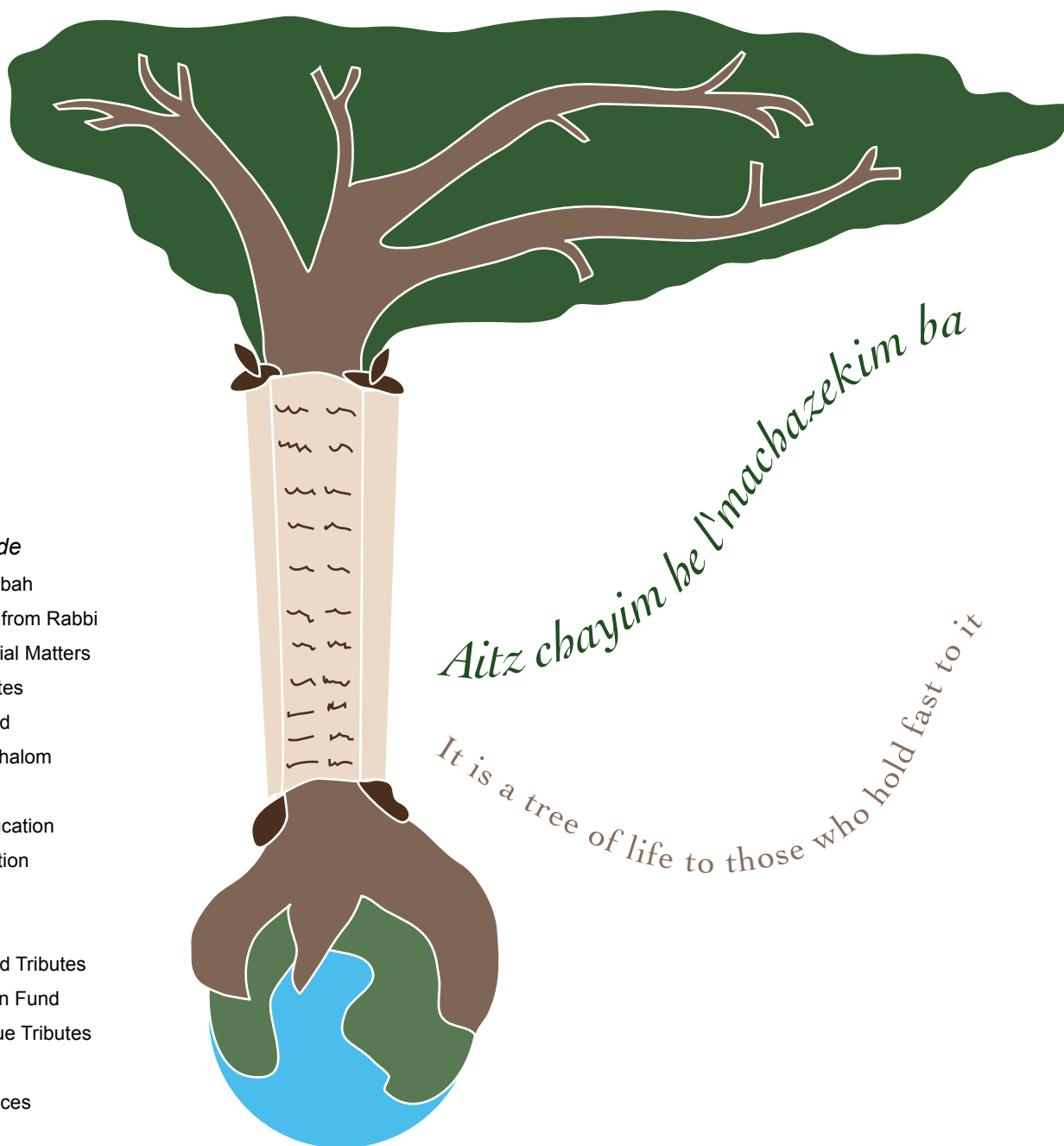


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It is a tree of life to those who hold fast to it

Todah Rabah!

Haftarot for December

Howard Belsky, Jay Sosna,
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Kiddushes for December

Synagogue, Bob & Joyce Olshan,
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Minyan Breakfasts

Shirley Fredman, Julia Iken, Rhoda
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Mazal Tov!

Anniversaries

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David Warren & Rhona Lyons

New Plaques in the Guller Chapel

Joel Wexelman
South Wall Col 19, Row 26
Earnest Cohen
North Wall Col 30, Row 16
Jean Cohen
North Wall Col 30, Row 17
Hyman Zuckerman
North Wall Col 30, Row 18
Deborah Zuckerman
North Wall Col 30, Row 19

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A Message from the Rabbi

Rabbi Mark Fasman



January 20 is a full moon – the 15th day of the lunar month of Shevat – a day we call Tu B'Shevat. In the Talmud, it is called the New Year for the tree (ראש השנה לאילו). Why do we need to mark a tree's official "birthday"? The answer has to do with the way we use our resources. One may not use the fruit of a tree until the tree is at least three years old. After that time, there are specific rules governing the way in which a portion of all of our crops is set aside. In a nutshell (pun intended), these are the rules concerning how the owner of produce grown in the Land of Israel must separate out various portions to be distributed as follows:

1. He gives a certain amount to the Kohen (called *terumah*);
2. One-tenth of the remainder of the crop (called *maaser rishon*, literally "first tenth") goes to a Levi.
3. Then a second tenth is separated from what remains (*maaser sheini*) and distributed as follows:
 - a. On years one, two, four, and five of the seven-year sabbatical cycle, the owner takes the produce or its monetary equivalent to Jerusalem where he consumes it (this was an important way in which the economy of Jerusalem received a constant influx of funds).
 - b. On the third and sixth years of the cycle, that second tenth was distributed to the poor.

Tu B'Shevat is the cut-off date for calculating which year of the sabbatical cycle will determine the way the fruit of a particular tree is apportioned that year.

So, although Tu B'Shevat is now the time we focus on environmental issues, particularly in Israel, it was originally a day associated with the way in which we must use our resources to support the community – not the last of our resources, but the first.

This year, the environment and the use of our resources both come together as we begin to recover from the recent deadly fires in Israel.

While that devastating fire was destroying millions of trees (as well as taking lives), the Israeli government put out a call for help. Nations responded immediately, not just the United States, but Bulgaria, Greece, Russia, Cyprus, Spain, Azerbaijan, Romania, and even Jordan, Egypt, and Turkey.

There was a call for help, and despite significant political differences, nations responded. It turns out that we are not so isolated within the community of nations.

There was a great deal of internal criticism leveled at failures of the Israeli government. And for a moment, I hesitated in my response to the call for financial support. But I realized that I had missed the point.

When someone is in need and cries out for help, we have an obligation to respond. It is not optional, any more than the *maaser rishon*, *maaser sheini*, *terumah* are optional. We don't have to give indiscriminately or foolishly, and we are permitted to specify how our contributions are to be used, but we do have an obligation to respond.

We call that obligation *tzedakah* – righteousness, doing the right thing. Since the beginnings of rabbinic Judaism, our Sages knew that we humans rationalize away any obligation if it is voluntary. So it

isn't voluntary. If an individual asks, we may give food or something else that must be used in an

appropriate way, but we cannot say no to someone in need; if a nation asks, any nation, we may direct our *tzedakah* to an agency that will use the funds in a way that we approve, but we should not withhold

funds just because we would make other choices as to how they will be used.

Those *pushkes* – the blue boxes we used since childhood to purchase trees for Israel – need to be filled. And they need to be emptied... into our Change for Change program. We need to remind ourselves that *kol Yisrael areivim zeh ba-zeh* – "all Israel is responsible one for another." We need to remind ourselves that we have an obligation to respond to those in need. And we need to teach those lessons to our children as well.

So this year, buy a tree. Buy an entire grove if you can. You can get information on the Jewish National Fund website (www.jnf.org). Or, if you prefer, help one of the many institutions that were damaged by the fire. For example, Yemin Orde, a youth village and orphanage was severely affected by the conflagration. The Masorti (Conservative) Movement in Israel (www.masorti.org) is directing funds to appropriate organizations that are assisting in relief efforts. Or you can go to the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism website (www.uscj.org). Or www.jewishfederations.org, the website of the Jewish Federation system.

I am proud to be part of a religious tradition that mandates that we respond to cries for help. Whether we want to or not. I hope that you are proud of that tradition, too.

"When someone is in need and cries out for help, we have an obligation to respond."

If you wish to read Haftorah for Shabbat or Festivals

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Sydney Farber

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Please put 'Haftorah' in the subject line.

Presidential Matters

Mitchell Shenker



It's hard to believe that I am writing this article as the newly elected President of Shaare Zedek. I have been coming to Shaare Zedek for over 50 years. As a child, I attended both Sunday and Hebrew Schools. I celebrated my Bar Mitzvah with Rabbi Epstein, z"l, officiating. After Janice and I married, we immediately became members of the synagogue. We have been blessed to watch our two children, Rachel and Allison, grow and become involved members of the congregation.

As some of you know, the last two years have been extremely challenging for our family. Eighteen months ago I had emergency open heart surgery. Six months ago, Janice was

involved in a serious auto accident. She was hit by a distracted driver who was speeding and ran a red light. Finally, within the last month Janice's mother, z"l, passed away.

Through all of this our family is still standing and so is Shaare Zedek. Yes, we have many challenges ahead of us and many decisions to make in the coming months. We possess the human capital to meet these challenges. Now I must make my first appeal. We could use more of that other type of capital. If interested, please contact me.

I want every member of the congregation to feel free to reach out to me at any time. I can be contacted at **314-275-8325** or by email at president@shaarezedek.org.

Shaare Zedek will move forward. Thank you to everyone who currently, and in the past supports the synagogue in whatever way they feel appropriate. If asked to help in the future, and believe me we will ask, please consider giving of your time and whatever other resources are available to you.

Shaare Zedek is a sacred place and I feel extremely honored to serve as your President.



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What we now know as “the siddur” is made up of a myriad of components, sourced from the Tanakh, Rabbinic texts such as the Mishna and Talmud, and even the mystical Zohar. There are fixed elements that make up the halakhic skeleton of the prayer service, known as the “statutory prayers” – i.e. the Sh’ma and Amidah. By saying these words, fixed by the early Rabbis, we are fulfilling the *mitzvah* of making offerings to God. Since the destruction of the Temples, we are obligated to bring the offerings of our hearts, in the form of *tefillah*, prayer. What we fail to remember over 2000 years after community prayer was instituted, is that much of its content was fluid, somewhat improvisational, and highly personalized. Over the years and across the world, the outpouring of people’s hearts took the form of personal poetry, or *piyut*.

The *piyut* is a textual creation, poetry that is meant to be sung out loud, it holds the possibility to contain within it all of the dimensions of conversation directed towards God or about Him. Therefore, the *piyut* is also a prayer that expresses the array of emotions towards God: praise glory joy sadness lamentation and crying out, longing and yearning. (Haviva Pedaya, Israeli poet and scholar)

The *piyut* decorates the prayers, the life cycle and the yearly cycle, every place where the sigh of the heart overpowers the mind. When words do not suffice and the melody is called for; and where that which is fixed yields its place to that which is renewed. (Avigdor Shinan)

There are many famous *piyutim* that have become part of the regular service, such as L’cha Dodi, Ein Keloheinu, and Adon Olam, and there are still more that are sung around the Shabbat table (D’ror Yikra, Yom Zeh M’chubad, Mipi El). Other *piyutim* are sung only on the High Holidays, or on festivals. There are literally thousands of *piyutim* that are *not* widely known; that have been passed down from parent to child, from community

to community, over the generations. The *paytanim*, or leaders, perform and preserve *piyut*, either of their own composition or others. The siddur and prayer service from each community, and the music used in worship, whether in Aleppo, Fez, Baghdad, or Warsaw, reflect each community’s unique culture.

In Israel at the moment, there is an enormous resurgence of interest in Sefardi and Mizrahi *piyut*, both singing, performing and researching. The phenomenon of *piyut* has ignited the interest of singers and musicians from religious and secular backgrounds, and inspired some incredible (and unlikely) collaborations, and has spawned an incredible website that now serves as an international archive, platform and showcase for *piyutim*: <http://www.piyut.org.il>. Yair Harel, a musician and scholar of *piyut*, is in charge of website and has spearheaded collaborations with major Israeli musicians to highlight the importance of *piyut* in contemporary worship and culture.

The *piyut* phenomenon was brought to the States this past November, the fruit of a collaboration between Harel and Congregation B’nai Jeshurun in New York City. B’nai Jeshurun (BJ) has been using sefardi and mizrachi music in their services for years, and employs a cadre of Manhattan’s finest musicians (who happen to be Jewish) to accompany and guide their worship. Back in November, I was invited to attend a very special retreat, the first of its kind, called *Invitation to Piyut* in Baltimore, and thanks to support from our Legacy Heritage Foundation Music Innovation grant, I was able to attend the retreat. At this retreat with other prayer leaders (Rabbis, Hazzanim, educators and musicians) from all over the US and Israel,

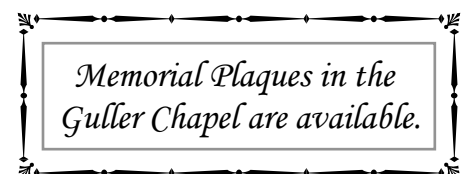
we learned a core curriculum of *piyutim* from Harel, oud player Omer Avital, and the Rabbis of BJ to bring to our congregations. With this music it was as if a new world of spiritual expression opened up for us. We learned the music itself, as well as techniques of vocal ornamentation, rhythm and history. All the music and material is available on the Piyut website, and there is a link from the Shaare Zedek website as well. I encourage you to explore this music, and listen for it during the course of the coming year.

Piyut is not only a technical term for a piece of liturgy, Harel summarizes beautifully that *piyut* “synthesizes and purifies various components of the Hebrew culture: language, music, mysticism, history, legend, philosophy, prayer, and personal, family and national emotion – into one whole. The sung *piyut* makes it possible to fully experience this in its entirety.”

Next time you sing (or even examine the words of) L’cha Dodi, El Adon, or even Ein Keloheinu – think about how it must have

felt for the writer of the *piyut* to express their theological point of views, their thoughts on spiritual practice, their command of Jewish text, and even their innermost thoughts and feelings, in poetic form, and you may think a bit differently.

"The piyut is... poetry that is meant to be sung out loud, it holds... within it all of the dimensions of conversation directed towards God or about Him."



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Sisterhood

Micki Kingsley, President



It's 2011. "They" say that an optimist stays up until midnight on December 31st, to see the new year in; and a pessimist stays up until midnight to make sure the old year leaves!

✧ Those who attended our Chanukah program on Sunday, December 5, enjoyed a delicious meal of salmon patties, spinach salad, cornbread, latkes, of course, coffee, punch, and a delicious apple crisp with vanilla ice cream, all thanks to Lisa Gellman, her sister Karen, Lisa's husband David, Simmie Gellman and Rhoda Grimsky. The equipment and instructions for the Bunko games were provided by Sue Propper and Cindy Ginsburg, while Becky Shimony did the registration and the 50-50 raffle. The raffle money went to the USY's Change for a Change program.

✧ Chanukah Packages to College Students. I don't know if our Gift Shop was busy before and during Chanukah. But I do know that Ann Frank continued a Sisterhood tradition, and saw to it that items were purchased and packages boxed for the 20 college students whose names we received by the cut-off date. We thank Chad Doughty for his time and effort in getting the boxes from Ann and for personally seeing to it that they were all packed up and mailed in time for Chanukah. Our thanks also to Helene and Alan Spetner for contributing the cost of mailing.

✧ Women's League Shabbat. We still need you to call and volunteer for Women's League Shabbat on January 29, 2011. Wendy Love Anderson and I are trying to have everyone's participation in place in the next two weeks. Please talk to me or Wendy if you can participate.

✧ Mah Jong tournament. Watch for information on the Mah Jong tournament coming up on February 13.

✧ Tablecloth Squares. Please contact Sue Propper suemeryl@charter.net or Cindy Ginsburg cindymns@charter.net to order your squares for the Sisterhood tablecloth.

✧ Torah Fund. Contributions have been coming in steadily. Ruth Levy is updating our list of donors on a regular basis. Be sure your name is among them. Your donation assures

the continuation of trained leaders for Conservative Judaism. Watch for information in the next month about the Torah Fund Luncheon, sure to be another delight to the palate. Everyone is welcome.

✧ Dues. Becky Shimony is keeping track of membership dues. If you haven't sent in your dues yet, please do. This is going to be a difficult year, financially, and we will have to adjust our budget as the year goes on.

✧ Liz Redler, the USY/Kadima/Noar director, requested help again this year with the costs of attending conventions. I hope you have seen the display in the lobby. The SZ USY Chapter won almost every honor awarded last year. Not only can they be very proud of themselves; we are proud of them also. We were able to give them the entire amount budgeted for them for this fiscal year. We'll scrimp somewhere else.

✧ Tributes. Our tribute income is down for the second year, so Dorrie Lerner has been e-mailing lists with helpful suggestions for Sisterhood tributes. You can help by remembering someone or some event with a Sisterhood tribute for only \$3.

✧ Tu B'Shevat – the new year of the trees – is, January 20, 2011. Jean Marx had a tree planted in Israel recently in thanks to our Sisterhood. I'm sure she wouldn't mind if we copied her lead.

Thank you to Michael and Shelley Simon for choosing a Sisterhood Kiddush to celebrate the December bar mitzvah of their son Matt. *Mazel tov, Matt!*

Our Sisterhood extends its condolences to Dave and Sue Propper, on the passing of Dave's mother Muriel Propper; and to Janice and Mitch Shenker on the passing of Janice's mother Edna Heligman. May their names be remembered as a blessing.

The tradition of making "New Year's Resolutions" (regardless of the actual month observed at the time as "the first month" of the year) dates back to the early Babylonians. The most popular resolution recorded was to return borrowed farm equipment!

I wish us all a healthy and wonder-filled 2011.

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Well a new calendar year and a continuation of our exciting year at Shaare Shalom. Second semester of the year is bringing a few changes. As the Shaare Shalom program evolves, our students learn and become involved in even more. We will be saying, "good-bye," to Julie Freidman as one of our 4th grade teachers and, "hello," to Sara Kahn Shapiro. Sara is our peulot (activities) teacher on Sunday and is looking forward to teaching our Dalet students.

Linda Kram is evolving right along with our program. Linda is an excellent classroom teacher and resource teacher and will now also be an integral part of our curriculum by facilitating mini lessons on Tanach on Mondays.

January may be the most packed month yet. Classes will resume after break on the 9th. Tu B'Shevat is just around the corner and Shaare Shalom is lucky to have Nava and Yaara (our Israel Girls) who are creating a day of fun to bring the joy of Tu B'Shevat to Shaare Shalom. The Shaare Zedek Men's club will also be gearing up for the World Wide Wrap. The Men's Club facilitates this outstanding program to bring awareness to the community and to children and adults alike. The students will meet to create and learn about tiffillin. They will practice wrapping tiffillin and be able to participate fully on Feb 6th for the World Wide Wrap.

Shaare Shalom 3rd through 7th graders will begin a parsha project. Each student will be helping to create a parsha panel. The students will be learning as they create and write about each parsha. The project will take most of the semester and will eventually be displayed throughout the halls at Shaare Zedek.

Many of our students have musical abilities and a love for singing. Shaare Shalom students will be included in Shaare Zedek's Ruach Am'cha (intergenerational choir). The choir will meet from 11:30 – 12:30 at BSKI. This will enable students to participate by

leaving class a bit early and attending the choir practice sessions. They will then have the opportunity to perform to showcase their beautiful voices. Look for more information to come soon.

Shaare Zedek USY is spear-heading a joint fundraising project with Shaare Shalom and BSKI USY for JNF. The project, **Plant Seeds of Tzedakah** for the future (replanting the forests of Israel) will allow us to raise funds

to send to JNF. We will sell \$18.00 leaves to fill our tree. Each leaf can be dedicated to a person. There is power in numbers and we are hoping to fill our tree and then some. Be part of our effort! Help us **Plant the Seeds of Tzedakah** by purchasing leaves either through Shaare Zedek USY, Shaare Shalom Religious School or BSKI USY.

B'Shalom
Anita



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 צדק, (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.

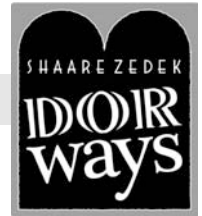
It is also argued that the law was only applicable in Canaan, although many classical rabbinical writers who were based in Babylon observed the laws there.

Maimonides lists his Eight Levels of Giving, as written in the Mishneh Torah, Hilkhhot Matanot Anyim (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)

DorWays: Families & Young Members

Geryl Baer



Happy New Year from DorWays! DorWays is on a high from another great program. Our Hanukkah Havdallah Party, chaired by the Zaidmans and the Loos, attracted over 50 people. Everyone enjoyed the Havdallah service, Hanukkah songs, crafts, and latkes! In addition, some of the older kids went on "Green" adventure with Linda Kram and Melissa Berk around the building. Upcoming, we have a program with the Shaare Zedek Sisterhood to celebrate TuB'shvat on Sunday,

January 16th. We hope to see lots of families there as DorWays continues to grow!

Don't forget about our Community Chuppah. This Chuppah was used during the High Holidays and is also used for special occasions such as a wedding, brit milah, baby naming, and other community events. We hope that more families will make their mark on the Chuppah by purchasing a "Simcha Square" for \$18.

DorWays is Shaare Zedek's group for young members and their families. Dor in Hebrew means generation and it is our hope that DorWays serves as an entryway for young members and their families into synagogue life at Shaare Zedek!

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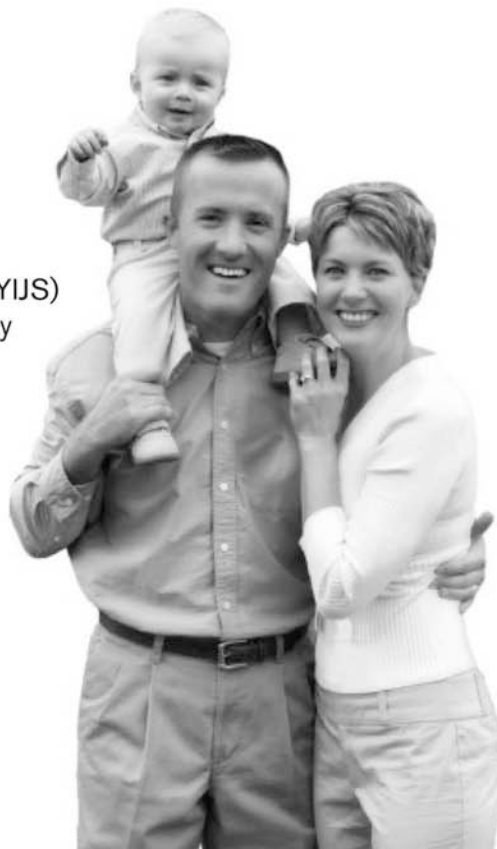
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Adult Education

Sydney Farber

Welcome to January, 2011, which corresponds to Tevet and Shevat in the Jewish calendar. It's most noted for being the month with Tu B'Shevat (15 of Shevat/ January 20, and is often called Jewish Arbor Day/New Year for trees. On January 15, there will be a Lunch-and-Learn on a related topic.

Beginning classes for learning Haftarah trope, as well as Torah trope, will start soon, so please call Nancy and let her know which class interests you. And if you have a suggestion for a program or speaker, let us know that, too. If you're interested in joining this intergenerational group, contact me.

The Adult Ed happenings in January are:

1 Ivrit with Dorit meets on Sunday mornings from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. in the library. If you want to learn Hebrew, or continue learning, come to this class.

2 On Sunday, January 23rd, the Knitting for Tzedekah group will meet from 10:45-11:45 a.m. Join us in the Community Room for a discussion on our current project: knitting baby blankets. So bring your knitting needles, yarn, and if you've made some squares, bring them, too. Squares should be approximately 5" x 5". Newcomers welcome;

3 Monday morning class with Rabbi Fasman discussing Rashi, 9:45 - 11:30 a.m. All are welcome.

4 Tuesday mornings Herb Fredman discusses Second Temple History;

5 Rabbi Fasman's Tuesday evening class, Beyond B'nei Mitzvah: Foundations of Judaism Part II, continues on January 4th, skips the 11th, and then goes to Jan. 18th & 25th, ending on February 1st. The class meets at 7:15 - 9:00 p.m. in the Community Room. Light refreshments are served;

6 Howard Belsky's trope class, which meets on Wednesdays is already working on a haftarah (Emor). His class meets in the Library from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.;

7 On Fridays, Rabbi Fasman has his Shabbat Skills class from 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. in the Community Room. They will continue meeting throughout January;

8 Rabbi Ryan Dulkan's Shabbat class continues on January 15th from 10:00-11:00 a.m. The text that he's focusing on is Neil Gillman's *Encountering God in Jewish Theology*. His next get together is February 19th;

9 At Saturday's Seudah Shelishit, Rabbi Fasman leads a discussion about Talmud.

Now I'd like to give some Thank You's to those who helped put the Roy Doliner Scholar-in-Residence program together (November 17-20). At that time, I wasn't able to say THANK YOU to anyone, so I'd like to do that now, and then also share with you some comments I received about the program.

* Special thanks to **Sara & Leo Wolf**, to the **Schwartz Family**,

* **Adult Education Committee**: Howard & Irene Belsky, Rhoda Grimsky, Karen Rader, Liz Singer, and myself.

* Thank you **Irene Belsky and her "crew,"** which includes **Howard**, for preparing and serving the Wednesday evening meal. It was scrumptious.

* Thank you **Rabbi Fasman** for your support and encouragement.

* For **all others** that I did not name personally THANK YOU!

And in closing, I wanted to share with you several comments from the Roy Doliner program:

1 He was phenomenal. *Ann*

2 Roy Doliner was a phenomenal Scholar-in-Residence – tremendously interesting, knowledgeable, urbane and humorous! I attended all three of his talks on Shabbat – and I am reading his book (page 70, so far). It was a revelation to learn how integral Jews of Rome have been, and continue

to be, to the development and culture of their city, and to get some insight into the historical and spiritual connections between Rome and Jerusalem. Many thanks to you and all involved in bringing Mr. Doliner here and organizing an amazing program!
- *Name Withheld*

3 Roy is charismatic, intellectual, inspirational and a very unique person that found a way to look at the past and the present through art to reveal Jewish roots and connection in a territory that is so much non Jewish. I was amazed how this person is also so humble and able to use his important job and discovery for a good purpose – project to us the importance of being a Jew and be proud of what you have. I hope Roy touched your heart as he touched mine. Thank you for bringing such a pleasure to Shaare Zedek!!
- *M. W.*

4 Mr. Doliner is in a unique position as a Jew inside the Vatican. As an outsider, he has been able to provide a perspective of art in the Sistine Chapel that Catholic insiders had not seen in the four or five hundred years that they were exposed to it. He is very personable and enjoyable to listen to. I was especially touched by the feelings that occasionally came through, subtly, when he talked of past mistreatment of Jews.- *S.B.*

5 I liked his story about the picnic to visit the dead relatives and how we came up with the L'chayim as a result of their toast to the dead. Also when we couldn't recite the Shema and they came up with the Baruch Shaim Kavod L'olam V'aed. - *G. K.*

6 Jerry and I heard our fantastic guest speak at the three different occasions and each was outstanding. We learned so much and found our guest to be a very well versed speaker and a delightful scholar. We thank the committee that arranged for his appearance

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and especially the family Schwartz, and the family Wolf who provided the means for his program. We can't wait for more such events at our shul. - *Marion & Jerry*

7 Excellent program - all. It was all very uplifting. Roy is a very sensitive and most knowledgeable student of history. From a docent perspective he was armed with statistics that were enlightening and brought

great historical logic to the evolution of Jewish contributions to the world. Thank you for coordinating a great weekend.
- *Name Withheld*

8 I thought the Roy Doliner Scholar-in-Residence program was outstanding. It was a unique and informative "insiders" view of Rome, The Vatican, Art history, Jewish history, all rolled-in together. We were informed and entertained. We learned. We created new perspectives about the Catholic church, Italian people and their unique cultures. I was particularly interested in how "Jewish" Rome is and the impact Jews have had on their art, lifestyle, religion and culture.

The program caused me to think about going to Italy and learning more. Thank you,
- *G. K.*

9 During the Lunch-and-Learn he gave a fascinating account of the history of the Jewish people in Rome. He instilled a lot of pride after learning about the Jewish influence on Rome. I was amazed that Jewish Italian families can trace back to when their families arrived in Rome going back hundreds, if not two thousand years ago. - *M. G.*

10 I really enjoyed listening to Roy Doliner. My favorite thing was learning about the people of Florence being interested in Kabbalah as well as the political motivations behind Michelangelo's painting of the Sistine Chapel.- *B. T.*

And for an upcoming Scholar in Residence program, we have the unique opportunity to bring in **Maggie Anton**, author of *Rashi's Daughters*, and then also **Howard Schwartz**, whom we were going to bring in a couple of years ago, until he became ill. This would be for after Pesach and sometime in the fall, so if you would, please let me know whether you'd like to see Maggie Anton first or Howard Schwartz. Leave a message with Nancy, or send me an e-mail (**Kitty1106@aol.com**).

Hope you stay warm and I'll be seeing you in February,

Sydney

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Social Action- Tikkun Olam

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Over the last month, the Shaare Zedek Social Action Committee has provided collection containers for food for the Jewish Food Pantry; for coats and other outerwear for distribution in the community; and for toys and gifts for the Hannuka Hugs program, Thank you to all of you who brought in donations. Please continue to bring items for the Jewish Food Pantry every time you come to Shaare Zedek for a meeting or class and as always keep your change for Shaare Zedek's "Change for Change."

In January, join others from Shaare Zedek at the Jewish Community's 22nd Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration: "A Celebration In Song." Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 12:00 Noon at the Jewish Community Center-Staenberg Family Complex-Arts & Education Building, 2 Millstone Campus Drive. The event is free but PLEASE BRING A CAN TO DONATE TO THE JEWISH FOOD PANTRY.

For more information, call 314-442-3894 or email gwechsler@jrcrstl.org.

Finally, Tu B'Shevat is January 20th, as part of your observance this year make an extra effort to do something for the environment here and especially help Israel recover from the fires.

For more information on Social Action Events visit our Shaare Zedek Website <http://shaarezedek.org/organizations/socialaction2.htm> or contact Social Action Chairs Bob Olshan or Rhona Lyons.

Youth Programs

Liz Redler, Youth Director

I am so excited for 2011 and all of the many exciting adventures in store with USY! Besides the weekly Lounge Nights and our on going collection for Change for Change, Shaare Zedek USY is also partnering with Shaare Shalom and BSKI USY for Tu B'Shevat through the JNF in hopes of helping to replace some of the trees that were lost in Israel during the devastating fire last month. The trees are \$18 each, and I strongly encourage everyone to purchase at least one per family.

The other exciting news is that the EMTZA Annual Regional Winter Shabbaton will be hosted by Shaare Zedek this month, January 28-30. Between 100 and 150 students will be

visiting from Kansas, Colorado, Minnesota, Iowa, and Nebraska. This of course means we need host families to help provide housing for these great teens! The EMTZA Region USYers will be at Shaare Zedek all weekend joining the congregation for Shabbat, Kiddush, and some outstanding programs. I hope everyone will make a point of coming to services and catching a glimpse of what exceptional teens I have the pleasure of working with.

On behalf of my exceptional SZSL USY group, thank you all for such outstanding support, and may 2011 be the best year yet!

B'Shalom,
Liz Redler

Press Release

Scholarship Opportunities for Teen Travel to Israel

The Central Agency for Jewish Education and the Jewish Federation of St. Louis announce the availability of the following scholarship opportunities for teen travel to Israel:

- The Stuart I. Pessin Fund will award two outstanding teenagers merit-based scholarships on the basis of an essay, their activities in the Jewish community and commitment to continued Jewish education.
- An additional merit-based scholarship is available to families affiliated with a Reform or Conservative congregation in St. Louis. \$2,500 grants will be awarded to 6 teens currently in grades 9-11. As a recipient of this Israel Teen Fellows award, the student will attend 3 meetings, share their experience with their congregation's youth group and upper grade religious school classes as well as write an essay upon their return.
- Need-based scholarship funds are also available for teen travel to Israel.

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ECC Kids Give The Gift of Laughter

In December, the E.C.C. children had an incredible time getting ready for Hanukkah. They had fun playing the dreidel game with their friends, and helped make stain glass cookies with Ms. Linda. We also had our annual Hanukkah Social. The turn out was incredible! Families, friends, and far away guests attended the social. They devoured delicious potato latkes and donuts.

During Hanukkah our Pre-K class (The Superstars) spent a morning at The

Brentmoor Place, a residential senior living complex, where many Jewish adults reside. The Superstars and their teachers Ms. Tessa, Ms. Karina and Ms. Pat along with some parent volunteers brought Hanukkah to the seniors. The children had fun performing a few Hanukkah songs and playing dreidel game with the residents. The preschooler made stained glass cookies that were shared by all. They gave the adults the gifts of love and laughter.

This month, with the smell of latkes still in the air, we are looking forward to exploring the tasty fruits at our Tu B' Shevat Seder on Thursday, January 20. All congregants with preschool age children or grandchildren are welcome to join us for this celebration. We will see you at 11:30 a.m. when we will sing with Hazzan Joanna and taste some of the wonderful fruits of Israel.



The Superstar Class sings Hanukkah songs for the residents.



Dorothy Goldstein a synagogue member shares cookies with Lila Kaufman, Gabby Yudovich and Irena Podger.



Katie Weber and her teacher Tessa Katan enjoy chatting with residents of The Brentmoor.



Sara Goodman Tribute Fund

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"60+" Luncheon and Program

THURSDAY, January 13, 2011


12:30 pm

at

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Lunch and Program



"Getting Over Getting Older"

An honest and upbeat presentation by **Marcia Mermelstein, MSW**, a Senior Adult Information and Resource Specialist with the Elderlink St. Louis program at Jewish Family and Children's Service.

The talk will be based around Letty Cottin Pogrebin's book, Getting Over Getting Older: An Intimate Journey.

Marcia's focus will be on how important it is for us to be mindful, to live consciously, and to "unhurry" time... and on how Judaism's emphasis on the holiness of time can help us accomplish those goals.

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Monday, January 10, 2011

We must plan ahead for you so we ask you to plan ahead for us! Due to the success of these luncheons, we can no longer accept "walk-ins". We must have your lunch reservation by the prior Monday, November 13. This is true for all three synagogue luncheons. You will always be welcome to come for the program. We are sorry if this causes any inconvenience but we appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you

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Condolences

Hilton Epstein passed away on November 9th. Husband of Carolyn Epstein; father of Mark and Scott (Deanna) Epstein.

Pearl Lieberman passed away on November 11th. Aunt of Cheryl (Kenneth) Stein and great-aunt of Amy, Joshua & Scott Stein.

Eduard Averbukh passed away on November 24th. Father of Mikhail (Anastasia) Averbukh and grandfather of Matthew & Daniel Averbukh.

Muriel Propper passed away on November 27th. Mother of David (Sue) Propper and grandmother of Heath (Melissa) Propper and Lyndsie Propper.

Edna Heligman passed away on November 30th. Mother of Janice (Mitchell) Shenker and grandmother of Rachel (Russell) Gottlieb and Allison Shenker.

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Shaare Zedek Calendar **January 2011** **Tevet/Shevat 5771**

Saturday, January 1, 2011
Parshas Vaera
Bat Mitzvah Batyah Selis
9:00am Shabbat Service
3:30pm Mincha
5:31pm Havdalah

Sunday, January 2
8am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha Ma'ariv
Monday, January 3
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class
6:30pm Ritual Com. Meeting

Tuesday, January 4
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
8:00am Herb Fredman Class
7:15pm Beyond B'nei Mitzvah -
Foundations of Judaism

Wednesday, January 5
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv

Thursday, January 6
Rosh Chodesh Shvat
6:45am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv

Friday, January 7
7:00am Shacharit
4:37pm Candle lighting
6:00pm Shabbat Rinah w/ Band

Saturday, January 8
Parshas Bo
Bat Mitzvah Whitney Gartenberg
9:00am Shabbat Service
10:00am Ruach Chanting Service
5:30pm Board Installation
5:30pm Ruach Havdalah Jam
5:37pm Havdalah

Sunday, January 9
Men's Club Sports Night
8am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha Ma'ariv
9:30am Men's Club Meeting

Monday, January 10
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class

Tuesday, January 11
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
8:00am Herb Fredman Class
7:00pm SSRS Board @ SZ

Wednesday, January 12
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv

Thursday, January 13
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
7:00pm Exec Board

Friday, January 14
7:00am Shacharit
4:44pm Candle lighting
6:00pm Shabbat Rinah

Saturday, January 15
Parshas Beshalach
9:00am Shabbat Service
10:00am Rabbi Dulkina's book
discussion
5:44pm Havdalah

Sunday, January 16
8am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha Ma'ariv
3:00pm DorWays Tu B'Shevat
celebration/garden activity

Monday, January 17
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class

Tuesday, January 18
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
8:00am Herb Fredman Class
7:15pm Beyond B'nei Mitzvah -
Foundations of Judaism

Wednesday, January 19
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv

Thursday, January 20
Tu B'Shvat
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv

Friday, January 21
7:00am Shacharit
4:52pm Candle lighting
6:00pm Shabbat Rinah

Saturday, January 22
Parshas Yisro
Bar Mitzvah Azeyah Boyd
9:00am Shabbat Service
5:52pm Havdalah

Sunday, January 23
8am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha Ma'ariv

Monday, January 24
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class

Tuesday, January 25
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
8:00a Herb Fredman Class
7:15pm Beyond B'nei Mitzvah

Wednesday, January 26
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv

Thursday, January 27
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
7:00pm Board Meeting

Friday, January 28
USY Regional Winter Shabbaton
@ SZ

7:00am Shacharit
5:00pm Candle lighting
6:00pm Shabbat Rinah

Saturday, January 29
Parshas Mishpatim
USY Regional Winter Shabbaton
@ SZ
9:00am Shabbat Service
6:00pm Havdalah

Sunday, January 30
USY Regional Winter Shabbaton
@ SZ

8am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha Ma'ariv
Monday, January 31, 2011
7am Shacharit/ 6pm Mincha, Ma'ariv
9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class