



CHRONICLE

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From the Pulpit

God and the Candidates for President of the United States

On January 4 the Iowa caucuses will formally open the search for the next President of the United States. We will see who is emboldened by these gatherings and who weakened, who will be considered the frontrunners and who will need to quit for lack of support.

What we have learned over the last few months is that to question faith in a Supreme Being is to write one's own obituary as a candidate for the highest office in the land. Perhaps that has always been the case, but never has it been as explicit as it has been in this race. Democrats and Republicans alike are falling over themselves with proclamations of sincere devotion to God, if not specifically the Christian God. In most cases their professions ring hollow.

All this makes me as a Jew exceedingly uncomfortable. By identifying ourselves as Yisrael, i.e. God wrestlers, we often become uneasy with those whose pious professions of absolute faith flows too easily from the tongue. While some devout individuals are convinced that atheists are devoid of moral judgment, our Jewish historic experience has unfortunately been that often it is the most religiously fervent that have often also been the most intolerant to those unlike themselves and the greatest anti-Semites. That is not to say that I will not choose to vote for a religious person if s/he most closely approximates my views on issues, but for me overt public professions of faith raise a red flag.

Religion appears only once in main body of our American Constitution. Article 6 states that "no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public trust under the United States." (Caps as found in the Constitution) That clause, along with the guarantee to freely practice our religion and be protected from state religious coercion in the first amendment has allowed Jews and every other religious minority, as well as those with no religious belief, to feel a sense of authentic belonging and ownership in this great country of ours.

Therefore we embraced John Kennedy's 1960 claim that he was "not the Catholic candidate for president, but rather the Democratic candidate for president who also happened to be a Catholic" as capturing our Jewish sentiment as well. Jews should not seek public office as Jews, but as concerned and conscientious citizens who would like to engage in public service, and neither should anyone else.

I can sympathize with Mitt Romney. I felt there was no way he could both dismiss his Mormon faith as irrelevant in this race and simultaneously prove that he would meet religious standards that his party stalwarts demand. His effort was masterful, but in the end, failed. Though claiming that his candidacy came from the same civil responsibility and obligation as all of the other contenders, he still found it necessary to meet the "religious test" by claiming faith itself as a qualification and then professed his own belief in the central tenets of Christianity.

In Oregon we are blessed with a Mormon and a Jewish Senator. Both are appropriately proud of their ancestral heritage. I would hope that the religious upbringing of neither one would be a basis for voting for or against either one.

Our process for choosing a national leader is complicated and arduous. As we vote in primaries and in the November election, let us seek a person of vision and fairness, someone who will bring us together rather than divide us, who will give us confidence in our country and the correctness of its policies, who will make us proud of being Americans.

Rabbi Daniel Isaak

Capital Campaign

In early December 2007, the construction crew of SD Deacon, our general contractor for the Capital Campaign, mobilized on site



to begin construction of The Stampfer Chapel and Administrative Wing. The campus as we all knew it since 1964 is changing forever...and for the better. Demolition, grading and digging will soon lead to new structures rising up from the ground and the eventual completion in August 2008 of all construction and refurbishment. During the coming year, the life of the synagogue will proceed with all of our many programs and services intact and unchanged. Traffic patterns, entry and exits doors, parking spaces and other facets of daily operations may change from time to time, and we ask for and appreciate the patience of all our members, staff and guests during construction. Please use extra caution in the parking lot and let staff know if you have any question or concerns. We also want to thank all members who have pledged their gifts to the Capital Campaign to date. We are over 70 percent to our goal as of press time and with the participation of all members to the best of their ability, our goals will be achievable. To make a pledge, please contact **Fred Rothstein**, Executive Director, in the main office.

Save the Date for the CNS Annual Auction



Sunday, March 16, 5pm

To be held at the MJCC

We are counting on 100% participation from our members for our biggest fundraiser of the year. There are many ways you can help:

- Volunteer to help on one of our many subcommittees: publicity, procurement, registration, packaging, data entry, sponsorship, decorations, and evening program
- Donate goods or services from your place of business
- Ask merchants you regularly shop with to donate their goods or services
- Become a sponsor with your cash donation
- Attend the event and bid on our fabulous items!
- Buy a raffle ticket

Great items to bid on include: Fantastic Seahawk Tickets, Box Seats to a Mariner's game, flight and golf at Bandon Dunes and a Family Membership to the MJCC.

Jeff Katz and **Monica Brenner** 2008 co-chairs. Call or email **JoAnn Bezodis**, Auction Coordinator, TODAY to find out how you can help: 503.293-7309 or jbezodis@nevehshalom.org

Watch your mail for donation forms or download them from our website at www.nevehshalom.org

Let's make 2008 our best year ever!



In Memoriam

The Congregation extends its sincere sympathy to the families of Evelyn Zurow and Bertha Ail

May their souls be bound in the bonds of eternal life.

Condolences

Our condolences to our members and their families, **Marcy & Ron Morris'** sister-in-law, Gail Rothstein. **Robert Ail** and **Annette Lakefish** on the death of his mother and her sister **Bertha Ail**. **Suzanne Lubarsky-Friedman** on the death of her grandmother.

Refuah Shlema

Refuah Shlema, a speedy recovery to **Cara Buchalter, Alfred Levinson, Eleanor Fischer, Jenn Director Knudsen**

Clergy Visits

To assure that clergy make visits to congregants in the hospital, extended care facilities and hospices, please contact the office at Congregation Neveh Shalom: 503.246.8831. In an effort to comply with the new patient privacy laws, health-care facilities may not release the names of their patients; so it is imperative that you provide the name of the member, the facility name, patient's room number, length of anticipated stay, your relationship to the patient and a number where you can be reached if further information is needed.

Torah Study

Join **Rabbi Isaak** or **Rabbi Greenstein** each Shabbat morning for Torah study 9-9:45am in the Library

Chronicle Submissions

Please Note

Share your life-cycles events and accomplishments with your congregation. The deadline for the February Chronicle submission is **Friday, January 11th**. Please E-mail submissions to lkitchen@nevehshalom.org

Welcome to Our New Members

Lev Tsypin & Marti Frank
Geoffrey & Heather Kleinman
Brian Izenson & Martha Klein
Symour & Carol Danish
Bill Brenner & Julia Waco

Kvell With Us

... **Bruce & Sheila Stern** and **Irv & Arlene Potter** are pleased to announce the birth of their grandson, Alexander Joshua Stern on November 27 to Rob & Jessica Stern. Great-grandparents are **Bernice Resnikoff, Alice Potter**, Mr. & Mrs. Sid Davidson and Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Fladerman.

... **Irv & Arlene Potter** are proud to announce the birth of their first grandchild, Ezra James Potter to Aaron and Shanna Potter on September 22. Ezra is blessed with 7 great-grandparents: **Alice Potter**, Mr. & Mrs. Sid Davidson, Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Fladerman and Dr. James & Virgie Macmillan.

... Denielle Rebecca Kobrin daughter of **Esther & Albert J Menashe** has earned her Masters of Science in School Counseling from California State University, Sacramento. She graduates with honors. She is employed as a High School Guidance Counselor at Weston Ranch High School in Stockton California.

Kol-ha-kavod

Every simcha is special. Congratulations to our many members who are celebrating in January. In particular, Mazel Tov to the following members who are celebrating special milestones!

Milestone Birthdays

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| Mark Astor | Susan Greenberg | Kurt Rosenberg- |
| Leonard Barde | Terrie Hadfield | Lewis |
| Aliza Bethlahmy | Kathleen Hasson | Chantal Rosenthal |
| Magdalena Cynrutis- | Steven Kahn | Arthur Rott |
| Simon | Paul Kipnis | Steven Shain |
| Glenn Decherd | Shirley Klain | Marc Shapiro |
| Frieda Farb | Darlene Menashe | Lazar Sheynfeld |
| Paola Finzi | Bonnie Naftalin | Lubov Shternberg |
| Jared Gellert | Shirley Nudelman | Larry Skolnik |
| Yevgenia Giterman- | Gary Pearlman | Susan Sutherlin |
| Faktorovich | Jim Poplack | Judy Weingard |
| Kenneth Golden | Enya Rabovitser | Lorraine Widman |
| | Davida Rosenbaum | Deborah Winer |

Milestone Anniversaries

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| Bruce & Adalyn Banasky | Daniel & Nadya Glatzer |
| Stefani & Andrew Cozine | Jeffrey & Wendy Menashe |
| Stanley & Beverly Eastern | Michael & Nancy Neuman |
| Larry & Carolyn Eisenberg | Chris & Jean Shirkooff |

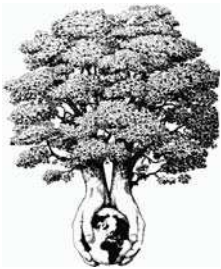
Save the Date!!



Feb. 1-2, 2008 we will host CANTOR RAMON TASAT.

Cantor Tasat will sing wonderful Sephardic melodies from many different Sephardic communities that he has arranged for solo as well as choir. After the Kabbalat Shabbat service all are invited to a congregational Shabbat dinner with Cantor Tasat leading us in singing. Saturday morning he will lead part of the Saturday morning service and do some of the chanting of the Torah.

On Sat. night he will perform a concert together with the Neveh Shalom choir. The choir has already started on the music and it is wild! The music is full of unusual rhythms and harmonies. This concert is the annual fundraiser for the choir and will be a



**SHOMREI
TEVA**
Congregation
Neveh Shalom's
Environment
Committee

Invites YOU to the
Second Annual All Member
Tu B'Shvat Family Seder

DATE: Sunday, Jan.20, 2008

TIME: 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

WHERE: Birnbach Hall

The seder will have something
for all ages including: music,
dancing, singing, readings from the
mystics, brachot, ritual foods and a
surprise at the end for each family.

Cost is \$6 per adult, \$3 for
children 12 and under.

Childcare can be provided. Please
let the office know ahead of time if
you will need such services.

More info on pg 5

From the President



Construction has begun. The next nine months will be very exciting as we watch our new Stampfer Chapel and administrative wing take shape. But, like all construction and remodeling projects, our patience will be tested on a daily basis. Please be mindful that it will be a challenging time for all of us, and especially for our wonderful staff, who must work in an environment that is noisy (very noisy!), dusty, dirty, cramped and disarrayed. Be patient with them as they continue to do an amazing amount of work for the benefit of our congregational community under very adverse conditions. And of course, as the work commences on construction, our work continues on raising the necessary funds to complete the project. If you have not yet made your pledge toward the Capital Campaign, now is a good time to do so. Our theme, "once in a generation - for generations to come" is really true; this is the first major appeal to our community in a generation, and the work we are doing now will benefit generations to come. Our goal is to achieve 100% participation from all congregant families, so don't miss a chance to be part of this historic moment in our synagogue's history. If you have questions about the Campaign and how you can be a part, please contact me or any of the members of the board, and they will provide you with the information you need to participate.

Sandy Axel, President

Cantor's Notes



Shabbat Rocks the Rose City will happen Friday, Jan. 18 at 8:15 in the Sanctuary. Come hear our orchestra perform new and familiar music in a lively format. As the orchestra's fan club grows, the energy escalates. You may have heard about rock services at other synagogues – come hear our terrific group. They keep getting better and better (and they were good to begin with) under the direction of Ethan Chessin. If you'd like to be part of the orchestra, call me about joining. We are especially interested in new members since 3 of our regulars are moving out of town at the end of this school year.

New Songs for Shabbat has new dates. Please do not come on the dates printed in the Program Guide. The new dates are Tuesdays, Feb. 19 and Feb. 26 at 7pm. We will learn songs for Shabbat that you may not have heard before. Each student will receive a cd of the songs, and the printed words in transliteration (no Hebrew reading required). We'll listen to some recordings but we'll mostly sing. We'll do a mix of children's songs, songs of the Shabbat service, table songs and maybe even a Havdala song.

In Memory of Our Fathers is a one time program at 4 pm on Sunday, February 10. This afternoon of memory is for anyone who has lost a father/step-father/or any other kind of father – it doesn't matter when. If you would like to be part of this, please bring something that reminds you of your father – it could be anything; i.e. a picture, a letter, a golf ball – anything that reminds you of your father. Judy Margles will be on hand to "curate" the mementoes for the afternoon (you'll get it back before you leave). There will be time to share for those who wish to share and time for reflection.

Cantor Ramon Tasat will join us for the weekend of Feb. 1-2. We have a full program of activities but the highlight will be the concert on Sat. night at 7:30pm. I highly recommend that you visit his website at www.ramontasat.com and read more about him and hear his music. He was born in Argentina and has been working in synagogues in the US for many years. He is a gifted singer and composer and an expert on all kinds of Sephardic music.

Cantor Linda Shivers

Membership

Neveh Shalom means something different to every congregant. This month, I asked a variety of our members to share four key words that best describe the connection they have to our shul:

Please take some time to reflect on what Neveh Shalom means to you. It can be refreshing to step back and see what others see, and then perhaps refine our focus in synagogue life. Shalom,

Julie Zola Membership Committee Chair

| Fred Rothstein | Amy Katz | Levia Friedman | Alan Blank |
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| Belonging Memory Community Vision | Heritage Community Learning Home | Education Inspiration Comfort Support | Community Life Cycle Judaism |

Long-time congregant Miriam (Marilyn) Rogoway shares her story about Neveh Shalom and the impact her membership has had throughout her life. We thank Miriam for her willingness to share.

I have been a member of Neveh Shalom for over 45 years. It is home to me. I was one of the first bat mitzvahs in this congregation. I was confirmed and graduated from CNS. I attended Camp Solomon Schechter in its second year, when it was on Echo Lake in Seattle and for four years after that on Whidbey Island. I was president of USY when it was in its infancy. I studied Talmud on Shabbat for several years in the home of Rabbi and Goldie Stampfer. I moved away for a few years, but came back almost 25 years ago. Although I now live in the netherworld of Vancouver, Neveh Shalom is still home.

Neveh Shalom has a plethora of programs and opportunities for its members—from Shoshim to senior luncheons, Hinenu to first babies clubs, numerous religious services to meet every need, to Chanukah parties and Purim schpiels and social events. There are havurot and study groups that range from the philosophically deep to trainings for seders and learning the liturgy. I am proud of the clergy's active participation in the broader community, making the community aware of the positive and vital aspects of Judaism. Cantor Shivers is continually enhancing our cultural awareness, both within the congregation and the larger community.

There are boundless opportunities to volunteer, allowing members to be an integral part of the congregation as well as to reach out to help others through social action. Lay participation in services, from our massive teen input on the High Holidays to Torah readers and gabbgi is unparalleled.

CNS is large, and in its largeness provides a wide spectrum of avenues for a myriad of interests and needs. CNS is always expanding its offerings and is continually adding programs and services to meet the needs of its diverse membership. CNS is home.

Miriam Rogoway



ARE YOU ALL IN'?

On April 13th Men's Club is hosting a Texas Hold 'Em tournament in Birnbach Hall. Dinner will be served at 4:45 and the tournament begins at 5:30. Wild Bill's will be running the tournament.

The event is open to adults (18 or older) of any gender. The top winners will receive prizes.

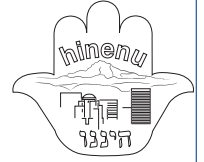
Please see the insert in this Chronicle for more information.

Hinenu



Happy Birthday Hinenu!

Hinenu celebrated its first birthday at the Lucky Lab, at the second annual Hanukkah Party, showcasing the ever-popular donut menorah.



We had over 40 people there to celebrate and share in sufganyiot on the third night of Hanukkah. A few days before that, a bunch of Hinenu members volunteered at Super Sunday for the Jewish Federation of Greater Portland. It was a terrific time to get to help out the community and have a ton of fun at the same time.

Get ready to plant some trees for Tu B'Shevat on Sunday, January 20th! Stay tuned for more details, and be sure to check out our website : www.hinenu.org

-Naomi Leavitt, communications chair

Tikkun Olam

Donate Your Car



You can receive tax write-off by donating your unused or unwanted vehicle,

running or not.

Call **JoAnn Bezodis** in the Neveh Shalom Office for more info: 503-293-7309, or jbezodis@nevehshalom.org

Food Barrels

Neveh Shalom now has 2 food barrels that need your donations.

One of them benefits Neighborhood House, the other benefits the Sunshine Pantry. One is located in the coat closet just outside our

main sanctuary, the other in the hallway near our administrative offices.

For your convenience, you may bring your non-perishable food items any time during office hours Monday-Friday, or any time there is an event at Neveh Shalom. Thank you for your generosity!



Senior Lunch

The Senior Lunch this month will be on Tuesday, January 8 at 12 noon in the Birnbach Hall. Sue & Elliot Axel will speak to us about

“Genealogy – Tracing your Family Roots.”

Allen Levin and crew prepare a unique, first-rate lunch for us each month, at an amazingly affordable price. Lunch is \$5.00 per person, reservations required. RSVP by noon on Monday, January 7 to Julie Marquis at 503-246-8831 ext.100 or jmarquis@nevehshalom.org



Notes from Shomrei Teva

Tu B'Shvat – Jewish Earth Day

What is this holiday, which the Mishnah called “the new year of the trees”? Originally, it was a “tax” day: fruit harvested after (or before) the 15th (Tu) of Shvat was tithed to the Temple in the upcoming (or previous) year. It was like our own “Tu B’April”.

But it has become much, much more.

The mystic Kabbalists in 16th-century Tzfat gave the holiday a spiritual dimension, viewing the natural world as the ground of our spiritual lives. In the 20th-century, Zionists developed the holiday at a national-

political level, where Israel’s newly planted trees became powerful symbols of collective identity and pride. Now Tu B’Shvat has evolved into an ecological holiday celebrating our interconnections with all of life.

How to celebrate? You can experience all of Tu B’Shvat’s aspects, with ritual foods and music and dance, if you attend the Neveh Shalom seder at noon on Sunday, January 20th. Learn about Jewish connections to the earth: our Neveh Shalom library has a special section of Jewish books on the environment. Take a walk in the woods with your family. Or, like Israelis, plant a native tree or shrub. All the info is at the Native Plant Society of Oregon website: <http://www.portland.npsoregon.org/index.php>

Chag sameach from Shomrei Teva.

Jordan Epstein

Kochavim & Notz’zim

Hatzagat Hanukkah shel Kochavim & Notz’tzim

Kochavim and Notz’tzim, Neveh Shalom’s innovative Hebrew immersion programs for 0-7 year-olds, performed Hebrew songs, stories, and games in their Hatzagat & Mesibat Hanukkah (Hanukkah Performance & Party) on December 5.

Morah Rachel Stern’s four and five year-olds performed “Dov Chum, Dov Chum” (Brown Bear, Brown Bear) and the Hanukkah song, “Banu Choshech L’garesh” (We have come to get rid of the darkness); Morah Mel Berwin’s 1st and 2nd graders sang a popular Israeli song, “Adon Shoko” (Mr. Chocolate)

and led a Hangman game in Hebrew, and Morah Levia Friedman’s parent and tot group sang a very sweet song about filling the room with light, “Hinei Me’ir Ha’or sheli”. Parents, children, and friends enjoyed sevivonim and sufganiot (dreidels and doughnuts) afterwards!

In Kochavim, children come from across the religious spectrum to a fun after-school program conducted in Hebrew. In Notz’tzim, parents and tots ages 0-3 sing and play in a Hebrew-facilitated environment. Both programs are open to Neveh Shalom members and non-members alike. Kochavim is generously funded this year in part by the Innovation Impact Fund of the Jewish Federation of Greater Portland.

The next session of Notz’tzim begins in January.

Contact **Mel Berwin**, 503-452-6890 or michaelymel@gmail.com for more information.



Todah Rabah

Dear Rabbi Isaak,

On behalf of all the women artists of ORA I would like to express our gratitude for your help in making our recent show possible.

As a member of Neveh Shalom, I was so proud of the generosity and support that Neveh Shalom provided. As you know, many of the women in our group are members and it felt so good to bring in Jews and non-Jews from across our community to see our shul in this context. No other shul has stepped up to offer us this level of support.

What does it mean that a synagogue provides such a space to us? The value is hard to quantify, but since this show our group has committed to the collective study of Torah in an effort to enrich and inspire our art. We have chosen the theme Exodus for our February exhibit at the Oregon Jewish Museum. Hopefully, more and more of our artwork will reflect Torah study over time.

Neveh Shalom's donation of space made it possible for us to have an elegant space in which to display and market our work. Your support of Jewish artists is a strong statement to the Jewish Community.

As an expression of our gratitude I am pleased to tell you that each of the twelve artists has committed to a donation of their artwork to the upcoming Neveh Shalom Auction.

We feel a growing sense of confidence that we are creating a place in our community for Jewish art and artists. We have you to thank for this.

Bivracha,

Eddy Shuldman

Hold the Date

Neveh Shalom

Women's League sponsor's

Mah Jongg Madness VI

Brunch & Tournament

Sunday, February 24, 2008 11:00am

Outside In

Outside In is continuing this year to cook once a month.

Thank you to **Lisa & Tali Greenfield Mackenzie, Akiko & Joshua Berkman and Rina Glatzer**, who helped cook last month's dinner for at risk youth and young adults.

Any questions for this month's time please contact head cook **Aviva Zigman** at ajzigman@hotmail.com



Men's Club

On behalf of the Men's Club, Bruce and I would like to wish you and your family a Happy Secular New Year. We also hope you will be able to join us at our next meeting on Sunday, January 13.

Local author Ursula Bacon will be discussing her experiences as a child living in Shanghai as a means of escaping Nazi Germany during World War II. We will start with breakfast around 9:35am and expect to be in the back of the sanctuary. Our meetings are open to men and women.

Thank you to Dick Dryfus, Abraham Furman, Joe Goodman, Sam Gottlieb, Andrew Levy, and David Sibell for helping prepare the lunch for the congregational Veterans Day Ceremony. We would also like to thank Randy Grossman for hosting our annual Monday Night Football event. We enjoyed good food, good company, and a Seahawks shutout victory. Additionally, we would also like to thank Don Stose from Toyota for speaking to us about hybrid technology at our December program.

In addition to our monthly meetings, a group of Men's Club members volunteers at the Oregon Food Bank on the fourth Thursday of each month. Please contact David Sibell at sibell@ohsu.edu if you are interested in helping.

If you would like to join Men's Club, please contact our membership director, Larry Skolnik (lsskolnik@hotmail.com). We also have membership forms available on our bulletin board in the synagogue. You may also contact either of us at bruce@thesternfamily.net or j3ngoodman@comcast.net

Joe Goodman and Bruce Stern Men's Club Co-Presidents

**A very special thank you to
Women's League for the generous
donation of Hanukkah candles and
gelt to the Religious School.**



Women's League

Women's League is the link between home and synagogue.

Join us to be a part of a vibrant and supportive group. We are a part of our synagogue's future, proudly supporting the Capital Campaign. Are you?

Please join us Friday evening, January 25, 2008 for Women's League Shabbat. We will celebrate the Shabbat service and serve a traditional Shabbat dinner after services. If you are able to participate in Services, contact Gussie Cooper, 503.297.1765. Celebrate Shabbat with us.

Save the date! Sunday, February 24 for the Marianne Wollstein Mah Jongg Tournament. This is always a fun event. Details will be coming shortly.

Also, save the date! Sunday, March 9, for the showing of the movie "Ushpizin" This is a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

Our Gift Shop is open Monday-Friday 10:00 am-12:00 pm and Wednesday evening and Sunday mornings when religious school is in session. We are maintained with VOLUNTEERS, can you give us two hours during the week? For information, contact Sue Axel, 503.297.9140 or Ann Yudman, 503.352.4074. Remember the Gift Shop accepts credit cards now.

Our monthly Potluck & Planning Dinner Meeting is Wednesday evening, January 9, at 6:30 pm at Sandi Fulcher's home. This is where we plan our calendar of events. Is there something you want us to do? Come and tell us about it! Our meetings are open to everyone to attend and to participate with us. For more information, contact me at 503.626.6611. Join us and be a part of what makes us such a vital part of our synagogue.
Susan Sutherlin, Women's League President



Vaults Now Available at the New Mausoleum

To purchase a vault or for more information please contact **Michelle Caplan** at 503.293.7305 or mcaplan@nevehshalom.org

Yahrzeit Plaques: Lasting Memorials

A Yahrzeit plaque is a lasting tribute that ensures the memory of a loved one will be honored for all time. The purchase of a Yahrzeit plaque guarantees a permanent fixture in the Sanctuary plus a duplicate one that will be displayed on the Yahrzeit.

Please contact **Michelle Caplan**, 503.293.7305, or mcaplan@nevehshalom.org, if you would like more information about this tradition and or about purchasing a plaque.

Traditional Shabbat Dinner

All Member First Friday Shabbat Dinner
Friday, January 4th, 2007
Birnbach Hall

Please join us after our early 6:15pm service for family-style Shabbat Dinner as prepared by Allen Levin & crew. Adult: \$12
Children (10 & under) \$6

Maximum per household is \$36

Reservations MUST be made in advance

RSVP by phone or email to Julie at jmarquis@nevehshalom.org by noon Wednesday, January 2nd.

Upcoming Dates:

February 1, March 7, April 4, May 2



Food Barrel Update

Greetings from Neighborhood House! I wanted to thank you for the marked increase in support of the Emergency Food Box Program over the past several months. We have had some trouble making certain commodities available to our clients with shortages encountered at the Oregon Food Bank. Thankfully, the faith community and others have responded with an outpouring of support. For example, in the month of October we took in ~26,000 pounds (~13 tons) of food and distributed 301 food boxes helping 842 people.

Currently, items needed most include the following:

1. cold cereal
2. oatmeal
3. macaroni & cheese
4. pasta roni
5. rice-a-roni
6. tuna helper
7. "Ziploc" bags (i.e., brand not important): quart, 1/2 gallon, gallon sizes OR other food-grade bags with twist ties. Bags will be needed to break down bulk products such as rice. We can obtain a 100 pound bag of rice from OFB for only ~\$24.

Again, thank you very much for your support. Sincerely,
Jonathan M. Eibl Food Box Program
Neighborhood House, Inc.

Neveh Shalom launches redesigned website!

We are excited to announce that in December, we updated the Neveh Shalom website (www.nevehshalom.org). In addition to a new look and feel to the site, there are many new things that we have added to the new site, but here are some highlights.

Easier site navigation. The new website was designed with YOU in mind. We made it easier to find what you need.

New Calendar and Upcoming Events. A dynamic new calendar allows you to keep abreast of all Neveh Shalom events and even where they are taking place.

Rabbi Isaak's Weekly Parsha: Read Rabbi Isaak's always insightful Weekly Parsha emails here and also look back in time in the archives.

Rabbi Greenstein's Blog: Here you will find his musings on everything from Talmudic discussions and Torah commentaries to becoming a Rabbi in Portland and his new experience parenting.

Chronicle: Did you throw this or older issues of the Chronicle in the recycling bin? We will be archiving all Chronicles for easy access.

We are already planning new functionality such as paying member dues and donations online, subscribing to email lists, discussion boards on various topics and more! Have ideas on how to improve the site or want to be part of the team? Send an email to webteam@neveshalom.org

November Blood Drive a Success!

Thank You to all of you who participated in our Blood Drive on Sunday, November 4, 2007. We exceeded our goal of 30 pints! A total of 41 people showed up to give blood, resulting in the final collection of 31 pints. Neveh Shalom and the American Red Cross extend appreciation to all our volunteers. Your gift enables people to have surgery, survive a serious accident, or lengthen their life span. Consider yourselves heroes because despite all the advances of modern medicine, without life-giving blood, many people would not survive. Our next blood drive is Sunday, May 18, 2008. Watch the Chronicle and your email for more information, or contact JoAnn Bezodis at jbezodis@nevehshalom.org or 503-293-7309.

Shoreshim

It may be wet, it may be chilly, but Tu B'Shevat will occur anyway, and Shoreshim is ready to celebrate it with you and your little tree-huggers! On Jan. 20, we will meet at Tryon Creek State Park to go on a hike and plant – you guessed it – tree saplings in observance of the holiday. (Don't worry: the hike will be age-appropriate for our littlest troopers, but be sure to dress accordingly and bring water to drink.) Flyers will be distributed with additional information about our event as mid-January approaches.

Want to get your kids introduced to the fun of Shabbat services and hanging out with their pint-sized peers? Come, check out Shoreshim's semi-monthly Tot Shabbat services, geared toward families with kids ages infant to 5 years of age.

Due to construction in Zidell Chapel, Tot Shabbat now is being held upstairs in Rms. 113 – 115.

Our next Tot Shabbats will be Jan. 5 and 19, and Feb. 2 and 16, 2008, starting at 10:15 a.m. and always followed by a light Kiddush lunch, also in Rms. 113 - 115. The torah service includes an age-appropriate story. We love adding storytellers to our growing list of participants. The newest one could be you.

And if you're not the storytelling type, we also need "greeters" who help set up and place before Tot Shabbat services siddurim and, in preparation for the Kiddush lunch, juice and Manischewitz wine (yum!).

The all-member Hanukkah party was great fun for our children. A special thanks to **Jan Skolnik, Amy Katz** and **Jenn Director Knudsen** for organizing the event and to **Sarah Zakreski, Debbie Plawner, Amy Katz** and Maxine Hart for helping staff it.

For questions about Shoreshim or information on how you can get involved, please contact

Amy Katz at 503-238-3773, ajkatz@mindspring.com or **Jenn Director Knudsen**, jdknudsen@yahoo.com



OZREINU, SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Ozreinu, a wonderful network for Jewish parents of children with special needs, will be meeting at Neveh Shalom on Thursday, January 10, from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Ozreinu was founded by Rabbi Shawn Fields-Meyer, a Portland native and mother of three wonderful sons.

Her middle son, Ezra, has autism. Mel Berwin, a local Jewish educator, facilitates Ozreinu meetings in Portland. Ozreinu groups meet at Havurah Shalom, Congregation Beth Israel, and Congregation Neveh Shalom.

Ozreinu in Portland is sponsored by TASK, a program of Jewish Family & Child Service. The mission of TASK is to promote acceptance and inclusion in the Jewish community of people with disabilities, so that everyone has the opportunity to fully participate in the richness of Jewish educational, religious, cultural, and social life.

To RSVP, please contact Corinne B. Spiegel, TASK Inclusion Specialist at (503) 226-7079, ext 55 or at

Mel Berwin michaelvmel@gmail.com

www.ozreinu.org

www.jfcs-portland.org/task.shtml

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JR. Kadima (grades 3-5)

Hello Junior Kadima-niks!

Thank you so much for making this year's Hanukah Sleepover the best one yet! I would also like to thank Kadima for joining us. You guys made such beautiful menorahs, and were very creative with the other craft projects.

Our next event will be seeing the Winterhawks beat Seattle on January 19th. We only have a certain number of tickets available, so please get your RSVPs in as soon as possible! I'll see you all on the ice!

Marissa, JR Kadima Advisor
jrkadima@portlandrishonim.org



Kadima (grades 6-8)



Hey Kadimnicks!

Kadima wrapped up the 2007 year with our first ever Hanukkah Sleepover at Neveh Shalom. We watched movies, ate snacks, and spent time getting to know each other. Make sure to look out for an updated spring calendar coming out in January. I look forward to seeing all of you at our January events Portland Winter Hawks hockey game and Roller skating at Oaks Park!

Have a Happy New Year,
Jaime Wren Kadima Advisor
kadima@portlandrishonim.org

USY (grades 9-12)



Religious School



The celebration of Tu B'Shvat, the New Year of the Trees, will take place on January 22nd this year. On the Jewish calendar it always falls on the 15th day of the month of Shvat. "Tu" is an abbreviation for the number fifteen (made up of the letter "tet" which equals 9 and "vov" which equals 6).

There were once 4 New Years in existence – On the first of Nisan the New Year for kings and festivals was observed; on the first of Elul the title of animals; the first of Tishrei is the New Year for the years (Rosh Hashanah) and the 15th of Shevat is the New Year for trees. Today we observe only two of these "new years".

Custom dictates that we hold a seder for Tu B'Shvat and eat at least the seven varieties mentioned in the Book of Deuteronomy: wheat, barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, olives and dates (honey), while reading verses from tanach relating to trees. The need to protect our trees is important, and Tu B'Shvat offers the environmentalists an avenue to bring to the conscious level the need to conserve our resources at this time of year.

Enjoy the fruits that remind us of the Land of Israel and plant trees. Global warming, caused in part by carbon emissions, is a serious threat to our planet. Planting trees is a great way to offset the carbon emissions. The Jewish National Fund has been at work planting trees in Israel for many years and has reclaimed much land, transforming former swamps into fertile land. I encourage you to pick up a JNF tree form from the school office and plant a tree in Israel to help protect our precious earth.

Susan Bernstein, Director of Education

Religious School Highlights for January

Religious School students pressing olives on Hanukkah!



Sunday, January 6th -
6th grade Family Education Program "Disabilities"

Saturday, January 12th -
Fourth Grade Shabbat Services

Sunday, January 13th -
6th grade program "Inclusion"

Wednesday, January 16th -
11th grade family program "Is this college kosher?"

Friday, January 18th - K-2 Family Dinner

Saturday, January 26th -
3rd grade Shabbat Services

Sunday, January 27th -
2nd grade Family Education Program "Tu B'Shvat Seder"

Wednesday, January 30th - 10th grade family program "Driving under the influence of Jewish law"

Foundation School



December at Foundation School is always fun with the celebration of Hanukkah. Children used all their senses to experience this holiday singing Hanukkah songs, spinning like dreidels, creating Hanukkiyot, grating potatoes, then smelling and tasting the delicious potato latkes.

We shared our Hanukkah celebration with families at our All-School Shabbat/Hanukkah program on Dec. 7th with music specialist Kim Palumbis and a presentation of songs and chants by the Pre-K Teddy Bear Class.

Winter break for students and teachers will give everyone a chance for rest at home with their families. School resumes on Monday, January 7, 2008.

Happy New Year!

Jan Skolnik, Director and Sheila Stern, Assistant.

Adult Education 2007-2008/5768

Learning opportunities for the first quarter of 2008:

Or Chadash - Intro to Judaism Follow-Up Class

7:00pm-8:30pm

Thursdays: Feb. 28, March 6 & 13

Mondays: March 17, 24, 31

The "Or Chadash - Intro to Judaism Follow-Up Class" is designed for those seeking conversion to Judaism. Following the OBR Intro to Judaism Class, students will meet as a small group for 6 sessions to explore the practical, emotional, and spiritual ideas surrounding Jewish observance. Students will meet one-on-one regularly with Rabbi Greenstein to process their path. Registration required: contact Marci Atkins at matkins@nevehshalom.org or 503-293-7308 to register and schedule one recommended meeting with the instructor, **Rabbi Greenstein** prior to the beginning of the first class.

"Clothed in Holiness" A Women's Tallit Workshop

Taught by Sarah Greenstein and Jennifer Greenberg

Thursdays, January 10, 17 and 24, 2008

7:00-8:30 pm

Neveh Shalom, Room 127

Cost: Members No Charge; Non-Members \$36, materials fee separate.

This mini-series for women will explore the mitzvah of the tallit, the prayer shawl, as encountered in ancient and contemporary texts, in the choreography of Jewish prayer, and as a tool for connecting to God, our community and the oneness of all things. Participants will be given creative support and guidance as we make or embellish our own tallitot to reflect a sense of personal meaning. Jennifer Greenberg has a degree in art education, teaching various forms of art to youth of all ages as well as adults. She excels at working with students at any level to make the creative process fun, enjoyable and successful. Donning a tallit for the first time at her bat mitzvah as part of the transition to becoming a Jewish woman, Sarah Greenstein brings a progressive perspective to the conversation on women and tallitot. Sarah has a background in social work and Judaic studies, and has facilitated formal and informal educational experiences for both youth and adults.

How to Crochet Kippot

Instructor: Paul Gilliam

Thursdays, January 17, 24, 7:00pm

If you have seen any of the beautiful kippot created by Paul Gilliam, no doubt you were impressed! Now you can enjoy this relaxing hobby and do a mitzvah too! Learn to crochet custom kippot for yourself and as gifts for others. In the first class, learn the basics of crochet and how to create a kippah. In the second class, Paul will introduce some cool techniques that will spice up your crochet project. Beginners welcome. Starter supplies will be provided. Just bring your enthusiasm! Cost: Members

No Charge, Non-Members \$18, materials fee separate.

New Songs for Shabbat

Tuesdays 7:00pm starting February 19th and 26th

Instructor: Cantor Linda Shivers

Two sessions - attend one or both and come sing along. Enrich your Shabbat experience by learning new songs to celebrate Shabbat, and learning new tunes to some of your old favorites. Members: No Charge, Non Members: \$18

In Memory of our Fathers

February 10, 4:00pm

Instructor: Cantor Linda Shivers

A time to remember our fathers. Anyone who would like to have a chance to share a memory of their father is welcome to join Cantor Shivers for this program. Feel free to bring a picture or other object to share and/or a story that represents your father. Let the cantor know in advance if your father had a favorite song and she'll try to sing it or get a recording of it to play. No Charge.

Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader? Religious School Version

Sundays, 10:30-11:15am

Instructor: **Susan Bernstein**, Ed. Director

Here's your opportunity to catch up with the younger generation. Susan teaches this condensed version of what we are teaching in our Religious School program.

"Israel" - Jan. 6-27

"Joshua" - Feb. 3-24

"Megillat Esther" - March 2-16

Meets in Room 21 in the Foundation School wing. Limit of 15 adults per class. Please contact Dayle Maizels-Tyrrell to register at dayle@nevehshalom.org or 503-293-7312. No Charge.

Rabbi Isaak meets with Religious School Parents

Sundays, 9:45-10:45am

Room 21 in the Foundation School wing

What do you do when you ask your child on the way home from Religious School, "What did you learn in class today", and the only response is "Nuthin"? Jewish education, as we all know, is most effective when reinforced with discussion at home. But how is a parent to reinforce what goes on in the classroom unless s/he knows what material is being covered? This year Rabbi Isaak will meet monthly with parents of the 3rd through 6th grades on alternating weeks. We will review the subject matter, providing an opportunity for parents to learn and discuss, to share ideas and get to know each other better. (This class for parents of children currently enrolled in Religious School)

3rd Grade Parents: Jan. 13, March 9, Apr. 13

4th Grade Parents: Jan. 20, March 16, May 4

5th Grade Parents: Jan. 27, Feb. 24, Apr. 6

6th Grade Parents: Jan. 6, March 2

Walking with God

Spring/Part 2 - Dates TBA, 7:15pm-8:15pm

Instructor: Rabbi Bradley Greenstein

Who/What really is God? Together we will explore the Jewish portrayal of God within different streams of Jewish thought. We will dive into texts that reveal:

- God in Kabbalah
- God in the Hebrew Bible,
- God in the Talmud
- God in Medieval Jewish Philosophy
- God in Midrash (rabbinic parable)
- God in Halakah (evolving Jewish law)
- God in Modern Jewish Thought
- God in Hassidut (traditional interpretations of spirituality and joy)

Come discover the many faces of the One who is beyond all words. No knowledge of Hebrew or experience necessary, bring your friends!

Ongoing classes:

Shabbat Morning Torah Study

Saturdays, 9:00-9:45am

Join us every Shabbat morning in the library for a time of study and discussion on the parasha of the week, led by either Rabbi Daniel Isaak or Rabbi Bradley Greenstein. No Charge.

Bible Class

Thursdays, 4:30-5:15pm

Instructor: Rabbi Joshua Stampfer

These informal study sessions offer the opportunity for lively discussion of Bible passages being studied. The class is ongoing and participatory. Registration is not necessary. No Charge.

Talmud Class

Tuesdays, 5-6pm

Instructor: Rabbi Joshua Stampfer

Judah Goldin said, "A great novel enables us to see visions, the Talmud endables us to hear voices." Studying the Talmud is like listening to conversations of rabbis who lived 2,000 years ago. Their talk is witty, profound and vastly important to the development of our people's culture. Join Rabbi Stampfer as he interprets their conversations to make them more understandable and timely. The class is ongoing. Registration is not necessary. No Charge.

New Program

Misgav Shabbat

Saturday, January 5th, 4-6pm

The Chik- Chok organizers bring us a new way to celebrate Shabbat. Join us for Mincha, text study, Se'udah Shelishit, Ma'ariv and Havdalah

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Construction has begun and we are eagerly anticipating moving into our new, larger space. It is the shop for the congregation and we need to know what YOU would like us to carry. Are you interested in gift items as tablecloths, fabric bags for wine, jewelry? Would you like more in the way of children's items, CD's? Are you interested in different types of tallitot, e.g. handpainted, woven? What about more products from Israel?

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We are looking forward to your response.

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Volunteers are needed especially for Monday and Thursday mornings. If you can help with this mitzvah please call either Sue or Ann. We will orient you and provide you with our written guidelines so you will not feel overwhelmed or lost. Additionally we are only a phone call away. It is fun being an active part of our community and a wonderful opportunity to meet people and just enjoy. Our profits aide our religious schools and the synagogue so this is a worthwhile endeavor as well.

Gift Shop WinterHours

Monday – Friday 10 AM – noon
Monday & Thursday – 4:15 PM – 5:45 PM
(when religious school in session)
Wednesday 6:30 – 8:30 PM
(when religious school in session)
Sunday 9:30 AM – noon
(when religious school in session)
First Tuesday of the month 6:30 PM to 7:15
(when Melton School in Session)
Call Sue or Ann for an appointment
or special orders.

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WHEN A DEATH OCCURS

Call the synagogue office **503.246.8831** so that we may inform **Rabbi Isaak** and be of assistance. During business hours, ask for **Michelle Caplan, ext 114**. After business hours, on weekends & holidays, contact **Michelle Caplan at 503.481.0164, Rabbi Isaak 503.228.8819** or the funeral home of your choice for assistance. Most Jewish funerals in Portland are arranged by **Holman Funeral Service, 503.232.5131**. If you wish Tahara for your loved one—respectful preparation for burial according to ancient Jewish tradition—you may request it from Holman's Funeral Home or the funeral home of your choice. The funeral home will then notify The Chevra.

Kindle the Sabbath Candles

ברוך אתה יי,
 אלהינו מלך העולם,
 אשר קדשנו במצותיו
 וצונו להדליק נר של
 שבת.



Ba-rukh atah A-do-nay, e-lo-hay-nu me-lekh ha-olam a-sher kid-sha-nu be-mitz-votav ve-tzi-van-nu li-hadlik ner shel Shabbat.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, Who has sanctified us by Thy commandments, and has commanded us to kindle the sabbath lights.

| CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES | | |
|-----------------------|----|--------|
| Friday, January | 4 | 4:23pm |
| Friday, January | 11 | 4:30pm |
| Friday, January | 18 | 4:39pm |
| Friday, January | 25 | 4:49pm |

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DAILY MINYAN
 Monday - Friday 7:15 am
 Rosh Chodesh 7am
 Sundays and Holidays 9:00 am

SHABBAT SERVICES
 Erev Shabbat, Friday
 1st, 4th & 5th Friday of the Month
 6:15pm ONLY
 2nd and 3rd Friday of the Month
 6:15pm and 8:15pm
 Shabbat, Saturday, 9 am
 Every Saturday: Shabbat Child Care
 Please call 503.246.8831 to reserve space.
 If you would like to participate in the main sanctuary, please call the CNS office at 503.246.8831, ext 100

Tot Shabbat/Shabbat Kids
 1st & 3rd Shabbat, 10:15 am, Room TBD
Shabbat Kiddush Club (3rd-5th graders)
 1st & 3rd Shabbat, 10:00 am, Room TBD.

DOWNSTAIRS MINYAN
 2nd and 4th Shabbat, Room TBD
 3rd Shabbat at the Robison Home
 If you would like to lead the davening for Shaha-rit, Torah, or Mussaf please call **Mark Sherman, 503.245.0571**

Eleanor Fischer
Dial-In Service
 If you are unable to attend Shabbat services, dial in to hear them. Call 503.246.8832

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