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# Today Rabah!

## Haftarot for September

James Singman, Joyce Olshan,  
Mendel Rosenberg, Rabbi Mark Fasman,  
Harriet Shanas, Jeremy Buhler, Joe Levy,  
Yossi Shapiro, Karen Karabell,  
Michael Rauchman

## Greeters for September

Mendel Rosenberg, Beth Levy

## Kiddushes for September

Sisterhood, Synagogue

## Minyan Breakfasts

Leo Wolff., Livia and Sheldon Kessler,  
Susan Roth, Shirley and Herb Fredman,  
(9/3) Steve Birenbaum, Rabbi Mark  
Fasman, Alan Spetner, Barry Pessin,  
Mendel Rosenberg

\*Indicates multiple hosting.

# Mazal Tov!

## Anniversaries

Siegfried & Carol Adler  
Erwin & Adell Alpern  
Henry & Mary Berger  
Aviva & Margaux Buck-Yael  
Kevin Dern & Rachel Glass  
Michael & Susan Gartenberg  
Steven & Alla Grossman  
Joseph & Beth Levy  
Bill & Christy Marx  
Jeff & Gabrielle Miller  
Elliot & Kim Rich  
Amos & Barbara Shamir  
Jeff & Jessica Wax  
Craig & Amy Zaidman

## New Plaques in the Guller Chapel

Nancy Schukar  
Sanford Berns  
LaVerne Zeid  
Floyd Cohn  
Harold Tachman

## New Ashreinu Leaves

10th Anniversary of  
Melissa & Heath Propper  
College Graduations and Weddings  
of Daniel & Derek Wetmore



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Rabbi

**Joanna Selznick Dulkan**  
Hazzan

**Marvin Lerner**  
Ba'al Koreh

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contact our coordinator

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Please put 'Haftorah' in the subject line.

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# A Message from the Rabbi

Rabbi Mark Fasman



## It's About Time

Since Abraham and Sarah, most of our ancestors never stayed in any one place long enough to build enormous sacred spaces (with a few exceptions). So the Jewish religion focuses on sacred time rather than sacred space. Since קדושה (*kedushah*) – “sanctity” in time requires knowing when it begins and when it ends, Jews have been extraordinarily concerned with precisely calculating the boundaries בין קדש לחול (*bein kodesh l'chol*) – “between sacred and non-sacred.”

We just began a new year, 5771, according to the Jewish calendar. It is the fourteenth year in the 19-year cycle of Jewish years, which means that it is a leap year (that is, there are thirteen complete lunar cycles this year). As a result

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of the extra month, next Rosh Hashanah will be “late” relative to the secular calendar (5772 begins on September 29th.) As it happens, with the exception of Hanukah, all of the Jewish holidays in 2011 will be on the same days of the week as in 2010.

During the period of the Second Temple (ca. 516 B.C.E. – 70 C.E.) the calendar was determined by observation and intercalation (addition of an extra month, when necessary) and were “certified” by the Sanhedrin. During the fourth century, Hillel II (not the same as the better known Hillel, who lived in the first century B.C.E.) made public the system of calendrical calculations that we use today. Then and now, this was to insure that Jewish communities throughout the world observed holidays on the same days, thus simultaneously guarding sacred time and reinforcing the importance of Jewish unity.

The central problem in fixing our calendar is that the lunar month is 29 days, 12 hours, and 44.055 minutes (a number they knew 2,000 years ago), so it isn't always completely

clear when the first day of the month actually begins. (For example, what happens when the precise beginning of the new month is mid-morning?) Furthermore, since Yom Kippur cannot fall on Friday or Sunday and Hoshanah Rabbah cannot fall on Shabbat, our Sages determined that Rosh Hashanah can only fall on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday “posing problems that would cross a rabbi's eyes.” The calendar is actually much more complicated than this; I have tried to simplify it as much as I can! (In truth, you only really need to check your Jewish calendar or the synagogue newsletter.)

So, I recently considered the question of how to calculate the end time for Shabbat. Shabbat begins at astronomical sunset on Friday

and ends at the appearance three stars on Saturday. (Because we are west of the city of St. Louis, Shabbat begins and ends approximately one minute later in University City than it does there.) Astronomical sunset can be precisely determined based on one's latitude and longitude. So we know when Shabbat begins astronomically. In order not to run the risk of violating sacred time, candle lighting time for Shabbat (and Festivals) is set at eighteen minutes before astronomical sunset.

But when, precisely, is Shabbat over? When can a wedding or bat mitzvah party begin? Although there is general consensus as to when Shabbat begins, there are a number of *different halakhic positions* as to when Shabbat ends. (This is why there are different published times for when Shabbat ends, even when the synagogues are close to each other.)

The problem is twofold: **1)** how many minutes after astronomical sunset is officially “three stars”, and **2)** how much time, if any, should

Shabbat be extended *after* “three stars” (just as we light candles eighteen minutes *before* Shabbat begins)? There are several authoritative positions concerning how to calculate precisely when Shabbat ends.

The standard halakhic authority for the Conservative Movement is Rabbi Isaac Klein's *A Guide to Jewish Religious Practice*. This is what Rabbi Klein writes:

Leo Levi, a physicist and also a Talmudic scholar, drew up a chart which shows the times at which stars appear after sunset... It is Levi's opinion that the maximum time which can elapse between the astronomical sunset and the appearance of the third star is twenty-five minutes (on the day of the summer solstice and for the Temperate Zone)... For those who wish to wait longer, we can add more time, based on the principle of *כל המרבה הרי זה משבח* (*Kol ha-marbeh harei zeh meshubach*) – “Whoever increases, is to be praised”; those who prefer to end Shabbat as soon as permitted may do so based on the principle of *כל המחמיר תבוא עליו ברכה* (*Kol ha-machmir tavo alav berakhah*) – “Whoever is strict, may blessing come to him.”

My decision: beginning this October, Shaare Zedek will officially conclude Shabbat forty-five minutes later on *motzei* Shabbat than the candle lighting time the night before (heretofore, it has been sixty minutes). This number is calculated as follows: eighteen minutes before sunset on Friday plus twenty-five minutes after sunset on Saturday equals forty-three, plus an additional two minutes cushion equals forty-five minutes total. (You may always extend Shabbat

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# Presidential Matters

Gary Kodner



In Case you missed it, couldn't hear it or just forgot...

Rabbi Fasman, Rabbi Paul, Hazzan Dulkan, Board of Directors, members and friends I spent a lot of time thinking about what I could say today. There are so many things I can say about this synagogue. Shaare Zedek is constantly on my mind. What could I say that will make a difference?

Then I began to wonder.... does anybody really listen? A few days from now will anyone even remember what I said? Do you remember what I said last year? I asked my wife Peggy if she could remember anything about last year's speech. or If she had any thoughts or suggestions for this year. She really couldn't recall anything specific from last year, but thought that I sounded too choked up, not loud enough for her to hear.

Maybe I spoke too softly. Peggy, can you hear me now? She also thought maybe it was a good idea to start off with a joke. I am going to spare you the jokes.

This past year I attended the United Synagogue biennial convention in Cherry Hill NJ, despite all the gloom and doom and declining trends, I returned energized and confident that our Conservative movement is alive and reset to take on the challenges of the future. I took great pride in representing Shaare Zedek Synagogue. I collected on behalf of our synagogue, 9 Solomon Schechter Awards for Synagogue Excellence. Far more than any synagogue in North America. Made me proud to represent this very special community. One woman stopped me along my shuttle back and forth to the podium, she said: Kenehara! What is going on at Shaare Zedek? I encountered those who knew and complimented us on our wonderful rabbi and Hazzan. Entering an elevator, a man was reading my ID badge spoke to me, "You're from Shaare Zedek in St. Louis, you must know Rudy Oppenheim?"

Who's Rudy Oppenheim? Who doesn't know Rudy?

We have so much to be proud of, so much we have accomplished, there is so much more we can do. This is a congregation with a buzz. We are blessed with talent, tradition and ambition.

Our Incredible SZSL youth group led by my favorite youth Director Liz Redler, and our chair Kathi Rosenberg returned home from their EMTZA Regional convention with eight awards including Emtza region chapter of the year! We may have the best youth group chapter in the nation, perhaps they will be recognized as the International chapter of the year.

We have a new DorWays community of young families founded, funded and inspired by Helene and Alan Spetner. With the talents and leadership of Hazzan Dulkan they have helped a new generation of SZ members build new activities, new traditions and a new gateway to SZ membership and participation.

With the financial Assistance of Crown grants, creativity and leadership from Hazzan Dulkan we have been able to fund projects for Mishapacha and DorWays. Tot Shabbat services led by Jeff and Shelly Dean, We were one of 15 synagogues in the country who were awarded special grant money to lead a congregational wide music initiative called Ruach Am'cha. One of only 2 synagogues renewed for a second year. This is really incredible stuff! Hazzan Dulkan, Julie Freidman, Lisa Peckler and a talented cast of ambassadors help make all this happen.

Let's not take for granted our great Rabbi Fasman, dedicated to service, to learning, to teaching and to connecting people to our tradition, through his sermons, with the financial support of Sara and Leo Wolfe, Sima and Phil Needleman, supported by the countless hours and dedication of Sydney Farber, provide us with a steady stream of Scholars in Residence, Adult education

classes and learning opportunities taught by Rabbi Fasman, Rabbi Dulkan, Hazzan Dulkan, Herb Fredman, Dorit Galor, Joyce Olshan, Howard Belsky.

Where would we be without the leadership of our board chair, Marsha Birenbaum? Who have led successful angels campaigns and our High Holiday appeals with Marc Spector.

Karen Rader and our new Education Director Anita Kraus, armed with the professional expertise, time and patience of Lisa Gellman are putting our Shaare Shalom School back on the right track.

Our VPs Beth Levi, as Membership chair, reconstructed our dues schedule, helped spear head our Keruv initiative, a new holiday learners service and so much more. Monroe Ginsburg, has led our ritual committee. He deserves so many thanks for organizing the details, people and honors for the holidays. Not just these High Holidays, but all holidays. And Sandy Boxerman, VP personnel chair who guided our committee to securing renewed contracts for the Rabbi and Hazzan. No easy task done them at the same time! We have many dedicated members, a caring Chesed Committee, Active Men's Club, A sisterhood that cooks, not just food... they are a major fund raiser and funder of so many things around the synagogue. Thank you Micki Kingsley for leading our sisterhood, fundraising, funding special needs, sponsoring programs, subsidizing youth trips and scholarship, Thank you Mitch Shenker and David Propper for leading our men's club, annual programs like sports dinner yellow candle program, worldwide wrap and many others. There are so many others contributing to the vitality of our synagogue, forgive me for

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In the Garden of Eden, God gives Adam and Eve a number of responsibilities (including but not limited to being fruitful and multiplying). They are charged with the care and tending of the garden: they are told to work the land, and to watch over it: *l'ovdah u-l'shomrah*. God took the trouble to create the flora and fauna, which included lush trees, sweet fruit, animals of all shapes and sizes, and people. Through their nurturing and sustaining of the garden, Adam and Eve are expected to be God's partners in creation.

As the descendants of Adam and Eve, we, too, are expected to partner with God to continue the work of creation through caring for one another and for the earth. Through a very generous grant from the Crown Family Foundation, which has funded the creation of our young families *chavurah* (previously *Mishpacha*, now *DorWays*), we are proud to announce our own Jewish Environmental initiative here at Shaare Zedek. Families with children in early elementary school are invited to be our primary *shomrim*, or guardians, of our very own garden. We will begin to compost appropriate food from our kitchens, research our carbon footprint, and learn about sustainable food, and more, all from a Jewish perspective, while planting and tending *havdalah* spices and vegetables. Each *DorWays* holiday celebration this year, from *Sukkot* to *Tu b'Shevat*, *Chanukah* to *Purim*, will have a green bent, with activities and fun that tie into Jewish environmentalism.

There are a number of important organizations that have paved the way for our initiative and for others around the country and the world. The first I will mention is, of course, the Jewish National Fund ([www.jnf.org](http://www.jnf.org)), which has worked for over 100 years to "plant 240 million trees, building over 200 reservoirs and dams, developing over 250,000 acres of land, creating more than 1,000 parks, providing the infrastructure for over 1,000 communities, bringing life to the Negev Desert and educating students around the

world about Israel and the environment." I often tell my students that when they go to Israel and see something as apparently unremarkable as a tree, most likely it was planted with the work of someone's hand, with intention and love, both of which are quite remarkable indeed. Environmental initiatives have not always been *en vogue* but JNF has been at the forefront of this movement longer than any other Jewish organization.

Hazon ([www.hazon.org](http://www.hazon.org)), which means vision, "works to create a healthier and more sustainable Jewish community and a healthier and more sustainable world for all." Through their support of the Jewish environmental movement, grassroots campaign, their famous bike ride fundraisers throughout the US and Israel, and most recently, their Food Conference, which brings together participants from *Tuv Ha'Aretz* food coop communities (St. Louis has one!) day schools, "educators, food lovers, farmers, home gardeners, nutritionists, rabbis, chefs, and community organizers from across the country to explore the intersections of Jewish tradition and contemporary food issues." They also provide curricular support for Jewish schools and congregational Green initiatives.

Other organizations of mention are the Coalition for the Environment and Jewish Life (COEJL), at [www.coejl.org](http://www.coejl.org), an important political lobby which "represents 29 national Jewish organizations spanning the full spectrum of Jewish religious and communal life and serves as the voice of the organized Jewish community on environmental issues in Washington, D.C. and around the country" and the Teva Learning Center, which trains accomplished Jewish educators like our own "Ms. Linda" Kram to become certified Jewish Environmental Educators ([tevalearningcenter.org](http://tevalearningcenter.org)). This summer, a

## "... be part of our Jewish Environmental Initiative here at Shaare Zedek!"

Jewish summer camp opened in the Hudson valley of New York called Eden Village, where, in addition to arts and crafts, boating and sports, campers grow their own snacks in gardens right outside their cabins, eat kosher, sustainable meals and have a zero-waste goal. ([edenvillagecamp.org](http://edenvillagecamp.org))

We can't wait to begin planting and tending our garden and to learn how to be keepers of the earth - and we can't wait for you to be part of our Jewish environmental initiative here at Shaare Zedek! If you are interested in helping with our garden, please contact me, family program coordinator Melissa Berk, or Linda Kram, who will serve as our Jewish Environmental Educator.

L'shannah Tovah! May this year be a sweet one. May we continue to grow and learn together as 5771 begins.

### The Jewish Food Pantry Needs Our Help

The Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry is looking for items to provide well-balanced nourishment for the community in need.



Items should be brought to your temple or synagogue collection site.

*The need is great so please help in any way you can. Thank you.*

**For further information, please contact Louise Levine, 636-227-1259.**

# MEN'S CLUB POKER NIGHT

**Sunday, November 7 at 7:00 pm at Shaare Zedek**

**A Texas Hold'em Tournament  
for both men and women.**

**We will provide snacks, beer and soda.**

**Texas Hold'em is a community card game where each player may use any combination of the five community cards and the player's own two hole cards to make a poker hand, in contrast to poker variants like stud or draw where each player holds a separate individual hand. Even if you are not familiar with the game we will teach you. We do not play for big stakes. Try your luck at beating Joe Iken.**

**This evening is for everyone to enjoy!**



# Sisterhood

Micki Kingsley, President



The commemoration of eating in booths while wandering in the desert is behind us again. It seems that school just let out for the summer. Did Einstein really ever say, "It's all relative." We all enjoyed the Women's Night in the Sukkah. Thank you to Lisa Gellman and the other ladies who helped plan the evening and prepare dinner; and we certainly appreciated Hazzan Dulkan sharing *erev chag* with us.

Before you know it, October 23rd will be here. If you haven't already made reservations for the Sisterhood/Men's Club Trivia fund-raiser on Saturday night, October 23, please do. Check the ad in this newsletter for further information. If you're a veteran of our trivia evenings, you know you'll have fun; and if this will be your first, you'll be surprised how much fun it will be. We need you to help us make this a very successful event.

And thinking about fund-raisers, have you seen the flyers and the samples of our newest project: Memory Tablecloths. For more information or for some ideas, please get in touch with Cindy Ginsburg who will be glad to give you some tips for creating your own memory square.

Our Chanukah Brunch program is planned for Sunday December 5. Save the date and look for more information next month. We'd like you to be there. We will again be collecting gifts for the Jewish Family & Children's Service "Hanukah Hugs" program. Per their guidelines, please, no stuffed animals; and gifts for older children are always in short supply.

I can hear the buzz in the air: you're saying to yourself, "we ought to celebrate our [birthdays, anniversary, children's wedding, baby naming, winning big in Vegas] with a Sisterhood Kiddush." It's a very small number of kids who will be celebrating *bar/bat mitzvot* this coming year. We count on our *kiddushes* to provide the resources for so many synagogue needs. I sponsored a *kiddush* the end of August to start us off. I didn't feel comfortable asking you to sponsor

or co-sponsor a Kiddush if I didn't heed the call too. We certainly could use your business. It's a win-win situation: you celebrate a happy occasion, while providing much needed support to many areas of your synagogue.

The Jewish Book Festival will be here the beginning of November. Watch for information on dates, books and authors. Our Sisterhood is a sponsor of the Book Festival. If you'd like information, please contact Marilyn Kunitz, our Book Festival liaison.

Did you see Ann Frank, our Gift Shop maven, mentioned in the Post Dispatch on August 27, 2010 in a story on Project Backpacks, initiated by Judy Pearlstone. Ann has been volunteering with this worthwhile program for over ten years. If you or any of your groups would like to collect items, stock shelves and/or prepare backpacks for kids on the move, talk to Ann. It's a wonderful program.

This month of Cheshvan, Mar (bitter) Cheshvan, is the only Hebrew month with no holidays, no feast days, and no fast days. Just last month we were listening to the shofar, engaged in worship services, repentance, building and eating in the sukkah, and shaking a *lulav*.

Our sages understood the lack of holidays in Cheshvan, to have been well conceived. After having just experienced the prayers, supplications and *t'shuva* of Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, the happiness of Sukkot and Simchat Torah, we need to step back and absorb it all. We should learn from our deep introspection, our study, and our worship, and re-emerge a better person.

I don't know if Marvin Lerner reads these columns, but I think the numerical value of Mar Cheshvan and Cheshvan is 611, which is the gematria for "Torah".

Get out your umbrellas. We prayed for rain!

**See you at Trivia Night – 10/23!**

A Message From the Rabbi

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yourself.) This פסק (p'sak, "legal ruling") is based on *both* halakhic principles: כל המרבה הרי זה משבח – "Whoever increases [even by two minutes?], is to be praised" and כל המחמיר תבוא עליו ברכה – "Whoever is strict [that is, using the precise minimum], may blessing come to him."

## Do you want SISTERHOOD to do the work?

Please keep us in mind when you celebrate a Simcha... a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, an auf ruf, an anniversary, a birthday, a new baby, or any other occasion you want to celebrate with a **SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH**.

You can also join with another person or group and co-sponsor.

We do the work, you'll enjoy a delicious Shabbat Kiddush, and the synagogue will benefit from our fund-raising.



**Call the office (314.727.1747) for information.**

*We'll be glad you did.*

Thank you.

Dear Friends,

Thank you all very much for all the calls, visits and prayers for Ruth while she was in the hospital and at home. Your care and concern is very much appreciated.

*The Levy and Burke Families*



**“When I have time I will learn.” Perhaps you will never have time.** (Pirkei Avot 2:4)

We waste time, spend time, steal time, save time and pass time. There are time outs, timelines and time capsules. Time is what we make of it but we seem to always want more.

There are several people that have gone above and beyond with their “time.” In the last few months, I have implemented many changes but certainly not alone.

You may have noticed we have a new logo. You may not know but I am not a graphic artist. However, Gary Kodner is and Shaare Shalom gives a huge thank you to Gary for the time he spent updating our logo and creating all the different forms of it, from our e-news banner to the letter head.

Thank you, Gary!

You may also have noticed that we have a new and usable website. Alan Portman has spent countless hours creating, updating and tweaking our website. Shaare Shalom would not be on the web and parents would not be enjoying a usable and informative web page without Alan’s time and patience.

Thank you, Alan!

You probably have not noticed that Shaare Shalom has changed their bookkeeping procedures. Thank you to Lisa Gellman! Because of Lisa’s countless (literally) hours, we now have an efficient and accurate bookkeeping system. Lisa researched, created and implemented our system so that every student is accounted for as well as our dollars. She has been a huge part in our infrastructure and an invaluable resource. Thank you, Lisa!

Another huge thank you goes to the Shaare Shalom Board members. The members of the board met through the summer to make sure that the Shaare Shalom policies, programming, staffing and financial issues were all being handled professionally and in a timely manner.

Thank you for your time; Karen Rader, Ruth Battle, Beth Rubin, Molly Portman, Rick Kodner, Gary Kodner, Dan Rosenthal, Ellen Scholten, Rhona Lyons-Warren, Jeff Miller, Rabbi Miller, Rabbi Fasman and Hazzan Dulkan.

A last thank you is directed to the countless number of people that have reached out to welcome and connect with me and the Shaare Shalom Religious School. Education is most certainly as good as the connections that are made.

As you read this, Shaare Shalom is off and running. The teachers have been spending their “time” creating connections and active lessons. Jewish classroom teachers are always wrestling with time.

Their goal is to make every classroom minute a learning minute.

The teachers have spent their short time so far getting to know each of their students. They have grappled with reflection as

their students readied themselves for Yom Kippor. They studied and celebrated Sukkot, celebrated Simchat Torah, and continued with their Hebrew studies and much more. The beginning of October is all about the environment. Sara-Kahn Shapiro our p’ulot morah (activities teacher), along with the whole staff has focused on JCRC’s “Project Noach.” Our Earth’s resources are limited and our awareness is vital. There is only so much we can do...but what we can do is important. Even though we can never finish repairing the world, we can do our part. We invite you to come by and view what the students created together in an effort to “reuse and recycle.” Look around your home. What steps can you take to reuse items or repair your world? It won’t take too much “time” but the benefit will be huge.

I wish you enough “time” to enjoy your family, spend time learning and make connections!

L’hitraot

Anita



**OPEN M-F 10:00AM- 12:30PM**  
**Special Hebrew School Hours:**  
**M & W 5:30- 6:30 pm**

Sunday hours by appointment.  
Arrangements may be made for special occasions (i.e., weddings, b’nai mitzvot, bris melah, etc.)

**We are looking for volunteers to work in the Gift Shop from 10-12:30pm.**

**Please contact Ann Frank if you are interested, 434-5603.**

**2010 Entertainment Books are available for \$30.**

Take advantage of our buy 2 get 1 free offer.

Sold through our Sisterhood Gift Shop and Synagogue office.

# SZSL Change for Change



## Bring us your tzedakah!

**Shaare Zedek USY (SZSL) is teaming up with Rabbi Fasman to collect Change for Change.**

Last Purim, SZ members were sent a personal pushke to collect coins for this special project.

Collect your spare change every day. Bring in your spare coins and our USY members will load 'em into our counting machine and donate YOUR tzedakah to a worthy organization.

Look for the collection boxes and our change counting machine at synagogue events.

### Together, we can help change the world!

Tzedakah is commonly translated as charity, but the word itself is based on the Hebrew word צדקה, (tzedek) meaning righteousness, fairness, or justice. Tzedakah refers to the religious obligation to perform charity, and philanthropic acts. Unlike philanthropy, tzedakah is seen as a religious obligation.

It is argued that the Biblical regulations concerning left-overs only applied to corn fields, orchards, and vineyards; and the classical rabbinical writers were very strict in regard to who could receive the remains. It was stated that the farmer was not permitted to benefit from the gleanings, and was not permitted to discriminate among the poor. The farmer was not even allowed to help one of the poor to gather the leftovers.

It is also argued that the law was only applicable in Canaan, although many classical rabbinical writers who were based in Babylon observed the laws there.

Maimonides lists his Eight Levels of Giving, as written in the Mishneh Torah, Hilkhhot Matanot Aniyim (Laws about Giving to Poor People) Chapter 10:7-14

1. Giving an interest-free loan to a person in need; giving a grant to a person in need
2. Giving tzedakah anonymously to an unknown recipient via a person (or public fund) who is trustworthy, wise, and can perform acts of tzedakah with your money in a most impeccable fashion
3. Giving tzedakah anonymously to a known recipient
4. Giving tzedakah before being asked
5. Giving tzedakah publicly to an unknown recipient
6. Giving adequately after being asked
7. Giving willingly, but inadequately
8. Giving "in sadness" - it is thought that Maimonides was referring to giving because of the sad feelings one might have in seeing people in need (as opposed to giving because it is a religious obligation; giving out of pity)

not mentioning them all. An effective, nurturing and thriving ECC run by Marty Schaeffer and her staff, our chairs Jeremy Buhler and Steve Silipsky, delicious Kiddush's by Sara Myers and our sisterhood, Jerry Cohen supposed 3000 Sunday breakfasts, Jerry and Burton are there every day to ensure we have daily Minyans, classes, social gatherings, trips, Tzedakah, support for Israel.

We have strong leadership, the best klei Chodesh, award winning programs, best youth group, and active supportive auxiliary groups. Meals on wheels, Mishlach manot, I can go on and on. Pickup a copy of our Program booklet, see what's going on. Get involved.

We sound so perfect! So what's missing? Why do I have to come before you and ask for more money? The answer is simple... We are not paying for all that we are doing, Not without significant borrowing.

We have been very successful fund raisers and raised significant funds through a Capital campaign, Centennial events, just right it Mark Raffia Torah Project, Year-end Angel campaigns, High Holiday appeals. To say we haven't worked hard or raised any money is incorrect and insulting to those who have worked and generously contributed. But it hasn't been enough! We still borrow money and grow our debt. Borrowing has limits and dire consequences for our next generation.

Simply put: In order to continue to operate under our current model we will need to get a lot larger in membership numbers, earn an additional \$100 k each year in revenue, and find the funds to retire our growing debt.

This calls for aggressive strategies and bold action if we are to sustain this vibrant synagogue for today and for the next generation.

Change is no longer an option. It is a requirement. No one ever said change is easy because... it isn't!

We have all heard about the merger assessment... A process of fact finding and discovery that we convened with our neighbors, BSKI. We all hear so many things. Some true. Some not. People want to know where I stand, how's it going? Let me share some facts: I'm neither pro-merger nor anti-merger. I'm pro Shaare Zedek. I want to see us sustain all the incredible programming described in this program guide. I would like to see us continue to employ the best clergy in town. I want us to leave this legacy to the next generation, not an insurmountable mound of debt.

I hear more questions: Why do need a merger assessment? Why don't we just raise more money? Recruit more volunteers? Why don't we get everyone to pay all their dues? Why don't we cut more spending? We are carefully considering all of the above. We have postponed needed repairs and upgrades to our building. So WHY ARE we conducting a merger assessment?

A long Range planning process convened in late 2008, followed-up by a leadership planning retreat. It was merger exploration and our building that generated the most urgent concern. At our January board meeting this year, with the largest attendance I have experienced in my 6 years on the board, we voted overwhelmingly in favor of pursuing a merger assessment process with BSKI. We convened a joint-committee of synagogue leaders to assess the viability of merger as a potential answer to existing and long range challenges. We discovered that our financial and demographic trends are profound, directional, verifiable and ongoing. A Shrinking Jewish population, dramatic drop-off in student enrollment in Jewish education, rising divorce and inter-marriage rates, shrinking mortality rates, lowest synagogue affiliation in generations, and add to that the rising costs for vital needs such as healthcare and education, amidst a weakened job market and faltering economy. Both BSKI and Shaare Zedek realize that significantly growing membership or income numbers in the wake of these circumstances is not likely. We recognized that we compete in the same cultural, denominational and geographic space. We share similar goals.

We have approached this process with open minds as to the possibilities and outcomes.

We are not doing this to reinforce or pursue individual self-interests.

We represent the interest and well-being of our synagogues and our community with an emphasis on process, openness, fairness and fact finding. We have gathered a lot of valuable information, beneficial to whatever solutions we pursue.

Some of us feel there is too much focus on the financial and membership numbers. While I would agree that we simply cannot define ourselves based on our available funds or the size of our membership roster. But those trends are real and present our biggest threats.

We understand how monumental and challenging a merger discussion is.

Members rightly take pride and comfort in our long history and the significance of this institution. We have no intention of hurting anyone. We are tasked with saving our Shul, not destroying it.

The central question and starting point relates to whether a new structure or new modes of collaboration will result in a greater ability to achieve and sustain our congregation. Will the merger enable us to do a better job? Continue our mission? Maintain what we have? As important as institutional needs are; we must be prepared to put mission and the effective and efficient achievement of outcomes, above provincialism. It seems to me an ethical imperative to explore whether this is possible by leveraging resources in new ways, achieving organizational synergies and looking at whether or not structural change might enable new solutions to old problems.

Merger is not a perfect, fix-all solution. Not all mergers succeed.

Mergers challenge many individual's comfort zones, memories and traditions.

So a big question I am frequently asked; what's the consensus? Is the merger on or off?

# Adult Education

Sydney Farber

With the high holidays behind us, I didn't want to forget to thank Rabbi Fasman for the interesting and informative Lunch and Learn discussion about Tzom Gedaliah (Sept. 12) and Hoshana Rabba (Sept. 29th).

For these upcoming October events, please call Nancy (314-727-1747) to let us know your plan on attending.

★ On Sunday, **October 3rd**, coinciding with the reading of Bereshit, we have the opportunity to hear Drs. Alan and Bonnie Templeton talk on two very interesting topics (with a question & answer period to follow). This will take place in the Community Room from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Alan's talk will be "**God of the Gaps vs Life is a Miracle: A Jewish Perspective on the Evolution/Creationism debate.**" Bonnie will follow with "**Adam & Eve and the Evolution of Human Intelligence.**" They will have PowerPoint in both their talks. Light refreshments will be served.

★ Rabbi Fasman will start his Judaism classes, "**Beyond B'nei Mitzvah - Foundations of Judaism**" on Tuesday evening, **October 12th**. All classes will be from 7:15 - 9:00 p.m. in the Community Room. There will be 18 classes in all, though not held consecutively, so be sure to check the bulletin and/or calendar for upcoming dates.

★ Book discussion on **The Way Into Encountering God in Judaism** by Neil Goodman, led by Rabbi Ryan Dulkan - These discussions will be held on the 3rd Shabbat of every month, starting back up again on **October 16th** and from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

★ **Something new:** a knitting/crochet session (making things for tzedakah) will meet in the Community Room, from 10:45 - 11:45 a.m. on the 1st and last Sunday of each month. Our first session will be on **October 31st**. So whether you're an expert knitter or crocheter, or a newbie, who has been wanting to learn since forever, bring your enthusiasm, knitting needles, crochet hooks, yarn, and anything else for an hour of fun and instruction. Some supplies will

be provided. Our first project will be making baby blankets. This is open to everyone. Light refreshments will be served. FWIW (For what it's worth): Did you know that there is more than one way to knit? Come to this class and find out.

★ Upcoming is the class that will be taught primarily by Irene Belsky, with added speakers Rabbi Mark Fasman and Alice Fasman on How to Create a Jewish Home. Two of the topics will be putting up a mezzuzah and how to make your home a kosher home, as well as for everyone, baking Challah. **Date TBA.**

## SAVE THE DATE

**SCHOLAR-in-RESIDENCE - November 17-18**

and possibly into the weekend, we will have the opportunity to hear Roy Doliner, who co-authored with Benjamin Blech to write **The Sistine Secrets :**



**Michaelangelo's Forbidden Messages in the Heart of the Vatican.** More details to follow. (If you wish to look him up, his website is [www.roydoliner.com](http://www.roydoliner.com))

And instead of learning about Tishri/Cheshvan, which occur in October, I'm adding a short five-question quiz to see who reads the Adult Education articles each month. So e-mail me your answers, or for those of you without a computer, write your answers and leave them with Nancy (who will make sure I get them). The questions will also be on the Adult Education Facebook page, even before the newsletter comes out.

For all these questions, please tell me **in which month (of the newsletter)** these things occurred: <HINT: The answers are only in those newsletters from when I became Adult Ed chair, which was January 2009.>

1. When did I start telling you about the months of the Hebrew calendar? You can't reply with - "Oh, but I don't keep the newsletters" because my answer will be "You can read the newsletters online" or "I don't have a computer" and then my reply is "The office keeps back issues." So what was that month?

2. Which did I tell you of a particular holiday (and what is it?) that is not mentioned in the Torah?

3. Where do I mention (ever so slightly) the Third Temple?

4. What was set into law by President George W. Bush in 2006 and what is it called?

5. In which month did I tell you about: tlat de puranuta, shev di-nhemta, and tarte di-tyuvte (and I think I spelled them all correctly)?

Hope you enjoyed the little quiz. The first five winners' names will be mentioned in my November article, unless you wish to remain anonymous.

If you have any suggestions for a class or some other learning opportunity, please contact me (Sydney - 314-692-7560 or by email: [Kitty1106@aol.com](mailto:Kitty1106@aol.com) or in person), or if you're interested in joining this diverse intergenerational committee, contact me for that, too.

So on that note, let me just say - Cya next month, Sydney

There are many ways to recognize or give tribute to a friend or loved one.

- Ashreinu Leaves
- Chapel Memorial Plaques
- Book Fund
- Torah Fund
- Our Yizkor Books

Go to [shaarezedeck.org](http://shaarezedeck.org) and click on the link "Donations"

# Youth Programs

Liz Redler, Youth Director

It's hard to believe that the first quarter of school is over, the High Holidays are completed, and the weather is beginning to change. What's not hard to believe, however, is how SZSL has already had fun lounge nights, an exciting overnight float trip, and a leadership training convention in Denver. And that is just the beginning! There are many fun programs coming in October and it is never too late to be a part of this diverse, fun group! Many of our USY members are involved in various sports, music, theater, art, and extra-curricular academics. Even though everyone has different interests and hobbies, all come together to form a really fun, close group that truly enjoys spending time together. Many of our members even say they look forward to our mid week lounge nights where they can take a break from all of their other commitments and just hang out with their USY family laughing, snacking, and playing games. I encourage all teens to try USY and extend a challenge not to get hooked after just one program!

## USY SAVE THE DATE

**October 6** 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Lounge Night

**October 16** USY Shul Sleepover

**October 20** 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Lounge Night

**October 27** 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Lounge Night

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## Presidential Matters

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The answer is simple: We have no merger. We are assessing the merits and plausibility of merger as a solution to our long-term challenges. It's an alternative option that our board asked us to pursue.

Merger or no merger, our financial issues must be dealt with head on.

And dealt with now. Our operating deficit and growing debt will serve as a road-block to sustaining our current situation, just as it will serve as a major obstacle to engaging another congregation in merger.

Yes, it is so heartwarming and exciting for us to experience the influx of young families. They are quote "the future of Shaare Zedek", but what kind of future will they have if we leave them with debts they cannot afford to pay back?

We are in the midst of a significant population downturn. By every demographic trend and statistical matrix, our future Jewish community will be smaller and less affluent than it is today.

I am not predicting our demise. I want to heighten our awareness for the challenges

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# Early Childhood Education

Marty Schaeffer & Tessa Katan



## ECC WELCOMES THE NEW YEAR



The ECC started out the New Year with fun and excitement for the families and their children.

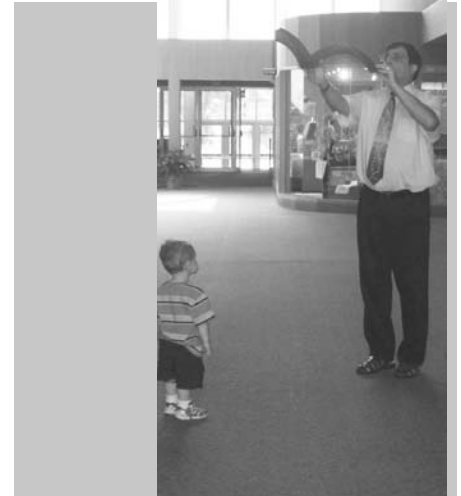
The Ice Cream Social held each year is for families and teachers to become acquainted in a social and relaxed setting. This year we had as its featured guest MAGIC MIKE (Mike Winograd) who kept the kids fascinated and made lots of things disappear.

Following the magic the children then made lots of ice cream disappear.

Rabbi Fasman helped the children bring in the New Year by blowing the shofar. The kids were able to touch and hear all different types and Rabbi made it really exciting as only he can do.

A Rosh Hashanah celebration is not complete without music from Hazzan Joanna. Hazzan has been working with some of the children for a few years so they now know the Hebrew very well and sing with loud, beautiful voices.

Please join us any time Friday morning at 11:30 outside the chapel where we come together to observe Shabbat at the ECC.



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we face, a call to action, a call for members to take action, just as we have many times over the past century. This past Thursday night we convened a special meeting of the membership led by Alan Spetner. Ninety-five of our members showed up to listen to

ideas, facts, and express some of their own alternative solutions. A number of ideas were expressed. Alan talked about "Little things". Those little things that we can do for our Shul every day. Like everyone regardless of your financial circumstances, making small, daily donations, a using a Schnucks fund raising card. We can make online tributes, honor our friends and loved ones

with memorial plaques, ashreinu leaves. We also talked about BIG things we can do. Like using available funds to fix our roof, Improve our aging building, write-down some of our debt. Ken Weintraub and Sherri Weintrop talked about Legacy giving throughout the

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assistance of our Jewish Federation. What about a strategic Plan? We need to change our ways. Become more active, more committed. Working together, respecting one another, and supporting each other is essential. Accepting responsibility is where it starts. Once we do that, Alan's suggestion that we become A F-U-N raising, member-centric congregation can be realized.

Now is the time for all the arms of our community to unite and build upon our collective successes, while we open our minds to create new models, to ensure a sustainable, vibrant, and spiritually fulfilling, synagogue, Conservative Jewish community locally, regionally, and in Israel.

So what can we do right now?

1. Start by Paying your dues and assessments when you receive your statements. Make regular monthly payments direct from your bank account.

Can you afford to increase your dues?

2. Pledge more to our High Holiday Appeal. We are considerably below our goal. We can do that right now.

3. Consider making a legacy gift to Shaare Zedek.

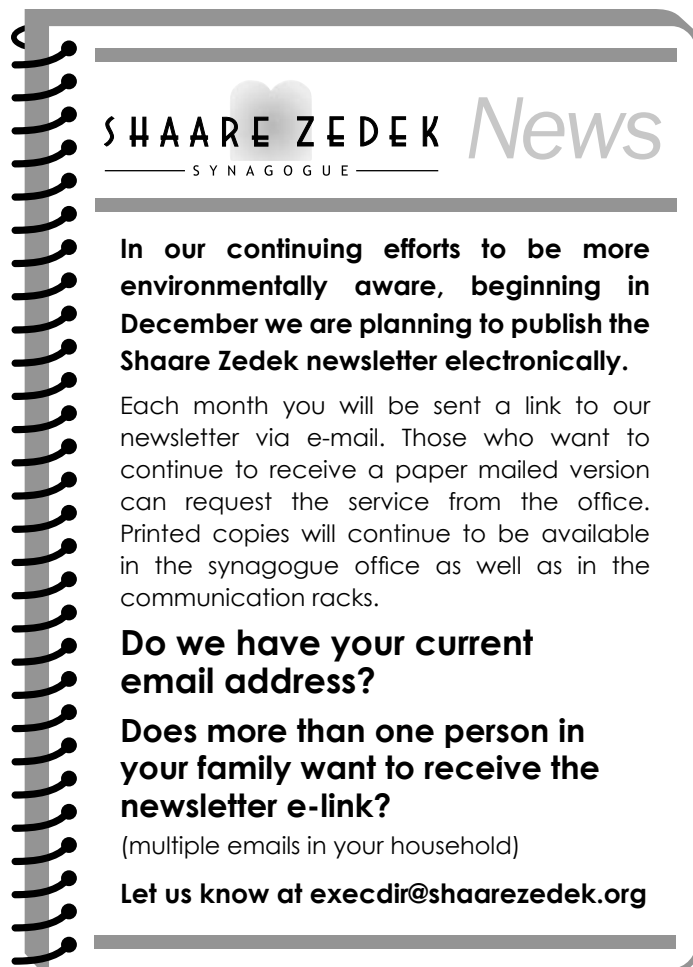
4. Volunteer your time and talents. Join a committee, lead a program, we need your participation.

5. Seek more Jewish Education for yourself and your children

6. Give Tzedakah now and as often as possible, there are growing numbers in our community who need our help

7. Venture outside your comfort zone. Try being a leader, Take a trip to Israel; you may be surprised as to what you can be what you can discover.

8. Come to Shul more often than the Holidays. You will find amazing friendship, support, spiritualism, prayer, and fulfillment. Come to a daily minyan service.



**SHAARE ZEDEK** News  
SYNAGOGUE

**In our continuing efforts to be more environmentally aware, beginning in December we are planning to publish the Shaare Zedek newsletter electronically.**

Each month you will be sent a link to our newsletter via e-mail. Those who want to continue to receive a paper mailed version can request the service from the office. Printed copies will continue to be available in the synagogue office as well as in the communication racks.

**Do we have your current email address?**

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(multiple emails in your household)

**Let us know at [execdir@shaarezedek.org](mailto:execdir@shaarezedek.org)**

9. Let's lighten up and have some fun together. Enjoy and embrace our common bonds and celebrate our diversity

10. Maybe consider being our next Synagogue President?

Participate in our Tikkun Olam social action mission spearheaded by Bob Olshan and Rhona Lyons. There are posters and sign up cards on the table in the foyer. We are launching a year-long Change for Change campaign.

Our USY has teamed up with Rabbi Fasman to collect change for Tzedakah.

Tzedakah is most often translated in English to mean charity but as I have learned recently from Rabbi Fasman, it is much more than that.

Charity suggests benevolence and generosity and is purely a voluntary act. Tzedakah

comes from the Hebrew word Tzedek, "as in Shaare Tzedek", which means righteousness or justice. The justice we speak of stems from the idea that everything we have or possess comes from God who is, in a sense, the Ultimate owner of everything. As tenants, we don't really "own" anything we have; rather, we have temporary possession of it.

We are given the gift of using it for our benefit during our lives. As Jews this privilege comes with responsibility commanded by God to care for the world and those in need. We give not just because we want to. We give because as Jews it is our religious obligation. In the broadest sense, Tzedakah means acting righteously, which in the Jewish tradition means following the commandments.

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## Join Hazzan Dulkan for an unforgettable family Israel trip!

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**Walk** through Hezekiah's tunnel in Jerusalem by candlelight

**Cruise** on the Kinneret

**Tour** the artist colony in Tzfat

**Hike** up Masada's Roman ramp at sunrise

**Float** down the Jordan river

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**Stay** at a Kibbutz

**Relax** on Shabbat in Jerusalem

**Play** on the beaches of Tel Aviv

**Bounce** through the Golan heights on a Jeep

**Dig**-for-a-day at an archaeological site

**Ride** horses, donkeys and even camels!

Add-on opportunity: visit Eilat and Petra, Jordan

Land package per person: \$ 2100 (approximate)

Group airfare will be available.



If you are interested in joining us, please contact Donn Rubin: [drubin@stl-lifesciences.org](mailto:drubin@stl-lifesciences.org),  
or Hazzan Dulkan: [hazzan@shaarezedek.org](mailto:hazzan@shaarezedek.org)

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Tzedakah reinforces our humility and our humanity; it reminds us that regardless of who we are or what we want to do, we must do more simply because it is the right thing to do.

I want to again, thank those who have already made a generous pledge to our High Holiday campaign.

Our High Holiday campaign is one of our critical fundraising components.

I have some good news to report. 100% of our board members have already pledged to this year's campaign. The not so good news is: As of yesterday less than half of our members are participating. That means there is a lot of opportunity sitting in this sanctuary. I want to thank each and everyone

one of you for your financial support, as well as the day to day support you provide to this synagogue with your volunteered time, your skills and your talents. For those who have not yet pledge and for those who could give more, our ushers will be walking up the aisles to collect your pledge cards. There are envelopes available if you need them. We need your support. Consider making a pledge now or consider making another pledge, it's Ok to add on to what you have already given. We all benefit from giving.

I am deeply appreciative of the opportunity that I had to serve this great congregation. I am equally appreciative for all your support and love shown to me and my family these past several years, and I wish each of you the best of health, happiness, peace and prosperity in this New Year. May god bless all of us and this great congregation. Gmar Hatimah Tovah, Shabbat Shalom.

## "BIG COMMUNITY READ" WITH RABBI HAROLD KUSHNER FOR JEWISH COMMUNITY THIS OCTOBER

All members of the Jewish community are invited to participate in this fall's BIG Community READ program, featuring Rabbi Harold Kushner's book, **Conquering Fear: Living Boldly in an Uncertain World**.

Rabbi Kushner will be the speaker at the St. Louis Jewish Book Festival author event on Thursday night, October 28. In the three weeks leading up to his presentation, there will be a series of roundtable and small-group discussions featuring rabbis from the St. Louis Rabbinical Association. The discussion events are free and open to the public. (There will be a charge for Rabbi Kushner's talk.) Everyone is urged to read Rabbi Kushner's book beforehand but it is not required.

**Please save these dates for the discussions with the rabbis:**

**Thursday, October 7, 7-8:30PM;  
Wednesday, October 21 7-9PM;  
& Wednesday, October 28, 7-9PM.**

All events are co-sponsored by the St. Louis Rabbinical Association, the Jewish Community Center-St. Louis Jewish Book Festival, Central Agency for Jewish Education, and Saul Brodsky Jewish Community Library. Watch for more information and visit the Festival website at <http://www.stljewishbookfestival.org>.

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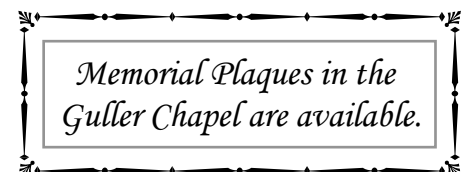
#### Anniversaries

Simmie & Stan Gellman's 50th  
 Jerry & Marion Cohen  
 Laura & Dennis Rainey  
 Jerry & Nancy Raskas' 50th  
 Micki Kingsley  
 Bar/Bat Mitzvah  
 Helen Lopatin – granddaughter, Amanda  
 Phillip & Phyllis Katz

#### Birthdays

Stan Levy – 80th  
 Irene Belsky  
 Jerry & Marion Cohen  
 Betty & Don Siegel  
 Phyllis Warner  
 Ann Frank  
 Rhoda Grimsky  
 Micki Kingsley  
 David & Lisa Gellman

Laura & Dennis Rainey  
 Dorrie & Marvin Lerner  
 Wallace Cohen – special birthday  
 Martin & Barbara Becker  
 Sarah Marx  
 Micki Kingsley  
 Amy Doughty  
 Joe, Gayle, Jake, Adam, Jenny & Bea Levy  
 David Levine  
 Jerry & Marion Cohen  
 Micki Kingsley  
 Rhoda Grimsky  
 Irene Belsky  
 Jerry & Marion Cohen  
 Rhoda Grimsky





Barbara Becker  
Mariam Kopperman

Ron Fagerstrom  
William Fagerstrom

Maxine & Murray Kalina  
Stan Sandler

Audrey Berns  
Jesse Berns

Jada & Brett Fox  
Esther Evans  
Irving Kanter

Jackie Ketcher  
Deborah Goffstein

Barbara Bianco  
Ann Bianco

Ann Frank  
Judith Rimel

Robert Lerner  
Fay Lerner

Leslie Birenbaum  
Goldie Ostroff Stertz

Julia Friedman  
Edith Friedman

Pat Leve  
Bessie Leve

Steve Birenbaum  
Minerva Birenbaum

Rhoda Grimsky  
Reuben Grimsky

Elsie Levy  
Leopold Hirsch  
Johanna Hirsch

Benita Boxerman  
Irma Weissman Silberman

Marvin Guberman  
Fannie Guberman

Jean Marx  
Clara Lea Katz

Leo Bressler  
Sam Bressler  
Dorothy Brody

Sidney & Bobette Guller  
Harvey Guller

Isabel Pollack  
Mary Pollack

Gerald W. Cohen  
Jean Cohen

Fred Handler  
Morris Handler

Nancy Pollack  
Henrietta Klein  
Nathan Naperstick  
Carrie Wormser  
Myron Pollack

Julie Praiss  
Stanley Daschke

Pam Reznick  
Harvey Reznick

Pat Rosen  
Beckie Rosen

Abe & Isabelle Schultz  
Jacob Schultz

**Pearl Oppenheim** passed away on August 4th. Widow of Lester Oppenheim (z"l) and mother of Helen Steiner.

**Helen Novack** passed away on August 5th. Aunt of Pam Reznick.

## David Iken Memorial Fund

### IN HONOR OF

Recovery of Ruth Levy  
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim  
Recovery of Janice Shenker  
Gayle, Joe, & Jenny Levy  
Recovery of Barbara Becker  
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim  
Sid & Sylvia Rosen  
Rhoda Grimsky  
Laurie Raffelson  
Recovery of Sima Needleman  
Sid & Sylvia Rosen  
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim  
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim's twin great grandsons  
Sid & Sylvia Rosen  
Martin & Barbara Becker  
Good health of Seymour Raiffie  
Sid & Sylvia Rosen  
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim's granddaughter's engagement  
Sid & Sylvia Rosen  
Twin grandsons of Rabbi & Mrs. Nathan Bushwick  
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim  
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim's simchas  
Zendra Ashkanazi  
Frances Oppenheim's special birthday  
Zendra Ashkanazi  
Kurt & Sandy Kahn's granddaughter  
Zendra Ashkanazi

### IN MEMORY OF

Judy Sherman  
Martin, Barbara, & Jodi Becker  
Lillian Plax  
Martin, Barbara & Jodi Becker  
Pearl Oppenheim  
Martin, Barbara, & Jodi Becker  
Helen Novack  
Martin, Barbara, & Jodi Beck

Please contact **Frances Oppenheim** 314-721-0026. if you would like to honor someone by making a donation to the David Iken Memorial Fund.

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A weekend of music and learning  
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*Ruach Am'cha* Music Initiative!

# October 29-31, 2010

All are invited to attend one or more  
events over the weekend:

Friday night, service, dinner and singing  
(dinner reservations required)

Shabbat morning "Lunch and Sing" session

Saturday night Havdalah & concert

Sunday workshop for Shaare Shalom Religious School  
(at BSKI)

For questions, information or reservations, please call Shaare Zedek  
Synagogue at (314) 727-1747, or email office@shaarezedek.org.

**PLEASE  
ATTEND A  
MINYAN AND  
BE COUNTED**

Weekday minyan-  
7am & 6pm

Sundays- 8am & 6pm

Saturdays 9am



**Shaare Zedek Calendar**      **October 2010 Tishrei/Cheshvan 5771**

<p><b>Friday, October 1</b> Simchat Torah 7:00am Shacharit 9:00am Festival Service/Vizkor 6:27pm Candle lighting 6:30pm Shabbat/Fest. Mincha</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, October 12</b> Regular Minyanim 8:00am Herb Fredman Class 7:00pm SSRs Board @BSKI 7:15pm Adult Ed.-Beyond B'nei Mitzvah - Foundations of Judaism</p>	<p><b>Saturday, October 23</b> Parashat Vayera 9:00am Shabbat Service 11:00am Tot Shabbat 5:05pm Mincha 6:30pm Trivia Night 6:58pm Havdalah</p>
<p><b>Saturday, October 2</b> Parashat Bereshit 9:00am Shabbat Service 5:35pm Mincha 7:29pm Havdalah</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, October 13</b> Regular Minyanim</p> <p><b>Thursday, October 14</b> Regular Minyanim 7:00pm Exec Board</p> <p><b>Friday, October 15</b> 7:00am Shacharit 6:00pm Shabbat Rinah w/ Band 6:06pm Candle lighting</p>	<p><b>Sunday, October 24</b> Regular Minyanim Monday, October 25 Regular Minyanim 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class</p> <p><b>Tuesday, October 26</b> Regular Minyanim 8:00am Herb Fredman Class 7:15pm Beyond B'nei Mitzvah - Foundations of Judaism</p>
<p><b>Monday, October 4</b> Regular Minyanim 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class</p> <p><b>Tuesday, October 5</b> Regular Minyanim 8:00am Herb Fredman Class</p> <p><b>Wednesday, October 6</b> Regular Minyanim 7:30pm USY Lounge Night</p>	<p><b>Saturday, October 16</b> Parashat Lech-Lecha 9:00am Shabbat Service 10:00am Rabbi Dulkim's class 11:00am Tot Shabbat 5:15pm Mincha 7:08pm Havdalah 8:00pm USY Sleep Over</p> <p><b>Sunday, October 17</b> Regular Minyanim</p> <p><b>Monday, October 18</b> Regular Minyanim 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class</p> <p><b>Tuesday, October 19</b> Regular Minyanim 8:00am Herb Fredman Class 7:15pm Beyond B'nei Mitzvah - Foundations of Judaism</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, October 27</b> Regular Minyanim 7:30pm USY Lounge Night</p> <p><b>Thursday, October 28</b> Regular Minyanim 7:00pm Board Meeting</p> <p><b>Friday, October 29</b> PIZMON returns to Shaare Zedek 7:00am Shacharit 5:47pm Candle lighting 6:00pm Shabbat Rinah w/Shira</p> <p><b>Saturday, October 30</b> Parshas Chayei Sara PIZMON @ Shaare Zedek TBA 9:00am Shabbat Service 4:55pm Mincha 6:49pm Havdalah</p> <p><b>Sunday, October 31</b> PIZMON @ to Shaare Zedek TBA Regular Minyanim</p>
<p><b>Friday, October 8</b> Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 6:45am Shacharit 6:00pm Shabbat Rinah Service 6:16pm Candle lighting</p> <p><b>Saturday, October 9</b> Parashat Noach Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 9:00am Shabbat Service 11:00am Tot Shabbat 5:25pm Mincha 7:18pm Havdalah</p> <p><b>Sunday, October 10</b> Regular Minyanim 9:30am Men's Club Meeting</p> <p><b>Monday, October 11</b> Regular Minyanim 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, October 20</b> Regular Minyanim 7:30pm USY Lounge Night</p> <p><b>Thursday, October 21</b> Regular Minyanim</p> <p><b>Friday, October 22</b> 7:00am Shacharit 5:56pm Candle lighting 6:00pm Shabbat Rinah Service</p>	<p><b>Minyan times are 7am &amp; 6pm weekdays, 8am &amp; 6pm Sundays, unless otherwise noted.</b></p>