



KEHILAT HANAHAR

The Little Shul by the River

New Hope, Pennsylvania

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All Grown Up, But Still "The Little Shul by the River"

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PURIM CELEBRATIONS!



Steve and Sue Fox in costume at the Adult Purim Celebration

KHN hosted two lively Purim Celebrations this year! On February 27th the adults enjoyed a costume party and danced to the music of our own Howard Parker and his HOT Take Out Band.

On February 28th our entire community enjoyed spiels by Shul School classes and an entertaining program led by Rabbi Sandy and Rabbi David complete with costumes, music, and the Megillah Reading.



Ben Stanell shares a joke with Rabbi Sandy and the Purim crowd at the Community Celebration

Photos Courtesy of Staci Scheinblum and Steve Fox

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Family Education Day

Julie Parker examines ritual items on display at the Diversity in Jewish Practice Family Education Day on January 4th.

SHABBAT SERVICE SCHEDULE

MARCH/APRIL

Friday, March 5

Family Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 6

Meditation Service, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, March 12

Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 13

Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 a.m.

Tot Shabbat Downstairs with Staci Scheinblum, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, March 19

Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 20

Shabbat Morning Service & Bar Mitzvah of Edan Michener, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, March 26

Kabbalat Shabbat "Chametz" Potluck Supper, 7:00 p.m.
(Clean out for Passover)

Tuesday, March 30

Community Passover Seder, 6:00 p.m.
(at the Lambertville Rescue Squad)

Friday, April 2

Kabbalat Shabbat & Yizkor Service, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 9

Family Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:00 p.m. (Tet hosts)

Friday, April 16

Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 17

Shabbat Morning Service & Bar Mitzvah of Alex Straus,
9:30 a.m.

Friday, April 23

Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 24

Shabbat Morning Service (Vav & Zayin), 9:30 a.m.
Tot Shabbat downstairs with Staci Scheinblum, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, April 30

Shabbat Potluck Supper, 7:00 p.m.

JOIN THE EXODUS TO THE "LITTLE SHUL'S" COMMUNITY PASSOVER SEDER



Tuesday March 30 at 6:00 pm
Lambertville Rescue Squad

Join Kehilat HaNahar at its annual and much anticipated Community Passover Seder.

The evening will include a traditional Passover meal with foods such as matzo ball soup, chicken, gefilte fish, kugels, and many other delicious side dishes and vegetarian favorites.

Advance RSVP Required by March 19:
215-862-1912; littleshul@kehilathanahar.org

- ?? Please indicate how many adults and children will attend.
- ?? Members: \$25 per adult, \$12.50 per child younger than 13. Non-Members: \$30 adult, \$15 per child. Children under 5 are free.
- ?? Members please bring your favorite non-dairy (Parve) Kosher for Passover side dish (vegetable or starch), or dessert to share for 10-15 people, along with serving utensil for your dish. Just let us know what you plan to bring.

FROM THE RABBI



Dear Friends,

By now, I imagine that most of us have seen enough snow and experienced enough cold temperatures. I know I have. I truly look forward to not having to bundle up to go outside and the sun will put a smile on my face!

Certainly, in the middle of the cold, we were not fully able to appreciate the festival of *Tu b'Shevat*, the New Year of the

Trees. Although we are celebrating the sap rising, new life enervating the tree, it is difficult to relate to that REALLY happening when we are shivering in our boots.

Purim is a bit more enticing as it calls us to give free rein to joy and foolishness; being silly and uninhibited. We know the story of Esther and Sunday morning, February 28th, we read the *Megillah* and celebrated with costumes and groggers. The evening prior, erev Purim, the adults gathered. For the sake of Torah and ourselves, we need Purim to laugh at what we value and thus paradoxically gain a real sense of self worth.

In the Bible, in the book of Esther we read: "They were to observe them as days of feasting and merry making, and as an occasion for sending gifts to one another and presents to the poor." Purim is a unique festival... it speaks about us bringing about our own redemption. It is the only

Jewish holiday that is not God-centric. Purim commemorates the deliverance of the Jews from the annihilation planned by Haman. Our last minute rescue was by two of our own, Queen Esther and her cousin Mordecai.

The book of Esther is a scroll, read like Torah, but unlike any other book in the Bible, the hero is a woman and God's name is never mentioned. As the book of Esther says, this is a time to be generous with ourselves and with others; a time of love and friendship and merrymaking.

We move from the festival of Purim to Passover, where we face freedom. The Talmud states: "Every one of us must see ourselves as if we went out of Egypt." Passover is the most widely celebrated of all Jewish holidays, yet how does its message translate in each of our lives? How do we each experience redemption from the tight places, the *mitzrayim* (Egypt) of our lives? All of the rituals: eating matzah, cleaning out our *chametz* (that which inflates us or ferments in us), eating the ritualistic foods, all having symbolic meaning related to our history and our journey toward liberation. The underlying, or overt message is hope...hope that we, each of us can transform our lives and help to heal the world by being a "light unto the nations."

This year, make your observance of these festivals a bit more meaningful in at least one way. Hopefully your festivities for Purim were "over-the-top" and may your observance of Pesach bring you a taste of freedom.

B'shalom,
Rabbi Sandy Roth

KHN Needs Your Help to Help the Homeless

By Kelly Statmore

For those of you looking to do a mitzvah in March, here's a wonderful opportunity. Kehilat HaNahar, as part of its participation in the Delaware Valley Interfaith Council, will once again provide meals and supervision for the Interfaith Hospitality Network. We will be responsible for providing meals for people who are homeless. We also will provide overnight supervision at the First Presbyterian Church in Lambertville, which becomes a temporary home for people in need of warm, comfortable shelter. Kehilat HaNahar's night to staff the facility is March 17. Here's what we need:

2 volunteers to spend the night from 9 p.m. on Wednesday until at least 6:30 a.m. on Thursday. Beds are provided, but you may prefer to bring your own air mattress. The two

people who spend the night must be the same gender or a husband/wife team. (It's really very easy, but essential. All it requires is your time.)

2 volunteers to stay at the Church from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. to play with any children, provide homework assistance, and provide general supervision.

Your children should not join you for the above activities, but teenagers are welcome to help as long as adults are onsite, too.

If you're interested in helping in any way, please contact Kelly Statmore at kastatmore@comcast.net as soon as possible.



The Presidents Letter

Dear Friends.

I know that Reconstructionist Jews don't adhere to the belief that Jews are "the chosen people".....but you know what....they sure are very, very special. Let me explain what I mean.

This January, David Brooks, a highly respected journalist, weekly contributor to the New York Times Op-Editorial page, TV political analyst and renowned conservative thinker, who happens to be Jewish, wrote a column entitled "The Tel Aviv Cluster". In that piece he points out the mind-boggling accomplishments of Jews in spite of horrific persecution throughout the ages. In that piece he elaborates on the great accomplishments achieved by the State of Israel and its people. And throughout the column, the reader is treated to an endless stream of facts and figures on the Jewish people's incredible high tech accomplishments which are more than disproportionate to the world wide population of Jews.

For an example Mr. Brooks writes:

"...between 1980 and 2000, Egyptians registered 77 patents in the U.S. Saudis registered 171. Israelis registered 7,652."

And did you know that Israel with seven million people, attracts as much venture capital as France and Germany combined....and Israel has more high-tech startups per capita than any other nation on earth.....

Truly amazing!

Along that line of Jewish accomplishments, Lisa Stephens, a long time member of our synagogue, recently sent to me on a "Jewish Trivia" article. The writer provides name after name after name of people in the arts, entertainment, politics and every other discipline (many coming as a complete surprise) who are Jewish. It's truly amazing! We may not be "chosen" but we are so very, very special. So....

Question...how many of our children and our grandchildren really have a deep sense of pride in those mind-boggling contributions that Jews have made to civilization, in spite of horrific persecution and worse. In whatever field of endeavor, we have more than excelled. We have set the standard! Do our children and our grandchildren know this. When they're taunted and ashamed of what they hear about the Bernie Madoffs, are they encouraged to take pride in those U.S. patent figures, and everything else that is so good and meaningful about Jewish accomplishments. I have no children....but I do implore each of you who have children whether in the Shul School or not, to deliver this unbelievable story of accomplishment and for our children and beyond, to take pride in all that Judaism and the Jewish culture has contributed to the world and what we here at KHN have accomplished as well. No we may not be "the chosen people"...but we are indeed very, very special.

Arthur Spector, President

"KOSHER KOFFEE HOUSE" is Coming to KHN!

By Howard Parker

KHN will be holding a Koffee House series in 2010 to entertain all ages. Sunday afternoon shows are intended to be family friendly while some evening shows will be geared to our Youth Group.

The music and poetry will be supplied by local artists as well as members. Coffee, Tea and baked goods will be served while the entertainment stimulates your soul.

Our first Kosher Koffee House will take place on Sunday afternoon, March 21 at 2:00 pm. Jeff Kline, a local legend, will be the featured performer. Please

visit www.jbkline.com for more information on our featured performer. Tickets \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Kosher Coffee House is seeking talented individuals, duo's, trio's and poets for upcoming performances. Interested artists should contact Brian Kelner 215 297-0505 or Howard Parker at 609 397-4754 for bookings.

All proceeds will benefit the planned improvements to our building & grounds.

B'VEIT HA-K'NESSET

IN THE SYNAGOGUE

DIVERSITY IN JEWISH PRACTICE EXPLORED AT FAMILY ED DAY

By Rabbi David Katz and Staci Scheinblum

Our second Family Education day on January 24th continued to explore the theme of diversity, this time focusing on diversity in Jewish practice. Everyone gathered together for a “multi-movement” prayer service, which provided a brief glimpse at what you might experience during a service from each of the major organized Jewish movements (Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, and Reconstructionist). Highlights of this unique service, which was led by Rabbi David, included men and women being separated by a *mechitza* (the barrier that separates the sexes at Orthodox services), and a rock-and-roll version of *Oseh Shalom*, led by KHN Treasurer Howard Parker.

The participating families then rotated through three break-out stations. At the first, each family saw and learned about a variety of Jewish ritual items, including a *tallit katan* (the undershirt-like garment with fringes on the corners, worn by most Orthodox men), *tefillin* (the small boxes containing scrolls inscribed with Torah citations, attached to leather straps, worn by traditional Jews for weekday morning services), a Sephardic Torah (used by Jews of Mediterranean descent), and a *Mizrach* (a sign put on the wall that indicates east, the direction towards which Jews in the western hemisphere pray). At the second station, everyone reviewed the basic laws of Kashrut by visiting a mini grocery store – set up in the KHN Social Hall – and then chose a Kosher snack to eat. At the third station, families spent time together with their children’s Shul School teachers, discussing the prayer service, and playing games to learn about the different movements and Jewish practices. To conclude the morning, everyone decorated their own kippah – one of the ritual items that Jews from all of the movements identify with.

We look forward to the third and final Family Education Program for this school year, which will take place on Sunday, April 18th. That program will focus on Jewish life in various countries around the world. We hope to see everyone there! We also thank Staci Scheinblum for her dedication in organizing these programs.

Photos courtesy of Staci Scheinblum

Easy Way A to Raise Money for ‘Our Little Shul’

Gift Cards: Order your grocery and gift cards through Kehilat HaNahar, and we will receive between 1% and 18% of the face value of the card. The cards will still be worth their full amount; so, everyone wins.

Hundreds of retailers are on the list, including Giant, Genuardis,



Old Navy, K Mart, Home Depot, Amazon.com, and Staples. Many members purchase all their groceries with these cards.

Order forms are available on the www.kehilathanahar.org website. For more information contact the Shul.

Raise Funds for The Shul While You Shop:

Genuardis will donate money to the Shul when you shop at their stores. Just go to the courtesy counter and update your membership card to designate the Shul as the recipient of a percentage of all monies spent. To do this, simply add KHN’s ID number to your card: 10001676. Thanks to Fran Roth for administering this grocery store program.



ACME Grocery will stop accepting register receipts for fundraising. So please submit all of the ACME receipts you have to the office by March 20th.



B'VEIT HA-K'NESSET

IN THE SYNAGOGUE

KHN Building & Grounds

By Steve Fox

KHN Men's Club

By Jeff Brahin

As Spring approaches, so too does the paving of our parking lots. We are currently awaiting final approvals and hope to begin the bidding process very shortly. If you have a recommendation for a paving contractor, contact me at SFoxNJ@yahoo.com.

The Building and Grounds Committee takes its stewardship of the KHN property very seriously. We are always mindful of the impact our decisions have on the environment. We continuously maintain the property by adding and removing plantings in the Memorial Garden as well as throughout the grounds, and trim and remove trees that pose a hazard to our property or that of our neighbors'.

In alignment with the Green Initiative that KHN has adopted, we're constantly looking for ways to transition from old, outdated practices and lead the way with new ones. Both in- and outdoors, we're hoping to create an environment that's warm, inviting and safe, while setting an example for members and guests who appreciate our Building and Grounds.

As we schedule a date for Spring Clean-Up and move forward with our paving project, the actions necessary to minimize our liability and complete the project will involve removing some dead, or dying, trees. We're happy to share that there will only be one tree removed that would not have been taken down in the normal course of property maintenance. Things you can look forward to with the improvements to the parking lot will be smoother traffic flow, sure footing, safer conditions, better lighting, less mud and at least seven new trees, either on our property or around New Hope!

Is it Spring yet?

On January 31, the Men's Club had another well attended lox and bagel brunch at the Shul. It seems that this group is filling an important need at the shul as those attending are meeting new people and experiencing another facet of membership at KHN. These gatherings really are enjoyable, casual and positive.

Back to the food! The knosh was enjoyable! Ted Robinsom brought his own smoked salmon and lox; bagels, coffee and conversation were abundant!

As this group develops, we are boking for ideas to enrich the experience of the Men' Club. One such idea is coming to life and taking place on May 8th 2010. That event is "The Great Cheese Steak Debate." This endeavor involves an excursion to South Philly with the goal of impartially deciding who makes the best cheese steak. We will be going to Jim's, Pat's, Gino's, Tony Luke's and possibly D'Alessandro's. We will get a 15 passenger van and chip in on the van rental.

In the meantime, our next brunch at the Shul is scheduled for March 14, 2010 at 10:15 a.m. in the Social Hall. Breakfast will be available from the Pancake Breakfast Bar Mitzvah Project at a cost of \$7 (see page 8 for more details) So, please attend and RSVP to Alan Brown at friedsquid@comcast.net!

Also, there will be one more brunch in May. So please look out for that date too.

All in all, it is great taking with, and getting to know the male members of the congregation a little better. I highly recommend the club to all of the men at the Shul.



Photo by Harris Steinberg

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IN THE SYNAGOGUE



MITZVAH DAY 2010

By Marjorie Kaplan
Photos by Robin Robison

The bond between the Jewish community and the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. was evident on January 17th where a flurry of activity and commitment to community shone through during our Mitzvah Day program in partnership with our friends of the Delaware Valley Interfaith Council.

The morning began with leadership from Julia Parker, Robin Robison, and Frank Sweeney, who traveled to Centenary Methodist Church in Lambertville with the Yuda class where they were greeted by students (ages 4 to 16) and teachers of the Centenary Methodist Church along with hot chocolate, bagels and doughnuts! As the students learned about the Delaware Valley Interfaith Food Council (DVIC) Food Pantry, they decorated 25 cotton reusable grocery bags for DVIC Food Pantry clients. Many thanks to our friend Don Griffin of DVIC for donating the grocery bags and Pastor Judith Gehrig and Muriel Meserve of Centenary Methodist for helping to make this such a lovely event.

Meanwhile, at KHN, many other activities unfolded. These included a drop-off of frozen meals for homebound clients of the Aid For Friends program. A total of 77 meals were brought to KHN that morning!! Caeren and Sarah Franzini did a tremendous job preparing the containers and Debbie W ean and Deb Gruelle braved the rain in ferrying the meals over to the freezer at St. Martin of Tours. Many thanks to our friend Terri Mockaitis of St. Martin of Tours Church!

In the Social Hall, our Shul School Students together with parents and other volunteers prepared over 500 meal bags for DVIC Food Pantry clients. Almost half of the items for the meal bags were donated by Shul School families. Many thanks to all the Shul School families that donated food items and especially to Ilene, David, Michael and Molly Rothblat and Naomi, Wes, Jane and Sadie Furguiele for leading this activity (including the last minute shopping) and to Don Griffin of DVIC who once again came and spoke to our students about the DVIC Pantry. John Vaughn, Geoff Wyckoff, and Juila and Howard Parker are all to be thanked for their help in delivery to the food pantry and recycling of all the packaging. Thanks to Anita Baker Lemman for her generous donation to this project.

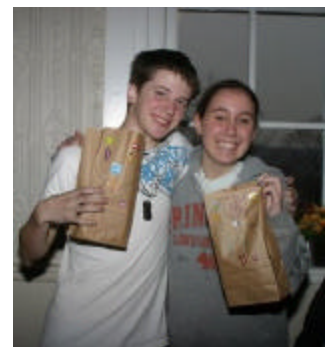


Kelly Statmore, Gail Sorkow, Michelle Mannherz, Anna Statmore, & Olivia Statmore

Our Sanctuary space was abuzz with sewing machines. Led by Kelly Statmore and Gail Sorkow with help from June, Olivia and Annie Statmore who had all done a tremendous amount of prep work, with additional help from Kira Botelho and Michelle Mannherz, a hive of children and adults armed with needles and thread and working with sewing machines as well quilted 8 beautiful blankets for newborns in intensive care units (see more on page 15). In addition to helping sew the quilts that morning, every Shul School child participated in a very creative session led by Cara Vaughn to make cards for the children and families who will receive these gifts of warmth and caring from our community.

In the KHN lobby, folks learned while they ate! Sharon Schwartz provided information about Project H.O.P.E., Helping Other People Everyday. It is never too late to help your neighbors. If you have a little extra time, you can be a HOPE volunteer. Contact Sharon Schwartz at

shamar67@verizon.net. Participants were also able to learn about Familial Dysautonomia (FD) (a rare genetic disorder that affects Ashkenazi Jews) and support the FD Foundation at Eddie Scheindlin and Jane Barg's FD bakesale. Eddie and Jane



Willa Sweeney & Michael Rothblat

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IN THE SYNAGOGUE

Continuing Education Committee Seeks ...

You!

Our Continuing Ed committee is seeking volunteers willing to commit a few hours a month to engaging work on some interesting subjects. We need your contribution of ideas as well as time. Fun included. For details, call Mark Feffer at (215) 598-3979.

KHN No'ar Hadash Youth Group

KHN's No'ar Hadash Youth Group will have a party and meeting on Sunday, March 21st, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event will take place at the home of Nicole Russeck, a member of the KHNNH Tribal Council. All KHN seventh through twelfth graders are invited.

Details of the party are still coming together; to RSVP, if you'd like to help out, or if you have questions, please contact Rabbi David, or one of the members of the KHNNH Tribal Council: Rachel Bensch, Maggie Feldman-Piltch, Sarah Franzini, Michael Rothblat, and Nicole Russeck.

Weekly Torah Study

Every Wednesday at 11:00 am, Rabbi David Katz leads a thought provoking Torah Study that members have found to be insightful and relevant. We encourage members to join us for bagels and coffee, good company, and an interesting torah study each week!

Pancake Breakfast

At Kehilat HaNahar

Sunday March 14, 2010

8:30-10:30



Children: \$5

Adults: \$7



All Children 3 & Under: FREE

All Proceeds Go to the Make A Wish
Foundation and Kehilat HaNahar

*Pancake Breakfast for Charity is being provided
by Alex Straus and Jacob Steimberg's Bar Mitzvah
project*

Movie and Game Night!

Please join us for our "Get ready for Passover
Movie and Game Night!"

When: Saturday, March 27, 6 pm

What: Movie showing *The Prince of Egypt*
Play board games

Dinner: Pizza, Salad, snacks, drinks
(If you didn't get rid of your chametz,
bring it and share it!)

Cost: \$8 per person to cover food

Please RSVP to Staci at
simontiger@aol.com



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*Kehilat HaNahar cordially invites you to attend a
Sweet 16 Party You'll Never Forget!!*

*Join other Kehilat HaNahar members for a great
evening of wine, food, music and dancing.*

*We will celebrate our synagogues' Sweet 16 Birthday
on*

Saturday evening, June 5, 2010

at

*Crossing Vineyards & Winery
Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania*

*More details on the event to follow. Please save the
date and spread the word to your family, friends and
neighbors about this not to be missed evening!*

Mazal Tov

Birthdays

March

- 2 Elaine Greenberg
Julian Lentchner
- 3 Larry Bauer
Stella Goodman
Sophia Dantzie
- 4 Dianne Zide
Isabel Oppenheimer
- 5 Chloe Foster-Storch
Emma Foster-Storch
Nicole Russeck
- 7 Selina Simon
- 9 Enid Lobel
Harry Rosenthal
- 10 Ali Glick
Suzanne Barlyn
- 11 Neil Morris
- 12 Jonathan Feineman
Tali Natan
- 13 Beth Botelho
Blake Botelho
Larry Snider
Jordyn Sherman

- 14 Paul Savage
Robin Wiessmann
Marilyn Chodorov
- 15 Isaac Zucker
Rachael Zucker
- 17 Molly Morris
- 18 Carol Della Penna
Shelbie Oppenheimer
- 20 Judith Daniels
- 21 Gail Friedman
Charlene Weinstein
Skylar Sherman
- 22 Harris Steinberg
- 23 Robin Ackerman
- 24 Ben Hochman
Gabby Lehotay
- 25 Carl Glassman
Chloe Miller
- 26 Joseph Meixler
- 27 Mark Schwartz
David Segal
- 28 Arnold Feldman
Bennett Povlow
Abby Silver
- 30 Kyle Bogdan
Hanna Vaughn

- 31 Ryan Ackerman

April

- 1 Sam Stanell
- 3 Gail Sorkow
Deniyele Levin
- 5 Jenna Shelby-Glick
- 6 Brian Kelner
Andrew Schneider
- 7 Michael Tabachnick
Philip Rosenblum
- 8 Ellen Fisher
Greg Van Hook
- 9 Roy Feldman
Emily Oshins
Zoe Silver
- 12 Jim Eilbert
Jordan Brahin
- 13 Maggie Feldman-Piltch
Zachary Segal
- 15 Ruth Morris
Benjamin Mestetsky
- 17 Zachary Greenberg
Samuel Straus
- 20 Maya Vaughn
Bitsy Recupero
Truman Gruelle

- 21 Sonja Foster-Storch

- 22 Laura Warner
Hannah Robison
- 24 Julia Parker
Drew Riggs
- 25 Emily Golden
- 26 Emma Silberman
- 30 Rhea Parian
Shelly Friedman
Jacob Stephens

Siman Tov

Anniversaries

March

- 3 Sharon & Mike Meixler
- 12 Sally & Arnie Feineman
- 26 Dulcie & Jack Freeman
Karen Bartnett & Walter Straus

April

- 7 Enid & Leonard Lobel
- 20 Gail Sorkow & Mitch Manasse
- 22 Jannah & John Bensch
- 29 Stella & Joseph Goodman

Mazal Tov

Please use this space to share family milestones — graduations, honors, special anniversaries and birthdays, etc. We also will continue to post B'Nei Mitzvah announcements here. Send your announcements to littlehul@kehilathanahar.org or call 215-862-1912.

To Edan Michener, son of Joan Loeb, who will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, March 20 at 9:30 am

To Alex Straus, son of Walter Straus and Karen Bartnett, who will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 17 at 9:30 am.

Refuah Shleima

Ruth Morris

Elycia Lerman

Rabbi Sandy Roth

Yahrzeits

May tender memories of your loved ones comfort you at this time of memorial.

March

1	Genie Lyons	15 Adar
2	Max Beckman	16 Adar
4	Selma Loeb	18 Adar
	Mae Goldman	18 Adar II
5	Sanford Savin	19 Adar
	Louis Weiss	19 Adar
	Meyer Goldstein	19 Adar
7	Fannie Lobel	21 Adar
9	Max Schneider	23 Adar
	Harry Venet	23 Adar II
10	Michael Oppenheimer	24 Adar II
12	Rose Roth	26 Adar
13	Grace Fisher	27 Adar
15	Howard Karp	29 Adar

	Jean Karp	29 Adar II
17	Leo Eilbert	2 Nisan
19	Charles Karp	4 Nisan
20	Augustine Botelho	5 Nisan
23	Ethel Rovner	8 Nisan
25	Joseph Spink	10 Nisan
27	Caroline Lehrman	12 Nisan
		<u>April</u>
1	Fay Friedman	17 Nisan
3	Louis Berlin	19 Nisan
10	Jean Barnabei	26 Nisan
	Roger Brown	26 Nisan
	Irwin Mark Samuels	26 Nisan
	Melvin Roth	26 Nisan
11	Eva Leipzig	27 Nisan
	Sandy Bertelsen Gilbert	27 Nisan
	William Goldman	27 Nisan
15	Louis Schwartz	1 Iyar

16	Shirley Lyons	2 Iyar
17	Nan Vahid	3 Iyar
	Peter Hollander	3 Iyar
19	Alice Winn	5 Iyar
	Joseph Kelner	5 Iyar
	Sophie Rahinsky	5 Iyar
22	Victor Brenner	8 Iyar
23	Gloria Wasserman	9 Iyar
24	Harold Cohen	10 Iyar
	Hannah Getzow	10 Iyar
26	Sidney Jacob Kranz	12 Iyar
27	Florence Zimmerman	13 Iyar
	Hannah Passikoff	13 Iyar
	Sonia Weiss	13 Iyar
29	Betty Shoer Feffer	15 Iyar
	Hans Loeb	15 Iyar

General Contributions

Barry Bilowitz & Emily Golden

Fran Roth

Carl & Dinie Glassman in honor of Libby and Gordon Nieburg for their photographic talents

Mark & Sharon Schwartz in honor of Elycia and Anita Lerman's Vow Renewal

Harris & Sheila Steinberg for donating Purim prizes

Arthur Spector for donating gifts for New Member Service

Rick and Mika Silver for sponsoring pizza following our Shabbat Morning Services

Shelly Friedman in honor of the engagement of Samantha Brever and Joshua Schwartz

Miriam Seiden

Bitsy Recupero in honor of Anita & Elycia Lerman's Vow Renewal

Bernard & Carole Lerman in honor of Anita & Elycia Lerman's Vow Renewal

Marilyn Chodorov in honor of her naming and in memory of her father.

Ben Hochman in memory of Elaine Hochman.

Robin Robison

Kelly Bloomer

Steve and Sue Fox for donating the rug for the hallway at the social hall entrance

Alvin & Dorine Lerner in honor of the Vow Renewal of Elycia & Anita Baker

Fran Roth in honor of Anita & Elycia Lerman's Vow Renewal.

Mitzvah Fund

Shul School Fund

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Marilee Goldberg Adams

Please note: checks for the Discretionary Fund should be written to: Rabbi's Discretionary Fund not Kehilat HaNabar

Thank you for your contribution and continued support of Kehilat HaNabar.

B'VEIT HA-K'NESSET IN THE SYNAGOGUE

Todah Rabah

Volunteerism is the oxygen of Kehilat HaNahar, and our cup truly runneth over. As you can see, many, many people have donated their time and creativity these past months. So, a heartfelt Todah Rabah (thank you) to...

Deb Grant & Debbie Bazarsky, Dianne Zide, Arthur Spector, Harris & Sheila Steinberg, Sue & Steve Fox, Arnie & Sally Feineman, Susan Morris, Emily Golden & Barry Bilowitz, and the Dalet class for sponsoring or providing food for the Onegs following Kabbalat Shabbat Services in January and February.

Sharon Schwartz and Sally Feineman for doing an amazing job organizing meals and other support for members who have been in need of some extra help.

Nancy Warshawsky for helping in the office.

A HUGE thank you to Marjorie Kaplan who worked tirelessly to organize and plan Mitzvah Day (see page 7.)

Elycia & Anita Lerman, Marilyn Getzow, Joan Loeb, and Brigitte and Lauren Weil for washing tablecloths.

Susan Whitman for organizing the Women's Group.

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Sari Feldman and Arthur Spector for planning the Passover Seder.

The Membership Committee for planning the New Members Kabbalat Shabbat event.

Rabbi David Katz, Joan Loeb and Maggie Piltch for their dedication in planning and hosting the Zayin Shabbaton and spending the night at Kehilat HaNahar with the Zayin students of KHN and Or Hadash.

Sharon Schwartz for leading our new "Season of Mussar" group.

Emily Golden for sharing her amazing voice with us at the Musical Shabbat Service.

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Kelly Statmore for coordinating the Interfaith Hospitality Network food and supervision for March 17. (See article on page 3).

Brian Kelner for administering our Evites program for Shul events.

The "Meshugenners" Men's Group for planning and sponsoring the Tu B'Shevat Seder for KHN and our guests from Or Hadash.

Fran Roth for administering the ACME receipts program!

Ted Robinson for organizing the "Cash for Gold" fundraiser that raised \$1,500 for our Shul!



Karen Giller, Marlene Rosenblum, Dara Foster-Storch, Gretchen Tartakoff, and Sheila Steinberg for organizing the Purim Falafel & Bake Sale. Thank you to our bakers who donated delicious hamantaschen and other goodies: Ed Tetelman, Donna Arons, Emily Golden, Brigitte & Lauren Weil, Carol Della Penna, Robin Ackerman, Ilana Lavelle,

Gretchen Tartakoff & Marlene Rosenblum. And thank you to the parents and students who helped sell and clean up!

Shelly Friedman for her hard work in preparing Yahrzeit notices.

All the families who donated food for the food pantry and coats for the coat drive! Thanks to Geogg Wycoff and Lisa Stephens for delivering the donated coats and food.

The many, many members who have given their time to cook meals, drive to the airport, arrange for food delivery, and provide myriad other services to people in need.

Please, if you know of someone who is not on this list and should be, contact the shul at 215-862-1912 or littleshul@kebilathanahar.org. Let us know who the person is and what he/she did.

B'VEIT HA-K'NESSET

IN THE SYNAGOGUE

ZAYIN SHABBATON

From Friday evening January 29 to Saturday afternoon January 30, our Zayin class (7th grade) hosted a Shabbaton at Kehilat HaNahar with Congregation Or Hadash of Fort Washington, PA. A Shabbaton is a 24-hour retreat over Shabbat that combines prayer, study, art, activism, food, fun and friends. The classes stay overnight at the shul! One of the highlights of the Shabbaton was the opportunity for our Zayin students to meet and befriend other Reconstructionist 7th graders. Together, they explored the theme of Tu B' Shevat. Our group prayed both days with the Or Hadash congregation, an eye opening experience for our students who heard new prayers and learned new tunes to familiar ones. Our Shabbaton ended with an indoor rock climbing outing in Doylestown. All in all, it was a thrilling weekend that brought our amazing Zayin class even closer together. For those entering Zayin class in the coming years, get ready for an incredible experience!



Photos of the Zayin Shabbaton at KHN and Doylestown Gym. Photos courtesy of Rabbi David Katz and Karen Freedman of Or Hadash.

Tu B' Shevat Seder

On January 29th we celebrated the "New Year for Trees" with Rabbi Sandy, Rabbi David Katz, and special musical performer Mahra Parian accompanying on guitar. We enjoyed the music, fruits, nuts, wine and a lot of laughter. The evening focused on nature and the grand web in which everything is connected to everything else. We are most grateful to the Men's Group, "Meshugeners" for providing the ritual food and supporting this special seder!



Kabbalat Shabbat Service and "Chametz" Potluck Supper Friday, March 26 at 7 p.m.

- ?? Bring your Chametz!
- ?? Bring a vegetarian/dairy entrée or dessert to serve at least 10 people
- ?? Bring your recipe
- ?? RSVP by March 20 to 215 862-1912. Let us know how many people are coming and what you are bringing.



Mitzvah Day -Quilts for Kids

By Gail Sorkow

On Mitzvah Day, our goal was to complete eight quilts with participation from all the classes from Gan to Chet. We were successful in completing seven fun and colorful quilts. These quilts will be given to children in need, especially those with cancer and other life threatening illnesses as well as battered and abused children. Due to allergens children cannot bring their stuffed animals to the hospital, however most hospitals welcome these washable quilts which children can hold onto for security and comfort. To see a short video on delivering some quilts go to www.downy.com and click on helping kids header. Many thanks to Marjorie Kaplan for her tireless efforts in organizing Mitzvah day, Kelly Statmore who oversaw the quilting activities, and all the helping hands that threaded needles, stitched by hand and machine. If you want to learn more about Quilts for Kids go to www.quiltsforkids.org

If you are interested in making quilts for kids an ongoing project or for sewing for fun please contact Gail Sorkow at gsorkow@comcast.net.



Michelle Mannherz and Sophia Dantzie work on the quilt

Photo by Gail Sorkow



We are collecting soda can tabs in jars in the lobby and Shul School hallway. These tabs help raise money for Habitat for Humanity. Thank you for helping this great organization and thank you to Fran Roth for organizing this program!

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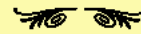
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raised \$170 that morning and continued their fundraising the next day selling Jane's famous hot fudge bringing their grand total donation to FD to \$243.

In addition to our KHN Family, 12 friends from St. Philips Episcopal Church in New Hope, led by Tim Philpot, joined us for the morning providing tremendous help with quiltmaking and the food bag preparation.



Beth & Kira Botelho

The Mitzvah Committee is grateful to all who participated in Mitzvah Day. Not yet mentioned are Staci Schenblum, Robin Ackerman, Lisa Stephens, Scott Greenberg, Willa Sweeney and Harris Steinberg who also helped by either baking, lending equipment and/or helping to clean up. Many thanks to Robin Robison for her lovely photos and especially to Sheila Steinberg, Rabbi Sandy and Rabbi David for working with us to make Mitzvah Day a successful event.

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