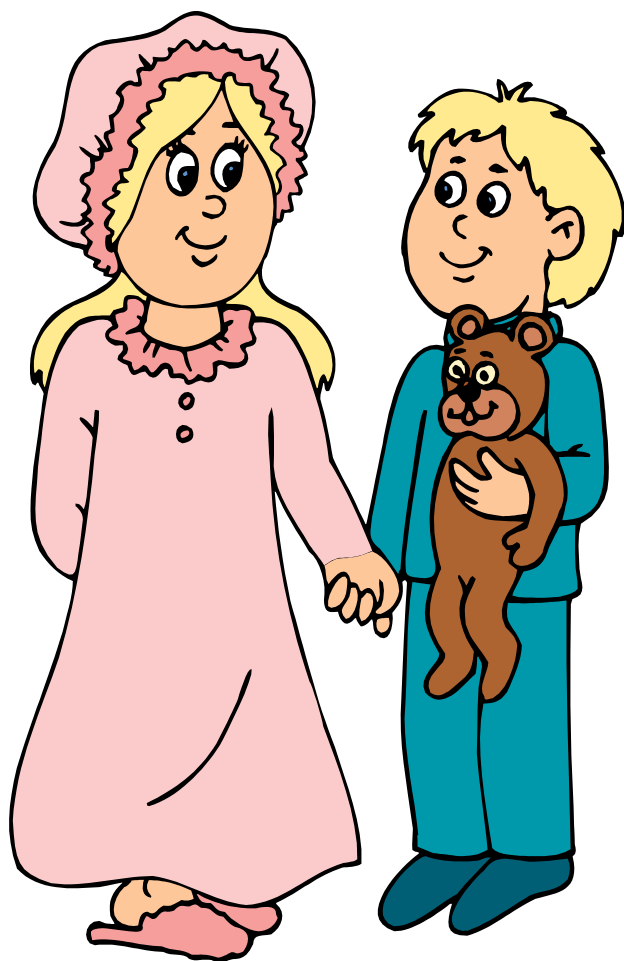


## Mishpacha:

A new program from Hazzan Joanna Dulkan focuses on families with children aged 1 to five and aims to bring families together to celebrate and explore their Judaism. Mishpacha, which means “family” in Hebrew, is open to members, non-members, potential members, and friends.

First Program:  
Saturday, November 11 at 5:45 pm  
Havdallah Pajama Party  
For more information, see details on page 19.



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## Synagogue Elections

For Officers, Chair of Board of Directors, and Directors

Sunday, November 19  
10:15 am

Please see page 5  
for slate.



## Mark Fasman - Rabbi

On Tuesday, November 7, voters will have the opportunity to express their opinion concerning several matters of public policy. This is a cornerstone of our system of government – the right of individuals to express personal opinions (and vote) on matters that affect the entire community. I have heard comments by thoughtful, politically-active, religiously-committed adults to the effect that, in a country based

upon the separation of church and state, law should be a-moral. I understand them to mean that no one religious tradition should be able to define what is “right and wrong” in our country. The point of religious pluralism is to respect the right of individual religious traditions to articulate their own moral positions without imposing those standards of morality upon other citizens.

On the other hand (and there is always another hand in Jewish discourse), the central point of our great religious traditions is to articulate standards of morality as they understand them. These standards may be based upon cultural or practical realities, but more often they are based upon a sincere belief in how God wants us to behave, as individuals, as families, as communities, and as nations. This is clearly problematic, since who can know what God wants? In fact, our Sages say, “If I knew what God thought, I would be God.” To speak on behalf of God is, in their word, *hutzpah!* And yet, to make no claim as to what God wants is to make God irrelevant and to leave us to forms of human-based morality that are simply unacceptable.

The Sages who created Judaism two millennia ago understood this quandary. But, in their minds, someone has to try – with integrity and following consistent principles of logic – to determine what God expects from humanity. They owe this to God and they owe this to the community that they serve.

The system they created to struggle with the questions of divine expectations for human behavior is called *halakhah*. Usually translated as “Jewish law,” it is in fact far more than that. From the root *la-lekhet* – “to go” or “to walk” – it is a very complex and organic system of human behaviors, some of which are understood to be direct commandments with Torah authority (*mitzvot d’oraita*), others are *mitzvot d’rabbanan*, but with only Rabbinic authority, and still others are *minhagim* (far more strong than the translation “customs” suggests). Furthermore, there are various law codes, lists of *minhagim*, and an enormous body of case law recorded over the past fifteen centuries.

The Rabbinical Assembly’s Committee on Jewish Law and Standards (CJLS) provides guidance in matters of *halakhah* for the Conservative movement. The individual rabbi, however, is the authority for the interpretation and application of all matters of *halakhah*. Too often, our membership is entirely unaware of CJLS, and even more important, with their published response concerning a wide range of issues facing the contemporary Jewish world. For those who wish to visit their website, you can use the following address: [www.rabbinicalassembly.org](http://www.rabbinicalassembly.org). You can view any *teshuvot* (response to Jewish legal questions) that are available to rabbis on the same site. Additionally, you can contact the CJLS for further information on other topics.

Apropos the coming election, **Rabbi Elliot N. Dorff** has authored a *teshuvah* (approved on March 13, 2002 by CJLS by a vote of fifteen in favor and one abstention) on the topic “Stem Cell Research.” I urge you to explore this *teshuvah* before the coming election in Missouri in which we are given the opportunity to vote on the use of human embryonic stem cells in this state. There are enormous implications for Washington University and other research institutions as well as implications for health care and treatment options in coming years.

Following is the fair ballot language text of Constitutional Amendment 2. If you wish, you may find the full text of the proposed constitutional amendment at:

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/elections/2006petitions/ppStemCell.asp>.

### *Constitutional Amendment 2*

A “yes” vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to allow and set limitations on stem cell research, therapies, and cures which will:

- ensure Missouri patients have access to any therapies and cures, and allow Missouri researchers to conduct any research, permitted under federal law;
- ban human cloning or attempted cloning;
- require expert medical and public oversight and annual reports on the nature and purpose of any stem cell research;
- impose criminal and civil penalties for any violations;
- prohibit state or local governments from preventing or discouraging lawful research, therapies and cures.

A “no” vote would not ensure that stem cell research permitted under federal law is allowed to be conducted in Missouri and that Missouri patients have access to stem cell therapies and cures permitted under federal law.

This measure will have no impact on taxes.

In the voting booth, there is only one choice, based upon the specific proposed text of the amendment: Yes or No. Based on the CJLS responsum, a “Yes” vote is the clear option consistent with the *halakhic* position of the Conservative movement.

Perhaps, in this complex world, it seems easiest just to know the “bottom line” when we vote. However, there is a power and sanctity in studying the underlying moral issues with which our Conservative movement experts have grappled. Otherwise, our decision is based on politics (party platform), cultural or humanistic values, gut feelings, an anticipated positive or negative personal consequence (financial, health, friendship), or perhaps an “anti-moral” position (that is, whatever “they” believe, we take a different position).

Rabbi Dorff’s *teshuvah* (some nineteen pages) responds to the following two questions:

1. May embryonic stem cells from frozen embryos originally created for purposes of procreation or embryonic germ cells from aborted fetuses be used for research?
2. May embryonic stem cells from embryos created specifically for research, either by combining donated sperm and eggs in a Petri dish or by cloning be used for research?

*continued on page 15*

## HazzaNotes

### Hazzan Joanna Selznick Dulkan



In the past few years, many have asked me the following question: What is the difference between a Cantor and a Hazzan? The simple answer is that the two words describe the same job: a Jewish clergy member who specializes in preserving and perpetuating our musical and liturgical tradition. Some choose to be called “Cantor” and some prefer “Hazzan.” However, there is a much more nuanced answer that I rarely have time to explain that I would like to share with you.

The two words, Cantor and Hazzan, come from two different languages. Cantor is derived from the Latin Cantare, and means “singer.” While singing is what brought me to this profession, the word “singer” does not come close to describing all that I strive to do. When I sing on the bima, I am not just making music. I am fulfilling a sacred obligation to prayer. I am standing in front of the Holy One as a member and a messenger of a people who have a sacred covenant with God. Music is the gateway through which I help the community access our tradition, as the Rabbi illuminates pathways to God through the teaching of holy text.

There is also a difference in training between Cantor and Hazzan. While all Hazzanim are Cantors, not every Cantor is a Hazzan. Any talented singer can learn to lead services as a cantorial soloist, and there are many congregations who employ soloists as their synagogue music professional. In order to be a Hazzan, one must undergo seminary training or comparable mentorship. At JTS, where I studied, my diploma from the Cantorial school says “Hazzan,” the Hebrew word for my profession, as the Rabbi’s diploma says “Rav.” In the Conservative movement, all members of the Cantor’s Assembly are officially referred to as Hazzan, and more and more of my colleagues prefer that title to Cantor in their professional lives.

The word “Hazzan” comes from the Hebrew root Chet – Zayin – Nun. In the Tanakh, “Hazon,” from the same root, means prophetic vision. The Hazzan is one who dreams, who envisions beyond the here and now. As your Hazzan, I work with fellow clergy and lay partners to both craft and fulfill the vision of the synagogue. I welcome your input and your ideas as we continue our journey together.

### B’nai Mitzvah

#### Alex Shimony

November 25

Son of **Becky & Josh Shimony**, Grandson of **Uri & Haika Shimony** and **Homer (z”l) & Genevieve Kramer**. Brother of **Maya** and **Hope Shimony**.



### Mazel Tov to...

**Richard & Ellen Kalina** on the birth of **Grace Hillary** on October 4. Proud grandparents are **Murray & Maxine Kalina**.

For information about ordering Ashreinu leaves and memorial plaques, please contact the office.



Have you been  
to the website  
lately?

Visit [www.ShaareZedek.org](http://www.ShaareZedek.org) for an updated calendar, program information, service times, activities, and online tributes.

# How many people does it take to make the holidays a success?

Wendy Love Anderson  
Karen Aroesty  
Steve Aroesty  
Jaron Asher  
Leslie Birenbaum  
Marsha Birenbaum  
Burton & Benita Boxerman  
Jeremy Buhler  
The Burke Family  
Florence Cohn

Jerry Cohen  
The Doering Family  
Sydney Farber  
Alice Fasman  
Ed Fitter  
Lois Fitter  
David Geller  
Lisa Gellman  
Monroe Ginsburg  
Billy Handmaker

Joe Iken  
The Kane Family  
Karen Karabell  
Byron Katcher  
Tessa Katan  
Steve Kayman  
Steve Keyser  
Micki Kingsley  
Gary Kodner  
Michael Kuperman

**Thank you to everyone who helped to  
clean the shul prior to the holidays,  
organized child programming,  
participated in the services, acted as  
gabbaim, served as ushers, helped  
out during Pizza in the Hut, and  
generally helped to make the High  
Holy Days a meaningful time for  
everyone.**

Harvey Leader  
Jerry Legow  
Marvin Lerner  
Mike Levine  
Beth Levy  
The Levy Family  
Bill Marx  
Marshall & Sara Myers  
Peggy Nehmen  
Bob & Joyce Olshan  
Bud Oppenheim  
Rudy Oppenheim  
Barry Pessin  
Mitch Podolsky  
Dave Propper  
Michael Raileneau  
Michael Rauchman

Pamela Reznick  
Kathi Rosenberg  
Mendel Rosenbeg  
Sarah Rubinson  
Alan Schwartz  
Joel Schwartz  
Harriet & Michael Shanas  
Randy Silverstein  
Don Singer  
Lvav & Marc Spector  
Alan & Helene Spetner  
Bonnie Templeton  
Susie Tenzer  
The Walker Family  
Michael Waxenberg  
Sherri Weintrop  
The Wetmore Family  
Roger Young

**Leo & Sara Wolf**

**Thank you for bringing  
Rabbi Paul back to Shaare  
Zedek for his 35th year**

USYers

Tracey, Ashley, Deedra, Meda,  
Lee & all of the babysitters

Police officers

Paula & Rico  
Nancy & Linda

Sandy Boxerman  
Marvin Lerner

Rabbi Shalom Paul  
Rabbi Mark Fasman  
Hazzan Joanna Dulkan

**We apologize in  
advance for any names  
we have forgotten.**

## President's Gavel

Harriet Shanias - President

Although the intense activity of the High Holidays is behind us, I wanted to share with you my joy at being a part of this community – and what a flourishing community it is – full of life and newness! Did you notice how many babies and young children were at Shaare Zedek for the holidays? Infants, toddlers, pre-schoolers and more...what a wonderful feeling to walk in this building to welcome in the New Year with all these little ones buzzing about. And while the noise and frenzy is sometimes overwhelming, I choose to revel in the serenity of knowing that our community is growing – that the next generation of Jews is amongst us, eager to learn and experience the warmth and closeness of our congregation.

There were all kinds of activities for all kinds of kids; in fact we had to hire extra staff because our youth and family services were at capacity. What a wonderful problem to have!

Please refer to the facing page in this month's News for our Thank You page for the Holidays. It does indeed take a village and I am always impressed how this congregation comes together to participate at both the staff and lay level to get things done. We received many compliments from our guests and visitors – relatives, prospective members, Washington University students – about the kindness and welcoming attitude of all of you.

May all of the children who fill the hallways with laughter learn not only the lessons of our Jewish sages, but continue the tradition of acceptance and warmth that is a legacy at Shaare Zedek. L'Dor Va Dor!

## Proposed Slate of Officers for 2007

Nominees for **Officers** beginning January 1, 2007, for a one-year term:

President	Marsha Birenbaum
Vice President	Lisa Gellman
Vice President	Steve Keyser
Vice President	Mitch Schenker
Vice President	Susie Tenzer
Secretary	Beth Levy
Treasurer	Marc Spector
Sergent at Arms	Monroe Ginsburg
Sergent at Arms	Gary Kodner
Chair of Board	Harriet Shanias

Nominees for the **Board of Directors** for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2007:

Darien Arnstein	Alan Levin
Karen Aroesty	Howard Loiterstein
Jaron Asher	Doug Miller
Sandy Boxerman	Steve Selipsky
Florence Cohn	Liz Singer
Micki Kingsley	

Additional Directors to be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee met several times and worked hard to choose future leaders of our congregation. Thanks to Mendel Rosenberg, the Chair of the Nominating Committee, and the entire Committee.

Election is on Sunday, November 19 at 10:15 am.



Save the Date:

Saturday, February 3  
7 - 11 pm

“A Glass Act” dinner welcoming  
Chazzan Joanna Selznick Dulkan

Glass blowing demonstrations, music, and more  
Third Degree Glass Factory

## Ask Zaide

Since we all know that our Zaides know everything, Ask Zaide is a monthly column that answers your questions about the synagogue. Submit your question to [office@shaarezedeck.org](mailto:office@shaarezedeck.org).



Dear Zaide,

What is the MiSheberach list? For how long do names remain on the list, and how can I get a name on the list?

Sincerely,

*Quite Curious*

Dear Curious,

There are many prayers that begin with the words, Mi Sheberakh – “May the One Who Blessed” – typically recited during the Torah service. They can ask God to bless someone who has an aliyah, or a Bar/Bat Mitzvah (or the parents), or those who are to be married soon (following the aliyah – in Yiddish, Aufruf), and for those who are ill.

At Shaare Zedek, we recite a Mi Sheberach for those in need of healing during each Torah service (Saturday morning, Saturday afternoon, Monday morning, Thursday morning, Rosh Chodesh, Festivals, and other holidays). The list itself is not read on Saturday morning, but it is read on Saturday afternoon. If you have a relative or a friend (member or not, Jewish or not), whose name you would like added to the list, please contact the Shaare Zedek office. We will need to know the name of the ill individual (both English and Hebrew) and your name. If the individual does not have a Hebrew name (or if you do not know it), we will use the English name. If requested, we will list only the Hebrew name of the individual in order to respect the person’s privacy.

You can request a name be on the list for up to four weeks, but after four weeks, the name is removed from our list unless you call and request that it be renewed for another month.

If you know of a name that should be removed from the list, please notify the office. B’ezerat Hashem, it will be because the person has returned to health.

*Zaide*

### MEN’S CLUB CALENDAR

**November 12:** Sunday Night Football and Poker Party

## Men’s Club

### Dave Propper - President



Last month’s Men’s Club Program meeting featured a presentation by **Hazzan Joanna Dulkan** which expanded upon her theme of “The 10 Commandments of Congregational Singing.” For those of you who were unable to join us, you missed a wonderful and educational presentation by our Hazzan who prepared a most interesting program for us. She was successful in drawing each of the attendees into meaningful and thought provoking discussion of the topics presented! Thank you again, Hazzan Dulkan.

Next month’s Men’s Club program features our 2nd revival of the Shaare Zedek Men’s Club Monday Night Football and Poker Party on November 13! Don’t miss the Tampa Bay Buccaneers as they take on the Carolina Panthers while we play Poker and shmooze for an evening.

Shana Tova again to all! Without a doubt, the beauty of our recent High Holidays services brought our congregation to a new level of spirituality. However, it could not have been done without YOU, those members of Men’s Club, Sisterhood, and the congregation who supported the “H”usher squad (High Holiday Ushers) throughout the Days of Awe. Toda Roba and thank you!

FJMC (Federation of Jewish Men’s Clubs) National and the Midwest Region have been very busy developing additional resources for your Men’s Club. On November 8, I will have the opportunity to participate in an FJMC Town Hall meeting via teleconference with FJMC National President, **Dr. Bob Braitman**, to hear about the state of the FJMC, proposed bylaws changes and some of the exciting new programs planned for the coming year. Club Presidents, Regional Presidents, FJMC Board of Directors, Cabinet, and Executive Committee members throughout North America (including Canada and Mexico) will be participating

From the FJMC Midwest Region, Region President **Sandy Victor** has been busy strengthening the Region’s role in supporting the Men’s Clubs, with particular emphasis on tying in the clubs located outside of Chicago/Milwaukee, such as those in St. Louis and Omaha. At the recent Midwest Regional President’s Dinner a new “Midwest Region Club Directory” was released providing the names and contact information of the officers of each of the Men’s Clubs within the Midwest Region. Plans for the Midwest Region 2007 Man of the Year Dinner are in full motion as are plans for the upcoming 2007 Midwest Regional Retreat. **Alan Schwartz** attended last spring’s retreat and reports that it was well worth the trip to Wisconsin to participate in the camaraderie and spirituality “with the boys.”

## Sisterhood

Cindy Ginsburg - President



Wow! We had a fantastic attendance at our annual Sisterhood Supper in the Sukkah! The cool air and moist weather moved our program indoors, but did not dampen our spirits.

A special thank you to **Hazzan Dulkan** for a very informative program on Ushpizot: Inviting our Matriarchs into the Sukkah. Thank you to **Sue Propper**, Vice President of Programming, for planning this event and making sure we didn't go hungry! And, thank you to **Arleen Kerman** for her assistance in the kitchen preparing our "loaded baked potato" dinner. Apple crisp a la mode made a great ending to our fall meal.

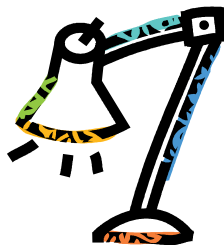
Sisterhood has some exciting news we would like to share with our synagogue membership. I am proud to announce that Shaare Zedek Sisterhood is being honored with a plaque on the Wall of Recognition, outside of the Women's League Educational Pavilion in the Jewish Theological Seminary. We are receiving this honor because we have contributed \$5,000 in over goal monies to the Torah Fund Campaign of Women's League for Conservative Judaism. This money goes directly to benefit the Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, and Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies. Thank you to **Ruth Levy**, Torah Fund Chair, and her committee for all of their hard work. And, thank you to all of our members for your generosity. Your loyalty and commitment to Jewish education is vital.

### SISTERHOOD CALENDAR

November 5: Finance Program

### Don't Be Left in the Dark!

Do you miss out on the timely reminders and updates from the synagogue via email? Well, it's easy to change that! Be sure to send your current email address to [Office@ShaareZedek.org](mailto:Office@ShaareZedek.org).



The times, they are a changin':  
Kabbalat Shabbat now begins Fridays  
at 5:30 pm and will throughout the  
winter months.

## Fall Apple Crisp

10-12 apples, cored and sliced  
1-1/2 cups old fashion oatmeal, uncooked  
1-1/2 cups dark brown sugar  
1 stick unsalted butter, softened  
1 tsp. cinnamon  
2 tbsps. flour  
Sprite  
vanilla ice cream



Leave peel on apples, slice thinly, and place in bowl. Cover apples with Sprite to keep them from browning. Mix oatmeal, sugar, butter, and cinnamon in a bowl until crumbly. Drain apples, place in 9 x 13 baking dish, sprinkle with flour and cover with oatmeal mixture. Bake in 375 degree oven for 40 minutes or until top is brown and crisp. Serve warm with ice cream.

**Submit your recipes to the  
office by November 15 for the  
Sisterhood cookbook!**

**Time is running out!**

### Happy November Anniversary to...

Stephen & Darien Arnstein  
Martin & Barbara Becker  
Stanford & Rosalie Berger  
Rabbi Mark & Alice Fasman  
Michael Greenfield & Claire Halpern  
Maurice & Rachel Guller  
Harold & Karen Karabell  
Marvin & Dorrie Lerner  
Rubin & Beverly Leve  
Stanley & Ruth Levy  
Edward & Marla Myers  
Robert & Beth Ostroff  
Jerrold & Rosalyn Schwartz  
Donald & Joanne Singer  
Marc & Elaine Tenzer

## Early Childhood Center Marty Schaeffer - ECC Director

### CELEBRATE WITH THE ECC

Celebrating Shabbat in the Sukkah was a new experience for some of the younger children of the ECC. On a beautiful fall day the staff and children enjoyed singing Shabbat songs and looking up through the branches as they ate their challah and drank grape juice. They sat peacefully taking in the wonderful day and the new experience.

In contrast, the ECC Sukkot Social was filled with sounds of laughter, conversation, families singing together, and lots of activity. The evening was delightful as a large turnout of families and staff connected with one another through their joy, listening to the children sing along with Hazzan Joanna and recite the Blessings with Rabbi Fasman.

The next event will be the all school Thanksgiving Feast, Tuesday November 21 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. Unlike the Sukkot Social, the Feast will take place during the lunch hour so parents can enjoy lunch with their children. Often parents who cannot attend evening events are available during the lunch hour.

Shaare Zedek Early Childhood Center has always encouraged families to spend as much time with their children as their schedule will allow. Our flexible scheduling and the varied timing of school events reflect that philosophy.

We wish to encourage synagogue families with young children to attend any of our school events, such as our Family Shabbat each month. Interested families may receive our monthly calendar of events by contacting the school office at 727-2565. Soon our web site will contain such information for your convenience. Hope to see you at one of our events.



*Hazzan Dulkin leads songs with the preschoolers in the Sukkah. In addition to celebrating Shabbat with the ECC each week, Hazzan Dulkin also helps celebrate the holidays.*



*The preschoolers admire the decorations in the Sukkah. Prior to the holiday the kids made fruits and vegetables and other decorations for the Sukkah.*

## Are We Ready for Kindergarten?

How to prepare your child (and yourself) for the big step

Wednesday November 1st

7:00 pm

Solomon Schechter Day School  
348 S. Mason Road

Open to the Community

Sponsored by Solomon Schechter Day School

Join us as a panel of expert speakers discusses the ABCs of:

- School Readiness – Lisa Greenstein, Educator
- Social/Emotional/Behavioral Readiness – Wil Franklin, School Counselor
- Parent Readiness – Sheila Rodgers, Retired Head of Community School

For more information, or to RSVP, call 314.576.6177  
or e-mail [ssds@ssdstl.org](mailto:ssds@ssdstl.org)



## Save The Date!

To Come Discover

Solomon Schechter Day School

KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November 12, 2006

10:15 am-Noon

348 South Mason Road

St. Louis, MO 63141

\*Personal tours scheduled at your convenience.

Group tours every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

Call SSDS at 314.576.6177 or e-mail [admissions@ssdstl.org](mailto:admissions@ssdstl.org)



## Youth Programs

Sarah Rubinson - Youth Director

Thank you very much to everyone who helped to make Emtza/SWUSY Chapter President's Shabbaton such a success! Special thanks to the **Arnstein, Markman, Kodner, Rader, Israeli, Shenker, Levy, Waxenberg, and Rosenberg** families who hosted USYers for the weekend. Twenty-one presidents from around the country came to St. Louis to learn how to make their chapters the best they can be. USYers from SZSL, BAUSY, and BSKI joined in for the Saturday night "Show Me St. Louis" program for a trip to the City Museum and Ted Drewes.

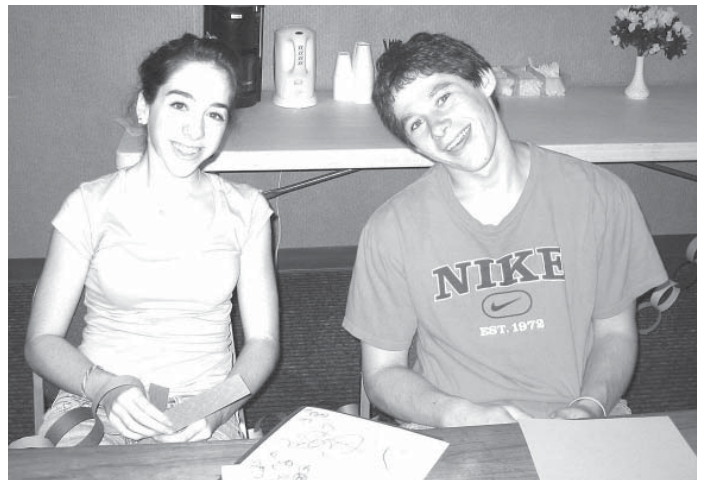
Also in October, VP Social Action/Tikun Olam **Eliot Markman** and Co-President **Jenny Levy** planned a Lounge Night in conjunction with JCRC's Project Noah, focusing on the environment and the effects of global warming.

This month we have Kinnus in Des Moines, Iowa. This is the largest regional convention of the year, and some 500 high schoolers from around the region will be partaking in some amazing programming. We have a great group of USYers going, and we'll be sure to share a picture next month!

It's time to start thinking about your summer plans. USY offers lots of great summer opportunities such as USY on Wheels and Israel Pilgrimage. Registration is already open for these great opportunities at [www.USY.org](http://www.USY.org), and if you register by December 31, you will lock in last year's prices. If you're not quite old enough for USY Summer Programs, consider a camping experience. Camp Ramah is the official camp of the Conservative Movement and offers an excellent Jewish camping experience starting at 5th grade. Visit [www.RamahWisconsin.com](http://www.RamahWisconsin.com) for more information. If you have questions about any of these great summer opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact me; I can put you in touch with one of our USYers who can answer questions based on first-hand experience.

### YOUTH CALENDAR

- November 4:** USY Shabbat
- November 4/5:** Kadima Kumbaya Sleepover
- November 11/12:** USY Sleepover
- November 12:** Noar Program
- November 15:** USY Ruach 101 Lounge Night
- November 17:** Shabbat Unplugged
- November 19:** Yom Limmud
- November 23-26:** USY Kinnus in Des Moines



*Jamie Rosenberg and Jake Shanas make decorations for the Sukekah during Pizra in the Hut. After the Sukekah was sufficiently decorated, the USYers helped to switch out the High Holy Day Machzors for the Shabbat Siddurim.*



*Geli and Mose Kane help make decorations. Paper chains, birds, fruits, and vegetables adorned the Sukekah.*



*Kadimaniks are pictured here with a race car at NASCAR Speedway. About 20 7th and 8th graders partook in an afternoon of fun prior to Kol Nidre services.*

## הַדּוֹן לַיהוָה כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ:

*Give thanks to God, because of His eternal goodness  
Psalms 107:1*

As November begins, we have much for which to be thankful. We've just finished Sukkot, our Jewish holiday of thanksgiving, and the American Thanksgiving holiday is just around the corner. Our schools have gotten off to a great start, and we are excited for all of the programs this month has to offer.

The Jewish Community High School's Fall semester is in full swing. We have more than 50 students enjoying a variety of classes. We are also preparing for the annual Yom Limmud: A Day of Discovery for Jewish Teens which will be held on November 19 from 10 am - 1:30 pm at Congregation Shaare Emeth. For one day, all Jewish High Schoolers will gather for this exciting opportunity to explore Judaism, encounter new people, and discover all that our tradition and community has to offer. This collaborative event is a highlight of the year for our students and is free with advance registration. For more information, or to register, contact the school office or **Rabbi Ari** at 442-3758. Additional information can also be found at [www.cajestl.org](http://www.cajestl.org).

The Jewish Community Hebrew School has enjoyed a busy Fall thus far. We are anxiously looking forward to our first Shabbaton of the school year with our Seventh graders. Each Shabbaton is open to all students in that grade level whose families are affiliated with one of the Conservative Congregations in St. Louis, Solomon Schechter Day School, or the Jewish Community Hebrew School. This wonderful opportunity for our youth builds a strong sense of community for the students in the Conservative Movement. The Shabbatonim rotate among B'nai Amoona, Brith Sholom Knesset Israel, and Shaare Zedek and are filled with interactive activities in a traditional Shabbat atmosphere. Many of our students see the Shabbatonim as one of the highlights of the School year and often wish there were more. For more information on Shabbatonim, feel free to contact **Morah Maxine** at 442-3757.

Between these two holidays of thanksgiving, we both want to thank all of you for your continued support and for making Jewish education a priority for your family. Todah Rabah!

At the end of October, we had another successful Open House, which gave the parents an opportunity to meet the teachers and to see the classes in action. It is really evident that we are one community! Thanks to all the parents who attended and gave us their feedback. As we mentioned at the Parents' Association on the first day of school – we encourage you to get involved so that not only your kids, but also other kids in the school, can benefit from your insight and experience.

In the 21st century we are faced with the great challenge to the Jewish community. We must make sure that the Conservative Jewish community remains active and strong. I believe that Jewish education is an important tool to face the challenges ahead.

We need to raise Jews who are knowledgeable about their Jewish traditions, identify with the Jewish people all over the world, and have a special relationship with Israel. We need to raise Jews who see Jewish values that will guide them throughout their lives as they remain dedicated to social justice and Tikkun Olam.

We emphasize two important values in education: excellence and caring. We want the students to achieve as much as possible, but school is like a family so we also have the obligation to take care of all members of the family. What happens when not all members can learn the same way? That's when the "caring" plays a role. I see our school as a whole caring community and each teacher helps in building part of the whole. The classroom has to value performance, but also has to be caring.

We are trying to do all of it, but we cannot do it alone. Our parents are an important component of this community. I look at you as our VIPs – Very Important Partners! We appreciate the help we receive from our VIPs!

## SHAARE SHALOM CALENDAR

**November 5:** No School  
**November 26:** No School

## CAJE CALENDAR

**November 17/18:** 7th Grade Shabbaton at BSKI  
**November 19:** Yom Limmud  
**November 22/23:** No School

# Everyone Has a Story: The Story of Ann Baum

by Sima Needleman

Like many Jewish immigrants of her generation, 93 year-old **Ann Baum** was born in Russia. Also like others, her father came first to St. Louis with the intention of sending for Ann and her mother as soon as he had saved some money. However, because of the outbreak of World War I, Ann and her mother were unable to safely leave Russia; they were in limbo for 8 years. Finally, they were able to begin their journey across the ocean. After they were reunited, Ann's family settled in an Italian neighborhood in St. Louis where her father had a shoe store and Ann attended Shaw Elementary School. In time, Ann's parents had 3 more children -- a boy and two more girls, and the family lived in a two-story house right across the street from the elementary school.

Ann has memories of taking care of her younger siblings, especially when her mother had surgery and was in the hospital. Ann would wash clothes, iron, work in the store, and help with the younger children. She sometimes felt as if she were raising her siblings. Although she worked hard, Ann knew how to have fun too. She loved to dance and often went dancing at the Casa Loma Ballroom. She even remembers winning a contest doing the Charleston.

The years went by, and one day at a party, a young man named **Irvin Baum** saw her and said, "That's the girl I want to marry." Ann liked Irvin right from the start. They went to the movies and on boat rides in Forest Park. He was a wonderful person, and he would do anything for her.

There were two complications, however. First, she was engaged to someone else at the time they met, and second, Irvin had come to the USA on a three-month visa and would have to leave the country soon. Both issues were carefully thought through and resolved. Ann and Irvin got married by a justice-of-the-peace before Irvin left, and then when he returned with the papers for permanent residency, they were married by **Rabbi Epstein** of Shaare Zedek. According to Ann, this was the first marriage performed by Rabbi Epstein (and he forgot the Ketubah!).

Meanwhile, Ann had a very observant uncle named **Charlie Balk**, who had a big influence on the family's lives. It was her Uncle Charlie who told the couple about a grocery store that was for sale in East St. Louis and helped them buy it. Ann and Irvin moved to East St. Louis and worked in the store together for 30 years. They lived in an apartment right above the store. Ann and Irvin had 2 children -- a son, **Raymond**, and a daughter, **Rita**. When Rita was in high school, the Baums sold their grocery store and moved to University City. At that time, Irvin found employment as a butcher, and the couple entered a new phase in their lives. Their children completed their education, married, and established their own households. A granddaughter soon completed the family.

Ann became a member of Shaare Zedek when it was still located on Page and West End, but after the Baums sold their grocery store and moved to University City, Ann became more active in the shul. One of Ann's sisters, **Isabelle**, and her husband, **Abe Schultz**, are members of Shaare Zedek, too. The shul became a priority for Ann, and she helped out wherever she could, especially by cooking for Kiddush and for the Meals on Wheels Program.

Sometime after Irvin retired, he and Ann bought a condo in Florida, where they lived for a number of years with annual visits to St. Louis. However, in time, Ann felt a need to sell the condo and return to St. Louis. Before long, they were reunited with the family that was so precious to Ann. This was and still is a loving family. They are genuinely happy to see one another, and each family member knows that he/she can depend on the others to be there when they are needed. Their social life has always centered around the family. There's an active cousins' club and lots of good memories of various families getting together on Sunday nights to play cards. Ann's brother and sisters visit her often. Although Irvin died four years ago, Ann feels very lucky to have had such a wonderful husband and family, and such a good life!

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# Member and Community News...

## Camp Ramah in Wisconsin

Camp Ramah in Wisconsin combines the joys of summer camping with the best in Jewish living. A full range of fun activities integrates Jewish values and observances into the daily camp experience. Activities include sports, swimming, sailing, kayaking, music, dance, nature, photography, arts and drama. There is even a brand new camp radio station! All meals are kosher and Shabbat is observed. The camp is located 15 miles north of Eagle River, Wisconsin, on beautiful Lake Buckatabon.

Ramah Wisconsin offers a half season for children entering 5th grade (June 14 – July 9) and 6th grade (July 11–August 6). The full season for campers entering 7th–11th grades runs from June 14–August 6.

For more information, call (312) 606-9316 ext. 221, or e-mail [registrar@ramahwisconsin.com](mailto:registrar@ramahwisconsin.com) or visit the camp website at [www.ramahwisconsin.com](http://www.ramahwisconsin.com).

## Camp Ramah in Wisconsin Celebrates 60 Summers!

Alumni, friends, current campers and their families are invited to celebrate Ramah's 60th anniversary at a Shabbaton and Saturday Night Celebration to be held on March 9 & 10, 2007 at the Wyndham O'Hare in Chicago. Come and enjoy a Ramah Shabbat complete with singing, schmoozing and study and/or attend a Saturday gala event filled with music, memories and fun. For more information go to [www.ramahwisconsin.com](http://www.ramahwisconsin.com).

## Community Health Screenings to be Held

The Brentmoor Retirement Community will be hosting a community health screening on Thursday, November 9. Life Screening will perform the screenings using the Doppler color flow ultrasound and include the following:

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## Todah Rabah:

We thank the people who chanted Haftarat during October: **Bonnie Templeton, Michael Rauchman, Barry Freedman, Harriet Shanas, Jordyn Wolf, and Herb Fredman.**

## The Jewish Food Pantry Needs Our Help

For the month of November, the St. Louis Jewish Food Pantry is looking for these specific items in order to provide well-balanced nourishment for the community in need:

1. Canned Pasta with Meat
2. Cereal (hot and cold)
3. Canned Fruit
4. Hardy Soups
5. Snack Foods (healthy)

Items should be brought to the collection areas at the synagogue. For further information, please contact **Louise Levine** at 636-227-1259.

## 2006 ST. LOUIS JEWISH BOOK FESTIVAL

FEATURES EXCITING LINE-UP OF AUTHORS &  
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More than 21,000 people are expected at this year's St. Louis Jewish Book Festival, which will be held November 5 through 15 at the Jewish Community Center (JCC) in Creve Coeur.

The 28th Annual Festival will open with Emmy and Golden Globe Award-winning actor and star of STAR TREK and BOSTON LEGAL, William Shatner. The best-selling author will be joined by 32 other authors who will be discussing their books during the course of the Festival.

Shaare Zedek Sisterhood is one of 40 community organizations co-sponsoring this year's Festival. Sisterhood is sponsoring Rabbi Irwin Kula, author of YEARNINGS: Embracing the Sacred Messiness of Life on Tuesday, November 14th at 1:00 p.m.

The cost for attending all Festival programs, if individual tickets were purchased, would be more than \$300! Festival Series Tickets, however, are just \$50 each and are good for admission to ALL Festival programs, including the Concert Event and Special Comedy Event.

womSeries Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by calling Marilyn Kunitz at 314-432-2480. Sisterhood will receive credit for all Series Tickets we sell. If you buy your Series Tickets at the JCC, please tell them you are a member of Shaare Zedek Sisterhood so that we will receive credit for your Series Ticket purchase.

The 2006 Festival will also feature Peter Falk, Danny Meyer, Lynn Sherr, Rabbi Harold Kushner, Rabbi David Aaron, Dr. Bernie Siegel, Myla Goldberg and Dara Horn. It will include a concert featuring concertmaster David Halen and member musicians of the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra; Thursday Night LIVE at the J Comedy Club; Comedian Dan Greenburg and The Secrets of Dripping Fang Children's Event; and so much more! For more information on the Festival and authors, visit the website at [www.stljewishbookfestival.org](http://www.stljewishbookfestival.org).

All Festival programs are open to the public, run 60 to 90 minutes, include an audience question and answer period and are followed by a book signing with the authors.

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The first seven pages of the teshuvah deal with “The Current State of the Science of Stem Cells: Definitions and Properties; Potential Uses of Stem Cells; and, Sources of Embryonic Germ and Stem Cells.” Then Rabbi Dorff continues with a “Jewish Perspective on Stem Cells”: Fundamental Theological Principles [six of them]; and, Jewish Views of Genetic Materials [five of them].” As is consistent with the Conservative movement’s approach to halakhah (a willingness to consider non-halakhic evidence in coming to a conclusion), Rabbi Dorff also discusses “Other Factors in this Decision.” Here, he states, “Given that the materials for stem cell research can be procured in permissible ways, the technology itself is morally neutral. It gains its moral valence on the basis of what we do with it.”

Finally, there is a five-part Summary and a statement of Conclusions:

#### *Summary*

1. We both may and should take the steps necessary to advance stem cell research and its applications in an effort to take advantage of its great potential for human healing. We may and should engage in such research for two reasons: First, we have a duty to heal and, as a corollary to that, to develop our means to heal; and second, genetic materials, including embryos, lack the status of a person or even part of a person (e.g., a thigh): within the womb, the Talmud declares that before forty days of gestation they are ‘simply water,’ and outside the womb they are certainly not any more to be protected than pre-embryos and embryos are within the womb. Embryos and even gametes themselves deserve our respect, for they are the materials that have the potential of creating human beings, but that status is outweighed by the duty to seek to cure.

2. In accordance with Jewish law, stem cells may be procured from all of the following sources, but the following list ranks sources from the most desirable to the least desirable:

a. Aborted fetuses.

b. Frozen embryos originally created for overcoming infertility which the couple has now decided to discard but has agreed to donate for stem cell research instead.

In both (a) and (b), researchers are not responsible for the abortion itself or for creating the frozen embryos, and they are using materials that would otherwise just be discarded, but (a) avoids legal fights over frozen embryos as well as the frequent unwillingness of couples to donate their frozen embryos. Still, it may be the case that more can be done with ES cells than with EG cells because the latter have already differentiated into reproductive cells, while the former are totipotent; at this stage we do not know. If ES cells indeed turn out to be more malleable, then this order may be reversed, or it may be that both sources are equally acceptable, each with its advantages and disadvantages.

c. A cell taken from an embryo and grown independently. This technique would avoid the extra dangers to the woman involved in the methods listed in (d) below, but it does not have the advantage of using materials that would otherwise be discarded, as in (a) and (b), and it has not yet proven to be successful in producing stem cells.

d. Embryos created specifically for medical research by combining sperm and eggs donated for that purpose, by cloning (SCNT), or by parthenogenesis. These are the least desirable because of the increased danger to the woman donating her eggs, but they are permissible sources of stem cells if the woman donates eggs for this purpose only once or twice after being prescreened to insure that it is safe for her to do this. A man does not violate any laws by masturbating to contribute to stem cell research. The use of cloning poses the additional risks raised by our inexperience with the technique and our current inability to assure good results, but if and when cloning technology improves, cloning will become more desirable than any of the other methods to produce stem cells because the patient’s immune system will not reject the therapy taken from his/her own tissues and will not need to be subjected to immunosuppressive drugs for the rest of his/her life.

3. We should also pursue healing methods that can be developed from adult stem cells, but such efforts must not replace nor even slow down our attempts to develop healing methods from embryonic stem cells, for the latter hold out much more promise than the former.

4. We should pursue this research, though, with restrictions to enable access to its applications to all who need it.

5. This responsum deals only with stem cell research conducted for purposes of curing diseases. Applications of this or any other technique to the goal of enhancement must be considered in another paper.

#### **Conclusions**

Answer to Question 1: After scientists have accomplished all that they can toward a given goal through animal experiments, (1) human embryonic germ cells from aborted fetuses and embryonic stem cells from (2) frozen human embryos originally created for purposes of procreation not only may, but should be aggressively used for research into creating cures for a number of human ailments. Toward that end, just as we need to educate our laity about the importance of organ donation, so too we should educate them to know that those who have aborted a fetus or created frozen embryos that they are not going to use should donate such materials to scientists pursuing stem cell research. As difficult as the distinction between therapy and enhancement is to define, and as much as the line may change over time, this responsum deals only with stem cell research for purposes of therapy; another paper is required to consider the possible use of this and other techniques for purposes of enhancement.

Answer to Question 2: Embryonic stem cells from embryos created specifically for research, either by (3) combining donated sperm and eggs in a petri dish, (4) by cloning, or (5) by extracting a cell from an early embryo, may also be used for research to provide therapies for diseases, but only if the woman donating the eggs does so only once or twice and is pre-screened to avoid undue risks to her own health.

Now, when you vote on November 7, you can make a Jewishly-informed moral decision. You are not obligated to agree with Rabbi Dorff – that would indeed be a breach of church and state. But your decision will now reflect your own response to (at least) one thoughtful, morally sensitive, Jewish opinion on the use of stem cells.

And that makes your vote a statement of your opinion on an issue of public policy based upon religious moral sensibilities while still preserving the separation of church and state.

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The synagogue offers condolences in their bereavement to the families of the following:

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September 16

**Louis Leve**

September 24

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## Junior Congregation (K-4th grades)

10:45 am in the Guller Chapel

A lively and engaging service for our younger members. Parents and families are encouraged to attend.

## Family Service (K-4th graders and their families)

Twice a month these services are led by Hazzan Dulkan, Alice Fasman, Andrew Rehfeld, and other dynamic guests. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children as it is truly fun and educational for all ages. Look for dates for this service soon!

## The Mitzvah Years (5th-8th graders)

10:45 am in the Youth Lounge

A special service held most Shabbat mornings for those of B'nai Mitzvah age (plus or minus a few years) led by Youth Director Sarah Rubinson.

## Shacharit in the Sanctuary

8:45 am in the Epstein Sanctuary

All are welcome in the sanctuary for our traditional egalitarian service. All children are welcome; they are especially encouraged to attend towards the end for Adon Olam and other prayers before helping the Rabbi and Hazzan with Kiddush.

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## Shabbat Calendar

### November 4

Junior Congregation  
USY Shabbat  
Mitzvah Years

### November 11

Veteran's Shabbat  
Junior Congregation  
Mitzvah Years

### Friday, November 17

Shabbat Unplugged & Dinner

### November 18

Vickar Baby Naming  
Junior Congregation  
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### November 25

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## What's Happening This Month...

For more information about any of these programs, please call the office at 727-1747 or visit our website at [www.ShaareZedek.org](http://www.ShaareZedek.org).

### Sunday, November 5 at 10:15 am SISTERHOOD FINANCE PROGRAM

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### Sunday, November 5 at 5:30 pm B'NAI MITZVAH DINNER

A mandatory informational evening (for the parents) and program (for the kids) for those celebrating a B'nai Mitzvah in the 2007 calendar year. There is no charge for the dinner or program. Please RSVP to the office by November 1.

### Saturday, November 11 at 5:45 pm MISHPACHA PAJAMA PARTY

Families with children ages 0 to 5 are invited to join Hazzan Dulkan for a Havdalah pajama party. Come in your PJ's for Havdalah, singing, dancing, and a special dessert. There is no cost for this program. Please RSVP to the office by November 6.

### Saturday, November 11 at 7 pm MOVIE: FRISCO KID

It's time for another season of our perennially popular Saturday Night Movie series! This year will focus on Jewish comedy and will start off with a bang. *The Frisco Kid* (1979) features Gene Wilder as a Polish rabbi on his way through the Old West and Harrison Ford as his bank-robbing guide to all things cowpoke. We will begin with a brief introduction to the Jewish themes of the movie and continue with a screening (122 minutes) and optional discussion afterwards. Admission is free and so are the popcorn and soda.

### Shaare Zedek Young Adults:

Join us at the Trivia Night at The Heights on Saturday, November 4 and save the date for a Chanukah outing to Ameristar on Saturday, December 16. Contact Liz at [YoungAdults@ShaareZedek.org](mailto:YoungAdults@ShaareZedek.org) for more information.

### Sunday, November 12 at 7 pm MEN'S CLUB SUNDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL AND POKER PARTY

Join the boys for an evening of football and poker. Enjoy the camaraderie of the gang while we shmooze over a traditional Men's Club Deli Dinner and beer. \$5 gets you in the door and includes dinner and beverage. Enter the poker game with as little or as much as you dare! Please call the synagogue office to make your reservations by Thursday, November 9.

### Thursday, November 16 at 12:30 pm 60+ LUNCHEON AT SHAARE ZEDEK

Another year of great food and great programming kicks off with this luncheon. Lunch will be followed by a musical program presented by **Hazzan Joanna Dulkan**. RSVP to the office by November 13.

### Friday, November 17 at 6 pm SHABBAT UNPLUGGED AND SHABBAT DINNER

Our monthly service, complete with a band and lots of Ruach. The service will be followed by a Shabbat dinner. Cost for dinner is \$12 for adults and \$8 for children. RSVP to the office by November 13.

### Sunday, November 19 at 12:30 pm BABY BOOMERS LUNCH AND MEETING

We'll meet for lunch and a short meeting in the Sara Myers Community Room. Please bring a bag of kosher chips/pretzels or pareve cookies/dessert plus \$6 for your lunch. Note that your marital status is not a criteria any more...just that you be Jewish and born between 1946-1964. Please RSVP by November 15 to Steve, Sydney or Alan or call office at 727-1747. New e-mail address is [boomers@shaarezedek.org](mailto:boomers@shaarezedek.org).

## Give the Gift of Life

The Jewish Social Action Network is holding a  
Blood Drive

Sunday, November 19 from 11 am - 3 pm  
JCC Wohl Building at the Millstone Campus  
Blood supplies are frighteningly low.

You could help save a life. To volunteer to donate  
blood, please contact Micki Kingsley at  
997-4479 or [makingsley@gjn.com](mailto:makingsley@gjn.com).

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The deadline for the December News is November 10.			1 10 <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	2 11 <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	3 12 <i>Candlelighting 4:42 7 am &amp; 5:30 pm</i>	4 13 LECH LECHA Kadima Sleepover in Columbia Trivia Night at The Heights <i>8:45 am &amp; 4 pm</i>
5 14 No Sunday School 10:15 am Sisterhood Finance Program 5:30 pm B'nai Mitzvah Dinner <i>8 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	6 15 9:45 am WL Class <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	7 16 Election Day 8 am Text Study <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	8 17 <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	9 18 <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	10 19 <i>Candlelighting 4:35 7 am &amp; 5:30 pm</i>	11 20 VAYERA Veteran's Shabbat 5:45 pm Mishpacha Pajama Party Movie: Frisco Kid <i>8:45 am, 3:50 pm,</i>
12 21 Noar Program SSDS Open House 7 pm Men's Club Football and Poker Party <i>8 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	13 22 9:45 am WL Class <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	14 23 8 am Text Study <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	15 24 USY Ruach 101 Lounge Night <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	16 25 60+ Luncheon <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	17 26 7th Grade Shabbaton at BSKI <b>Shabbat Unplugged &amp; Dinner</b> <i>Candlelighting 4:29 7 am &amp; 5:30 pm</i>	18 27 CHAYE SARAH Vickar Baby Naming <i>8:45 am &amp; 3:45 pm</i>
19 28 10:15 am Elections Yom Limmud 12:30 pm Baby Boomers Lunch and Meeting <i>8 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	20 29 9:45 am WL Class <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	21 30 Rosh Chodesh 8 am Text Study ECC Thanksgiving Feast <i>6:45 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	22 1 Rosh Chodesh No Hebrew School <i>6:45 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	23 2 Thanksgiving Day No Hebrew School USY Kinnus in Des Moines <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	24 3 USY Kinnus in Des Moines <i>Candlelighting 5:50 7 am &amp; 6:30 pm</i>	25 4 TOLDOT Alex Shimony Bar Mitzvah USY Kinnus in Des Moines <i>8:45 am &amp; 5:05 pm</i>
26 5 No Sunday School USY Kinnus in Des Moines <i>8 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	27 6 9:45 am WL Class <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	28 7 8 am Text Study <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	29 8 <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>	30 9 <i>7 am &amp; 6 pm</i>		

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