jackson, John Patton, Norman Clavir, Emil Karp

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