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YOU WOULD BE MAD TO MISS IT!

Mad Men, the popular 1960's advertising agency drama is the inspiration for this year's Neveh Shalom's auction, slated for March 17. Event goers will step back in time to the days of Frank Sinatra and Audrey Hepburn. The silent auction will include an open bar and era-worthy canapes, followed by a seated dinner (no tv trays for this upscale party!) and live auction. Haven't watched Mad Men? That's ok...think Breakfast at Tiffany's and you will be in the right era and style. Find your vintage duds or early 60's inspired accessories and plan for a swanky night. In honor of the theme decade, event tickets are only \$60. New this year is the opportunity to purchase a Patron Ticket at \$150. Patrons will receive a swinging gift, will be acknowledged in auction listings, and will be entered in a raffle to win a night at a local hotel and a \$50 gift certificate to Genoa.

Bidding will be competitive and lively, with the live auction featuring vacation homes in Sunriver, Scottsdale and the Oregon coast, \$1000 toward orthodontia, a stunning diamond full-circle pendant necklace, a Gary Pearlman piece and a wine tasting class at Little Bird, member Andy Fortgang's notable Portland hot-spot. The silent auction offers something for every taste and need; find local Portland summer camps for kids, well stocked themed baskets created by each of our Aliyah program classes, art, jewelry, favorite restaurant gift cards and even a donated vasectomy.

Event Chairs Todd and Felicia Rosenthal point out, "our fabulous team has been working hard (and having fun!) putting this night together. We can't wait to come together with a shul full of happy people having fun and doing this great mitzvah-- martinis in hand, of course!"

While you can bid by proxy on any item, you won't want to miss the chance to attend this fun night! Call your friends and pull together a table. If you are new to the Neveh community ask to be seated at a "get acquainted" table when you register- you will meet some new friends and have a blast. Don't forget to reach out and invite your friends and family to join you.



RSVP by calling Marg in the Neveh Office 503.246.8831 X112
or register online:
nevehshalom.tofinoauctions.com/auction2013/register

FROM THE PULPIT

PASSOVER: THE QUEST FOR LIBERATION: JUDAISM'S MASTER STORY AND MANDATE



By Rabbi Daniel Isaak
Our travels through Myanmar gave us just the slimmest taste of what it means to live under

a repressive dictatorship. For decades the military censored any exposure to critical journalism, media or literature. Myanmar's people became terrified to speak disrespectfully of any aspect of the regime, terrified of their own relatives, neighbors or fellow citizens who might inform the authorities on them. In such an environment it is understandable that people remained vigilant not to associate with anyone who they thought might be under government suspicion. (Soon after arrival in Myanmar when we inquired about recent changes, our guide joked that our driver would be submitting to

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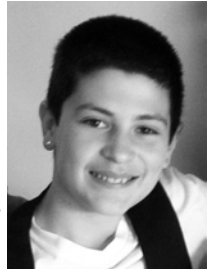
As we are now past the mid-point of our fiscal year (July 1 to June 30), I thought I would use this space to inform our Kehilah of how we are doing

fiscally. By way of background, for the last 2 years, our board has had to make mid-year adjustments to our budgeted expenses to balance our budget by year end. The overwhelming reason these downward expense adjustments were necessary was because our dues collections were not meeting our budgeted expectations. This fiscal year, we changed our policy for dues payments, requiring that payment other than annually or semi-annually be made

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LEO RUBIN MARCH 2

Mazel Tov to Leo Harris Rubin, son of Melissa and Dan Rubin, brother of Jack Rubin, grandson of Leah and Mark Rubin and Kathy and Craig Abraham. Leo is a 7th grade student at Robert Gray Middle School where he excels in math, science and social studies. He is a regular summer camper at Camp Solomon Schechter, where he has made many friends from all over the West. Leo enjoys basketball, boxing and gourmet cooking. A graduate of the Foundation School, Leo continues to have many strong friendships from those early years in the downstairs halls of Neveh Shalom.



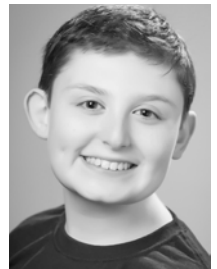
MARISSA FRIEDMAN MARCH 9



Mazel Tov to Marissa Friedman who is becoming a Bat Mitzvah on March 9, 2013. She is the daughter of Steven & Suzanne Friedman, sister to Jack, and granddaughter to Sue and Irvin Friedman of St. Louis and Pat and Al Lubarsky of San Diego. Marissa has recently become an 8th grader at Access Academy. She enjoys playing tennis, playing the viola, traveling, reading, going to BB camp, playing with her dogs Cleo and Lucy, and hanging out with friends.

JACOB RESNIKOFF MARCH 16

Mazel tov to Jacob Resnikoff, son of Steven and Lisa Resnikoff. Jacob's grandmothers are Bernice Resnikoff of Tigard, Oregon and Judith Schlossberg of Beaverton, Oregon. Jacob is a 7th grader at Fowler Middle School in Tigard. His favorite subjects are Language Arts, Science and Social Studies. He enjoys playing the alto saxophone and acting. He has been in many school plays, is a member of the Young Actors Studio at NW Children's Theater and has attended and performed in the Sleepy Hollow Children's Theater summer program in Lake Oswego for the past four years. In his free time, Jacob likes to hike, golf, play video games and hang out with friends. Jacob attended Camp Solomon Schechter for the first time last summer and had a great time. Jacob plans on continuing his Jewish education and looks forward to visiting Israel one day.



IAN HOLZMAN APRIL 6



Mazel tov to Ian Benjamin Holzman, son of Lee and Becky, and big brother to Rachel and Max. Ian's grandparents are Irwin and Renee Holzman, Ann Bell, and the late Herb Goldberg. Ian is a seventh grader at Portland Jewish Academy. He is a very athletic young man who loves to play basketball, soccer, and lacrosse with his many friends. In the summer he enjoys spending time with his family in Central Oregon, riding horses and horse camping. He also looks forward to spending time at Camp Solomon Schechter. Ian is a smart, funny, responsible, and talented boy who likes playing with his siblings, friends, and his dog Bella.

ARIANA GILBERT APRIL 13

Mazel tov to Ariana Rose Gilbert, daughter of Estelle and Todd Gilbert. Ariana's grandparents are Marsha and Joel Gilbert of Portland, OR and Rachelle and Reuben Shanon of Bellevue, WA. Ariana is a 7th grade student at Robert Gray Middle School. She values friendship and relationships. Ariana loves cooking, singing, dancing, and listening to music, and loves to travel. She is so very happy to have all of her friends and family celebrating this special simcha.



MIRIAM CARON APRIL 20



Mazel Tov to Miriam Caron, daughter of Julie and Gideon Caron and sister to Rachel and Elayna; Miriam's grandparents are Sidonie and Dr. Gordon Caron and Bette Levie. Miriam is a 7th grader at The Catlin Gabel School. Miriam loves to play soccer, run cross-country and play basketball. She enjoys her summers at B'nai Brith Camp and traveling.

JONAH ZIGMAN APRIL 27

Mazel tov to Jonah Zigman who becomes a Bar mitzvah April 27. Jonah is the son of Aviva and Andrew Zigman and awesome brother to Annie. His grandparents are Carol and Jerry Zigman of Montreal and Shoshana and the late Abraham Jacoby of Los Angeles. Jonah is a 7th grader at Jackson Middle School where his favorite subjects are Math, Science and Woodshop. Jonah relishes in being an aggressive defenseman in hockey. He also enjoys anything that gets him outdoors including surfing, snowboarding, scuba diving and his own invention, land skeleton. Jonah's Jewish identity has been shaped by Neveh Shalom where he started as a preschooler at age 2 and through Camp Solomon Schechter where he now has made friends all over the Pacific Northwest.





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authorities reports of his conversations

with us. I certainly took it as a joke...In such an environment the consequences of bringing attention to oneself could be catastrophic.

Over the last 18 months several restrictions on people's freedoms have been lifted. The government has guaranteed freedom of speech, the ability to freely assemble and the publication of uncensored newsprint. Elections have taken place. Suu Kyi, the heroic spokesperson for democracy no longer under house arrest has taken her seat in the national parliament. These newly acquired freedoms are liberating and exciting to watch, emerging before our eyes in a society which has heretofore not known them. Though it is amazing how quickly matters have turned around and people exercise their new freedoms, there is understood reason for caution. The new national constitution still provides that 25% of the parliamentary seats be reserved for the military in addition to seats they acquire through the electoral process. The constitution also demands that the president come from the military. One guide confided that not until the next election in 2015 will the country discover whether the new freedoms are for real or merely a temporary aberration. Everyone knows that all that they are experiencing now can be removed in an instant. As outsiders who do not speak the native language we could not even under current circumstances determine the nuances of how free the people feel to express themselves.

Nevertheless our travels allowed us to experience the truest essence of what the festival of Passover promises. Living in America we naturally take our liberties for granted. Yet even we continue to debate the details. It is virtually impossible to imagine the fear that repressive government can instill in a human being or society as a whole. This battle for freedom is being waged not only in Myanmar, but most brutally before our eyes in Syria, as well as calling out to people in Egypt, China, Tibet, Darfur, Chechnya, Bahrain, and countless other places across the globe. Passover calls on us to support all those who struggle for freedom, to place stumbling blocks before those who would undermine it.

"In every generation every human being must see her/himself as if s/he personally came forth from Egypt."

2013 Rabbi Stampfer Community Enrichment Award Dinner Honoring

James H. Winkler

Thursday, April 11, 2013 6:00 PM
Benson Hotel

Reservations can be made by no
later than April 5, 2013

by sending your check to

Institute for Judaic Studies

2900 SW Peaceful Lane

Portland, OR 97239

or logging into our website @

www.judaicstudies.org/stampfer-award

and pay with credit card

for more information contact

meverett@nevehshalom.org



Cantor Bletstein, event co-chair Jaimie Harper and friends at Shoreshim's Havdalah In Pajamas event in February.



The cast of the Martinis&Mitzvot promo movie, going back in time to the early 1960's



Neveh Shalom Volunteers At Habitat for Humanity



Rabbi Stampfer and Cantor Bletstein share a birthday in December.



Foundation School families enjoying "I am Special" brunch.

CANDLE LIGHTING

MAR 1	5:39PM
MAR 8	5:49PM
MAR 15	6:58PM
MAR 22	7:07PM
MAR 29	7:16PM
APR 5	7:25PM
APR 12	7:34PM
APR 19	7:43PM
APR 26	7:52PM

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

KABBALAT SHABBAT

Every Friday: 6:15pm

Come join Cantor Bletstein and our Rabbis for a traditional Kabbalat Shabbat Service where we weave together ancient and modern melodies as we celebrate Shabbat.

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE

Every Saturday: 9:00am

Traditional weekly Shabbat morning service. Free Shabbat child care available beginning at 9:30am by advance reservation only. Please call 503.246.8831x100 by noon on the preceding Wednesday to reserve space.

DAILY MINYAN: SUNDAY-FRIDAY

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

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

SPECIAL FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

First Fridays

1st Fridays, 6:15pm (Mar 3, April 5)

Bring your spirit and your voice to join together on the first Friday of the month. Accompanied by Ilene Safyan on guitar, this service is one of beautiful music, filled with much singing and participation. New melodies are intermixed with congregational favorites. It's a wonderful way to welcome Shabbat together, as a community. A light oneg follows the service. Cantor Bletstein will be leading the service in March. Ilene Safyan in April

Chik-Chak Service

There will be no service in March/April/May

A traditional, lay-led service featuring Carlebach tunes followed by delicious, volunteer-catered dinner. Reservations required for dinner (\$12/adult, \$6/child, \$36 max/family). Dinner RSVP required by the preceding Wednesday to chikchaksvp@gmail.com. NOTE: on 3rd Fridays when there is no Bar/Bat Mitzvah, the main service is combined with ChikChak in one service.

Hinenu Erev Shabbat Service

4th Fridays, 6:30pm (Mar 22, Apr 26)

For Jews in their 20's and 30's who are post-college and pre-kids. This alternative service is followed by a potluck Shabbat dinner at a local home. Please visit our Facebook page (search for "Hinenu"). For more information, to RSVP, or to get on our email list, contact hinenu.pdx@gmail.com

PDX Live!

Fridays, Special 7:30pm service time (Mar 8)

A rockin' service to welcome Shabbat with music that will move you! Join Cantor Bletstein, Ed Kraus, and Klezmocracy for a high-energy Shabbat service with instruments that will rock your soul! Stay afterwards and schmooze at our signature Neveh Shalom cookie oneg. **The service this month will include a reception by ORA artists.**

SPECIAL SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

Downstairs Minyan

2nd, 4th & 5th Saturdays: 9:30am (Mar 9, Apr 13 & 27)

Downstairs Minyan is a lay-led Shabbat service followed by a light Kiddush and lively singing of z'mirot. Want to lead a part of the service or read Torah? Contact Eddy Shuldman at mameleh@comcast.net. On "Combined Minyan" dates we meet at 9am.

KEVA with Rabbi Greenstein:

3rd Saturdays, 10:00-11:45am (Mar 16, Apr 20)

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 questions or to get involved, contact Rabbi Greenstein at rabbigreenstein@yahoo.com.

Rose Schnitzer Manor, "Darchei Noam" service

3rd Saturdays, 10:00am (Mar 16, Apr 20)

Neveh Shalom volunteers lead Shabbat services for seniors at the Robison Home Chapel. Arrive early to help escort residents to the Chapel. Please contact Carol Stampfer at carol.stampfer@gmail.com.

SHABBAT MORNING FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

Tot Shabbat (ages 0-5 years old)

1st & 3rd Saturdays: 10:15am (Mar 2 & 16, Apr 6 & 20)

Tot Shabbat is a warm, age-appropriate 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.

Kehillat Noar (Grades 1-5)

3rd Saturdays, October-May: 10:00am (Mar 16, Apr 20)

Jr. Congregation for 1st-5th graders and families. Join Gershon Liberman for this brief, lively, skill-building Shabbat morning experience, and stay for kiddush lunch with friends. For more information contact Mel Berwin, mberwin@nevehshalom.org.

ELEANOR FISCHER

DIAL-IN SERVICE

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

Call 503.246.8832

PASSOVER SERVICES

Morning Minyan for intermediate days beginning at 7am

March 25 First Seder (in homes)

7am Fast of the First Born service with Siyum in Zidell Chapel

March 26 Passover Day 1

9am Service in Stampfer Chapel

12pm Congregational Kiddush

March 27 Passover Day 2

9am Service in Stampfer Chapel

12pm Congregational Kiddush

April 1 Passover Day 7

9am Service in Stampfer Chapel

12pm Congregational Kiddush

April 2 Passover Day 8

9am Passover and Yizkor Service in Stampfer Chapel

12pm Congregational Kiddush



RENOWNED KLEZMER ARTIST, YALE STROM, AND HIS BAND HOT PSTROMI TO PERFORM - NEW

CONCERT DATE! Neveh Shalom is honored to present violinist, composer, filmmaker, writer, photographer and playwright Yale Strom. Strom is a

pioneer among klezmer revivalists and is one of the leading scholar-ethnographer-artists of klezmer music. Accompanying him are: Elizabeth Schwartz, has sung throughout the world and is particularly known for her dusky timbre and expertise on Romanian Yiddish music. Lou Fanucchi is a virtuoso of many styles of accordion playing particularly Italian, Tango and klezmer. **Wednesday, April 17th, 2013, 7:00pm in the Stampfer Chapel. Tickets are sold at the door \$15/person, \$36/family.**

5 QUESTIONS TO A BOARD MEMBER

IN THIS EDITION WE ARE PROFILING **CATHY BLAIR**, WHO HAS BEEN A PROMINENT FIGURE IN OUR KEHILAH.

"Tikkun Olam has always been my passion. So, when I moved to Portland, and joined Congregation Neveh Shalom, I immediately joined the Tikkun Olam Committee. Since then, I have been having fun organizing the Hygiene Kits for the Homeless Project, as well as leading Outside-In. I find it very rewarding to give tzedakah of both time and money. And how fun to do it in such great company! As Sisterhood President, I have had the opportunity to meet so many amazing women, and to get Sisterhood involved in the Hygiene Kits for the Homeless Project, as well as Hats for IDF Soldiers. In fact, our Sisterhood won an award for the most IDF Hats knitted in our region! Most recently, I have taken on the role of Co-Chair of the Chesed Committee, together with Melissa Bloom. Neveh Shalom is a congregation that I have come to love because of so many warm, down to earth, friendly people. Is there a more wonderful role than to be able to foster loving kindness (chesed) and warmth in such a marvelous congregation? Finally, you will frequently find me at the Saturday morning service. I find it an important opportunity to let the Torah touch and change my life in a profound way, as well as an opportunity to participate in L'Dor v'Dor - passing our tradition on to the next generation."

1. What is your favorite Jewish Memory? The taste of latkes and my mother's homemade apple sauce.

2. Tell us about an interesting hobby you have I play piano for live dancing at the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society.

3. Favorite Jewish Holiday (and why) Simchat Torah, because it is full of dancing, celebrating and fun.

4. Favorite Movie Schindler's List. It's not only a good Holocaust story, but it teaches you that people are not black and white. Schindler was a womanizer, yet when it came to understanding the value of human life and our responsibility toward our fellow human beings, he is an example to us all.

5. What would your Bubbe Say? (about you) Unfortunately, both of my grandmothers passed away before I was born, so I never had a chance to know them.

FROM THE PRESIDENT (CONTINUED)

by ACH or credit card on file deductions. Consequently, our dues collections this year are far ahead of where they were last year and we are on target to end our fiscal year balanced without having to make any mid-year adjustments. It helps, also, that our Kehilah responded so generously to our Annual Giving Campaign, which included our Kol Nidre Appeal. Thanks to everyone who participated in helping take care of our Kehilah.

Of course, our work in funding our operations is never done. To seal our budgetary success, we need to have a successful auction. We are confident that through the leadership of our auction chairs, Todd and Felicia Rosenthal, and their energetic committee, our Martini and Mitzvot themed auction will meet or even exceed our expectations. I look forward to not only seeing you all on March 17, but to also bidding against you to help us raise the money necessary to help take care of our Kehilah's many needs. Let's not forget that while we all look for bargains, it's admirable and encouraged to spend a little (or a lot) extra on those auction items for the benefit of our Kehilah.

On another budgetary matter, as many of you know, we have quietly begun our Capital Completion Campaign to raise the \$2.5 million necessary to finish the original Capital Campaign begun 7 years ago which culminated in all of our capital improvements, including the Stampfer Chapel and the new administrative wing (which, by the way, is still looking for a name to honor). Thanks, to the generosity of so many of you, and especially our lead donors, the Holzman family, we raised \$8.1 million before we took a break for the untimely recession. Today, we are seeking to re-energize our key donors to solidify our base before approaching the entire Kehilah. Please be aware that we are working intently to solve this issue before we need to begin paying our mortgage out of our operating budget. Our goal is to raise the \$2.5 million necessary to complete the campaign before the conclusion of the next fiscal year. If we achieve this goal, we should be able to continue to provide all of the services our 900 family member Kehilah has come to expect and deserve without any interruption or decrease. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns about our budget.

B'Shalom, Steven Kahn

TAKING A LOOK... BY STEVE SIRKIN

WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE A WONDERFUL VARIETY of Tikkun Olam activities overseen by great leaders and supported by large numbers of our congregants. Almost all of them began as the result of the efforts of a single member who felt strongly enough about the activity to take the lead in making it happen and, over time, thrive.

What we have not done is develop an ongoing committee that looks out over the vast array of social action causes we could be involved in, prioritize them, and then take the initiative to organize our members wherever they see the most pressing need.

This is not necessarily for not trying. We simply haven't recruited a corps of folks interested in taking on that role. Our Tikkun Olam advocates seem to like to focus on doing rather than discussing and that's not bad at all!

However it does bring up another challenge, renewing and reinvigorating our committee and our ongoing activities. Over my years as chair of the committee we have reached out to literally every member who checked off interest in Tikkun Olam offering them the opportunity to sit in on a committee meeting and encouraging them to get involved in specific efforts. Many have taken us up on the involvement in individual activities only a handful came to a meeting. As a result our Tikkun Olam committee is pretty much made up of only the folks who lead our wonderful activities and it's chair finds himself without a successor when it's time to move on.

Perhaps that structure no longer serves us well. The question is whether there is a better approach? With the continued support of Jennifer Greenberg, our staff liaison, we are now beginning an internal discussion on that question. It will start on the clergy and staff level. Your insights are welcomed. The one thing I can promise is however this evolves Neveh Shalom will continue to be a leader in Tikkun Olam efforts in the Portland Jewish community. Feel free to e-mail me at stevejew18@frontier.com.

NOTES FROM SHOMREI TEVA

PESACH – A NATURAL HOLIDAY

This year Pesach begins on March 25th. Rabbi Natan said that "an essential aspect of Pesach is to repair material wealth - to elevate it...from impurity to holiness." Pesach is a unique opportunity to learn to use material things in the holiest of ways. It is a time to reflect on what we have, what we want, and what we really need.

When you clean your home and rid it of chametz, check your cleaning products. Are they safe and natural, or do they contain chemicals that could harm your or your children's health? What about all those things you use in the yard? As you contemplate spring and planting and yard work, pledge to maintain your yard chemical-free. Think of the "chametz" we produce and spread throughout the natural world. Help to reduce it.

At your seder, strive to purchase as much locally-produced and organic food as possible. Think of the earth as you dip the greens and as you read the lovely prayers about spring and nature in the Haggadah, like the song of the turtle-dove. Note that the plagues were mostly natural disasters.

Then spend time to reflect outdoors. On Sunday March 31st, Shomrei Teva will lead a special Pesach nature hike. On Sunday, April 21st, join Shomrei Teva for "Yom Ha'Adamah – Earth Day" and share the mitzvah of maintaining our increasingly beautiful creekside restoration site.

Chag Sameach,

Jordan Epstein, Chair, Shomrei Teva of Neveh Shalom



*Neveh Shalom Tu
b'Shavat Hike and Seder
in the Woods.*

CNS DARFUR/SUDAN/CONGO COMMITTEE & NEVER AGAIN COALITION

From June 8 - 10, one million bones will be laid out on the National Mall in Washington D.C. This collaborative art installation is designed to recognize the millions of victims and survivors of the ongoing genocides and humanitarian crises in Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Somalia and Burma. The mission of One Million Bones is to create a visible movement that will increase global awareness of these crises and raise critical funds for displaced survivors. The Never Again Coalition is proud to be participating in this project. We have held many events over the last three years to make clay bones that will be displayed in Washington. Our latest effort will be for Good Deeds Day on March 10. We will gather at Kol Shalom to make clay bones with volunteers as well as inform attendees of the ongoing



situations in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo and what they can do to help. If you are interested in ways that you can help our efforts and put an end to genocide, visit our website at www.neveragaincoalition.org or stop by our next meeting. We'd love to have you there.

The Never Again Coalition is also participating in 100 Day Fast for Darfur. 2013 marks the 10th anniversary of the escalation of violence in Darfur. To honor and the victims and stand with the survivors, we are tag-team fasting for 100 days, starting on April 6th* and ending July 14, 2013. Don't worry. It's not as hard as it sounds. The key word is "tag-team". If you want to participate, you only need to pick one day. You can choose to go on a water-only fast or stick to 1,000 calories or less for a day. That's approximately what a refugee in a camp would get. If you are interested in joining us, check out our website for more information. www.neveragaincoalition.org

Sunday, March 3, 10:30 A.M. – 1 P.M. and Sunday, April 21, Noon – 2 P.M.

Chris Blair will lead us in cooking for the 60 homeless teens of Outside-In during the months of March and April. Why not meet us in the Neveh Shalom kitchen, and see how rewarding it can be to make life sweeter for those in need. We are especially in need of bakers! Yeshar Koach to Head Chef, *Aviva Zigman*, and a wonderful group of volunteers who cooked meals for Outside-In on January 13th and February 13th: *Susan Sutherland, Bruce Sutherland, Danny Mendelsohn, Joyce Mendelsohn, David Meisels, Gavin Meisels, Michael Meisels, Michael Welter, Aaron Welter, Jonah Zigman, Annie Zigman, Leo Rubin and Jonah Sacks*. Watch the weekly E-Blast or contact Cathy Blair at cathyblair55@yahoo.com if you would like to be informed of future dates.



HYGIENE KITS PROJECT

Each kit will contain the following TRAVEL SIZE items:

Deodorant
Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Razor
Soap
Shampoo
Conditioner
Lotion

We are proud to announce that our Hygiene Kits Project will be a part of the Jewish Federation of Portland's Good Deeds Day on Sunday, March 10, from 9 A.M. to Noon. Please sign up to help sort hygiene items and assemble hygiene kits by going to <http://www.jewishportland.org/good-deedsday>. In the meantime, keep bringing hygiene kit items and leaving them in the boxes in the Administration and Stampfer Chapel Foyers. The items most in need are toothbrushes and deodorants.

What more wonderful way to give tzedakah of both our time and money than to assemble hygiene kits for those without a roof over their heads!

For more information on the March 10th event, contact:

Cathy Blair at cathyblair55@yahoo.com or Susan Sutherland at Susan-n-Randal@Sutherland.net

CHESED COMMITTEE

CHESED COMMITTEE IS BACK IN ACTION!

By Melissa Bloom, Co-Chair Chesed Committee

Know someone who is ill and needs a visit? Perhaps you lost a love one and need a meal? Our Chesed (Loving Kindness) Committee is here for you. Cathy Blair and I saw the need in our congregation and have stepped up to co-chair and bring back an active Chesed Committee. We believe that taking care of those in need is the heart of what it means to be a caring Jewish community. What it means to be a member of Congregation Neveh Shalom.

The mitzvah of nichum aveilim, of comforting mourners, is considered in the Talmud to be one way for humans to fulfill the principle of "walking in God's ways." One of the core roles of the Chesed Committee will be to make sure that at times of loss; mourners are provided with our communal support and comfort. Currently, one of our congregants takes the first step in this by sending a condolence card to the family at a time of loss from Congregation Neveh Shalom.

The act of bikur cholim, visiting the sick, is a mitzvah. Bikur cholim is an essential quality of good interpersonal relationships. It reflects the primary Biblical value, "And you shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Leviticus 19:18). There are many in our community that need a friendly phone call or visit. When you have a loss, surgery, are ill, or a birth sometimes the simple task of cooking a home cooked meal seems so overwhelming. Knowing that your community can help in this is a mitzvah for the one in need and the one helping.

If you or a CNS friend have experienced a recent loss, are preparing for surgery, are homebound, recovering from an illness, or expecting a baby, we seek to offer care. Please contact one of us to be there for you.

Cathy and I cannot do these mitzvot on our own. We need your help as a member of Congregation Neveh Shalom to be a Kehillah Kedoshah (Sacred Community). Please consider letting us know if you would like to participate. You can sign up by going to: <http://tinyurl.com/chesed-help> today. Helping in these mitzvot are important for the following reasons:

- Because people need to feel connected to the community especially when they are ill or homebound.
- Because bringing the community to the bedside lifts the spirit of those who may feel forgotten.
- Because studies have shown that social contact and support positively influences those needing and receiving comfort.
- Because visiting and caring activities help build community and character.
- Because we are acting in a Godly way when we visit.

"As our family is going through a difficult time due to medical illness the support of the community has been invaluable and has made the process much easier to bear. Times like these reinforce the value of being part of such a warm and caring community." ~ Sheryl, Josh, Jonah and Leora Stein.

Looking forward to seeing our community come together! Please contact us to join in the mitzvot that make a difference in everyone's lives.

B'Shalom,

Melissa Bloom

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SISTERHOOD

Greetings Sisters!

Our annual Marianne Wollstein Mah Jongg Tournament and Luncheon will be on March 3, 11 A.M. – 4 P.M.. The registration deadline has already passed, but I know those of you who have signed up are going to have a blast!

Join us for breakfast and hear Morris Engleson speak on the Holocaust, on Sunday, April 14th, at 9:40 A.M. Breakfast is free to Sisterhood members, and \$5 for non-members. This Program is co-sponsored by Sisterhood and Men's Club.



Our annual Sisterhood Shabbat will be on Friday, May 31, at 6:15 P.M. What a wonderful opportunity we have each year to have a service that is entirely led by women! Please come and celebrate with us.

Sisterhood gives women the opportunity to serve our congregation in the company of other like-minded women. We invite you to join us. Hope to see you all soon!

B' Shalom, Cathy Blair, Sisterhood President
cathyblair55@yahoo.com (503)675-1328

MEN'S CLUB

NEWS FROM YOUR MEN'S CLUB:

As we enter the 2nd half of our seasonal year, the Men's Club is planning an interesting programming and event schedule.

Sunday, March 24th: Rabbi Greenstein Topic: Pesach
During the month of April:

- a) our customary Sunday Yom Hashoah program
 - b) a special Yom Hashoah movie presentation & discussion (see the weekly announcements from Neveh for updates)
- Sunday, May 19th: Charity Texas Hold'em Tournament - This year's Charity Texas Hold'em Tournament is different from previous events for it will take place during the afternoon, between 1:00pm to 4:30pm, on Sunday, May 19th. From the following web address <http://nevehshalom.org/flyers/texasholdem2013.pdf>, you are able to download further information concerning the event & obtain a



registration form. If you lack access to the Internet, then please contact Harold Lesch, Peter Bedrick, or Bruce Stern, the event coordinators.

Please be aware that the proceeds from this event will be given to Neveh Shalom's Youth Education Scholarships program. This is the Club's annual fundraising event. So we encourage anyone who is 18 or older to register. Additionally, we are seeking donations of unique items to be used as prizes. Previous charity tournaments have been fun and exciting, so please consider participating.

On behalf of the Men's Club membership we wish everyone a joyous Pesach! We look forward to seeing you at our next event.

Gabe Markiz, Peter Wigmore
Men's Club President Men's Club Communications V.P.

ORA

ORA: Northwest Jewish Artists has a new exhibit up in the lobby of the Main Sanctuary.

Swing by the main lobby show cases the next time you come to services. You'll see some beautiful works of art created by local Jewish artists! All artwork is available for purchase with a portion of the sale price donated to Neveh Shalom by the artist!

If you see something you like, just pick up a business card from the display rack and call the artist after Shabbat.

Commissioned work is also available. This is a great way to take care of your art and gift needs while also supporting the synagogue!

Works by Sharon Stern, Linda Bourne, Jonathon Lietz, and Hank Keeton will remain on display through the end of April.

For more information about ORA, visit our website www.northwestjewishartists.org

HINENU

Want to enjoy a fun Israeli-style night? Hinenu is teaming up with Portland's own Shlichah (Israeli Emissary), Natalie, for an Israeli Cooking and Games Night! This unique event will feature authentic Israeli ingredients and recipes inside Neveh's own kitchen followed by games. You won't want to miss this event, so save the date for Sunday, March 3rd in the Foyer just outside Birnbach Hall. The next Sunday, March 10th, we will be joining the Jewish community in "Good Deeds Day." Our young adult service project will take place in Washington Park. The following Sunday, we will be volunteering once again at the annual synagogue auction. Just after Passover, on April 11th, we will be volunteering at the Oregon Food Bank. On Sunday April 21st we will also be teaming up with the Jewish community at the Jewish Community Center for "Yom Ha'atzmaut." Hinenu will be showcasing the Negev desert for young attendees. This will be a fun and educational program for us to participate in.

Of course, Hinenu is all about enjoyable Shabbats. The 4th Friday of every month, we have a lay-led Shabbat service. On

March 22nd, we will be joined after our service by Natalie the Shlichah for a "comfort food" potluck. Also, on April, 26th, we will have our service in Zidell Chapel beginning at 6:30pm which will be followed by a vegetarian potluck at a participant's home near the Synagogue.

Hinenu is Neveh Shalom's community for young adults who are post-college and pre-kids. We are always planning an exciting program and would love to see you there. In order to get more information or suggest a new program please find us on Facebook under "Hinenu" or email at Hinenu.PDX@gmail.com.

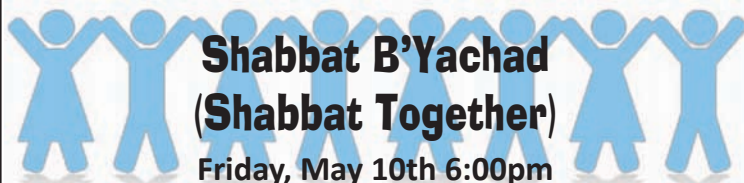


Photo from Hinenu/YAS movie night last December

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"How wonderful it is for us to be together"

Join us for...



Shabbat B'Yachad (Shabbat Together)

Friday, May 10th 6:00pm

Come celebrate being part of Neveh Shalom. Whether you have been a member 1, 20, 30, 50 years or more!

Participate with members of your Kehilah as we bring in Shabbat together and honor membership milestones.

6:00 pm Dinner

7:30 pm PDX Live!

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Price: \$14/person \$7/child or \$42/family

RSVP by Thursday, May 2nd to Karen Wilkins

at kwilkins@nevehshalom.org or call 503-246-8831 x111.

Brought to you by the Member Services Committee. We are here to help you make the most of your synagogue experience.

The Member Services Committee is looking for volunteers:

Come join us! We're a great place to meet people and a lot of fun. Let us know if you're interested in helping with any of the following:

- Annual Back to Shul BBQ
- Sukkot Shabbat Dinner
- Congregational Chanukah Party
- New Member Brunch
- Celebrating Membership Shabbat
- Becoming a Greeter (Shabbat or at events)

To find out more contact:

David Meltzer, chair at davidtheshulman@outlook.com or

Wendy Kahn, Membership and Development Director at wkahn@nevehshalom.org.

We would like to welcome our new member:

Kira Grinberg

We are happy to have you as part of our Neveh family!

FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2013
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Coming Fall of 2013!!!

We are so excited about the upcoming 2013-14 school year. Foundation School registration for your child 2 to 5 years old has begun; In addition to our preschool hours 9:00 am to noon we also offer an early care option and an extended day option that goes to 6:00 pm Monday through Friday. Neveh

Shalom's Foundation School and ALIYAH Jewish Learning program for K-12 are teaming up to develop an afternoon program to meet your childcare needs for children 2 years old to 12 years old. This new childcare model will offer bilingual Hebrew-English activities for all children, along with active and quiet play time options; art, music, drama and games; and supervised homework time for older children, all facilitated by our nurturing and professional staff.

Join me for an **Open House to learn more about Foundation School and Childcare on Sunday, March 10 from 2 to 4 pm.** For more information and to request a registration form contact Kathy Wolfson at kwolfson@nevehshalom.org or call 503-293-7306.

Coming up for current Foundation School Families:

Model Seder on March 20 from 11:15 to noon for Foundation School students and their families! Sign up outside your child's classroom.

Spring break will be **March 25 through April 2**, with classes resuming on April 3.

Chag Pesach Sameach!

Registration begins the end of February and is based on a first come first serve basis with members of Neveh Shalom given first priority before we open registration up to the general public. If you would like to have your child attend Foundation School in September 2013, they must be 2 before September 1. Please call or email me if you are interested in a tour or to receive a registration form. Come watch us play!



SCHOOL PICS



ALIYAH 7th Graders present at recent Tichon Parent Presentations



Foundation School class dressed as cops, after a special visit from Beaverton Police Officer Pickar.

ALIYAH MADRICH OF THE MONTH: RACHEL KATZ

Madrachim are Neveh Shalom teens who work as paid or volunteer assistants in our ALIYAH K-6th grade classes. Some madrichim work as teaching assistants in the classrooms while others work one-on-one as tutors during our weekday Hebrew programming. Each month we will highlight the work of one of our much-appreciated teen madrichim.

Why did you decide to become a madrich?

I have always loved children; I started babysitting when I was 11 and it was one of my favorite ways to spend the weekend. When I heard that I could sign up to not only spend time with kids, but also share knowledge with them, I knew it was the

job for me. Since I already had been volunteering at Robison Jewish Health Center for a few years, I thought it would be wonderful to be able to work with both the young and the elderly parts of the Portland Jewish community.

What is your favorite part of being a madrich?

I love watching the students grow throughout my time here. Working with sixth grade, I get to see that transformation between being an elementary school child to a fully fledged middle-schooler. Mostly, I just love spending time with and getting to know the kids.

What have you learned so far from being a madrich for ALIYAH?

Being a madrichah has been a great exercise in patience. It has also taught me that I can relate to those who are not necessarily in the same phase of life.

In what other ways are you involved at Neveh Shalom?

I have been going to Hebrew school here every week since I was in 3rd grade. Currently, I am enrolled in the Senior Seminar taught by Rabbi Greenstein and Eric Stone. On occasion, I also read torah or participate in leading services.



Rachel Katz works as tutor to 6th graders every Sunday.

NEW FACES AT NEVEH: THE SEGAL FAMILY



Meet the Segals!

New members Janine, David, Sydney, and Jonathan Segal moved to Portland from Orange County in Southern California. David, an attorney, is now employed at Intel, and Janine is the Vice President of Access Lighting. David attends 3rd grade at OES and Sydney is in 5th grade at Riverdale. Janine has stepped right up into a volunteer role at Neveh Shalom, on the decorations committee for the auction.

Q) What brought your family to Portland?

A) We moved predominantly for the job that David was offered at Intel. In addition we were attracted to Oregon for the grounded life style, wonderful values and the general "love for the environment" that is a part of the life style here. With two young children we felt that these values were very important.

Q) What attracted you to Neveh Shalom? What have you gotten involved with at Neveh and/or in the Jewish community?

A) We chose Neveh Shalom initially because it is a Conservative shul and this is where we feel comfortable. But the real clincher for us was the wonderful greeting that we received from staff—we immediately felt welcome. The kids are participating in the ALIYAH program, I have joined the auction committee and hope to participate in habitat for humanity and feeding the homeless. I would love to see kids from Portland participate in Maccabi USA. I was involved in Maccabi in California and hope to pull a team together once we are more settled in Portland.

Q) What are your family hobbies?

A) David is an avid reader and loves to spend his free time programming and cooking. Janine enjoys people, running, cycling and hiking. Sydney is always reading a book or horse riding, and Jonathan loves soccer, baseball, football and basketball.

Send a welcome note to the Segals: janines@accesslighting.com

YOUTH ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH-APRIL

Here are the great activities we have in store for April-March:

Jr. Kadima:

March 2nd-3rd Sleepover at CNS (Camping Themed)

Pitched tents, stories, bonfire. These sleepovers are the hallmark of our Jr. Kadima program and kids are already getting their camping gear together. From 8pm-9am. Cost \$10, includes snacks all night long and breakfast Sunday.

April 14th Israeli Party for Yom Ha'Atzmaut Come party it up for Independence Day after Sunday School! You might also learn a thing or two about the homeland. From noon-2pm. Cost \$5, includes lunch.

Kadima:

March 24th 3:30-5:30pm: Dodgeball at Skyhigh - We are so lucky to have Zach Snyder to come up with these ideas. Could a Sunday afternoon be any better? Cost is \$10 for 1 hour of bouncing craziness and ice cream.

May 3rd-5th Kadima Kinnus at Neveh: Get ready for the most epic Kadima experience at Neveh yet. This weekend convention offers more than we can describe. For now, mark your calendars and standby for more information. We need to represent our chapter to all of PNW. Cost is approx \$125 (tbd) and will include four meals, all programming, and staffing.

USY:

April 6-7th 8pm-9am: Sleepover at Neveh - Overnights are the staple events of our programming. We will review plans for regional convention as well. This is also a great opportunity for newcomers to participate and learn all about USY.

April 28th Lag B'Omer Bonfire Party! Event will be off-site and in the evening. What s'more could you want?

May 5th Portlandia - Join USY for the most alternative event of the year as we simulate hipster life. If you're too cool to participate, you'll fit right in!

May 24-27th USY Regional Convention - Come to the Regional Convention in Spokane, WA May 24-27th! Even though the actual event invitation has not yet been published by the region, I'd like to get a head start on booking flights. My goal is to send at least 20 USYers, and for us to all be on the same flight it would be wise to book tickets soon. The roundtrip flight plus event will probably cost around \$400...but we have significant scholarship available. This price is already reduced by \$150 for all Portland kids because of the fundraising support of our community.

For More information on these programs contact Jonathan Morgan jmorgan@nevehshalom.org



USY Shabbat Pot Luck dinner in January
Thank you to the Sacks family for hosting.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

This schedule is for one of a kind events.
For Service times and other regularly scheduled events, check out the monthly calendar insert that comes with the Chronicle.

MAR 2

8:00pm Jr Kadima Sleepover - info on page 11

MAR 3

10:30am Cooking for Outside-In - info on page 7

11:00am Women's League Mah Jongg Tournament

3:00pm Film Club, room 102

5:00pm Hinenu Israeli Cooking and Games - info on page 8

MAR 8

7:30 pm PDX Live! A rockin' service to welcome Shabbat with music that will move you! Join Cantor Bletstein, Ed Kraus, and Klezmocracy for a high-energy Shabbat service with instruments that will rock your soul! Stay afterwards and schmooze at our signature Neveh Shalom cookie oneg.

MAR 10

Jewish Federation's Good Deeds Day sign up at www.jewishportland.org/gooddeedsday

10:00am Book Talk "The Ghost of Hannah Mendes" by Naomi Ragen. Discussion lead by Robin Shapiro

2-4:00PM Childcare Open House - find out more about our new extended day childcare at Foundation School. Info on page 10

MAR 13

7:00pm Book Talk "The Ghost of Hannah Mendes" by Naomi Ragen. Discussion lead by Robin Shapiro

MAR 17

5:00pm Martinis & Mitzvot - Neveh Shalom's Auction

MAR 22

6:00pm Hinenu "Comfort Food" Pot Luck - info on page 8

MAR 25

First Seder in your homes - Have a great Passover!

MAR 26

9:00am 1st day Passover Service and Kiddush - office closed.

MAR 27

9:00am 2nd day Passover Service and Kiddush - office closed.

MAR 31

Neveh Shalom Hike with Shomrei Teva - check for details in E-blast.

APR 1

9:00am 7th day Passover Service and Kiddush - office closed.

APR 2

9:00am 8th day Passover Yizkor Service and Kiddush-office closed.

APR 6

7:00pm USY Sleepover

APR 11

6:00pm Institute for Judaic Studies Dinner - info on page 3

APR 12

6:15pm K-5 ALIYAH special shabbat Service and dinner, everyone welcomed to this fun night where the young ones lead services.

APR 14

3:00pm Film Club

12:00pm Jr Kadima Israel Independence Party - info on page 11

APR 17

7:00pm Yale Strom and Hot Pstromi concert, Stampfer Chapel

APR 20

Special musical Shabbat service with speaker Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward. Part of the Food for Thought Festival line-up <http://foodforthoughtpdx.org/>

APR 21

Shomrei Teva "Earth Day" - check for details in E-blast.

Habitat For Humanity Volunteer day - Contact Mike Titelbaum 503-626-6265 titelb@comcast.net

12:00pm Cooking for Outside-In - info page 7

APR 28

10:00am Book Talk "The Hare With Amber Eyes" by Edmund de Wall. Discussion lead by Kaiya Goldhammer

Kol Hakehilah - Check our e-blasts for details in April.

MAY 1

10:00am Book Talk "The Hare With Amber Eyes" by Edmund de Wall. Discussion lead by Kaiya Goldhammer

The Feldstein Library is a
free resource for members
of the Congregation



The Feldstein Library has new, expanded hours! We are now open four afternoons a week! Come visit us and enjoy our free WiFi.

Sunday 8:30am - 12:30pm
Monday 8:30am - 12:00pm 4:00pm - 6:00pm
Tuesday 8:30am - 12:00pm 4:00pm - 6:00pm
Wednesday 4:00pm - 8:00pm
Thursday 8:30am - 12:00pm 4:00pm - 6:00pm
Friday CLOSED
Saturday CLOSED

A wonderful group of volunteers worked hard throughout the morning of January 21 to assemble new bookshelves and move books to their locations in the library. Many thanks to **Linda Bourne, Joni Cady, Holly Cohn, Lee Cordova, Glenn Decherd, Kaiya Goldhammer, Jane Rosevelt, Julie Welch and Perry Welch** for their energy and help. We completed a huge task in record time thanks to their assistance.

PASSOVER Preparations start at the FELDSTEIN LIBRARY:

1001 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON PESACH – Cohen
CREATING LIVELY PASSOVER SEDERS – Arnow
THE ORIGINS OF THE SEDER – Bokser
MY PEOPLE'S PASSOVER HAGGADAH – Hoffman

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Mazel Tov to David Meltzer on his beginning his exciting new career in Automotive Sales at Lithia Subaru of Oregon City dmeltzer@lithia.com. New or pre-owned, David will make your schlep to Oregon City worth it. ★ Todd Wasserman, son of Joel and Hilarie Wasserman,



Dr. Todd Wasserman

is happy to announce he is now a partner at Falls Grove Center of Dentistry in Rockville, Maryland. Todd is a 1998 graduate of Northwestern University Dental School. He lives in Rockville with his wife, Jill and his children Kyle and Nicole. ★ Mazal Tov to Ilene Safyan on her interview for Yiddish Hour in January. Liz Schwartz, host of the program, discussed the Shalshet Music Awards and performed music on the air. ★ Mazal tov to Galina and Boris Kogan on the birth of their grandson, Samuel Edward Kogan, on November 7th born to Daniel and Kaitlen Kogan in Singapore. ★ Mazal tov to new grandparents Bela and Nelson Friedman on the birth of their grandson, Jacob. Parents are Adam and Erin Morse of Los Angeles. ★ Mazal Tov to Michael and Shava Feinstein on the birth of their son, Ethan Maxwell on Dec 21st. He joins big sisters Sophia, Camille, and Mia. ★ Mazal Tov to Jack and Barb Schwartz on the birth of their grandson, Aviv Yonah Wershof Schwartz, to parents Dr. Andrea Wershof Schwartz and Rabbi Charlie Schwartz, brother to Maayan Shai. ★ Mazal tov to Elisa Weger on the birth of her granddaughter, Emma (pictured). Her daughter Shauna Eisenberg & her husband Martin



Latterner had the baby on Monday, January 7th. Emma Katharina Latterner was 7 lbs 11 oz, 20 1/2 inches long & was born at 8:17 Am Washington DC time. ★ Mazal Tov to Samantha and Chad Marine on the birth of Yocheved Anastasia Marine, weighed 8 pounds 9.5 ounces, and born on January 24th at 7:40pm at Andaluz Waterbirth Center in Portland. ★ A belated Mazal tov to Sharon and Martin Schniederman on the birth of their grandson, Liam Jacob Furtado, September 30th, 2012 to parents Stephanie Schniederman and Tony Furtado.

★ Mazal tov to Sherryll and Darryl Mleynek on the birth of their grandson, Harrison Cooper Mleynek Horner, born on 12/27. Parents are Leah Mleynek Craft and J.T. Horner, and sister is Chloe Mleynek Craft. ★ Ben Baker and Elisa McCool are planning an Austin, TX wedding this summer. Ben is the son of Gail and Mark Sherman, and Rabbi Kerry and Lynda Baker. Ben is a PhD candidate in French literature at the University of Pennsylvania/Université Paris-Sorbonne (Paris IV), and Elisa teaches expository and creative writing in Philadelphia, where they are active members of Congregation Kol Tzedek.

★ Elaine Coughlin and Jonathan Lietz happily announce the marriage of daughter Jody Coughlin to Matt Greene of San Diego. They were married on Dec. 30th in Coronado, California. The couple will make their home in San Diego. The grooms parents are Steve and Fran Greene of San Diego. Jody is the grand daughter of Gloria Bacharach.

Gloria Bacharach Judaica Shop at Neveh Shalom



Mondays - Fridays: 10am-1pm
Sunday: 9:00 am - noon*

*When Religious school is in session

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*"Just in time for Passover, new seder plates,
matzoh plates, and kiddish cups."*

CORRECTIONS FROM OUR LAST CHRONICLE

*Our last Chronicle failed to include a caption with this photo. Much thanks to **Beth Milliner**, (shown to the right of her partner **Liza** with **Prof. Yona and Stephanie Sabar**) for chairing the Yona Sabar Scholar in residence weekend.



*In the January-February edition of The Chronicle we have misprinted the Milestone Birthdays/Anniversaries. (We posted the milestones from 2012 by accident). Here is the correction:

Milestone Anniversaries January: Stanley & Beverly Eastern, Joshua & Diane Kahn, Chris & Jean Shirkoff, Bruce & Adalyn Banasky, Michael & Nancy Neuman, Jeffrey & Wendy Menashe, Andrew & Stefani Cozine
Milestone Anniversaries February: Norman & Suzan Wapnick, Phil & Cissy Levine, Sy & Carol Danish, Aaron & Linda Cohen, Denise & Kenneth Wetherell

Milestone Birthdays January 2013: Shirley Klain, Frieda Farb, Bonnie Naftalin, Paola Finzi, Yevgeniya Giterman-Faktorovich, Enya Rabovitser, Lorraine Widman, Shirley Nudelman, Gary Pearlman, Judy Weingard, Glenn Decherd, Larry Skolnik, Mark Astor, Kathleen Hasson, Aliza Bethlahmy, Steven Shain, Deborah Winer, Paul Kipnis, Marc Shapiro, Jathan Janove, Susan Sutherlin, Magdalena Cynrutis-Simon, Susan Greenberg, Steven Kahn, Chantal Rosenthal

Milestone Birthdays February 2013

Elliot Lubarsky, Terry Howard, Ruth Lindemann, David Twain, Richard Lakefish, Ronald Bockman, Bela Friedman, Barbara Goodkin, Julie Gottlieb, Deborah French, Robin Cowan, Andrea Cohen, Rebecca Eiseman, Jenna Barnett, Alan Wolinsky, David Cook, Ariel Shattan, Janice Abramovitz, Bryan Baisinger, Michael Borenstein



IN MEMORIAM

ELEANOR GARBER
EYDIL STELMAKH
CHARLOTTE USHMAN

We mourn the loss of synagogue members. May their souls be bound in the bonds of eternal life.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to the **Garber family** on the passing away of **Eleanor Garber** (z"l) beloved mother of Seth Garber on January 8th.

We regret having to inform you of the passing of **Stanley Ray VanDeVenter** (z"l), beloved father of **Renee Grier** and brother of **Victor VanDeVenter, Nancy Peterson, Laura Meisner and Karen Brown**.

Our condolences to the **Luxenberg family** on the passing of **Bill Luxenberg** (z"l) on Tuesday January 29. Father of **Stuart (Geri) Luxenberg**. Grandfather of **Joel and Kyle Luxenberg**.

We would like to extend our condolences to **Kathy Wolfson**, Director of Foundation School, and her family. Her beloved mother, **Janet Malmsheimer** (z"l), passed away in Ocala, Florida.

Our condolences to the **Rosenbaum/Omen family** on the passing of Ruth Omen (z"l) beloved mother of **Lois Rosenbaum**.

Our condolences to the **Stelmakh family** on the passing of **Eydil Stelmakh** (z"l), beloved mother of Gregory and **Arkady Stelmakh**, grandmother of **Michael Stelmakh**.

On Sunday, January 27th, our community lost a wonderful leader, **Emily Gottfried** (z"l). Emily was the exceptional Executive Director of the Oregon Area Jewish Committee where she forged incredible ties with other faith-based communities. She was respected for her deep relationships with people, her bright smile, and her beautiful neshamah which will be missed.

Our condolences to the **Ushman/Oatis families** on the passing away of **Charlotte Ushman** (z"l).

Cemetery Headstone Unveilings:

Inga Newman (z"l), Sun. March 17, 12:30pm at Ahavai Shalom

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, 503.232.5131; Riverview Funeral Service 503.246.6488; or the funeral home of your choice. The funeral home will then notify the Chevra.

Refuah Shelma

In this section, we wish a speedy recovery to those members who are ill or having surgery. Since the Chronicle is published only six times per year, we are moving the "Refuah Shelma" list to our weekly eBlast, in order to keep our news relevant and up-to-date.

Remember, the mi-sheberach (the prayer for healing) is recited at morning services following the Torah reading. If you would like to submit a name for this prayer, you may call the office at 503.246.8831.

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, healthcare facilities may not release the names of their patients; 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.

MAZAL TOV!

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES IN MARCH

Christopher & Cathy Blair
Deborah & Clyde French
Yakov & Tsuvya Studinovskiy

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES IN APRIL

Kiki & Tim Adamovics
Mark & Jenna Barnett
Richard & Marilyn Lakefish
Doug & Patricia Lenhoff
Eduard & Luiza Vaynberg

MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH

Robert Ballato
Christopher Bezodis
Richard Cohon
Sy Danish
Diane Davis
Thomas Diamond
Ellen Fineman
Deborah Freedman
Ella Gurfinkel
Fanny Horowitz
Lawrence Huppini
Donna Jackson
Augusta Kantor
Josephine Klevit
Ronald Meyer
Samuel Miller
Ralph Miller
Liz Moore
Irving Potter
Jane Rosevelt
Darcy Rubin
Isaac Simkin
Stephen Sirkin
Sharon Solash
Barbara Steinfeld
Patrick Ward
Stuart Yudman
Sarah Zakreski

MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL

Marlene Abrams
Jeffrey Babener
Bruce Banasky
Cathy Blair
Rachel Bloom
Roberta Cohon
Stefani Cozine
Marian Fireman
Neil Goodman
Elizabeth Hayward
Aaron Ickes
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Tssetsiliya Kramer
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 19 Adar 7:15am Morning Minyan Bar Mitzvah of Leo Rubin 12:00pm Lunch Bunch at Rose Schnitzer Manor 6:15pm First Friday With Cantor Bletstein 5:39pm	2 20 Adar Bar Mitzvah of Leo Rubin 9:00am Shabbat Services 9:30am ALIYAH shabbat 10:15am Tot Shabbat 7:00pm Jr Kadima Sleepover <i>Ki Tisa</i>
3 21 Adar 9:00am Morning Minyan 10:30am Cooking for Outside In 11:00am Mah Jongg Tournament 3:00pm Film Club 4:00pm Hinenu Israeli night	4 22 Adar 7:15am Morning Minyan 12:30pm Mah Jongg 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Machon Ivrit	5 23 Adar 7:15am Morning Minyan 2:00pm Mah Jongg Lessons 4:15pm ALIYAH 5:00pm Talmud Class	6 24 Adar 7:15am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 6:30pm Tichon	7 25 Adar 7:15am Morning Minyan 3:30pm Bible Class 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Philosophy Group	8 26 Adar 7:15am Morning Minyan Bat Mitzvah of Marissa Friedman 7:30pm PDX Live! 5:49pm	9 27 Adar Bat Mitzvah of Marissa Friedman 9:00am Shabbat Services 9:30am Downstairs Minyan <i>Vayakhel/Pekude</i>
10 Good Deeds Day 28 Adar 9:00am Morning Minyan 8:30am-12:30pm Community Warehouse truck on site 9:00am Hygiene Kits Assembly 9:00am Yom Rishon 12:00pm Book Talk @ Neveh 10:00am Neveh Knits 2-4pm Childcare Open House	11 29 Adar 7:15am Morning Minyan 12:30pm Mah Jongg 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Machon Ivrit	12 1 Nisan 7:00am Morning Minyan 2:00pm Mah Jongg Lessons 4:15pm ALIYAH 5:00pm Talmud Class Rosh Hodesh	13 2 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 6:30pm Tichon 7:00pm Book Talk @ Neveh	14 3 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 3:30pm Bible Class 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Executive Meeting	15 4 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Resnikoff 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:58pm	16 5 Nisan Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Resnikoff 9:00am Shabbat Services 10:00am KEVA 10:00am Kehillat Noar 10:15am Tot Shabbat <i>Vayikra</i>
17 Martinis & Mitzvot 6 Nisan 9:00am Morning Minyan 9:00am Yom Rishon 9:45am Creekside Restoration 12:30 Unveiling of Inga Newman 5:30pm Martinis&Mitzvot Auction! 	18 7 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 12:30pm Mah Jongg 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Machon Ivrit	19 8 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 5:00pm Talmud Class	20 9 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 11:15am Foundation School Model Seder 4:15pm ALIYAH 6:30pm Tichon 7:00pm Membership Meeting	21 10 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 3:30pm Bible Class 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Philosophy Group 7:00pm Board Meeting	22 11 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30pm Hinenu 7:07pm	23 12 Nisan 9:00am Combined Minyan <i>Tzav</i>
24 13 Nisan 9:00am Morning Minyan 9:40am Men's Club Meeting Spring Break-No School 31 20 Nisan 9:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am Neveh Shalom Hike Chol Hamoed	25 14 Nisan 7:00am Morning Minyan FIRST SEDER Happy Passover! Spring Break-No School	26 15 Nisan SECOND SEDER 9:00am Passover day 1 Service and Congregational Kiddush Office Closed Spring Break-No School	27 16 Nisan 9:00am Passover day 2 Service and Congregational Kiddush Office Closed Spring Break-No School	28 17 Nisan 7:00am Morning Minyan 3:30pm Bible Class Chol Hamoed Spring Break-No School	29 18 Nisan 7:00am Morning Minyan 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat Chol Hamoed Spring Break-No School 7:07pm	30 19 Nisan 9:00am Shabbat Services Chol Hamoed

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7 27 Nisan 9:00am Morning Minyan	8 Yom Hashoah 28 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 12:30pm Mah Jongg 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Machon Ivrit	9 29 Nisan 7:15am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 5:00pm Talmud Class	10 30 Nisan 7:00am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 6:30pm Tichon Rosh Hodesh	11 1 Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 3:30pm Bible Class 4:15pm ALIYAH Rosh Hodesh	12 2 Iyar 7:15am Morning Minyan 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:15pm 5-k ALIYAH Shabbat Service + dinner No foundation School 7:34pm	13 3 Iyar Bat Mitzvah of Arianna Gilbert 9:00am Shabbat Services 9:30am Downstairs Minyan <i>Tazria/Metzora</i>
14 4 Iyar 9:00am Morning Minyan 9:00am Yom Rishon 9:40am Men's Club Meeting 10:00am Neveh Knits and Crochet 12:00pm Kadima Independence Day Party 3:00pm Film Club	15 Yom Ha'Zikaron 5 Iyar 7:15am Morning Minyan 12:30pm Mah Jongg 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Machon Ivrit	16 Yom Ha'Atzmaut 6 Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 5:00pm Talmud Class	17 7 Iyar 7:15am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 6:30pm Tichon 7:00pm Yale Strom and Hot Pstromi Concert	18 Food for Thought Festival 8 Iyar 7:15am Morning Minyan 3:30pm Bible Class 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Philosophy Group 7:00pm Board meeting	19 Food for Thought Festival 9 Iyar 7:15am Morning Minyan Bat Mitzvah of Miriam Caron 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat - with Guest Senator Elizabeth Hayward 7:43pm	20 Food for Thought Festival 10 Iyar Bat Mitzvah of Miriam Caron 9:00am Shabbat Services 10:00am KEVA 10:00am Kehillat Noar 10:15am Tot Shabbat <i>Acharei Mot/Kedoshim</i>
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28 Lag Ba'Omer 18 Iyar 9:00am Morning Minyan Kol Hakehilah 9:00am Yom Rishon 10:00am Book Talk @ Neveh 10:00am Unveiling of Arnold Hopfer USY Lag Ba'Omer	29 19 Iyar 7:15am Morning Minyan 12:30pm Mah Jongg 4:15pm ALIYAH 7:00pm Machon Ivrit	30 20 Iyar 7:15am Morning Minyan 4:15pm ALIYAH 5:00pm Talmud Class				

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