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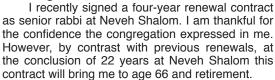
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FROM THE PULPIT

Looking to the Future



Forty years ago I moved to New York in order to begin my rabbinical studies at JTS. Little could I imagine what adventures and blessings both professional and personal the future would hold. And coming to Neveh Shalom has clearly crowned that entire experience. Carol and I arrived with our three children, aged 15, 13 and 11, just weeks after our daughter's Bat Mitzvah. Our oldest, Gabriel, remained in New York to begin his career in law. Our children guickly found friends and a place for themselves. Most importantly Carol discovered Neveh Shalom wonderfully embracing. My welcome even included an interview in Willamette Week. Portland opened possibilities affording each of us opportunities to reach our potential.

Serving as Neveh Shalom's senior rabbi remains a great privilege. Even after 18 years, each day provides new challenges. I work with a terrific team of professionals, who without exception are committed to the mission of serving the Jewish people and our membership. Equally dedicated is our lay leadership who give tirelessly of their time and our innumerable volunteers who form the backbone of everything we do.

In contrast to synagogues across the country, and Conservative Movement synagogues in particular, I am proud of Neveh Shalom's vitality, our ability to attract young, energetic families, the enthusiasm that has produced our building expansion and renovation, and the generosity of our membership in making all that we do possible. Our commitment to egalitarianism remains a Neveh Shalom hallmark, as is our determination to model environmentalism, to expand our involvement in Tikkun Olam and to experiment with varieties of religious services. We have taken many families with us to Israel and provided scholarships to scores of teens. We prioritize our teaching and welcome to Jews-by-Choice as well as extending our arms to intermarrieds, singles and gays. We can rightfully take pride that we have included and maintained the memberships of all those who experience economic hardships.

I would be less than candid not to admit that the prospect of retirement carries with it considerable anxiety. How does one plan for this kind of life change four years hence? Becoming a rabbi is a lifelong commitment. The love of teaching Torah, involvement in the personal lives of the many with whom we have been privileged to share celebrations and sorrows, the responsibility in representing Judaism to our non-Jewish neighbors, and active involvement in all aspects of this vibrant community never diminishes.

In the coming years we will continue to grow and inspire Jews, to expose young and old to the wisdom and history of our tradition and to struggle together to help create an ever more compassionate society and world. Together we will welcome newborns into the world, celebrate with our B'nai Mitzvah teens, serenade newly weds, visit the sick and commiserate with those who experience loss. We will wrestle with how to acknowledge God in our lives, ways to find holiness and experience blessing in creating community together.

Daniel Isaak

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Ready, set, go! Over the past five years, Congregation has gone through a period introspection while preparing itself for new era of leadership, growth and success within

the Jewish Community. We've improved our facilities, made personnel changes, restructured staff, aligned our clergy's goals with the congregation's, maintained a strong financial position and established a new Long Range Plan that sets our priorities and points us in the right direction for future success. We are ready and set. And now it's Go Time! We have spent a great deal of time finding out who we are and what we believe as a Congregation. We have taken that input, taken action and I believe we are now positioned to excel. Certainly there are many of areas where we need to improve. But the point is we can improve. There is no longer an excuse for not being the very best at what we do. Hopefully, you have noticed some of the changes and improved performance. Much of our success has come and will continue to depend upon the underappreciated work of volunteers. Thank vou. The amount of the workload that falls to our volunteers is tremendous. Some of their work is the most important and visible we do, creating connections with our members, and providing opportunities to be involved. One change I know you have noticed is the improved Annual Giving Campaign, now in its third year. When we started this campaign as a replacement for our previous uncoordinated attempts to raise funds, we were not sure if the approach would work. But it has, and in a big way. Our focus was to increase the percentage of the congregation participating in the fundraising while meeting our financial goals. We have succeeded on both counts. If you have not vet participated in Neveh Shalom's Annual Giving Campaign, please consider doing so now. We need everyone to participate on some level if possible.

I hope the you and your family are having a great summer.

Doug Lenhoff

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HIGH HOLYDAY

CHILDCARE

Families with children 18 months (by September 20) to five years of age will be receiving information about Childcare in the mail by the beginning of August. We will provide this service for your little ones on **Thursday and Friday** of Rosh Hashanah (Sept. 29 and 30), and Saturday (Oct. 8) of Yom Kippur between the hours of 9am and 1pm.

If you do not receive this information in the mail by August 10 please be in touch with Marci Atkins immediately for the forms.*

This service, available for \$14 per session per child, has a registration deadline of FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9. This date must be honored as we commission an outside agency for our providers. There are also providerto-child ratios that must be enforced for the safety and happiness of all our children. Please do not delay in returning your registration form on time and do not forget to enclose your payment! We look forward to providing your children with loving care so you can enjoy your holyday services with peace of mind!

*matkins@nevehshalom.org or call 503.293.7308

B'NAI MITZVAH

GABRIELLE COHEN JULY 3

Mazel Tov to **Gabrielle Cohen** who is becoming Bat Mitzvah on Rosh Hodesh, Sunday July 3, 2011. She is the daughter of **Linda & Aaron Cohen**, sister to **Solomon Cohen** and granddaughter to **Elaine & Seymour Cohen**, **Ellen & Allen Pollens**, and **Alayne Rabow** and **Peter Rabow** (**z"I**). Gabrielle will be an 8th grader this fall at Arts and Communication Magnet Academy in Beaverton. Gabrielle enjoys singing, acting, ballet, sewing and hanging out with friends.



Anna & James Wetherell July 29 & 30

Mazel Tov to **Anna & James Wetherell**, daughter and son of **Denise & Ken Wetherell**, brother and sister of **Calen Wetherell**, grandchildren of Maria Rojas, Ron & Chris Lear, Rich & Dreama Wetherell, and Kathy & Greg Roduner. Anna and James look forward to 8th grade in the fall at Athey Creek Middle school. Anna enjoys reading and writing poetry aspiring to write her own quotes; James loves to practice his clarinet and loves listen to "old rock" music from the 80's. They both love having tea in evening to share their day. Anna with her sense of style, and James with his charm have both become quite the social butterflies as they love hanging out with friends.



Levi Condren August 12 & 13

Mazel Tov to **Levi Condren**, son of **Gary & Stacey Condren**, big brother to **Eden**, and grandson to Diane & Josh Kahn, and Pat & Don Condren. Levi will be a 7th grader student at Jason Lee Middle School in Vancouver, WA. He enjoys playing bassoon, solving puzzles like Rubik's Cube, skiing, camping, reading, and making crazy inventions.



Eric Berger August 19 & 20

Mazel Tov to **Eric Berger**, son of **Paul & Anna Berger** and brother to **Marty**. Eric will be in 8th grade in the fall at West Sylvan Middle School. He enjoys playing sports, especially basketball and bowling, and hanging out with friends. He loves Camp Solomon Schechter, where he'll be for three weeks this summer, returning three days before his Bar Mitzvah!



JONATHAN EZRA AUGUST 26 & 27

Mazal Tov to Jonathan (Yoni) Kaleb Ezra, son of Zemenay Alemu & Solomon Ezra, brother of Naomi, Natan & Joshua Ezra, and grandson of Tigabu and Sinkenesh Alemu, and Ezra Eshete and Kasaye Tewabe. He is a 7th grader at Highland Park Middle School and loves music, dance, basketball and soccer. He also enjoys traveling with family, and hanging out with friends and family.



BEN COZINE SEPTEMBER 2 & 3

Mazel Tov to **Ben David Cozine**, son of **Stefani & Andrew Cozine**, brother of **Will**, grandson of Samantha Schoenfeld and Doug Stuart, Tim Kelso, and Bill & Jeanne Cozine, and nephew and cousin to many. Ben is entering eighth grade at West Sylvan Middle School and is an avid reader and creative writer. His other interests include computer technology and games, blogging, and environmental awareness.



SA CANTOR'S NOTES



Dear Friends.

I'm writing this article on the plane ride home from the 64th Annual Cantors Assembly convention in Toronto. This year's theme was entitled, "Shehecheyanu—The Chazzan Today: Keeping the Music Alive—for tomorrow..." It's been a tremendous week on so many levels. I typically only have an opportunity to see my friends and colleagues during this time once a year, where we learn together, make music together and share the

experiences of our unique profession with each other. We welcomed the newly installed cantors among us and honored the incredible lives and careers of those going into retirement.

This year in particular, I was very active in the convention sessions and concerts. My colleague, Cantor Randy Herman wrote an original *Shehecheyanu* which we performed together to open one of the award presentation and lecture sessions. I was one of three female soloists to perform with the renowned Shinonome Choir of Japan, highlighting the music of composer Ben Steinberg, and also popular Israeli folk songs. In addition, I was featured in the Debbie Friedman, z"I, tribute session, and also a Gospel Shabbat music session written and arranged by my colleague, Cantor Mike Stein in California. I hope to be able to bring some of his ideas to our new PDX LIVE service here at Neveh Shalom. I was so pleased by the

wonderful attendance at PDX LIVE and also touched by the incredible feedback we've received about the service. More to come!

Furthermore, I've been elected to a three-year term serving on the Executive Council of the Cantors Assembly; only 6-8 members of the entire organization are chosen each year to do so. I am honored to be considered a leader among my colleagues, and also to have the opportunity to represent Neveh Shalom and Conservative congregations throughout the Pacific Northwest region. I will be attending a number of meetings each year in New York City and will also be responsible for fundraising and providing support to my colleagues in the field.

As I type away, my thoughts also drift over this past year. I can't believe it's been almost a full year since I began my work at Neveh Shalom. In some ways, it feels like I arrived yesterday, in other ways, it feels as though Harold and I have been in Portland for a very long time. It's been an extraordinary year, and I know that we're all still at the beginning of our journey together. As Harold always remarks, I thrive when I'm busy, and through my work at Neveh Shalom, with the Cantors Assembly and planning a wedding—I'll have plenty to do in the days ahead. Thank you for a great year--*Shehecheyanu* indeed! May we all continue to be sustained in health and happiness.

B'shalom, Cantor Bletstein

PDX LIVE

CHRONICLE SUBMISSIONS



Share your lifecycles, events, and accomplishments with your congregation. Please email submissions to jbezodis@nevehshalom.org

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

JANUARY/FEBRUARY
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

The Chronicle is printed every other month. Please read our weekly e-blast and check the CNS website for regular updates.

What people are saying about the May 13 PDX Live...

"Just a quick note to express our absolute delight at this Friday's Jazz Musical Service, with the Klezmocracy folks (PDX Live!). Cantor Bletstein and Ed Kraus did an outstanding job of putting together a most tasteful and exciting set prayers/melodies... this wonderful Program should be repeated...! Kol Hatzlacha!"

--Mel & Flaine Ball

"Hi Cantor B, or as we are now calling you at our home...Cantor rocks! We just wanted to say how much we enjoyed last friday night's services. it was a joy to listen to you and the wonderful band provide us with such an enjoyable evening. Who knew the prayers can sound like a rocking performance! Thank you for sharing your gift with us and hopefully we can have a repeat evening soon."

--Fanny & Barry Horowitz

"Cantor, what can I say, it was the best Friday night service I have ever attended. You were up there in your element and with a good sound system sounded spectacular. You have my vote to do more of these."

-- David Honigstock

"Hi Cantor! I would like to congratulate you on the terrific service last Friday night. You have really raised the bar for all future ones!"

-- Iulian Kaufman

"We thought the service was absolutely wonderful - so joyous! We loved it. We hope that this type of service can happen every couple of months. Thank you for bringing your gift of music and warmth to our synagogue."

--Ron & Marcy Morris

WANT TO SEE MORE OF PDX LIVE?

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE.

For more information please contact **Fred Rothstein**, frothstein@neveh shalom.org



TISHA B'AV SERVICES

Erev Tisha B'Av Monday, August 8, 8:15pm, Stampfer Chapel Tisha b'Av Morning Service Tuesday, July 20, 7:00am, Zidell Chapel

Tisha B'Av, the Fas of the Ninth of Av, is a day of mourning to commemorate the many tragedies that have befallen the Jewish people, primarily the destruction of the first and second Temples, both of which were destroyed on the ninth of Av (the first by the Babylonians in 586 B.C.E.; the second by the Romans in 70 C.E.).

Tisha B'Av is the culmination of a three week period of Tammuz (July 20, memorates the first breach in the walls of Jerusalem, before the First Temple was destroyed. During period, weddings and people refrain from cutting their the ninth of Av, it is customary to refrain drinking wine (except from wearing new

The restrictions on Tisha B'Av are similar to those on Yom Kippur: to refrain from eating and drinking (even water); washing, bathing, shaving or wearing cosmetics; wearing leather shoes; engaging in sexual relations; and studying Torah. People who are ill need not fast on this day.

In synagogue, the book of Lamentations (Eicha) is read and mourning prayers are recited.

Condensed from Judiasm 101, http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayd.htm

RELIGIOUS SERVICES FOR WEEKDAYS

DAILY MINYAN: Sunday-Friday

This minyan is maintained by devoted congregants to ensure that this service be available to those who seek it. Weekday services begin at 7:15am, except on Rosh Chodesh and intermediate days of a holiday (Sukkot, Hanukkah, and Passover) when services begin at 7:00am. Services on Sundays, major Jewish holidays, and major American holidays begin at 9:00am, year-round.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES FOR SHABBAT

KABBALAT SHABBAT Every Friday: 6:15pm on the plaza during summer months (weather permitting).

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE, Every Saturday: 9:00am

Shabbat child care available beginning at 9:30am by advance registration only. Please call 503.246.8831x100 by noon on the preceding Wednesday to reserve space.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

WITH SPECIAL THEMES:

FIRST FRIDAYS WITH ILENE SAFYAN

1st Fridays, 6:15pm

ORA SHALOM - A
SHABBAT FOR THE
SENSES
2nd Fridays, 6:15pm;
July 8, August 12
ORA Shalom is the
name of our new

Friday night service

that will be held on the 2nd Shabbat of each month at Neveh Shalom. These services will be enhanced with special music and art and will enliven the senses as we enter into the Shabbat experience together. We will have an art opening immediately after services accompanied by a light oneg. Come sip wine and look at great art.

www.northwestjewishartists.blogspot.com

CHIK-CHAK SERVICE 3rd Fridays, 6:15pm

A traditional, lay-led service featuring Carlebach tunes followed by dinner. Reservations required for dinner (\$12/adult, \$6/child, \$36 max/family). Contact **Mel Berwin** at 503.246.8831 or mberwin@nevehshalom.org

NOTE: on 3rd Fridays when there is no Bar/Bat Mitzvah, the main service is combined with Chik Chok in one service.

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES WITH SPECIAL THEMES:

KEVA WITH RABBI GREENSTEIN: 1st Saturdays, 10:00-11:45am NO KEVA in July; August: TBA Join us as we study, sing, meditate and engage deeply in prayer together. KEVA is for adults and kids of every age, no experience necessary. Bring your friends! KEVA...a little time for your soul. For more information or to get involved please contact Rabbi Brad at rabbigreenstein@yahoo.com.

Downstairs Minyan 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 9:00am

Downstairs Minyan is a lay-led Shabbat service followed by a light Kiddush and lively singing of z'mirot.

If you are interested in leading a part of the service or reading Torah please contact **Eddy Shuldman** at eddyj54@msn.com.

SERVICES

Rose Schnitzer Manor 3rd Shabbat: 10:00am

On the 3rd Shabbat of each month Neveh Shalom volunteers from Downstairs Minyan lead Shabbat services for seniors at the Robison Home Chapel, escorting residents to the Chapel and conducting services at 10am.

SHABBAT MORNING FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

Tot Shabbat

(ages 0-5 years old)

1st & 3rd Saturdays: 10:15am

Tot Shabbat is a warm, ageappropriate Saturday morning service designed to introduce our youngest members to Shabbat morning worship. This interactive, engaging 45-minute Shabbat service includes prayers, music, songs and story time followed by a light Kiddush lunch. We are lucky to have two special Tot Shabbat leaders **Amy Katz** (1st Saturdays) and **Levia Friedman** (3rd Saturdays).

KehllatNoar-YouthCongregation (Grades 1-5)

3rd Saturdays, 10:15-11:30am
Join us for Neveh Shalom's family service! Kehillat Noar (Youth Congregation) is an interactive, fun, musical, and exciting new Shabbat Morning service for children in grades one through five and those who love them. Join us for tefilah, storytelling, and lots more (including Kiddush). Parents are welcome. Contact Mel Berwin at mberwin@nevehshalom.org for more information.

ELEANOR FISCHER DIAL-IN SERVICE

If you are unable to attend Shabbat Services dial in to hear them. Call 503.246.8832

TASTE & TRAVEL

New Schedule for 2011-12 Being Formed NOW!



Share your expeditions and escapades with other interested travelers at Neveh Shalom. Bring photos, souvenirs, and a TASTE of the region with a nosh or two (vegetarian/dairy only). We are equipped to show digital photos by projector if you have a photo CD/DVD or laptop. Contact

Steve Laveson at 503-636-5052 or lesleysteve7@msn.com.

THE GLORIA BACHARACH JUDAICA SHOP





Summer in full swing and we are all busy gardening, traveling, visiting with friends and yes, even working. Your synagogue gift shop is open during the summer but hours are limited. Don't wait until the last minute to pick up Shabbat candles, bar/bat mitzvah gifts and cards, wedding gifts and more. Greet the Women's League (sisterhood) volunteer with a smile. *Call the synagogue office to confirm hours*.

Enjoy the beautiful sunshine! Email Stefani with questions: skcozine@gmail.com

Summer Gift Shop Hours:

ALTERNATING 2-WEEK SCHEDULE (Please call office first to confirm!)

WEEK A: MON-THURS: 10AM-1PM
WEEK B: TUES-FRI: 10AM-1PM
Closed Saturdays and Sundays

MIZRACH: A NEVEH COMMUNITY... Neveh Shalom's East-side Action!



Mizrach, Neveh Shalom's new eastside community, invites you to join us on **Friday**, **July 8** for a lay led, musical, spiritually uplifting, outdoor Shabbat service at beautiful Mt. Tabor Park. We will gather for a BYO picnic dinner at 5:45pm. Services will begin at 6:30pm, with a Kiddush to follow.

We'll gather at Picnic Site B:

www.portlandonline.com/parks/finder/index.cfm?PropertyID=275&action=ViewPark.

Don't forget a picnic dinner for your family, and a blanket or chairs. Challah and Kiddush provided by Mizrach. We look forward to seeing you on the 8th! Although not required, an RSVP to tamarwyte@yahoo.com or abby@abbyguyer.com would be much appreciated.

Since it's inception last November, the Mizrach community has gathered together on the eastside to enjoy Shabbat dinners; to celebrate Havdallah and dessert with **Rabbi Greenstein**; to assemble and deliver mishloach manot to every Neveh Shalom family living east of the Willamette; to find a spot large enough for all of the folks who joined us for first Seder; to sing zmirot around a Shabbat table; and to hike Mt. Tabor on a Shabbat afternoon. In the process we've discovered that the eastside Jewish community—Neveh Shalom members and beyond---is more active and vibrant than we'd ever imagined! For more information about Mizrach contact **Tamar Wyte-Lake** at tamarwyte@yahoo.com or **Wendy Kahn** at wkhan@nevehshalom.org.



Jewish Film Club Sunday, July 10, 3pm in Room 102

We usually gather every 4-6 weeks to enjoy Jewish themed films and to discuss afterwards. Refreshments served. Those interested in being on the email invitation list (and to RSVP) contact **Paul or Joan Sher** at Joanzsher@aol.com or Paul at sherpohsu@aol.com.

PAVERS

Honor a loved one, commemorate a graduation, mark an anniversary or birthday for someone



special! It's a wonderful way to create a lasting memory.

To have your paver installed before the High Holy Days orders must be received no later than: August 12.

\$180 for an Individual Paver \$1800 for 6 Patron Pavers

ORDER TODAY:

http://www.nevehshalom.org/forms/paver.pdf

For questions contact **Wendy Kahn**, Membership and Development Director by email or call 503.293.7305.

CANDLE LIGHTING

1 July	8:45pm
8 July	8:43pm
15 July	8:39pm
22 July	8:33pm
29 July	8:26pm
5 August	8:17pm
12 August	8:06pm
19 August	7:55pm
26 August	7:43pm
2 September	7:30pm

SHOMREI TEVA MONTHLY MITZVAH CREW

3rd Sundays at 9:45 am July 17, August 21



Join Shomrei Teva as we gather for our monthly maintenance at the Creekside Restoration site. Consider making it a double mitzvah by going first to Morning Minyan. Bring a small digging/ weeding tool (trowel, small shovel, small mattock, etc.), and dress for the weather. Wear shoes or boots with good traction. Bring your sense of humor; we like to schmooze and have a good time while weeding out the noxious invasives.

Sometimes we have refreshments and possibly things to plant. We finish at noon but work as long or little as you want. Meet in the wooded area off our lower parking lot. Questions: Jordan Epstein, 503.245.6580, yaakovm@comcast.net

TIKKUN OLAM

Notes from Shomrei Teva

Connecting with Nature through Prayer

Summer is when many of us head outdoors to enjoy the beauty and delights of nature. As Jews, can Torah and Talmud help us to protect and love our threatened planet? Perhaps --- through prayer.

Although there are many Jewish prayers about nature, just saying a prayer is not enough. Let the words sink in, feel the holiness of the moment, and let go of distractions clouding your mind. With the right kavannah prayer can be a portal to deeper appreciation, respect, and even love for nature.

When seeing wonders of nature (e.g. lightening, shooting stars, vast deserts, high mountains, or a sunrise), we say *Baruch atah adonai eloheinu melech ha'olam, oh-seh ma'a-*

seih v'reisheet. Praised be You Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the universe, source of creation. When seeing trees or creatures of striking beauty: Baruch atah...sheh-kakhah lo b'olamo. Praised be You ..., who has such beauty in Your world.



On seeing the ocean, we say *Baruch atah ..., shehasah et-ha-yam ha-gadol*. Praised be You ...who has made the great sea. Finally, upon hearing thunder or upon seeing a storm, we say "*Baruch atah...sheh-ko-cho u-g'vurato malei olam.*" Praised be You...whose power and might fill the whole world.

Consider using these prayers as you experience nature this coming summer. Another resource is the wonderful book *A Wild Faith, Jewish Ways into Wilderness, Wilderness Ways into Judaism*, by Rabbi Mike Comins. It's in the Neveh Shalom library.

Jordan Epstein, Chair, Shomrei Teva

TIKKUN OLAM EVENTS

Mitzvah Day is a Mitzvah!



Our May 15 Mitzvah Day was a great success! Some of the many community-building activities were donating blood, knitting for Legacy Emanuel's neo-natal unit, building with Habitat for Humanity, restoring a creek side environment, making and serving peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for Potluck in the Park, and assembling hygiene kits for Transition Projects serving the homeless.

Parents and children from the Sunday School program presented each class's tzedakah project, raising \$2000 raising for a variety of charities including Heifer Project International, Community Transitional School, Smile Train. Sunshine Pantry, Autism, Service Dogs of America, Oregon Food Bank, and Neveh Michael.

The morning started with a service featuring a mighty shofar blast, compliments of Alan Montrose, which preceded an assembly for

all participants, and concluded with another even louder call of the shofar, summoning congregants to do a variety of mitzvahs at sites across the community and at stations set up throughout the building.

Co-chaired by **Deb**Freedberg and Steve Sirkin, Tikkun

Olam Committee Chairs, Mitzvah Day

was resurrected after nearly a decade
hiatus. Steve Sirkin kvelled: "It was a
joy to see the outpouring of enthusiasm
and effort on the part of so many of
our friends in the Neveh family. They
truly demonstrated a commitment to
tikkun olam, "healing the world," and
performed many wonderful mitzvahs
in the process!"



PERTINENT MITZVAH DAY STATISTICS:

- 500 Sandwiches for Potluck in the Park. (Bread donation from Dave's Killer Bread!)
- \$2,000 in donations from the classes.

- Knitting 6 completed blankets for Legacy Emanuel's pre-natal unit, plus a few hats and sweaters and deciding to meet quarterly to continue their efforts.
- 297 hygiene kits for Transition Projects.
- 302 books for children for the Children's Book Bank.
- 27 pints of blood for the American Red Cross.
- 164 pounds of food collected for Neighborhood House.

If you are interested in planning for next year's Mitzvah Day, or participating in any of the ongoing Tikkun Olam/Mitzvah Activities, Contact: Jennifer Greenberg, Program Director, Congregation Neveh Shalom, 503 246-8831 #139, igreenberg@nevehshalom.org Steve Sirkin, Tikkun Olam Committee Chair, 503-454-0610, stevejew18@frontier.com.



View our photos at www.mitzvahday2011.shutterfly.com

TIKKUN OLAM

DONATE YOUR CAR TO NEVEH SHALOM

Thank You to our recent donor: Loretta Blumenfeld

You can receive a tax write-off by donating your unused or unwanted vehicle, running or not. Call JoAnn in the Neveh Shalom Office for more info: 503-293-7309, or jbezodis@nevehshalom.org.



Neveh Shalom on

facebook.

Did you know that Neveh Shalom has a facebook group? We post photos from events and publicize programs. It's a great way to stay connected online to Neveh Shalom. Invite friends to an event, post interesting information for other congregants to read. It is an amazing communication tool. Join the Neveh Shalom Facebook group today, and invite your friends to join too.

THINK GREEN



Our Chronicle is available as a downloadable PDF for viewing on the screen or your computer. Sign up for the online version by sending an email to jbezodis@nevehshalom.org. Please let us know if you would like to forego your paper version to save trees.

DARFUR AWARENESS COMMITTEE



Join our Never Again Coalition at CNS. The focus is the current issues in Darfur and the need for a Certification Process for Conflict Minerals (the underlying source of the terrible violence in the Congo). Help make a difference.

Save the date for the RUN FOR CONGO, July 23, finishing up with a celebratory lunch and a short film and guest speaker at the home of Dale Oller.

Questions, contact Dale Oller at Oller5051@comcast.com

Outside In

On May 28, CNS members prepared Tuna Noodle Casserole and salad for 80 people. We also made two cakes. The food was delivered to Outside-In, a Portland shelter for homeless teenagers. The meal was prepared in the CNS kitchen by **Rick Botney**, **Bruce & Susan Sutherlin**, **Dick Dreyfus**, and **Chris & Cathy Blair**.

If you would like to receive an e-mail notification of our cooking date and time contact Cathy Blair at cblair456@yahoo.com

SAFEWAY SHOPPER CARD REGISTRATION



Support Neveh Shalom by grocery shopping.

Help Neveh Shalom by grocery shopping. Go to www.escrip.com and click on "1-Sign Up". Select Neveh Shalom as your charity of choice, Group ID # 163941303. DO IT TODAY!

Don't know your Safeway card number? Call them at 1-877-SAFEWAY.

FOOD BARREL

Neveh Shalom has a food barrel benefiting Neighborhood House and the Sunshine Pantry. Bring in your non-perishable food items to the barrel located in the foyer outside Zidell Chapel.



Thank you for your generosity!

වීම් 297 Hygiene Kits 🛭 🎉

Thanks to 14 wonderful volunteers and the generosity of many Congregation Neveh Shalom members, we were able to put together and deliver 297 Hygiene Kits on Mitzvah Day.

WE WILL START COLLECTING HYGIENE KIT ITEMS AGAIN AUGUST-OCTOBER.

Because Portland is 3,000 shelter beds short each night, there is a 10-week wait to get into a shelter. While waiting for a shelter bed, the homeless can take showers at the Transition Projects 4th and Glisan facility.

SAVE THOSE UNOPENED HOTEL SHAMPOOS, CONDITIONERS, LOTIONS, AND SOAPS!

Pick up some deodorants on sale. (I've been told WalMart has them in the travel section for 78 cents each.) Ask your dentist for a case of toothpaste for the homeless. Get 4-6 toothbrushes at the Dollar stores for \$1 or bulk packs of razors on sale. If you find tampons at a good price, think of the homeless!

Good job all of you in repairing a small part of our little corner of the world. -- Cathy Blair

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College **O**UTREACH



ATTENTION PARENTS:

If you have a student who will be attending college (or military) this fall and would like them to be included in the College Outreach mailings, please contact the synagogue office for a form to complete.* Remember, we depend on your generosity to help make these care packages possible. Your donation helps purchase the goodies and cover postage. Make checks payable to CNS, and write "College Outreach" on the memo line. Thank you for your support!



Volunteers are the backbone of Sisterhood. As Lois Silverman wrote: "Giving of vour time is more valuable than money." To that end, a big TODAH RABAH (thank you) to Cathy Blair, Yael Webber and

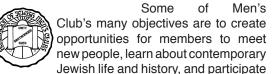
their team of Sisterhood volunteers who put together 297 hygiene kits on Mitzvah Day, for Transition Projects to allow homeless people to get showers and clean up. This helps maintain some dignity for those who are without homes. Ladies, you made it all happen, and keep saving those travel size

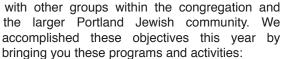
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soaps, shampoos, and deodorants for next time.

June 5th saw our Back to Basics BBQ. Thanks to Tina Smith. Cathy Blair and Jackie Lesch for organizing the event and the food. Abig thank you to **Cantor Bletstein** for her words of wisdom in answering our questions about what we do during services and why we do it. This just goes to show that learning with Sisterhood can be fun.

Our new regional President, Ann Nicolson, talked about why she was a member of Sisterhood. Among her top five reasons was that no matter where we go, or where our children go, we can always find a friend and stay connected to Sisterhood and support the continuity of our Jewish community. So join us, and you will always have a friend in Sisterhood.





- We enrich our community Sukkot celebration by assembling the congregational Sukkah annually.
- · We learned how to trace our Jewish ancestry with the help of Toby Blake from the Jewish Genealogical Society.
- · We learned about the political challenges facing Israel from David Pactor, director of AIPAC of Washington and Oregon, and how AIPAC educates Congress about these issues.
- · We teamed up with the Membership Committee to plan the All-Member Pancake Breakfast and provided our best chef-members to make their locally renowned CNS pancakes.

- · We participated in a guided tour of the Holocaust Memorial in Washington Park to commemorate the Shoah.
- · We raised money through our annual Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament, supporting Neveh Shalom's Capital Campaign.

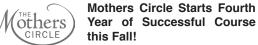
Learn more about Men's Club and our many other activities by browsing Neveh Shalom's online photo gallery.

I want to personally thank all of this year's volunteers who made Men's Club a vibrant and integral part of our congregational life; Peter Bedrick, Joe Goodman, Sam Gottlieb, David Honigstock, Gary Laroff, Harold Lesch, Bruce Stern, David Wallach, Peter Wigmore, Leon Tiger, Bob Weiner, Jonathan Levy and Rick Vagy.

I welcome you to join our Men's Club community. Contact **David Honigstock** at zimchuck@frontier.com or David Wallack at matzoh1234@gmail.com. I look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Gabriel Markiz, Men's Club President

Mother's Circle



"Fantastic! This is the class that I've been seeking for the past 5 years of marriage to my Jewish husband."

"Life changing! By far the single-most influential factor on our family's Jewish life."

"Amazing. I feel so comfortable in Jewish social situations, settings, and discussions now. I know dozens of community members and resources I would feel comfortable taking advantage of. Best of all, I've made friends within my Mothers Circle cohort."

These guotes come from former students of The Mothers Circle, a program which provides free education and support for women from other religious backgrounds or women who are new to Judaism as adults who are raising Jewish children.

The 16 session Mothers Circle course is taught by Neveh Shalom member. Lois Shenker, and meets approximately twice a month, from October through May. Classes focus on Jewish rituals, ethics, the how-to's of creating a Jewish home and raising Jewish children. They meet at the MJCC on Sunday mornings and include free childcare. In addition to the curriculum, participants find a warm and nurturing environment and through the course feel empowered to take on the responsibility of raising Jewish children with greater comfort and ease.

Information sessions will be held Sunday, September 18 and Thursday, September 22 to better acquaint prospects with the program.

To sign up for an information session, register for the course, or learn more about this program, please contact Jennifer Greenberg at 503.246.8831, igreenberg@nevehshalom.org or visit our website, www.TheMothersCircle.org.

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YOUTH AT NEVEH SHALOM

FAREWELL FROM JONATHAN EMANUEL

Shalom Neveh Family,

This is my last article as Youth Activities Director. It has been an amazing experience for me to be part of this family. It has kept and sustained myself, Cara and Judah over our years in Portland with all the love, support, laughter and tears that a family can bring.

I have been through so many different life cycle events, from B'nai Mitzvot (more than I can count!), to funerals to "mock" weddings, to the bris and Pidyan Ha Ben of my own son Judah. Each has brought me closer to this community and to my own family. I now feel as if I am far more prepared to raise my own family and be a Jewish adult. In my own upbringing I never had such an intimate relationship with my synagogue and the members in it. I believe it is this connection and nurturing that has brought me to the point that I can serve as an Education Director in my new job in Marin County. California.

The list of these Neveh "experiences" I speak of are long, but there are a few highlights to recall as Youth Director: Making movies with the "Jew Crew" at Camp

Chalutzim, Wednesday Night School class discussions, Kadima at Sky High, visiting Schechter and BB Camp in the summer, USY overnights, Jr. Kadima cooking peanut butter hamentaschen, Mitzvah Camp food cart adventures, and traveling to New Orleans with representatives of Neveh and the Portland Jewish community. Of course, Portland Rishonim USY hosting Regional Convention, having the highest attendance and winning 6 awards is perhaps the biggest highlight, and a great way to end my term as Youth Director.

More than any other aspect, Jewish "experiences" have proven to be the most important factor in maintaining Jewish continuity and identity. Studies s how summer camp and Israel trips have such a strong impact. The synagogue is part of this as it helps to provide the tools and vocabulary necessary to fully engage in Jewish life. Going to services, having a Bar or Bat Mizvah and studying Torah are part of this process and are even stronger when experienced with a community of peers. This is why youth groups such as USY. Kadima and Jr. Kadima are so important, because

then we SHARE these memories with our closest friends, just as we did thousands of years ago at Mt Sinai. These memories are perhaps the most important part of being a Jew, as they make us who we are, and who we strive to be. Judaism, like life, is not just learned, it's experienced.

Thank you all for being such an important part of my Jewish experience. Please stay in touch,

Jonathan Emanuel Golem 159@hotmail.com



On May 20th, Pinwheel USY held Regional Convention 2010-11 here in beautiful Portland, Oregon! Our chapter, Portland Rishonim, represented with the second largest number of

members to attend and we showed everyone our Rishonim Ruach! Over the weekend we participated in multiple programs and sichot about Jewish Comedy and its history. Saturday night we all went to Inflatable Kingdom where we socialized, bounced and ate food all night long! This convention was a day longer than usual because on Sunday, Pinwheel held its Regional Executive Board Elections. There were many close races this year for each position on board. I am honored and thrilled to have been elected as the 2011-2012 Membership Kadima Vice President! Regional Convention was a huge success for Portland Rishonim as we took home four awards at the Banquet and Prom Sunday night, including "Best Chapter Website", "Best Ruach Program Award", and "Chapter of Excellence

Award". Overall the entire convention was an incredible success for Rishonim and we cannot wait for another year to begin with this amazing chapter!!

Have fantastic summer!

Kelsey Kaplan Regional Board MemKad VP 2011-12



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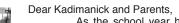
Camp Chalutzim and Mitzvah Camp will not be operating the week of July 11-15 or **August 22-26.**

UNIOR **K**ADIMA

What a great year for Junior Kadima! We have had tons of fun, made new friends and participated in amazing activities. Some highlights include:

- · Making crazy hamentaschen at our Purim party
- Tu B'Shevat chocolate fest
- Bumper boats at Bullwinkles
- · And, of course, who can forget Sky High!

Next year promises to be even better. We look forward to seeing you in the fall!



As the school year has come to an end, it is time for you to enjoy your summer and (hopefully) Oregon's beautiful weather.

We have had a fun year filled with many activities. We bounced around at Sky High, had some camp time at Kadima Kinnus, cheered on our Winterhawks, knocked down some pins with Dor Chadash, made some crazy hamantaschen, were mensches at the Sunshine Pantry, and had some fun with Bugs Bunny and Bagels.

Have an amazing summer and we will see vou all next fall!

Ellen Swire Kadima Advisor

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GREAT SUMMER READING FROM

THE FELDSTEIN

BIOGRAPHY
KOESTLER by Michael
Scammell
WANDERING SOUL
(Biography of S. Ansky,
creator of the Dybbuk)
by Gabriella Safran

FICTION EVERY HOUSE NEEDS A BALCONY by Nina Frank MINOR KEY by **Hans Keilson** GRATITUDE by Joseph Kertes SUPER SAD TRUE LOVE STORY by **Gary Shteyngart** THIS IS WHERE I LEAVE YOU by **Jonathan Tropper** SONDERBERG CASE by Elie Wiesel LUNCH IN PARIS by Elizabeth Bard

HISTORY
CAPITALISM AND
THE JEWS by Jerry
Z. Muller
SACRED TREASURE
- THE CAIRO
GENIZAH by Rabbi
Mark Glickman

ISRAEL
JERUSALEM,
JERUSALEM by James
Carroll
POWER, FAITH, AND
FANTASY by Michael
Oren

FELDSTEIN LIBRARY'S SUMMER HOURS Monday-Thursday 8:30am-1:30pm Evenings by appointment, hjacob@nevehshalom.org or call 503.244.0623

SCHOOL AT NEVEH SHALOM

ALIYAH JEWISH LEARNING PROGRAM FOR K-12



I'm excited to announce a new name for our K-12 programming: Neveh Shalom's ALIYAH Jewish Learning Program. ALIYAH means "going up," but it has ethical and spiritual weight to it, as in aliyah to

Torah when we go up for a blessing or aliyah to Israel when we move to Israel or visit Jerusalem. Together, we are helping raise great Jewish kids as they move from one step to the next on their Jewish journeys.

Registration materials for ALL of our ALIYAH Jewish learning programs are available on our website and in our office. Early Bird Discount applies (even if you are not paying in full) when you register by June 30.

Thanks to the careful consideration of our Youth Education committee, we will be incorporat-

ing more Shabbat experiences for our K-6 children next year and "raising the bar" on content and fun in our Sunday (Yom Rishon) and Weekday (Shavua) programs.

Parents of 7th-12th graders: We are updating the Tichon (high school) program for next year, too! One exciting development is a new Youth Leadership program for 8th-11th graders who are, or want to be madrichim (teacher aides or counselors) in our Yom Rishon (Sunday), Shabbat, Shavua (weekday) or Shabbaton (retreat) programs for K-6th grade programs.

And finally, **the Education Office at Neveh Shalom will be moving!** As of July 1st, you will find us in Room 112 (next to what is currently Dayle's office). Please contact me with any questions or ideas you have as we move into a new era of Jewish education at Neveh Shalom!

Mel Berwin, Director of Congregational Learning, mberwin@nevehshalom.org, 503.246.8831 x 133

Kochavim & Notz'tzim



Kaytanat Kochavim Kochavim Hebrew Immersion Summer Camps!

Children ages 3 through entering 2nd graders are invited to join us for lots of active outdoor time, arts, music, play, and fun! We are offering a late-day option by request!

See our flyer online at http://www.nevehshalom.org/flyers/Koch_11.pdf and registration form at http://www.nevehshalom.org/flyers/koch_register_11.pdf for information. Contact **Mel Berwin**, mberwin@nevehshalom.org or 503-246.8831 x 133.

FOUNDATION SCHOOL



Summer is the time of year we clean and shine the classrooms and hallways of the Foundation School. Windows are being washed and new bark chips are being spread on the playground. The art supply room is being filled with bright new paint, gallons of sticky glue,

paper of every color and fresh new markers and cravons.

Before long we will be ready to welcome new

and returning children and their families to the 2011-12 preschool year and the building will be filled again with the wonder and joy that the presence of young children brings to Congregation Neveh Shalom.

We hope that you are all enjoying the warm weather and spending many happy summer hours plaving and learning together.

See you again in September! **Jan Skolnik**

Shoreshim



Shoreshim invites you to bring your little ones to Tot Shabbat - a morning Shabbat service of songs, prayers, and movement designed for families with children under the age of five. Join us on the first and third

Saturday mornings of the month in the Zidell Chapel at 10:15am. A light kiddush is served afterwards and everyone is encouraged to stay and shmooze!

Save the date - Sunday, June 26 - for the annual Shoreshim Summer Picnic. Check your email and the flyer in the CNS lobby for details.

Shoreshim has many wonderful

volunteers to thank this season. Kol hakavod to Jaime Harper and Julia Robinson for organizing the delicious Shoreshim program at the CNS Pancake Breakfast. Thank you to Maxine Bernstein and Mindy Zeitzer, for planning a lovely musical Shabbat dinner last month. We are especially grateful to Rabbi Isaak and the Percy Bernstein Orchestra for their help in making the dinner such a success. A final kol hakavod goes out to Sonya Horowitz for helping to coordinate the Shoreshim Purim celebration.

As always, Shoreshim would love your help! If you would like to volunteer to help with a program, please contact the Shoreshim Chairperson, **Rachel Pines**, at portlandpines@gmail.com or the Neveh Shalom main office at (503) 246-8831.

Neveh Shalom Family Camping Weekend!



AUGUST 12-14
Millersylvania State Park
Just south of Olympia



Contemplate the natural wonders of our region. Celebrate Shabbat with friends old and new amid the beauty of this historic park nestled in broad stands of old-growth cedar and fir trees encircling Deep Lake in Western Washington. The campground has great facilities (showers, flush toilets, water and electricity) plus a central kitchen shelter for the group; tons of camping fun, lake access, swimming, boating, fishing, bike trails, hiking and playgrounds. Canoes, paddle boats and kayaks are available for rent at the beach.

Cost: \$75 per family for members, \$90 per family for non-members in the open group/tent camping area. Three individual sites are also available to accommodate campers with recreational vehicles on a first come, first served basis at a cost of \$80 per family for members, \$95 for non-members.

We provide: Friday and Saturday dinners, snacks plus fun and engaging activities where nature itself becomes the text from which to teach a whole Torah's worth of Jewish lessons. Organized programs will be geared toward young and old, with plenty of free time for summer camping fun!

You provide: Your own camping gear & supplies, breakfasts & lunch.

Sign up using the flyer insert. A pre-camping meeting for attendees will take place before the event so we can get acquainted, organized and lend a hand to any less experienced campers.

Questions? Call **Michael Feinstein**, 503.675.3952, evanstudio427@gmail.com, or **Sarah Cantor**, 503.675.7128, scantor@snjmuson.org

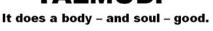
"M'lo chol haAretz K'vodo" His presence fills all the earth!

ADULT EDUCATION

BEIT MIDRASH Thursdays

Rabbi Stampfer's Talmud Class, Room 111, 3:00-4:15pm. Rabbi's Isaak's Bible Class, Room 111, 4:30-5:30pm Please call the office to confirm classes are meeting during summer months, 503.246.8831.

TALMUD.





Machon Ivrit

Calling all adults interested in learning Hebrew-

We are launching Machon Ivrit, Hebrew Institute for Adults, starting in fall 2011. Machon Ivrit is a new, professionally taught, one-evening-per-week year-long course in beginning and intermediate levels of Modern Hebrew. Adults wanting to learn Hebrew for the first time, follow up on previous short-term classes in Hebrew, catch up with your children, or prepare for further opportunities (Israel trip, conversion, etc.) should contact **Mel Berwin**, 503-246-8831 to get on the mailing list and/or for more details!

Annual Giving Campaign 2011-2012

CHESED

HAND IN HAND



New baby in the family?

Have recent surgery?

Need a ride to Shul?

Our Chesed (caring)
Committee is at the ready to help with meals, hospital/shutin visits, and transportation.

To give or receive aid, contact **Jennifer Greenberg** at jgreenberg@nevehshalom.org or 503.246.8831x139

If Not Now, When? Today & Tomorrow אם לא עכשו, אימתי? היום ומחר

If you have been blessed with good fortune and recognize the importance of helping others, we know that you will want to join our If Not Now, When? Today and Tomorrow Annual Campaign and perform the mitzvah of tzedakah. Become a link in the perpetuation of your Congregation. As your ancestors provided for you, it is now time for you to provide for others. As Maimonides said "We are obligated to be more scrupulous in fulfilling the commandment of charity than any other positive commandment because charity is the sign of a righteous person."

We thank those that have given the past two years to make our Annual Campaign successful. If

you have not joined us, please make this the year. Every gift – large and small – makes a difference!

It is so rewarding to see joy in the faces of those that cannot fully afford what we offer – community, connections, spirituality and cultural all under one giant tent - *Ma tovu ohalekha Ya'akov, mishk'notekha Yisra'el!*

We are pleased to once again have generous donors offering matching gifts. It makes your gift go that much further. And, new this year, we are pleased to offer the ability to donate online (more information on both coming soon). So, please make your best gift today and be one of many that we recognize during the High Holidays when we complete another successful campaign!

Hazak hazak venit-hazek (strong, strong and let us be strengthened),

Jason H. Kaufman, 2011 Annual Giving Campaign Chair

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE



"See you in September. See you, when the summer's through." *

The summer we thought would never get here is just around

the corner...hopefully. Long-time Portlanders know that we really can't count on it being summer until early July!

What else happens at the beginning of July? Neveh Shalom begins its fiscal and membership year 2011-2012. Just as with traditional calendar New Year or Rosh Hashanah, this is a time to both look back and look ahead. Your Membership Committee hopes that you had the chance to attend some of our main events over the past year such as the Pancake Breakfast in February or the Chanukah party in December. Last month, the committee held its annual retreat and planning meeting where we discussed the programs and events for the

upcoming year, all in keeping with our mission to "Seek. Engage. Retain." Our most valuable resource, you, the member. You'll hear more about these events throughout the year.

But first, I want everybody to "save the date" of September 11 for one of our most-attended signature events, "Back to Shul." This is a fun time where we get together just before the holidays. We'll have food, of course, plus a variety of activities for quests of all ages.

Make plans now to be there. Meet fellow members that you don't know and haven't met yet. Connect and catch-up with old friends. This year we will be making this a community event. So if you meet somebody who is not a member, make them feel welcome.

For more information about Back to Shul, see the flyer accompanying this issue.

David Meltzer, Co-Chair, Membership Committee davidtheshulman@hotmail.com

*"See You In September" by The Happenings, 1966.

Long-Range Planning Committee

The CNS Long-Range Planning Committee is pleased to submit the proposed 10-Year Long-Range Plan for Congregation Neveh Shalom (Congregational Draft: 6/16/11) for the congregation's review.

An electronic version of the plan is available at http://www.nevehshalom.org/files/LRP_draft.pdf with printed copies available for review in the synagogue office and library.

Representatives of the LRP Committee presented the highlights of the plan at the Annual Meeting on June 16. We will continue to take comments until 8/15/11 at cnsLRP@gmail.com. A final draft of the plan will be presented to the CNS Board of Directors for its approval in early September 2011, after being revised to reflect congregational input during the review period.

REFUAH SHLEMA

A speedy recovery to:

Tom Coughlin Terry Howard Jo Ellen Miller Sam Miller Isaak Premysler Hannah Sturman Mitch Sturman Jack & Marilyn (Rogoway) Thompson Leon Tiger

KVELL WITH US

Mazal tov to Cantor Deborah Bletstein and Harold Crouse on their engagement!

Mazal Tov to Mark Berkson & Lorissa Klaus on the birth of their son, Kai, on April 13. Kai's proud siblings are Ethan & Sanna.

Mazal Tov to Sam Silverberg & Anne Johnston on the birth of their son, Miles, on April 29. Miles joins siblings Ella, Benny & Ava.

Mazal Tov to Ross Weinstein & Darcy Hoyt on the birth of their son, Asher David Weinstein, on May 25.

Mazal Tov to Steve & Janet Landsberg on the birth of their grandson in April.

Mazal Tov to Marge & Allan Sherman on the birth of their granddaughter, Bella Tamar, on May 10 to Ken & Jennifer Sherman of Boston and big-sister, Sylvie.

Mazal Tov to Cathy & Mel Berlant on the birth of their grandson Joseph Samuel Berlant on May 27 to David & Shannon Berlant of Lake Oswego. He is also warmly welcomed by brother, Andrew, maternal grandparents Leslie & Dave Walls and great-grandmother, Roberta Sabin.

Mazal tov to Irv & Gail Handelman on the birth of their grandson, Felix Handelman on March 18, to parents Max Handelman and Elizabeth Banks of Los Angeles.

Mazal tov to Kelsey Kaplan who was just elected, with overwhelming applause and ruach, to regional board, and to our USY chapter for showing great presence at this convention!

Mazal Tov to Alina Vaynberg (daughter of Eduard & Luiza Vaynberg) who graduated with honors from Atkinson Graduate School of Management at Willamette University with an MBA. She has already started working as a Business & Financial Analyst at the lead internet commerce company in Boise, Idaho.

Mazal Tov to Joseph Diebold and Claire

Regenstreif on winning the regional and Oregon state championship as members of the Grant High School Constitution Team. They then competed in Nationals in Washington, D.C. where they placed 7th out of 52 teams.

Mazal Tov to Irene Harrowitz who competed at the Multnomah County Fair over Memorial Day Weekend and took home seven First Place Awards in Bread-Baking and two First Place Awards in Candy-Making!

Mazal Tov to Len & Tamara Rubin and The Portland Bicycle Trailer Company, www.portlandbicycletrailercompany.com, launching their first Kickstarter.com project for the M.O.M. Trailer™-the magically morphing multi-use bicycle trailer! Check it out! www. kickstarter.com/projects/1411829602/ momtmthe-magically-morphing-multi-usebicycle-trai?ref=recently_launched

Mazel Tov to Nora Rothstein on the grandopening of her new shop, Yo-Zone, out at Tanansbourne Mall.

KOL-HA-KAVOD

Every simcha is special. Congratulations to our many members who are celebrating in July and August. In particular, mazal toy to the following members who are celebrating special five year milestones!

MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

IN JULY Harriet Perkel Paul Schlesinger Marsha Spellman Scott Foster Regina Dubinsky Arlyn Becker Nahid Rolnitzky Yanik Levin Carolyn Gorin Davis Hart Manny Berman Jeffrey McAllister Daniel Knoepflmacher Aaron Langfus Gary Laroff Anna Berger Julian Kaufman Ron Eiseman Rita Buzinover Nicole Isenberg Robert Middaugh Anne K. Conway Sharyl Vagy Steven Groman Michael Zaslavsky Cara Buchalter Emanuel

Norman Wapnick

MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

IN AUGUST

Suesan Klimowicz Stephen Rosenfeld Mona Elkan Sam Samuelson Kerry McClenahan Arnold Frisch Julie Zola Bruce Halperin Sofia Kreychman Judith Margles Jay Bodner Andrew Levy Rob Ail Paul Berger Marc Levitte Richard Rosenbaum Carole Rotstein Brian Scott Alan Rothstein Paul Woloshin Robert Perkel Sandra Schmahmann Ed Jacobowitz Neil Isenbera Deborah Gordon Jacqueline McVey Marvin Nepom Jon Yoken

MILESTONE

ANNIVERSARIES IN

JULY Solomon & Rosalyn

Menashe Bruce & Connie Halperin Joel & Karen Salzberg Susan Kuznitsky & Steve Heiteen Max Kras & Michelle Pace Steven & Rita Sherman Stuart & Reena Davis Joshua & Sarah Mitnick Glenn & Martha Decherd Timofey & Inna Gitlin Lou & Bernice Menashe Doron & Tricia Bandel Manuel & Karen Berman

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES IN

August

Eric Peet & Abby Guyer Arden & Holly Eby Arden & Lois Shenker Zach Fruchtengarten & Lauren Jacobs Gary & Carolyn Weinstein Marvin & Barbara Wolf

Richard & Erika Meyer Gary & Sylvia Pearlman Marks Khvovnitskiv & Klara Khvoynitskaya Jason & Belle Mann Alvin & Sharon Segal David & Deborah Menashe Joaquin & Carolyn Cigarroa David & Jenn Director Knudsen Jeanie & Todd Pedersen Gersham & Pauline Goldstein Joel & Hilarie Wasserman



Tzedakah is a central mitzvah of ludaism.

Use it often and in good health!

Tzedekah honors the giver and the recipient. You can make a Tzedakah contribution to honor, remember or thank someone who is important to vou. It is also the custom in many to give appreciation of an honor or aliyah during any service.

PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE NAMES AND **ADDRESSES OF BOTH** THE DONOR AND THE RECIPIENT, AS WELL AS THE NAME OF THE FUND.

We gratefully acknowledge donations to the men-Synagogue Funds.

IN MEMORIAM

WE MOURN THE LOSS OF SYNAGOGUE MEMBERS: May their souls be bound in the bonds of eternal life.

> PAUL METZ DR. L. ERIC LIBERMAN **LEONARD DONIN** LYBI MIRLES

LAWRENCE HIRSCHMAN

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to our members and their families.

JUNE

VICKI ROTSTEIN ON THE PASSING OF HER BELOVED MOTHER, ROSILIN JACOBS RAE LAMARCHE ON THE PASSING OF HER BELOVED FATHER, LAWRENCE HIRSCHMAN RABBI BRADLEY GREENSTEIN ON THE PASSING OF HIS BELOVED GRANDMOTHER, **ARLINE HOROWITZ**

MARCY MORRIS ON THE LOSS OF HER BELOVED MOTHER, LEAH ROTHSTEIN MAY

ESTELLE GILBERT ON THE PASSING OF HER BELOVED MOTHER, MARGUERITE MASHIAH CHRIS COUGHLIN & FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF THEIR BELOVED MOTHER & GRANDMOTHER, KATIE COUGHLIN

DOUG BROTZ ON THE PASSING OF HIS BELOVED FATHER, HERBERT BROTZ SUZANNE LIBERMAN ON THE LOSS OF HER HUSBAND, L. ERIC LIBERMAN JERRY NUDELMAN ON THE PASSING OF HIS BELOVED UNCLE, LEONARD DONIN BRYAN ROEDER ON THE LOSS OF HIS BELOVED FATHER, PAUL ROEDER SANDI ROSENFELD ON THE LOSS OF HER BELOVED BROTHER

OTHERS

LORRAINE METZ ON THE LOSS OF HER BELOVED HUSBAND, PAUL METZ (FEB) MICHAEL & STEVE METZ ON THE LOSS OF THEIR BELOVED FATHER, PAUL METZ (FEB) ROBERT & NICOLE SACKS AND MARK SACKS ON THE LOSS OF THEIR BELOVED GRANDMOTHER, LIZA OZIEL (FEB)

JOEL & HILARIE WASSERMAN ON THE LOSS OF THEIR BELOVED NIECE, DAYNA HERSH (Jan)

JOEL WASSERMAN ON THE LOSS OF HIS STEP MOTHER, JUDITH WASSERMAN (JAN)

CORRECTIONS:

WE SINCERELY APOLOGIZE FOR THE FOLLOWING ERRORS THAT APPEARED IN THE PRINTED EDITION OF THE MAY/JUNE CHRONICLE. THE ARTICLE SHOULD HAVE READ:

IN MEMORIAM

EVELYN MOSCOW (NOT WALTER FROEHLICH) CONDOLENCES

OUR CONDOLENCES TO OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, ALICE POTTER ON THE LOSS OF HER BELOVED DAUGHTER, CAROL GINSBERG

CEMETERY HEADSTONE UNVEILINGS:

Paula Liebreich, Sunday, July 31, 11:00am, Neveh Zedek, 7925 SW Canyon Lane, Portland, 97225

KEN GOLDEN, SUNDAY, JULY 31, 12:00PM, AHAVAI SHALOM, 9323 SW FIRST AVE, **PORTLAND**, **97219**

ARKADY AGINSKY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 11:00AM, AHAVAI SHALOM, 9323 SW FIRST AVE, PORTLAND, OR 97219

When a Death Occurs

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.

TO HONOR THEIR MEMORY...



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11am - Paula Liebrich unveiling 11:30am IJS Brunch 12pm Kenneth Golden unveiling					Shalom & Shir Tikvah at Overlook Park 8:26 pm	MASEI

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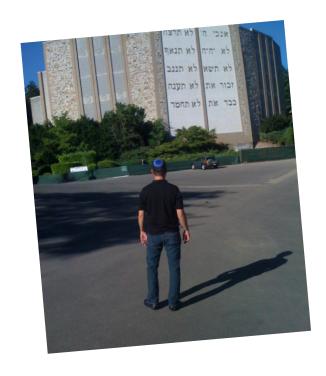
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IN HONOR OF

Mr. & Mrs. Vic Menashe's

anniversary

Bev & Ian Getreu

IN MEMORY OF

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Lidia Krivoy on the Song

of Miriam Award

Nora Rothstein on her new

business

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Sid & Linda Alpert IN MEMORY OF

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