

SHAARE ZEDEK

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*Next Year in
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Shaare Zedek Passover Schedule

Erev Pesach- Monday March 29

Fast of the First Born

6:45am Shacharit

7:30am Siyyum

11:00am Burning of Chametz

6:00pm Mincha/Festival Maariv

7:04pm Candle lighting

First Seder

Tuesday March 30

9:00am Festival Shacharit

6:30pm Community Seder

Sponsored by the Faye Keyser Fund

8:00pm Festival Maariv

Wednesday March 31

9:00am Festival Shacharit

Followed by Matzah Brei Lunch

7:45pm Festival Mincha/Maariv

8:09pm Havdalah

Todah Rabah!

Haftarot for February

Cameron Redler, Alan Spetner,
Howard Belsky, Yossi Shapiro

Greeters for February

Julia Lieberman, Shelley Shray,
Mary Berger, David Geller

Kiddushes for February

Craig & Liz Redler,
Alan & Helene Spetner

Minyan Breakfasts

Bonnie Templeton, Sherri Weintrop,
Maurice Guller, Bonnie T's new
granddaughter, Michael Greenfield, Pat
Rosen, Rhoda Grimsky, Bernie Kunitz,
Maurice Guller, Irv Taryle, Yossi Shapiro

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Anniversaries in March

Roger & Marcia Brockman

Hanley & Florence Cohn

Jim Fehr & Anne Glowinski

Brett & Jada Fox

David & Lisa Gellman

Ben & Frances Kootman

Neil & Pamela Lazaroff

Jerry & Ida Legow

Michael & Noemi Neidorff

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contact our coordinator

Sydney Farber

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Please put 'Haftarot' in the subject line.

Shaare Zedek Newsletter designed by Tovah Enger

A Message from the Rabbi

Rabbi Mark Fasman



Early in my Israel year of rabbinical school, I was at the Kotel (Western Wall) in Jerusalem one morning. I was trying to *daven*, to recapture the experience of my first visit five years earlier. Every couple of minutes a man in a black hat (a different man each time) would come and stand next to me, with his hand outstretched towards me. It was not to offer me a handshake, but to ask for tzedakah. I had a number of coins in my pockets, so I would give a very modest amount, typically a shekel (worth 20-30 cents) or less to each of these men.

And I was annoyed each time that I was interrupted, particularly by these *shnorrers*.

And then a little old man came to me with his hand outstretched. With a sigh I reached into my pocket, and found that all that remained was a 10-shekel coin. I placed it into his hand. He smiled and walked away. I returned to my *davening*.

About a minute later, there was this same man again. He was still smiling as he took my hand and placed some coins into it – 9 shekels and 90 agorot. That is, he returned everything but about 2-3 cents. I told him that he could keep the entire amount.

He smiled. And he said to me, in broken English, “You don’t understand. I don’t want money. I am just giving you the chance to fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah.”

I was very moved (and a little ashamed). This simple act, at the most sacred place in the Jewish world, taught me an important lesson: all Jews have an obligation to give tzedakah regularly, whenever asked. The amount is not important. The act is.

One of the obligations of Purim is to send gifts to at least two families (*mishlo’ach manot*). As part of your mishloach manot “basket” this year you received a gift from me: a tzedakah box, a *pushke*. You may not consider this a gift – after all, this is a gift

that will cost you money. In my own way, I am trying to remind you that the amount of tzedakah is not important. But the act is. As far as I am concerned, the tzedakah box is a gift ... no less a gift than given to me by that old man at the Kotel.

At my ordination, Rabbi Harold Kushner spoke. Among other things, he said that contemporary American Jews do not understand the concept of commandedness (*mitzvah*). We do not have a king. We are not slaves or servants to any master; we don’t *have* to serve a master who has ultimate authority over our behavior. We are Americans. That’s just not the way we think or the way we behave.

Thus it is difficult to understand the concept of *mitzvah* (divine commandment) in the sense in which it was understood by our ancestors. And it is difficult therefore for us to truly understand the Jewish concept of tzedakah as mitzvah – as divine imperative. We Jews are very generous, very philanthropic. However, at best we give because we should, not because we have no choice.

And that’s really not so terrible.

Giving is not natural. We have to learn to give. We learn from our parents – putting tzedakah in the *pushke* every Friday evening, just before lighting the Shabbat candles. We learn from our teachers. We learn from our community.

It is important that we treat tzedakah as an obligation, a core principle in living a Jewish life, in expressing our Jewish identity. Even for secular Jews, giving tzedakah is one of the main things that define who we are (more than going to synagogue). We need to practice giving. I don’t think that it ever gets easy to give money away. But it does become more meaningful when we understand that the money is ultimately not ours. Ten percent of what we earn belongs to the deserving

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poor. We have the choice as to how much we will give to whom. But we do not have the choice whether or not to give.

So perhaps the tzedakah box you received in your Purim basket will remind you of what it means to live with Jewish values. Place it somewhere that you will see it regularly. And put money into it – not just as a place to collect spare change, but as an act of tzedakah (your coins now belong to others). Put money into your *pushke* in front of others, especially children and grandchildren. Put money into it each time you do something Jewish (going to the synagogue (except on Shabbat, of course), going to a USY event, socializing with Jewish friends). Make tzedakah part of your life. Make it a habit. Make it something that defines who you are.

Tzedakah is given to others, but it is important to remember that the recipients do not owe us thanks; rather, we should thank them. They give us the opportunity to give, and thus they remind us what it means to be Jewish.

The Jewish Food Pantry Needs Our Help

The Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry is looking 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.

Presidential Matters

Gary Kodner



To Merge or Not to Merge?

That was NOT the question put before our Board of Directors on January 28, 2010.

At the Jan. 28 meeting, our board was asked to consider whether or not we should continue merger assessment discussions with our neighbor synagogue BSKI. These discussions could only proceed with the approval of both synagogue boards. Any ultimate decision to merge would require the approval of the membership to be ratified.

A joint Merger Assessment Committee was appointed by the presidents of Shaare Zedek and BSKI in June, 2009. They were tasked with getting to know one another better, setting goals, defining and outlining a process, gathering critical information and communicating back to each board.

After several meetings and the creation of a report, the committee chose to pause. They had reached a critical point in their discussions and sought further approval if they were to proceed to the next phase of the outlined process.

Our Shaare Zedek representatives: Gary Kodner, Synagogue President, Florence Cohn, past Board Chair; Marc Spector, Board Treasurer, Barry Pessin, past President; Harriet Shanas, past President; Marsha Birenbaum, past President and current Board Chair.

BSKI reps: Rick Kodner, Synagogue President, Jim Rothberg, Board Treasurer; Bill Solomon, Budget/Finance Chair; Susan Cort, PR/Membership Chair; Paula Hamvas, past President; Joe Burstein, Board Member.

Role of Steering Committee:

Leadership for sub-committees,
oversee process

Engage leaders and members

Collect information and data

Define mission, rationale and purpose

Report to boards

Conduct parlor meetings

Communicate to members and public

Negotiate terms of a merger

Both boards voted to proceed to the next phase... a merger negotiation process.

We have approached this process with neutrality and open minds as to the possibilities and outcomes. We bring this proposal to you now, as we believe that it is more strategic to do this from a position of strength as opposed to waiting for more unfavorable circumstances that might lead us to act in dire need.

Our deliberations have been a combined effort, united behind a sense of purpose and emphasis on fact finding rather than emotion, hype or publicity. Sensitive information has been and will be protected. We have committed to communicate fully and openly to two synagogue boards with parallel information.

We recognize that there are a myriad of feelings and opinions. We have every intention of listening and respecting all points of view. Bigger is not always better.

Let's ask ourselves: Can we create more revenue opportunities? Will we have a larger pool of volunteers and leaders? Can we attract more people by offering more entry points? Can we create a sustainable model? Can we build on and enhance our current programs and services? Can we improve our prayer spaces, meeting/class rooms? Expand our educational offerings? Can we better serve our community by combining resources? Are we ready to consider the needs of the next generation? Can we think about this with an open mind?

A Merger negotiation is not about winning or losing, rather it is about discovery and learning. To approach one another with inquisitiveness rather than fear requires

that we allow ourselves to be influenced by alternative ideas and points of view. In the words of a wise counselor, it is to shift our attitude from "no", n-o – to "know" k-n-o-w. Knowing and appreciating others increases our ability to live fully in this world and strengthens our bonds of connection.

Some contributing factors:

Demographics: Conservative movement has been shrinking in constituency over the past couple of decades. Current birth, marriage, divorce, inter-marriage and affiliation trends point to these trends continuing.

Financial: Both congregations are built on physical, financial and staffing models that have and will continue to result in deficit spending and borrowing to sustain themselves.

Board Action: Both congregations expressed the unanimous desire to engage in a joint merger discussion. Both boards approved continuing these talks based on the report of the Merger Assessment Committee.

Membership: Our congregations share and compete for the same general demographic and geographic segments of our community. Both congregations have been in business for more than a century, and both are half the size they were in the 1970s. A larger membership base can provide greater opportunity for, participation, leadership, talent and development.

Facilities: Both synagogues reside in spaces that were designed for the 1950s and 60s.

Our objective is to go beyond a financial solution. We seek an opportunity to create a greater community, capable of achieving more through collaboration than competing as separate entities.

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We learn about the *mitzvah* of *hachnasat orchim*, welcoming guests, from the story in Genesis of Abraham and Sarah, who welcomed three angels to their home. They ran to fetch food and water for their guests, and gave them shade in their tent. These three visitors were not your ordinary wandering type. It turned out that they had news that Abraham and Sarah would, at their advanced ages, become parents of a great nation. But it is a powerful lesson about hospitality: those we invite into our homes for food and drink may appear to be ordinary people, but could be agents (angels) of the Holy One.

The ultimate hosting opportunity presents itself at Pesach, the most widely-celebrated Jewish ritual in the world. Across the world at the end of this month, families open their homes to relatives, friends and acquaintances to share song, prayer, discussion, laughter, and of course – food!

Hospitality over Shabbat and holidays is a particularly difficult *mitzvah* to fulfill these days given everyone's busy lives. As the world becomes smaller through the world of the internet and news media, in our homes we unwittingly become more sealed off than ever, especially from our neighbors. Luckily for us, St. Louis is a remarkably friendly city, and Shaare Zedek an even more friendly congregation. It is because of this that our Ruach Am'cha music innovation project is centered on the homes of our host families: The Asher, Befeler/Ivener, Belsky, Birenbaum, Engel, Goldfarb, Singer, and Small families, who have agreed to host Ruach Am'cha celebrations in their homes through the summer, will hopefully serve as models for our congregation at large. They have committed to opening their home six

times over seven months to an Ambassador and guests, to celebrate Shabbat with song, ruach, prayer, and (because we're Jews, you guessed it) food! While the main objective of the Ruach Am'cha home celebrations is to employ the home as the ultimate place for learning how to "do Jewish" and to "do

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Shabbat" – it is also our aim to have our guests learn how to host. It is at the Shabbat (or seder) table that relationships are developed and solidified. It is the Jewish version of a dinner party. As the year progresses, it is our hope that a wider base of our congregants will open their homes to host festive Shabbat and holiday celebrations,

and to create a culture of *hachnasat orchim* – home hospitality – within our congregation.

This Pesach, I encourage you to invite someone new to your seder table. Perhaps it is the people you see at Friday night services

who sit a few rows behind you. You've exchanged pleasantries but never had the chance to really talk. Maybe it's the Jewish co-worker that also took time off for the holidays, or a family from your child's class at school. It could be the friends you've been meaning to get together with but haven't been able to find the time.

This is the month to plan your *hachnasat orchim*, to be like Abraham and Sarah, who welcome the three angels into their home who change their lives forever. Maybe your guests will not change *your* lives in such a dramatic way, but know that the conversation, singing, and spirit of a Shabbat or festival meal is more than just food. The entire occasion is shaped and changed by the personalities and life experiences of each guest, who has a unique contribution, *literally*, to bring to the table.

Hannah's Story

Hannah Max is 12 years old. She is the granddaughter of Carol Max of St. Louis. Hannah's parents Randy Max and Rachel Browne live in Holland and both are musicians. Hannah was diagnosed over a year ago with neuroblastoma and has been in chemo-therapy and radiation treatment. The prognosis for children with this type of cancer is not good, but recently someone recommended a Dr. John Maris, at Children's Hospital in Philadelphia whose focus is on treatment of neuroblastoma in children. The costs of these treatments will be in

the hundreds of thousands of dollars. A special fund has been set up for Hannah to receive treatments in Philadelphia. Funds also have been set up in England and in Holland for Hannah.

Would you like to help? You can donate by sending a check to the Hannah Max Benefit Trust Fund, Southwest Bank, Attn: Michelle Eldridge, 12452 Olive Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri 63141.

If you would like to know more about Hannah, look for the flyers in the lobby.

Thank you!

This is an opportunity to look forward. A chance to consider the possibilities of what we can achieve, and how we can sustain what we have if we will allow ourselves to partner with our neighbors. A combined congregation must be able to offer this community not only a more sustainable financial model but also opportunities to become stronger than the two separate competing congregations. The formation of new congregation must be done in a way that enhances the strength of our community while respecting the needs, history and customs of both synagogues.

So where are we NOW in terms of this process?

We have completed the first 2 phases:

PHASE I. Feasibility Phase

The boards of each congregation agreed to engage in collaborative discussions, established a set of guidelines, surveyed congregational information, and created a process for evaluation, structure and process.

A third party facilitator (Jay Weiner, USCJ) has met with the synagogue presidents to become familiar with the history, sociology, demographics, and philosophy of the two congregations. His role as mediator, will be to maintain an unbiased voice, provide USCJ materials and consultation and guidance.

PHASE II. Analyzing data, creating a report, communicating to constituents

The joint-steering committee collected data, analyzed information and created a document that was presented for review. Each board is given independent opportunity to discuss/debate the merits and findings of the report, then vote to move forward with to the next step in the process or to cease activities.

We are now ready to enter

PHASE III. Negotiating Phase

Sub committees will be formed to gather more data, discuss critical issues and provide reports back to a steering committee

appointed by the presidents. Forums will be convened at each congregation to inform members, answer questions, listen, and engage in dialog.

If the Negotiating Phase shows further rationale to continue, we would ask to proceed to

PHASE IV. Deciding Phase, and if given further approval,

PHASE V. Implementation Phase.

There can be a tendency for people to think ahead of the important discovery, debate, assessment, and visioning that must first be processed in order to be in a position to pass judgment.

We have yet to set any firm timetable or deadlines. This process will be inclusive and transparent. We intend to listen and respect the rights and opinions of everyone who chooses to be involved. We will proceed with strength, trust and make decisions based on thorough consideration, fact finding and consensus.

It is not possible or appropriate for one committee to discuss all aspects of the merger process. As we proceed, it is essential that we involve additional sub-committees and a broad variety of members from both congregations. This will enable us to collect needed information and support from congregants committed to the process from both congregations.

Anyone needing further information or wanting to be a part of this process are encouraged to contact me.



Planning to send flowers to someone for Passover?

Walter Knoll Florist
Discount Cards
Available in the office
or in the gift shop

\$10 each

*Use it once and save
the cost of the card!*



Spirit of the People

Shaare Zedek is among 15 grantee synagogues in the country chosen by the Legacy Heritage Foundation, to pilot programming which incorporates music into all aspects of synagogue life.

Join us for any or all of the exciting projects this year!

- * Be a host family, creating special musical Shabbat celebrations in your home.
- * Become a "Niggun of the Month club" member
- * Join our monthly Havdalah Drum Circles (Really Cool)
- * Shabbat afternoon Zemirot (Singing and Schnapps)
- * Find serenity with Shabbat morning Chanting & Meditation
- * Sing with an intergenerational choir
- * Rabbi Fasman is gathering individuals to lead our first Shaare Zedek brass ensemble! If you play the trumpet, trombone, tuba or any other brass instrument, we want you to join us!

MARCH ACTIVITIES

March 13th

9:30am Ruach Am'cha Chanting

12:00pm Ruach Am'cha Zmirot

6:15pm Havdalah Drum Circle

For information, contact Hazzan Dulkin, Hazzan@shaarezedek.org, or Program Coordinator Julie Friedman, Julie@shaarezedek.org

We want to thank everyone for their kind wishes in honor of the birth of our great-granddaughter Emunah Twersky.

*Rudy and Frances
Oppenheim*

Men's Club

Mitch Shenker, President



Shaare Zedek Men's Club Participates in the Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program

Yom HaShoah, the 27th day of the month of Nisan, marks the day when Allied troops liberated the first Nazi concentration camp at Buchenwald, Germany in 1945, this year takes place on April 11, 2010. This is the day chosen to commemorate the lives and heroism of those who perished in the Shoah (Holocaust in Hebrew).

Throughout the centuries, the Kaddish prayer has been recited by family members of the deceased to remember and bestow honor upon their loved ones. Many, if not most, of the 6 million victims of the Shoah, had no surviving relatives, and consequently had no one to say Kaddish for them. Beginning 22 years ago, the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs initiated a program to facilitate the recitation of Kaddish by the Jewish community. In the years since, tens of thousands of yellow yahrzeit candles have been distributed and lit in memory of the victims of the Shoah.

Especially now, with fewer and fewer Holocaust survivors alive to bear witness

to the events of those tragic times, and when the voices of Holocaust deniers grow ever louder, it is essential that we continue our work to keep the memory of the Shoah alive.

This year the Shaare Zedek Men's Club will (once again) be participating in the Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle program. Our club will mail a yellow yahrzeit candle to every member of our synagogue. The candle is intended to be lit on the evening of April 10, erev Yom HaShoah.

Also, our synagogue members receiving the candles will be given the opportunity to make donations in memory of the 6 million. The donations will be used to address various synagogue needs. For more information about the FJMC Yellow Candle Program, please visit the FJMC website (www.fjmc.org) and click on activities and Yom HaShoah Yellow Candles.

How to Conduct a Meaningful Passover Seder

It's hard to believe, but Passover will soon be here, and it's not too soon to start preparing. Of all the many Jewish rituals and observances, there is none more widely

performed than the Passover seder. Friends and family gather at our homes, and it is often up to us to make this event informative and meaningful for everyone, and especially for our kids. This responsibility can be daunting, especially for those of us who have little understanding ourselves about what the Hagadah is all about and how a seder should be run.

Fortunately for us, the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (to which the Shaare Zedek Men's Club belongs), commissioned the publication of a book authored by Ron Wolfson as part of their "Art of Jewish Living" series entitled *Passover: The Family Guide to Spiritual Celebration, 2nd edition*, published by Jewish Lights Publishers. This wonderful book explains all the Passover seder rituals and the Hagadah in an eminently readable, entertaining, and useful fashion, and is sure to help you conduct a seder you can be proud of. More information about the "Passover" book and the "Art of Jewish Living" series can be found at the Jewish Lights website (<http://www.jewishlights.com>).

New Ashreinu Leaves

Jerry Cohen's 85th Birthday and Morning Minyan Dedication
50th Birthday of Sherri Weintrop
50th Anniversary of Alan Spetner's Bar Mitzvah (2)
40th Wedding Anniversary of Alan & Helene Spetner (2)
Sherry Kaplan's Great Grandchildren



Solomon Schechter Day School

Main Event 2010

Build A Sanctuary in Your Heart

Honoring Sanford & Gloria Spitzer
and

Dr. David & Lynnsie Balk Kantor

Sunday March 7, 2010 5:30pm

at Congregation B'nai Amoona

Honoring our Special Teachers for their Years of Dedication & Commitment:

Debbie Garbow (Morah Devorah) 25 years

Mimi Baden & Suzanne Sloane 15years

Sisterhood

Micki Kingsley, President



Many people, men and women, came up to me after Sisterhood Shabbat to tell me how nice it was for the women to carry out most of the service, except for the d'var on the parsha given by Rabbi Fashman, the Torah reading and a few Torah aliyot. Marvin Lerner, who is of course the husband of our Sisterhood Tribute Chair, Dorrie Lerner, read most of the parsha, and was ably assisted by Michael Rauchman, who began the parsha and then took over as the second Torah gabbai with our own Dorit Galor. So many people told me how much it meant to have names mentioned during my remarks at the end of the service that I am going to repeat them in case you were helping in the kitchen during that time or if you were unable to be at services at all. I am as grateful now to all of you as when I first wrote this.

"First, I thank Joyce Olshan for chanting Psukei d'zimra, Karen Karabell for chanting Shachart, Wendy Love Anderson for her words before her beautiful reading of the very long haftarah, and Marion Cohen for chanting Musaf. this morning. This isn't their full time job and I am proud of their accomplishments. Every year at the Christmas season, I try, at least once, to see, "It's a Wonderful Life." It reminds me of what a difference one person can make in the world and in people's lives. I thought - our Sisterhood here at Shaare Zedek is kind of a George Bailey and it got me to thinking what the shul would be like without it. I started to look over some of the annual budgets to see what our programs and hard work do. As many of you know, or don't know, every year, we give generously to the USY group to help as many teens as possible attend regional conferences. We also support their USY Purim Carnival.

The Sisterhood makes an annual contribution to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, to the Chazzan's Discretionary Fund, and to the synagogue's general fund. And two years ago, the Sisterhood sponsored BaMidbar, The Book of Numbers when the synagogue commissioned our new Torah

two years ago. We make generous donations to the ECC pre-school, to the Mishloach Manot project at Purim. Most of our funds come from dues, Gift Shop sales, tributes and Shabbat kiddushes.

The Gift Shop is staffed during the week by the following volunteers who give their personal time to keep the shop open. Dorrie Lerner, Betty Siegel, Ruth Levy, Ann Frank, and Paulette Friedman. I encourage you to take advantage of your gift shop.

Oh, where would we be without our Sisterhood kiddushes! You call us, and Sue Propper and Cindy Ginsburg go from there. They round up a team and go to work; and voila! From time to time, and depending on the needs, some of the ladies you will find in the kitchen are: Sue and Cindy, Irene Belsky, Sherry Kaplan, Ava Small, Simmie Gellman, Rhoda Grimsky, Ruth Levy, Sue Roth, Aleene Zawada, Shelby Cooke, and our Gold-medalists, Jean Marx and Phyllis Warner.

Also within Sisterhood and under the dedicated leadership of Joyce Gang, a group continues to prepare meals for the "Meals on Wheels" program that provides ready to warm meals for those who request them. Some of those who volunteer their time in this program are Barry and Carol Pessin, Marilyn and Doug Miller, Dorrie Lerner, Sue Roth, Rhoda Grimsky, Jean Marx, and Phyllis Warner. I apologize if I have left off any other volunteers. This is truly work of kindness. And Stan Levy, our honorary Sisterhood accomplice, makes weekly pick-ups of bakery goods from Pratzels for this Program, and makes sure the meals get to their destinations.

Sisterhood also gives to many Jewish charitable organizations, Israeli organizations, the Masorti movement in Israel, humanitarian causes when help is asked for, and much more. But I was specifically thinking about Bedford Falls and George Bailey and all the good people of Bedford Falls, except old Mr. Potter of course. They reminded

me of our Shaare Zedek congregation, of our Sisterhood, and of the group of women who give so much of their effort and time to make the Old Bailey Savings & Loan, I mean, Shaare Zedek, a place people want to be a part of.

I have been fortunate in the last couple of years to have such a wonderful group serving as officers, and on the Board, and in the general membership of the Sisterhood. Notwithstanding that you can read these names in the insert with your Shabbat bulletin, I would like to read these names aloud. Over the past two years, the following ladies have given their time as officers and on our Board: Becky Shimony, Sue Propper, Sue Roth, Joy Goldfeder, Pat Rosen, Lorraine Schankman, Janice Shenker, Beth Rubin, Ruth Levy, Wendy Love Anderson, Marion Cohen, Cindy Ginsburg, Elena Aschkenasi, Irene Belsky, Ann Frank, Joyce Gang, Rhoda Grimsky, Simmie Gellman, Sherry Kaplan, Phyllis Katz, Arleen Kerman, Dorrie Lerner, Ava Small, Phyllis Warner and Aleene Zawada.

A list of some of our past presidents is very impressive, including such outstanding women as Shirley Hartstein, Julia Iken, Estelle Handler, Carol Simon, Zendra Ashkanazi, Esther Zuckerman, Marilyn Kunitz, Marion Cohen, Marsha Birenbaum, Cindy Ginsburg and Lisa Gellman. Some of these women served as co-chairs when asked and some served more than one term.

Every year we lose some of our members, and we are sad at the passing of Ruth Katz, Jerry Goodman, Nancy Shukar, Judy Rimel, Mary Pollack and last week Sylvia Thea.

Our Membership chairman, Becky Shimony tells me that the following ladies have joined the Sisterhood this year: Aileen Shanker, Jessica Raithel, Liz Redler, Ziva Izenberg,

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Early Childhood Education

Marty Schaeffer & Tessa Katan



Sisterhood
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Nancy Keyser, Lisa Peckler, Sharon Katz-Weintraub, Sandra Rudman, Hedva Levy, Sara Kahn Shapiro and Julie Friedman. Thank you for joining Shaare Zedek Sisterhood. Your input, your ideas and your efforts in support of our programs and fund-raisers are very important to us.

Not everyone is destined to be an Abraham, Isaac or Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca or Rachel, Joseph, Moses, David or Solomon, or Miriam from our Torah portion, or Devorah from today's Haftarah, or a Golda Meir or a Mathilde Schechter.

But just like Clarence taught George Bailey – and I'm sure that Clarence learned it from years of studying Talmud, Mishnah and Gemorra – every single person is important. The teachings of these books are explicit regarding the importance of the individual. We learn what to do, how to do it, and why; and we learn what not to do, and why. Every person can make a difference. Every person can have an impact; and here at Shaare Zedek and in our Sisterhood we work to live by those teachings. May we all go from strength to strength in our work. Thank you all. Shabbat Shalom."

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Well, that was it. You see what a wonderful group of women make up the Shaare Zedek Sisterhood!

I hope you have made reservations for the **Torah Fund Luncheon** on **Sunday, March 14th**.

As we have just celebrated Purim, Pesach can't be far behind! May we all find the strength to clean in places we don't get to all year, to shop for the essentials for the holiday, to make those special dishes that we make only at this +-time of year with matzah meal, matzah flour and a lot of eggs, and may we be grateful for all we have, especially family and friends.

I wish you all a Pesach - kasher v'sameach.

ECC Tu B'Shevat Celebration-Learn Through Play

The Tu B'Shevat Celebration for the ECC took place mid day so parents could be a part of the event. The children had opportunities to learn through planned play and activities.

- ★ They shopped at the Shuk and purchased their snack of fruits, learning about the different types of fruits.
- ★ Parents who attend Jewish Holiday Celebrations at the ECC can help children learn through planned age appropriate experiences.
- ★ Caring for our environment is an important lesson of Tu B'Shevat. The children recycle every day in their classrooms and after lunch.
- ★ At our Tu B'Shevat celebration we planted seed of all types, learning about how to care for seeds to make them grow.
- ★ When learning about different seeds, many of the children choose to plant parsley to grow for their Passover Seders
- ★ We talked about the trees of Israel and the children enjoyed making Almond Trees with beautiful blossoms.
- ★ Making puppets of animals that live in trees was fun for our little ones.

Our ECC Passover Celebration will take place **Friday, March 26, 11:30-12:30**. Once again we will be using interactive centers in the Leve Auditorium to teach about the holiday. Synagogue Families with young children are welcome to join us as we learn about Passover through play.

Eli and Christina Karsh join their son Max for a Tu B'Shevat snack of fresh fruit



Youth Programs

Liz Redler, USY Director

Melissa Berk, Kadima/Noar Director

What a month February 2010 was! We began with an incredible trip to Minneapolis, MN where ten SZSLers hopped on a plane and spent the weekend with 160 other USYers throughout the region. Everyone braved the below 0 temps to participate in great programming, tubing, and some warm time at the Mall of America. Then as soon as we returned we dove right in to Purim; making hamantashen, creating games, and preparing for the best Purim carnival yet! Of course it was a smashing success thanks to all of the hard work supplied by our USY and all of the attendees supplied by our fabulous Shaare Zedek community. A special thank you goes out to all of our volunteers who helped make the day so great and to everyone who sponsored booths and donated prizes.

March is shaping up to be a busy month as well with many exciting lounge nights, an action packed sleepover, and a fun afternoon on March 14 where USY and Kadima provide the entertainment for the Sisterhood Torah Fund Luncheon. At the end of the month is USY's annual Chocolate Passover Seder which every USYer (and Youth Director) looks forward to. As always, in USY there is always lots to do and great people to do it with! Have a wonderful Pesach!

Liz Redler

On Sunday, January 31, 2010 "Noars" and "Kadimanicks" gathered for a day of fun at the St. Louis Mills Nascar Speedpark. They enjoyed rock climbing, laser tag, go karts and more! An enormous thank you to Evan Goldfarb, Shmuel Israeli, Rhona Lyons, Ariane May, Beth and Donn Rubin, Yossi Shapiro, and Susan and Peter Walker for driving carpool.



USY SZSLers trip to Minneapolis



A special thank you to Patty Herzog, Rhona Lyons, and Rachel Miller for chaperoning! Our social event would not have been possible without your support!

Do your children love smoothies? Then I have a recipe for you! Every Monday and Wednesday before Shaare Shalom, snacks are sold at Shaare Zedek to raise Tzedakah! Our most popular items are . . . you guessed it, smoothies! Below is the recipe so you can make these delicious and healthy treats at home:

Shaare Zedek Smoothies – ingredients:

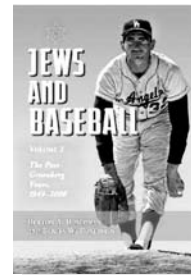
- ½ Cup of Orange Juice
- ½ Cup of Dannon Lowfat Vanilla Yogurt (Schnucks)
- 1 Fresh Banana
- ½ Cup of Dole Mixed Frozen Fruit (Sam's)
- 1 Teaspoon Honey

B'Tayavon!

A warm welcome to our newest Noar Member, Tamara Miller!

A Mazal Tov to our recent B'nai Mitzvah: Simon Handmaker, Noah Engel, and Cameron Redler! We are so proud of you!

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Adult Education

Sydney Farber

The Gregorian month is March; on the Hebrew calendar, it's Adar (Hebrew: אָדָר) and Nisan (Hebrew: נִסָּן). Though most of us were taught that Tishri is the first month (of the Jewish calendar), it is really Nisan that gets that spot. The name Babylonian and used to be called Aviv, because it refers to the season (spring) when barley is ripe. Nisan is a 30-day month, whereby it usually falls in March-April.

We celebrate the holiday of Passover/Pesach on the 14th (evening) of Nisan, for eight nights/days. We have a seder (Hebrew: סֵדֶר and means "order") on the first and second nights of Pesach. During this meal, the story of the Exodus from Egypt is retold as we read from the Haggadah. On the second night of Pesach, When we know it is definitely night (i.e., approximately thirty minutes after), we start counting the Omer (commonly called Counting the Omer). Counting of the Omer (or Sefirat Ha'omer, Hebrew: סְפִירַת הָעוֹמֵר) is a verbal counting of each of the forty-nine days between Pesach and Shavuot. For more info on any of these topics or more, ask Rabbi Fasman.

A lot is going on in March with Adult Ed:

- Feb. 23rd (Tuesday) - We completed the final phase of Jewish Space in Rabbi Fasman's Tuesday night classes, taking a break in March, starting back up with Jewish Prayer on April 13th from 7:15 - 9:00 p.m. in the Community Room. All are welcome!
- March 20th (Shabbat) - Join Rabbi Dulkan and others at his Shabbat class, Encountering God in Jewish Theology from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room.
- March 20 (Shabbat) - Alice Fasman will lead a Lunch and Learn entitled The Nightmare Before Pesach. It will be held in the Community Room from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. There is no fee, but please let us know if you're going to attend.
- March 21st (Sunday) - Jennifer Rogers Asher will help us create some Passover projects, which shouldn't cost more than \$20. It will be from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. in the Community Room. For this project, we can only accommodate 35 people, so be sure to call Nancy in the office (314-727-1747) to reserve a spot. It will be lots of fun.
- March 27 (Shabbat) - Rabbi Fasman will lead a Lunch and Learn on Passover in the Community Room, from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Men's Club Sports Dinner



Hall of Fame Sports writer with the Post Dispatch, Rick Hummel



Long time Shaare Zedek member, Joe Iken poses with Gary Kodner and Mitch Shenker with the Marty Marion (MVP 1944) autographed baseball he won at the dinner.

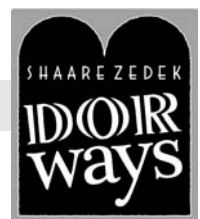
DorWays: Families & Young Members

Melissa Berk, Program Coordinator

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! We currently have forty member families, and many prospective families participating in our programs and enriching their lives and the lives around them.

Every Shabbat Morning following services, join us at the blue children's tables for Kiddush! A special thank you to Alan and Helene Spetner for providing our community with our very own place to gather!

On Friday, March 19th, at 5:00 PM all young families are invited to a Pre-Pesach Plague Bag Event! Every child will fill a bag with craft projects and activities, perfect for your upcoming Seders! At 5:40 PM, let the singing begin. Join the fabulous Hazzan Joanna



in a Pesach sing-a-long, followed by the musical Shabbat Rinah Service. Stay as long as you like!

Remember to check your calendar for our regular Shabbat Service and activities including Tot Shabbat, Family Services, and Shabbat is Here, our parent/baby Friday morning class!

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The only way I can show my thanks and appreciation to all of you from the Minyan plus the others who sent tribute cards from the sisterhood and the Shul, is that I hope to continue to serve you as long as I am able to do so.

Thanks again from the bottom of my heart,

Jerry Cohen

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The candle's yellow wax, Jewish star and strand of barbed wire serve to remind us of the yellow arm band which Jews were forced to wear during the Nazi regime. The photo on the candle showing youngsters departing a concentration camp emphasizes the importance of teaching our youth the lessons of the Holocaust and of remembering the six million who perished.

In an age of terrorism and violence, we are sensitive to the fact that genocide is not a private matter limited to the Jewish community.

We encourage everyone light their Yellow Candle on Sunday (at sundown), April 11. Please return the enclosed envelope with your contribution to the Shaare Zedek Men's Club. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

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Condolences

The family of *Judy Farkus* who passed away on January 6th. Sister of Nancye (Allen) Gliner.

The family of *Norman Karty* who passed away on January 11th. Brother-in-law of Alan (Suzie) Broddon.

The family of *Eugene Schrenzel* who passed away in New Jersey. Sister-in-law of Ruth Jacob.

The family of *Sylvia Thea* who passed away on January 20th. Mother of Steven (Donna) Thea, aunt of Donna Tepper, Sandy Taryle and Eddie (Trina) Schukar.

The family of *Susan Fry* who passed away on February 4th. Cousin of Don, Joanne & Liz Singer, and Bernard & Marilyn Kunitz.

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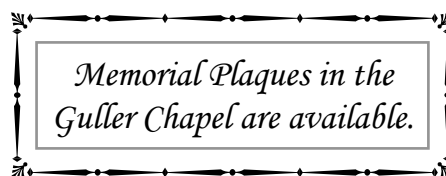
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Those saying Kaddish for a loved one will appreciate it even more!

Shaare Zedek Calendar **March 2010 Adar/Nisan 5770**

<p>Monday, March 1 Shushan Purim 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class 4:30pm ECC Parent/SSDS 6:45pm Ritual Niggunim 7:00pm Ritual Comm.</p> <p>Tuesday, March 2 8:00am Herb Fredman Class</p> <p>Wednesday, March 3 Regular Minyanim</p> <p>Thursday, March 4 Regular Minyanim</p> <p>Friday, March 5 10:00am Staff Meeting 10:30am Shabbat is Here 5:40pm Candle lighting 6pm Shabbat Rinah</p> <p>Saturday, March 6 Parashat Ki Tisa Shabbat Parah 9:00am Men's Club Shabbat 11:00am Tot Shabbat 5:05pm Mincha 6:41pm Shabbat ends</p> <p>Sunday, March 7 9:30am Men Club Training 11:30am Intergenerational Choir Rehearsal 12:00pm Mens Club Man of the Year lunch</p> <p>Monday, March 8 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class 6:15pm Brass Band Rehearsal</p> <p>Tuesday, March 9 8:00am Herb Fredman Class 11:30am JCRC Meeting 7:45pm Ambassador Check In</p> <p>Wednesday, March 10 Regular Minyanim</p> <p>Thursday, March 11 7:00pm Exec Board</p> <p>Friday, March 12 10:30am Shabbat is Here 5:47pm Candle lighting</p>	<p>6:00pm USCJ Dimer 6:00pm Shabbat Rinah Service</p> <p>Saturday, March 13 Parashat Vayakhel-Pekudei Shabbat HaChodesh B/M Shoshana Grossman Ruach Am'cha Chanting 10:45am Family Service 12:00pm Ruach Am'cha Zmirot 5:10pm Mincha 6:15pm Havdalah Drum Circle 6:48pm Shabbat ends</p> <p>Sunday, March 14 <i>Daylight Savings begins</i> 9:30am Men's Club Meeting 10:15am Sisterhood Niggun 11:30am Intergenerational Choir Rehearsal 12:00pm Torah Fund Lunch</p> <p>Monday, March 15 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class</p> <p>Tuesday, March 16 Rosh Chodesh Nisan 8:00am Herb Fredman Class</p> <p>Wednesday, March 17 Regular Minyanim</p> <p>Thursday, March 18 6:15pm Brass Band Rehearsal</p> <p>Friday, March 19 10:00am Staff Meeting 10:30am Shabbat is Here 6:00pm Shabbat Rinah Band 6:54pm Candle lighting</p> <p>Saturday, March 20 Parashat Vayikra 9:00am Shabbat Service 10:00am Rabbi Dulkan's class 10:45am Noar Parsha Players/ Youth Lounge 11:00am Tot Shabbat 6:20pm Mincha 7:55pm Shabbat ends</p> <p>Sunday, March 21 Mellman Club 2:00pm Adult Ed Program 2:30pm Pesach Craft Project with Jennifer Asher</p>	<p>Monday, March 22 9:45am Rabbi Fasman Class 6:15pm Brass Band Rehearsal</p> <p>Tuesday, March 23 8:00am Herb Fredman Class 4-7pm Kashering party- poc Sara Myers</p> <p>Wednesday, March 24 Regular Minyanim</p> <p>Thursday, March 25 7:00pm Board Meeting</p> <p>Friday, March 26 6:00pm Shabbat Rinah Service 7:00pm Candle lighting</p> <p>Saturday, March 27 Parashat Tzav Shabbat HaGadol 9:00am Shabbat Service 10:45am Family Service 6:25pm Mincha 8:02pm Shabbat ends</p> <p>Sunday, March 28 Regular Minyanim</p> <p>Monday, March 29 Erev Pesach Ta'anit Bechorot 6:00pm Mincha/Festival Maariv 7:03pm Candle lighting</p> <p>Tuesday, March 30 Pesach I 9:00am Festival Shacharit 6:00pm Festival Mincha 6:30pm Community Seder 8:00pm Festival Maariv</p> <p>Wednesday, March 31 Pesach II 9:00am Festival Shacharit 12:00pm Matzo Brie Lunch 7:45pm Festival Mincha/Maariv 8:09pm Havdalah</p>
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We hope you enjoy this new format that allows us to provide you with more complete information.

Minyan times are
7am & 6pm weekdays,
8am & 6pm Sundays,
unless otherwise noted.