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- **Kosher Dinner**

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& Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday, January 14th
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A Message from Rabbi Fasman



Mark Fasman - Rabbi

When our distant ancestors asked themselves why the Temple was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar and his Babylonian army, they refused to consider “natural forces,” that the natural (human) power of the Babylonian army simply overwhelmed the defenders of the city and burned the Temple. The Babylonians had defeated the Judeans in 597 BCE, but after a Judean revolt eleven years later, Nebuchadnezzar came back to Jerusalem and, as a punitive act, destroyed the Temple of Solomon in 586 BCE, after plundering much of its enormous treasure. Was this occurrence natural or was it super-natural? Well, it is one thing to have conquered the nation, but another thing altogether to have destroyed the House for God’s Name. If God was, well, God ... then no force on earth could have burned the Almighty’s House – unless God Himself had ordained that it happen. So the question became: why would God cause the destruction of the one place on earth in which His Name dwelt? Their answer: the Children of Israel had turned to other gods. Infidelity was the most heinous of sins – recall the sin of the golden calf.

After about fifty years of exile – punishment for their infidelity – the Judeans were allowed to return and to rebuild the Temple. And they did. But about 570 years later, that Temple, too, was pillaged and burned to the ground – this time by the Roman Army. But no, to be theologically consistent, it couldn’t have been the Romans – again, it must have been God’s Will. Why this time? The midrashic answer to this question is that God was fed up with *sinat chinam* – “baseless hatred” – running rampant among the various Jewish sects of the first century. Somehow, Tom Lehrer’s “National Brotherhood Week” comes to mind: “Oh the Sadducees hate the Pharisees, and the Zealots hate the Essenes, and the Christians hate the Romans, and everybody hates the Jews.”

We live in dangerous times. So do our children and grandchildren. It’s bad enough when individuals harbor their petty grudges – bad enough for God to have decreed the destruction of the Second Temple condemning His People to live in exile for nearly 2,000 years. We were apparently able to atone for the sin of the First Temple, to make national *teshuvah* and restore our loyalty to just One God (at least, enough to warrant the rebuilding of the Temple and an end to the Babylonian exile. Of course, if that is an accurate understanding of God’s role in the Temple’s destruction, then we would have to admit that we have not yet conquered *sinat chinam*. I can just imagine the Jewish people sitting in the back seat of the car, with God (the Driver) yelling out: “If you kids can’t get along, then we are not going to travel anywhere together as a family any more!”

Isn’t it bad enough that most of the world hates the Jews? Do we really need to add to that ugly mix through our inter-denominational squabbles? It wasn’t a failure of ritual that caused the destruction of either Temple. It wasn’t a failure of faith that caused the second destruction, leading to our current exile. It was a failure of civility, a failure of community, a failure of family. We are, when all is said and done, our brother’s keeper.

Simon Anholt, a U.S. government advisor, has conducted a study, called the National Brands Index (NBI). An article in *Israel Today* (www.israeltoday.co.il), described the study, in which 25,903 online consumers across 35 countries were surveyed concerning their perceptions of 36 countries across six areas of national competence: Investment and Immigration, Exports, Culture and Heritage, People, Governance, and Tourism (only Israelis were not polled, for some reason). Simon Anholt states, “Israel’s brand is by a considerable margin the most negative we have ever measured in the NBI, and comes at the bottom of the ranking on almost every question.” There is nowhere that the respondents would like to visit less than Israel; and the survey indicates that Israel’s people were voted the most unwelcoming in the world. Finally, if we think that the United States is Israel’s best friend and that Israel is loved in the US, we might be upset to learn that Americans ranked Israel just slightly higher than China in terms of its conduct in the areas of international peace and security.

There is precious little that we can do about world opinion. There is precious little that Israel can do (other than to go away).

But there are things that we can do. We can become educated about the attitudes and threats that surround us (“... and everybody hates the Jews”). Clearly not everybody hates us, but we need to be much more aware of the dangers to Jews and to Israel that are bubbling over throughout the world. We also need to find ways to reduce (if not to eliminate) the *sinat chinam* that so poisons our community. Why are we in competition with other Jews and with other Jewish congregations and denominations?

Pirke Avot 5:19 teaches, “A controversy (*machloket*) for heaven’s sake will have lasting value, but a controversy not for heaven’s sake will not endure. What is an example of a controversy for heaven’s sake? The debates of Hillel and Shammai. What is an example of a controversy not for heaven’s sake? The rebellion of Korach and his associates.” When both seek the same ultimate goal, then everyone wins by engaging in the controversy. But when we seek only our own selfish goals, then there can be no two winners. And that is *sinat chinam* – baseless hatred.

So let’s work to build bridges this year ... for heaven’s sake.

HazzaNotes

Hazzan Joanna Selznick Dulkan



Spread the word - we are a unique congregation in this town! Our religious services embody the Conservative movement's slogan: Tradition and change. Saturday mornings at Shaare Zedek resemble many Conservative services: we have a full Torah reading, we daven in Hebrew in the traditional nusach, or prayer modes. Yet within this traditional framework, we are learning new tunes for different parts of the service, infusing passion and ruach, or spirit, into our davening.

Our Friday night services feel less like the average Kabbalat Shabbat service. Yet even with musical instrumentation, new melodies and soaring harmony, our goals remain the same: to infuse a new ruach into a liturgically traditional prayer experience. Any given Friday night, between 20 and 100 people come to rock out with **Rabbi Fasman** and me, and sometimes a band, at our Kabbalat Shabbat service. Using a beautiful siddur with transliteration and commentary by our Rabbi, the service is made even more inclusive and accessible. The crowd is bigger when we advertise the evening as "Shabbat Unplugged" and feature a band – but here's the secret - *every* Shabbat is now "unplugged." There is music and ruach every Shabbat here at Shaare Zedek, and it's time to spread the word that there is a weekly opportunity to experience the Friday night musical service everyone is talking about.

Our Kabbalat Shabbat service is distinct for many reasons. We feature an eclectic mix of music by **Andrew Rehfeld**, myself and other Jewish composers, music that takes cues from James Taylor, Joan Baez, blues, jazz, rock, and even Native American chant: but the service is still a service, never a performance, retaining its traditional liturgical framework, and incorporating traditional nusach as a thread throughout. Each tune is accessible, easy to pick up and sing along with, and has the tendency to stick with you after the service is long over. The service, however, is more than a series of songs: it is a spiritual journey using music as our guide, moving from the chol to the kodesh – the mundane to the sacred – starting with uplifting, energetic tunes and moving into more meditative melodies. The band will be joining me on a more regular basis as of this month, adding their sounds to your davening, because of such a positive response. When you come, my hope is that you will find at least one meaningful moment in the service, amid the singing, davening and contemplation, where you find spiritual meaning and feel God's presence.

I will say it again – we are unique. Many congregations in this town have musical Friday night services, but we are the only Conservative shul in St. Louis who has this special service every Friday night. This puts us on the cutting edge of our movement as more and more synagogues are now beginning to contemplate making the change we have already made. Each Friday night, you have the opportunity to open the door to a whole new Shabbat experience. It's here waiting for you. Especially if your week has been difficult or busy, Shabbat can be an island of calm, a way to unwind and escape from the frenetic lives we lead. Come see what the buzz is about – and help us make even more buzz – and choose a Friday night, any given Friday, and experience a whole new dimension of Shabbat.

Mazel Tov to...

Yeshai Gibli and **Tracy Bronik** were married on December 3 by **Rabbi Fasman**.

Amy Spetner, daughter of **Alan & Helene Spetner** and granddaughter of **Sherry Kaplan** and **Lil (z"l) & Buddy (z"l) Spetner**, and **Chad Doughty**, who were married on December 16 by **Rabbi Fasman**.

Dr. **Steven M. Strasberg**, Proett Professor of Surgery and Head of Hepato-Biliary Pancreatic Surgery at Washington University School of Medicine, on being made a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, the oldest college of surgeons in the world. Dr. Strasberg was honored during a reception in Edinburgh where he was one of the invited speakers.

B'nai Mitzvah

Rhiannon Devorah West

January 6

Daughter of **Tracey West**.
Granddaughter of **Janet Zaidenberg-Schrum**. Sister of **Leo Gavitt**.



Isaac Walker

January 27

Son of **Susan & Peter Walker**.
Grandson of **Ida & Malcolm Kessler** and **Irma Kessler (z"l)** and **Bernard & Eleanor (z"l) Walker**. Brother of **Eva Walker**.

Hannah Boxerman

February 3

Daughter of **Sanford & Cynthia Boxerman**. Granddaughter of **Burton & Benita Boxerman** and **Carolyn & Fred (z"l) Wilkes**. Sister of **Robert Boxerman** and **Brian White**.



Former Minister Ophir Pines-Paz Speaks at Shaare Zedek



Top: Bob Olsban, Carolyn Amacher, Ophir Pines-Paz, and Rabbi Mark Fasman stand together. Olsban and Amacher are the co-founders of the St. Louis chapter of Ameinu, a major sponsor in bringing Pines-Paz to St. Louis.

Left: Ophir Pines-Paz answers one of the many questions from the audience. Pines-Paz addressed questions ranging from the current situation in Israel to whether or not Maccabia Tel Aviv will win the basketball tournament.

Above: Ophir Pines-Paz addresses the crowd during a pre-talk dinner. Pines-Paz is one of the leaders of Israel's Labour Party and is the former Interior Minister; he resigned in 2006.

President's Gavel

Marsha Birenbaum - President

By now, hopefully all of us have recovered from lack of electricity and eating too many latkes, and we are ready to face a new year with optimism. I certainly am! As your new president, I look forward to guiding Shaare Zedek through the next year with two thoughts: to make our synagogue a place for spiritual and educational growth for adults and children and to do it in a financially responsible way. Your new Officers and Board of Directors have already been hard at work planning events in which we hope everyone will participate.

The first of these is "A Glass Act" welcoming dinner for Hazzan Dulkan on February 3. The committee has been working very hard to assure a wonderful evening of dining and socializing. Please get your reservations in NOW.

Then we swing right in to Tu B'Shevat, Purim, and Pesach. It's hard to believe our spring festivals are just around the corner! But even before that time, we hope you'll attend our Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat services to make the transition from work week to a day of rest, our 25 hours of reconnecting with God, with ourselves, with our families and with our community.

Make no mistake that our synagogue faces many challenges to meet the needs of our congregants. But through our multi-talented lay leadership, clergy, dedicated staff, and our tireless volunteers, I feel we will meet those challenges.



Sarah Rubinson and other award recipients are pictured above after the JPro-STL Peer Excellence Awards ceremony. Rubinson was recognized as the Emerging Leader based on her service to Shaare Zedek and other organizations within the St. Louis Jewish community.

Wishing you a very happy and healthy
2007 from all of us at Shaare Zedek!

Ask Zaide

Since we all know that our Zaides know everything, Ask Zaide is a monthly column that answers your questions about the synagogue. Submit your question to office@shaarezedek.org.



Dear Zaide,

I am currently preparing for the secular new year (buying a new calendar and such) and am wondering about new year in relation to Judaism. Is it true that we celebrate more than one new year in a given year?

Quite Curious

Dear Curious,

Well, you are correct; in Judaism we do celebrate more than one new year. Most people think of Rosh Hashanah -- or the first of Tishrei -- as the Jewish New Year, and it is. Rosh Hashanah is the holiday at which we change into a new year on the calendar -- for example, this year we entered into 5767. This is the new year for people, animals, and legal contracts.

We are not limited to just the one new year, however.

On Tu B'Shevat, we celebrate the new year for trees, and the month of Elul is considered the new year for some matters dealing with animals, such as tithing cattle.

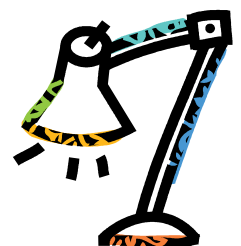
And finally, the start of Nisan marks another new year as it is the first month. The notion of keeping a calendar started with Nisan many, many years ago. In the Torah, it says "This month shall be to you the beginning of months" (Exodus 12:2), really making it the first month, indicating another new year. Nisan marks the new year for civil purposes and for kings.

Additionally, although not thought of as an official new year, let us not forget get Simchat Torah which celebrates the new year for the Torah. On this holiday we mark the finishing of the Torah...and the starting over again.

Zaide

Don't Be Left in the Dark!

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



Dave Propper - President



Last month the Shaare Zedek Men's Club teamed for the second consecutive year with the Men from BSKI to bring the "Make Your Own Chanukiah" program to the Shaare Shalom Religious School. Based upon the success this program enjoyed in its 2005 inaugural year, the program was expanded to include both third and sixth grade classes of our Religious School. Led by Master Chanukiah Maker, Alan Schwartz along with Gary Kodner, we were joined by BSKI Men's Club President, Donald Pearline and other BSKI members to teach our students how to design and build their own Chanukiyot from common materials found in Dad's workshop. Using ceramic tile, common hex nuts, glue, and paint, the students created and decorated interesting and individually styled Chanukiyot that were ready to take home with them that day for use during Chanukah. The students completed the "shop" period ready to "light their fires!" For pictures, see page 11.

On Sunday, February 4, under the tutelage of Mitch Shenker, the Men's Club will again work with our religious school students in concert with the annual Federation of Jewish Men's Club's "World Wide Wrap" program which teaches our students about the mitzvah of tefillin. Please visit the FJMC's web site to learn more about this important and meaningful event at www.worldwidewrap.org.

On January 14, we'll be holding our Second Annual Sports Night and Spaghetti Dinner. For more information, see the ad below and the listing on page 19.

March brings with it a kind of madness generally recognized by basketball fanatics, but stand by for Men's Club Shabbat and the joint Men's Club/Sisterhood Gala Casino Night on March 17th!

The men of our synagogue will be receiving their 2007 Shaare Zedek Men's Club applications in the mail by the time you are reading this. Please remember to update your personal information and e-mail address and return your membership application by February 1.

MEN'S CLUB CALENDAR

January 14: Sports Night & Spaghetti Dinner
February 4: World Wide Wrap
March 17: Men's Club/Sisterhood Casino Night

**The Men's Club Annual Sports Night & Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday, January 14th at 6:30 pm.**

**We're Talkin' Baseball
with Wayne Hagin**



Cardinals' broadcaster Wayne Hagin will speak to us on a variety of topics related to the upcoming baseball season.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US

Reservations - Call the Synagogue Office at 314-727-1747 by January 9th, 2007

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Call the Synagogue office for reservations no later than Wed., Jan. 9.

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Sisterhood

Cindy Ginsburg - President



If you were not able to attend our "Light My Fire" Chanukah Party, you missed a fabulous time. Thanks to **Rabbi Landa** from Chabad, we learned the original process of making olive oil. We tasted zucchini and cheese latkes made possible by our cooks, **David** and **Simmie Gellman**. In addition we played games, listened to stories, and made our own "dreidel kit." **Sue Propper**, Vice President of Programming, is the genius who came up with this program and had assistance from faithful helpers **Arleen Kerman**, **Lisa Gellman**, **Becky Shimony**, **Marion Cohen**, **Nancye Gliner**, and **Sydney Farber**. We had our fill of latkes, cheese soufflé, salad, and jelly donuts. Everyone went home with a ceramic tea bag caddy thanks to **Lisa Gellman** and her mother, **Patricia Mueller**.

In addition to our January 9 program, "What's Jewish about Hospice," save the dates for two upcoming programs that you won't want to miss. February 25 will be our annual Torah Fund Luncheon. **Ruth Levy** and her committee are in the middle of preparations for this popular event. In March, Sisterhood is again teaming up with Men's Club and having a Casino Night. The date is March 17 and promises to be a night to remember.

I hope you had a wonderful winter break with your children, grandchildren and friends. It is now time to welcome in 2007 and revitalize your commitment to Shaare Zedek Sisterhood! Come to an upcoming program, offer suggestions and ideas, volunteer as your time allows and remember to send in your dues!

SISTERHOOD CALENDAR

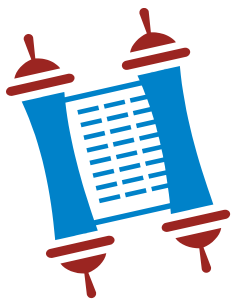
January 9: What's Jewish About Hospice Program

February 25: Torah Fund Luncheon

Save the Date for Casino Night!

March 17, 2007

Sponsored by Men's Club and Sisterhood



Save the Date:
**Torah Fund
Luncheon**
Sunday, February 25

This is your last chance...

Get your recipes for the Sisterhood cookbook into the office by the end of the month!

Baked Rice (parve)

- 1 cup long grain brown or white rice
- 2-1/2 cups water (or 1-1/2 cups consomme & 1 cup water)
- 1 envelope onion soup mix
- 1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
- 1 small can sliced water chestnuts, drained
- 1/2 cup diced green pepper (optional)
- 3 Tbsp margarine

Place all of the ingredients in a greased 2 quart casserole dish. Bake, covered, at 350 degrees for 50 minutes, or until all liquid is absorbed and the rice is tender.

Serves six.

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Condolences

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

Isadore Barmash

November 9

Father of Rabbi Pamela Barmash

Natalie Tachman

November 14

Sister-in-law of Harold Tachman

Ida Steinberg

November 24

Aunt of Larry Goodman

Community Website Launches Section for Children



Now in its second year online, the Jewish community website, jewishinstlouis.org, has launched a new central online address for Jewish kids ages 4 – 12. The Kids Section will be full of Jewish fun and learning. Kids and parents can log on to the new section directly with its own address: www.jewishinstlouis.org/KIDS.

The section features a Kids Photo Gallery, Calendar of Children's Events, News items - about kids, for kids, written by kids; Student of the Month profiles, an "Ask the Rabbi" column; links to popular kids sites, interactive games, quizzes, puzzles, music, videos, online coloring book; and Rick Recht's Music and Jewish Education section.

In just 18 months, www.jewishinstlouis.org has become one of the top Jewish community websites in the country, welcoming more than 80,000 individual visitors.



Early Childhood Center Marty Schaeffer - ECC Director

Maxine Handelman, Jewish Early Childhood Director for United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, visited Shaare Zedek ECC in December. Touring the classrooms and chatting informally with staff, she shared her ideas and inspired them to bring more Judaic content to everyday teaching.

Maxine holds a master's degree in Early Childhood Education from Pacific Oaks College and a master's degree in Jewish Education from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Maxine is the author of *Jewish Every Day: The Complete Handbook for Early Childhood Teachers*; *What's Jewish About Butterflies*, a book of engaging lessons for everyday teaching; and *The Shabbat Angels*, a story the oldest children enjoy hearing regularly. The staff often uses her books for guidance, and after an informal lunch and discussion group they were inspired to strengthen the commitment to Jewish education everyday in their classroom teaching.

It was interesting to find that the diverse families and staff found in SZECC have become very common for Jewish Centers across the country. Maxine assured us that our center is one among many. This proves itself to be true when examining the Conference brochure for the Early Childhood component of the Jewish Education Assembly (Conservative Movement) Convention in February 2007. It reads, "Jewish Schools in a Multi-faith World: learning to articulate your school's Jewish vision and enabling all teachers to be able to carry out that vision." The JEA Convention will address this and other issues such as "Building Bridges: Early Childhood directors and education directors to insure our families are on a smooth Jewish journey." Maxine plays a major role in the convention and the subject matter of the intensives offered.

The ECC Staff and I appreciate Maxine's inspiration and encouragement. We are very fortunate to have such a talented, competent and motivating individual available through USCJ.

Happy January Anniversary to...

Leslie Birenbaum & Susan Roth
Allen Levin & Joyce Gang
Rudy & Frances Oppenheim
Alan and Molly Portman
Norman & Karen Rader
Herbert & Cecile Raskas
David Warren & Rhona Lyons

Youth Programs

Sarah Rubinson - Youth Director

January brings with it another month of great programming, starting with our annual favorite, Falaforama. This program is open to all 5th-12th graders and is always a good time!

Towards the middle of the month, I will be heading to Ramah Darom (outside of Atlanta) for the Jewish Youth Director's Association Conference (JYDA). This will be my fourth year attending JYDA, and this year I even have the honor of co-chairing the program. This is a great opportunity to meet with other youth directors and get tips on how to make our chapter even better!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sisterhood for all of its support. It is incredibly generous to USY financially, providing the funds for us to be able to subsidize convention costs, offer scholarships to programs, and allow me to attend professional development conferences such as JYDA.

YOUTH CALENDAR

January 6: USY Shabbat

January 7: USY/Kadima/Noar Falaforama

January 14: Winter Skibaton

January 17: USY Lounge Night

January 19: Shabbat Unplugged

January 24: USY College Program

January 27: USY Late Night Players Program

January 28: USY Choices Program

January 30: Board/Leadership training with Moshe

January 31: USY Program with Moshe



Nineteen SZSLers plus Jeremy Shanas and Sarah Rubinson attended Kinnus last month. Programming included a 1 vs 100 SATO program and a trip to the Science Museum.



USYers pose with pieces of Sarah Rubinson's hair after cutting it for Locks of Love. In order to cut one of the ponytails, each USYer donated money to tzedekab.



David Feldman, Jake Shanas, Phil Leib, and Ben Arnstein take a minute to pose before hitting the ice rink. Before heading to Steinberg ice rink, the USYers held a Havdalah service and had an Israel update.



Philip Cooke and Allison Shenker battle in a thumb wrestling match ice breaker. Allison went on to win the tournament, also winning in the arm wrestling, rock-paper-scissors, and pick a number events.

**Maxine Weil - Jewish Community Hebrew School
Rabbi Ari Vernon - Jewish Community High School**

When ten sit together and engage in Torah, the divine presence dwells amongst them.

-- Rabbi Halafta of Kfar Hananyah in Pirkei Avot 3:6

What does it mean to engage in Torah? From doing mitzvot, to participating in t'filot, we know for sure that Jewish learning is the most obvious way of engaging in Torah. We and our students participate in this holy act several times a week, but we often forget the second half of Rabbi Halafta's statement. When we engage in Torah study, we are bringing God's presence into the world.

In the Jewish Community High School we engage in Torah in both traditional and untraditional ways. We firmly believe that a tradition as rich as ours can be accessed through just about anything. Our Spring Semester begins on Thursday night, January 4. You can look forward to the continuation of our most popular classes (Hebrew, Art, Cooking, and Music) and to some exciting new offerings. Registration forms can be found at www.cajestl.org or by calling 442-3758. Sign up early to lock in the early-bird rates. We are looking forward to you joining us for an exciting semester.

The Jewish Community Hebrew School weaves the study of Torah throughout the curriculum. They also engage in Torah Study both formal and informal on the Shabbatonim. Already this year, our fourth graders and seventh graders have enjoyed their Shabbatonim. As we resume classes following the Winter Break on Thursday, January 4 we are also gearing up for our upcoming Conservative Community 5th grade Shabbaton. The best testimony to the Shabbatonim is that the students would like to have more of them. Also our 7th graders who are busy attending B'nai Mitzvah every Shabbat had such a great time in November that they want another before the end of their career at the Jewish Community Hebrew School.

As we begin the second half of the year, we look forward to completing this year of Torah study and to the many ways it will bring God's presence into our lives.



Aaron Praiss and Jacob Goldsmith cut out pictures from newspapers to make an Israel collage during Yom Limmud. Moshe Levi, the USY Regional Shaliach, came to St. Louis for the event.



Hannab and Delia Rainey take part in Yom Limmud. The program was primary sponsored by CAJE but was supported by most of the congregations in St. Louis.

Do you need a little extra help with your pet and want to support one of our B'nai Mitzvah student's Mitzvah projects?

Contact Emma
Rehfeld at
862-8839



CAJE CALENDAR

- January 4/8:** Hebrew School resumes
- January 4:** Hebrew High School Resumes
- January 15:** No class

Religious School

Chani Pinsberg - Education Director

The month of December was very eventful, preparing for Chanukah and keeping up with our busy curriculum. The students studied the holiday of Chanukah, and children in the some grades had the opportunity to make Chanukiyot or build their own dreidels. Students in the lower grades watched a puppet show about the holiday as well. Thanks to the Men's club of Shaare Zedek and BSKI for starting a tradition of coming to school to make Chanukiyot with the students. This year it was 3rd and 6th Grade students. It is very rewarding to see the kids interact with other members of the congregation.

The "Shul is Cool Bowling Party" is scheduled for January 28. If you came to the synagogue 10 times since the beginning of the school year, you will get an invitation to the bowling party. If you do not receive an invitation and think that you deserve to be invited, please contact me.

In January and February we will reinforce synagogue skills for the middle school students. As we did last year, students will be asked to shadow the Gabbai or President. This year they will also have the opportunity to stand by the bima Gabbai as the Torah is being read.

Students in the 8th through 12th Grades participated in the second annual city-wide Yom Limmud (Day of Learning). Over 300 teens from the community attended different classes and discussed important issues relating to their lives.

The Tzedakah Fair was very successful, and the students made educated, wise choices in allocating their Tzedakah money. It is important for the students to decide where their own Tzedakah money is going and take responsibility for the results of their work.

Students in 8th grade are studying Comparative Judaism. They went to Bais Abe to learn about the Orthodox movement and learn about the differences and similarities between the two movements. They also had **Michael Landy** (Executive Director of the Mid-Continent Region of USCJ) visit the class to discuss the Conservative movement. Students in 9th and 10th grades have elective classes. The Hot Topics class had a visit from **Don Rubin**, who talked about the Stem Cell issue. If you know of a great exhibit or a speaker in town, please let me know.

SHAARE SHALOM CALENDAR

January 7: Return to School

January 14: No class

January 28: Shul is Cool Bowling Party



Men's Club members work with the third grade class at Shaare Shalom. The "Make Your Own Chanukiah" program experienced its second successful year.



The sixth grade class is pictured here with members of the Men's Club. Members from both Shaare Zedek and BSKI participated in the program.

The Schnucks logo, featuring the word "Schnucks" in a stylized, red, italicized font with a white outline, set against a black background with a red swoosh underneath.

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Community News...

CHOICES

Jewish College Fair 2007

Looking at Colleges through Jewish Eyes

Sunday, January 28, 2007

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

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A unique opportunity to meet college representatives from around the country and have your specific questions answered **one on one**.

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Planning a Baby Naming, B'nai Mitzvah, Wedding or Other Party?

A community-wide Party Planning Showcase will be held on Sunday, January 28 from 9 am to noon at United Hebrew Congregation, 13788 Conway Road. A variety of caterers, DJ's, florists, photographers, stationary companies, food and entertainment vendors will be present to assist individuals in the midst of planning a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, wedding, baby naming, anniversary celebration or other special occasion.

This free event is being sponsored by the United Hebrew Women of Reform Judaism/Sisterhood and is open to the entire community. For more information, call Allison at 636-527-8740.



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Sunday, January 28 from 11 am to 2 pm

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The Jewish Food Pantry Needs Your Help

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

1. Canned Pasta with Meat
2. Hardy Soups
3. Canned Tuna Fish
4. Jelly
5. Personal Care Items

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

SSDS Main Event

Solomon Schechter Day School will honor Arleen & Dr. Phillip Korenblat and Milton Movitz at its Main Event in March.

The event, themed Livnot U'lehibanot (to build and to be built), will take place on Saturday, March 10, 2007 at 7 p.m. at Congregation B'nai Amoona.

Avi Liberman, highly regarded Jewish comedian, will perform at this Vegas-style extravaganza. His show will be preceded by Havdallah, an hors d'oeuvres buffet, cocktails, and gala auction. Tickets are \$118 per person. Following the show, high stakes rollers will have the opportunity to take part in a Texas Hold em' tournament and sponsors will be treated to a dessert reception with Avi Liberman.

This event – to benefit the SSDS Scholarship Fund – is open to the whole community. Jim Guller, SSDS Board president said, "This is a wonderful way to kick off the Hebrew month of Adar.....laughing with a wonderful comedian, supporting the SSDS Scholarship fund which promotes diversity in our school, and honoring such outstanding benefactors of our school." For ticket information, please call Martha Brodsky, Administrative Assistant at SSDS, at 576-6177.

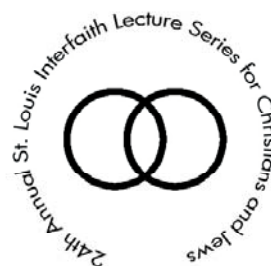
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Do the Needs of the Many Outweigh the Needs of the One?

Sunday, February 25, 2007

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Temple Israel

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Kavanaugh, SJ
*Director, Ethics Across the Curriculum,
St. Louis University*

Response: Jane Sherwin Shapiro
President, Alliance for Adult Jewish Learning

Continuing Sessions at Temple Israel
11:45am-1:30pm
Wednesdays February 28, March 7, 2007, &
March 14

For more information, contact the office at
727-1747.

JCC Women's Shabbat Retreat

The JCC is planning the third Woman's Shabbat Retreat to take place this coming February 9-10 at the Innsbrook Resort and Conference Center. Chair people **Joy Fisher** and **Mimi Pultman** are heading up a committee of thirty-five dynamic St. Louis women all from different affiliations. Women who attend the Shabbaton will enjoy gourmet vegetarian cuisine, educational and entertaining programs, as well as time to bond with old friends and create new friends all during a restful and spiritually dynamic 25 hours.

For more information please contact Sara Winkelman at 442-3268 or swinkelman@jccstl.org.





COMMUNITY SPEAK OUT FREE ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION TRAINING WORKSHOP

Sponsored by the Jewish Advocacy Coalition*

Sunday, February 4, 2007 from 9:30 A.M. – Noon
Jewish Federation - #12 Millstone Campus Drive

- ◆ *How a Bill Becomes a Law*
- ◆ *How to Track a Bill*
- ◆ *Effective Methods for Advocating*
- ◆ *Key Issues for the 2007 General Assembly including Separation of Religion and State & Social Justice*
- ◆ *Presentations from State Representatives*
- ◆ *Special sessions for students*

There is no charge to attend; however, reservations are required due to space limitations. Email admin@ncjwstl.org or call the NCJW office at 993-5181

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Put Your Training into Action
Tuesday, April 17, 2007
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Sharing our Simchas

The synagogue thanks the following for hosting a Shabbat Kiddush in December:

Lisa & David Gellman, Peggy Nehmen & Gary Kodner, Beth & Joe Levy and Carol & Barry Pessin in honor of **Donn Rubin**.

Alan & Helene Spetner and Sherry Kaplan in honor of **Amy Spetner and Chad Doughty's** Auf Ruf.

Maxine & Murray Kalina, in honor of **Grace Hillary's** naming.

Todah Rabah:

We thank the people who chanted Haftarat during December: **Sandy Boxerman, Alan Spetner, Howard Belsky, Jaron Asher, and Wendy Anderson.**

Join Us Shabbat Morning For...

Babysitting (1-5 years)

10 am in the ECC or Mironitz Auditorium (downstairs)
Fun and games for those too young to experience the other options, complete with snacks and juice.

Junior Congregation (K-4th grades)

10:45 am in the Guller Chapel
A lively and engaging service for our younger members. Parents and families are encouraged to attend.

Family Service (K-4th graders & families)

These services are led by dynamic guests. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children as it is truly fun and educational for all ages.

The Mitzvah Years (5th-8th graders)

10:45 am in the Youth Lounge
A special service held most Shabbat mornings for those around B'nai Mitzvah age led by Youth Director Sarah Rubinson.

Shacharit in the Sanctuary

8:45 am in the Epstein Sanctuary
All are welcome in the sanctuary for our traditional egalitarian service. All children are welcome; they are especially encouraged to attend towards the end for Adon Olam and other prayers before helping the Rabbi and Hazzan with Kiddush.

Shabbat Calendar

January 6

Rinah West Bat Mitzvah
USY Shabbat

January 13

Installation of Officers and Directors
Junior Congregation
Mitzvah Years

Friday, January 19

Shabbat Unplugged

January 20

Women's League Shabbat
Junior Congregation

January 27

Isaac Walker Bar Mitzvah
Junior Congregation



Installation of Officers

Please join us for Shabbat services on January 13 as we formally install our 2007 board members.

President	Marsha Birenbaum
Vice President	Lisa Gellman
Vice President	Steve Keyser
Vice President	Mitch Shenker
Vice President	Susie Tenzer
Secretary	Beth Levy
Treasurer	Marc Spector
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Sergeant at Arms	Gary Kodner
Chair of Board	Harriet Shanas

Coming in January: A Shabbat Learner's Service



Look for more details soon or call the office for more information.

What's Happening This Month...

For more information about any of these programs, please call the office at 727-1747 or visit our website at www.ShaareZedek.org.

Tuesday, January 2 at 7:15 pm BASIC JUDAISM FOR ADULTS

The second eight-week session of Rabbi Mark Fasman's basic Judaism for Adults class will discuss Sanctifying Space: Judaism in the Home and Synagogue.

Tuesday, January 9 at 6 pm SISTERHOOD: WHAT'S JEWISH ABOUT HOSPICE

Presenter Sharon Weissman (Chaplain, Pathways Community Hospice) will present an informational session on the new developments in our community. This presentation will be geared to our Sisterhood members of all ages and everyone else who would like to stay current on this health care topic. The cost of this program is \$6 and includes a soup and salad bar as well as dessert after the program. Program starts at 6:30 pm after minyan at 6 pm. RSVP to Sue Propper by Friday, January 5 at suemeryl@charter.net.

Saturday, January 13 at 7 pm MOVIE: KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS

This 2006 comedy features Jeremy Piven as Adam Fiedler, a status-conscious Hollywood agent who wants his son Benjamin's Bar Mitzvah party to out-glitze his rival's son's "Titanic"-themed event. Since Benjamin loves baseball, Adam starts by renting Dodger Stadium, and the spending goes uphill from there. Unfortunately, Adam's family members all have their own ideas of what makes a great occasion -- and no one noticed that the Bar Mitzvah boy is having stage fright, can't chant his Haftarah, and wants his father to reconcile with his grandfather. *Keeping Up With The Steins* runs 99 minutes and is rated PG-13 for some language, nudity, and brief drug references. Admission is free; popcorn, soda, and discussion will be provided on this conspicuously Bar-Mitzvah-free weekend.

Sunday, January 14 at 6:30 pm MEN'S CLUB SPORTS NIGHT

While it will be difficult for our Shaare Zedek Men's Club Sports Night to top the Cardinal's Win of the 2006 Baseball World Series, we are pleased to announce that Cardinal's Radio and Television Broadcaster, **Wayne Hagin**, will be our guest speaker at our 2007 Sports Night! Sports Fans of all ages are invited to attend. Spaghetti dinner is \$7.50 per person. RSVP to the office at 727-1747 by January 9. Don't miss this fun event for the entire family! Food and door prizes will be plentiful. There will also be an author's book signing by a well known local sports authority.

Thursday, January 18 at 12:30 pm 60+ LUNCHEON AT B'NAI AMOONA

A monthly gathering including great food and company. Cost is \$6. Please RSVP directly to B'nai Amoona at 576-9990.

Thursday, January 18 at 7:15 pm FAITH AND THE CONSERVATIVE JEWISH IDENTITY

Rabbi Mark Fasman will lead this educating and provocative class. A lunch 'n learn will be held on January 20 to discuss the material presented.

Friday, January 19 at 5:30 pm SHABBAT UNPLUGGED

Our special monthly service, complete with a band and lots of Ruach, followed by a festive dinner. Dinner is \$12 for adults and \$8 for kids. RSVP to the office by January 15.

Sunday, January 28 at 5:30 pm B'NAI MITZVAH DINNER

Families who will be celebrating B'nai Mitzvah in 2007 are invited to this program called "Putting the Mitzvah back into the B'nai Mitzvah: Mitzvah Projects and You." RSVP to the office by January 22.

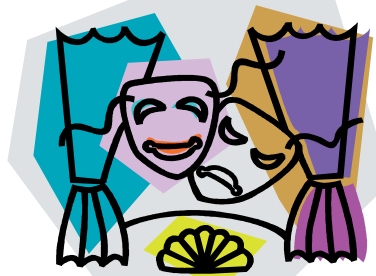
Beyond Mitzvah Day: Building a Community of Jewish Social Activists

Sunday, January 28 from 8:30 am to 1 pm
Jewish Federation Kopelow Building

Sponsored by The Jewish Social Action Network

The program will feature workshops for social action members and others interested in getting involved through Shaare Zedek. For more information or if you are interested in attending this program, please contact Micki Kingsley at 997-4479 or makingsley@gjn.com.

It's not too late to join the Purimshpiel!



Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays, January 3, 10, and 31 at 7 pm.

Contact Hazzan Dulkan for more information.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 11 New Years Day Office Closed No Hebrew School <i>8 am & 6 pm</i>	2 12 8 am Text Study 7:15 pm Sanctifying Jewish Space <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	3 13 No Hebrew School <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	4 14 Hebrew School and Hebrew High resume <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	5 15 <i>Candlelighting 4:36 7 am & 5:30 pm</i>	6 16 VAYECHI Rinah West Bat Mitzvah <i>8:45 am & 3:50 pm</i>
7 17 Shaare Shalom resumes Falaforama <i>8 am & 6 pm</i>	8 18 9:45 am WL Class <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	9 19 8 am Text Study 6:30 pm Sisterhood Program 7:15 pm Sanctifying Jewish Space <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	10 20 <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	11 21 <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	12 22 <i>Candlelighting 4:42 7 am & 5:30 pm</i>	13 23 SHEMOT Installation of Officers and Directors 7 pm Movie Night <i>8:45 am & 3:55 pm</i>
14 24 No Sunday School USY Winter Skibaton 6:30 pm Men's Club Sports Night <i>8 am & 6 pm</i>	15 25 9:45 am WL Class No Hebrew School Martin Luther King Day <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	16 26 8 am Text Study 7:15 pm Sanctifying Jewish Space <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	17 27 USY Lounge Night <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	18 28 12:30 pm 60+ Luncheon 7:15 pm Faith and the Conservative Jewish Identity <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	19 29 Shabbat Unplugged and Dinner 5th Grade Shabbaton at BSKI <i>Candlelighting 4:50 7 am & 5:30 pm</i>	20 1 VA'ERA Rosh Chodesh Women's League Shabbat Faith & Conservative Judaism Lunch 'n Learn <i>8:45 am & 4:05 pm</i>
21 2 <i>8 am & 6 pm</i>	22 3 9:45 am WL Class <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	23 4 8 am Text Study 7:15 pm Sanctifying Jewish Space <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	24 5 USY Program <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	25 6 <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	26 7 <i>Candlelighting 4:58 7 am & 5:30 pm</i>	27 8 BO Isaac Walker Bar Mitzvah USY Program <i>8:45 am & 4:58 pm</i>
28 9 Choices Shul is Cool Party 5:30 pm B'nai Mitzvah Dinner <i>8 am & 6 pm</i>	29 10 9:45 am WL Class <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	30 11 8 am Text Study 7:15 pm Sanctifying Jewish Space <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	31 12 <i>7 am & 6 pm</i>	Submissions for the February News are due January 10.		

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