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From the Pulpit

In Sacred Matters we Elevate and do not Lower Very soon we will be staring into the light of our Hanukkah candles. As we gaze with our families and friends into the flickering light, one after another, brighter and brighter, we capture new meaning night after night. Perhaps we will concentrate and focus on their beauty. Hopefully we can be

thankful, as the blessings infer, for the great miracles that happened then and still happen now. There was not always consensus regarding how one should light the Hannukiah. Our Talmud records an argument that took place roughly 2000 years ago between the Disciples of Hillel and the Disciples of Shammai. The school of Shammai ruled that on the first day of Hanukkah one should light 8 candles and on the second night 7, the third night 6, and so on and so on – one less each day. The school of Hillel ruled that on the first day of Hanukkah one should light one candle and on the second night two, the third night 3, adding one candle each night.

According to Shammai the way to bring more light into the world is to use your energies all at once, to be shocking, to burn with intensity and then back off slowly. However, for those who studied under Hillel, the way to illumine a world of darkness was to slowly increase one's efforts day by day. To allow for one's energy to spark another, building towards a great synergy of light. Are you a student of Hillel or Shammai? We all know who one this argument because on the night of December 21 we will light our first candle and by December 28 our homes will be filled with light. The School of Hillel cites as proof a famous Talmudic concept: D'mahaleen ba kodesh v' ayn mordeen - regarding sacred matters we elevate and do not lower. matters that are sacred or unique, matters that are of the utmost importance in our lives...our tradition rules it is preferable to continually add ones energy, however minute, than to subtract. Our sages wouldn't agree that it is better to burn out than to fade away. In fact, neither was an option, we add a little energy, a little more effort, and a little more light each new day. Precisely during the darkest months of winter we welcome into our homes and into the lives of our families and friends the light of one-another's creativity.

B'virkat Shalom,

Rabbi Bradley Greenstein

Capital Campaign Once in a Generation For Generations to Come

Capital Campagin Goal: \$9,000,000 Our Dollars Raised to Date: \$7,840,566

Our outstanding results have come from 49% of our congregation. We need 100% of congregations help to reach the last 13% of our goal.

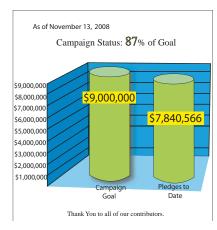
Here is how you can help us today!:

- 1. If you are 70 1/2 there are special incesntives IRA charitable giving.
- 2. If you have made a one time gift, please consider making another gift to the campaign.
- 3. If you are a current donor making a 5 year pledge consider seeking an employer match. Some employers will match for religious institutions. It's worth the ask!
- 4. If you don't know about the Paver program yet, read the enclosed flyer. An order form can also be found at: www. nevehshalom.org/flyers/paver.pdf.

It's a wonderful way to honor or remember a family member or friend.

5. If you haven't yet participated, please join us today and fill out a pledge card. We need you. We need everyone to reach our goal and stay financially sound!

To make you pledge today please contact **Fred Rothstein**, Executive Director at frothstein@nevehshalom.org or call 503-246-8831 or contact **Wendy Kahn**, Capital Campaign Director at rifkashira@comcast. net or call 503-452-4614.



Chelsey Renee Policar

November 21st & 22nd



Mazel Tov to Chelsev Renee Policar who became Bat Mitzvahed on 11.21.08 and 11.22.08. She is the daughter of Martin & Iris **Policar**, granddaughter to Larry & Frances Policar, Esther & Tsvika

Zabronsky, and sister to Lauren and Ari. Chelsey is a 7th grader at Robert Gray Middle School and her hobbies include fashion, Spanish, sports, babysitting.

Isabella Eliana McVey

December 5th & 6th



Mazel Tov to **Isabella Eliana McVey** who is becoming Bat Mitzvah on 12.05.08 and 12.06.08. She is the daughter of Jacqueline McVey, and sister to Alex McVey. Isabella is a 8th grader at West Sylvan

Middle School and her hobbies include rock climbing, piano, skiing, and traveling.

Sophie Blauer

December 12th & 13th



Mazel Tov to **Sophie** Blauer who is becoming Bat Mitzvah on 12.12.08 and 12.13.08. She is the daughter of Felicia & Jeff Blauer, grandson to Judy & Stan Blauer, Frances & Gene Steffe

and brother to Benjamin & Max. Sophie is a 7th grader at Lake Oswego Jr High and her hobbies include performing dance, art, soccer, basketball.

Joel Sherman December 19th & 20th



Mazel Tov to **Ioel** Sherman who is becoming Bar Mitzvah on 12.19.08 and 12.20.08. He is the son of Nate & Linda **Sherman**, grandson to Nancy Sherman, Ben &

Catherine Mumper and brother to Jacob & Tamara Sherman. Joel is a 7th grader at Rachel Carson School of Environmental Science and his hobbies include computer games, video games, science fiction/fantasy books, Seattle Mariners, and Oregon State sports fan.

Calen Lear Wetherell

December 26th & 27th



Mazel Tov to Calen Lear Wetherell who is becoming Bar Mitzvah on 12.26.08 and 12.27.08. He is the son of **Denise** & Ken Wetherell, grandson to Maria Del Soccoro Cassorla Rojas

and Ronald Lee Lear and brother to James & Anna. Calen is a 7th grader at Athey Creek Middle School and his hobbies include skateboarding, guitar and sports.

Dante Stone

January 2nd & 3rd



Mazel Tov to **Dante** Stone who is becoming Bar Mitzvah on 01.02.09 and 01.03.09. He is the son of Eric & Kat Stone, grandson to Trudi Stone, Richard Stone of Temple Beth Abraham,

Oakland, CA, and Bill & Carolyn Dunlop of Aloha, OR and brother to Matisse Stone. Dante is a 7th grader at Hazelbrook Middle School and his hobbies include Boy Scouts (Star Rank & Troop Bugler); Jazz & Concert Band (Trumpet); golf, swimming, and loves animals, nature and birding - goes birding with Grandma Trudi.

Jewish Film Club

Sunday, December 14, 3:00pm Each 4-6 weeks we gather to enjoy a film of Jewish interest, schmooze & nosh. If you are interested in receiving more information, please contact Joan and Paul Sher at joanzsher@aol.com; paulpsher@gmail. com; or sherpohsu@aol.com to be placed on the email list.



Thank you to the Girl Scout Troops who helped with Veterans Day flag plant: Girl Scouts of

Oregon and

Southwest Washington Council--Sunset Oaks VISTA 8:

Troop 102, Troop 1052, Troop 82, Troop 1090, Troop 1447, Troop 267, Troop 6543, and their adult chaperones, family members, and leaders.

Erev Shabbat Services

All Erev Shabbat services will now be held at 6:15pm. We will no longer be holding our 8:15pm service.

Each 6:15 service has a distinct flavor of it's own. We invite you to sample: 1st Friday-Kabbalat Shabbat Singing Service with Ilene Safyan (monthly all member dinners will follow reservations required).

3rd Friday-Chik Chok- A lay-led "Carlebach-style" service (followed by dinner with reservations required).

2nd, 4th and 5th Friday-Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Refuah Shlema, a speedy recovery to

Carol Danish, Aviva Brandt, Gussie Cooper,

Martha Decherd, Sharlene Harvey, Miriam Hecht,

Eleanor Horenstein,

June Kabaker, Jo Levy, Simon (Sy) Newman

Caron Rothstein, Alan Sherman, Joyce Singer,

Elisa Weger, Jack Wolinsky,

Paul Woloshin and Jack Zidell

Vaults Now Available at the New Mausoleum



To purchase a vault or for more information please contact Michelle Caplan

at 503.293.7305 or mcaplan@nevehshalom.org

CLERGY VISITS

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

DAILY MINYAN

Zidell Chapel Monday - Friday 7:15 am Rosh Chodesh 7am Sundays and Holidays 9:00 am

SHABBAT November SERVICES

Friday, 6:15pm ONLY Saturday Shabbat Services 9 am

TOT SHABBAT

1st & 3rd Shabbat morning, 10:15 am in the Zidell Chapel

SHABBAT SCHOOL

for 6th Graders Every Shabbat 9:30am-12:15pm

KEHILAT NOAR

1st -5th Graders Youth Congregation Every Shabbat 10:15 am Room 102

DOWNSTAIRS MINYAN

2nd and 4th Shabbat, in the
Zidell Chapel
3rd Shabbat at the Robison Home
If you would like to lead the
davening for Shaharit, Torah, or
Mussaf please call **Mark Sherman**,
503.245.0571

Erev Shabbat Services please see previous page for our new Fall Schedule.

Yahrzeit Plaques: Lasting Memorials

A Yahrzeit plaque is a lasting tribute that ensures the memory of a loved one will be honored for all time. The purchase of a Yahrzeit plaque guarantees a permanent fixture in the Sanctuary plus a duplicate one that will be displayed on the Yahrzeit. Please contact **Michelle Caplan**, 503.293.7305, or mcaplan@nevehshalom.org. If you would like more information about this tradition and or about purchasing a plaque.

Cantors Notes



SAFAM returns Saturday, February 7, 2009 at 8 pm! Please save the date. Safam is the premiere Jewish band in the USA. They have been together over 30 years and have played here at Neveh Shalom twice. Cantor Robert Solomon is one of the members of Safam and he composed melodies for our Friday night service in honor of our 120th anniversary. The Neveh Shalom Choir will reprise the service on Friday night, February 6 at 6:15 followed by a congregational Friday night dinner.

We are now in Cong. Neveh Shalom's 140th year. Safam has continued to write new music and perform new songs in the intervening 20 years. Please take a few moments to go to Safam.com and read more interesting information and listen to their music. You'll be glad you did. Safam music is loved by all ages and is appropriate for all ages. Tickets should be available very soon. You can find some Safam compact disks in the Feldstein Library.

In honor of their coming, we are conducting a poll of Your Favorite Safam Song. Safam has agreed to play the song that gets the most votes on the night of the concert. Please cast your vote by emailing me the name of your favorite song: cantor@nevehshalom.org or leaving the song name on my voicemail: 503-293-7301. Voting ends January 15, 2009. As they say, "vote early and often". All those who vote will be entered in a drawing for a Safam recording.

The Percy Bernstein Orchestra will play at services on Friday night December 19th at 6:15 pm at the bar mitzvah of Joel Sherman. Please come participate in this high energy service.

Cantor Linda Shivers

Percy Bernstein Orchestra Performance:

Friday, December 19, 6:15pm

Rehearsals:

Sundays, December 7, 14 12:30pm

Music:

Other Rehearsals:

HaZamir Teen Choir Sundays at the MJCC,

12:30pm

Adult Choir

Mondays, each week from

August to May

7:30pm

Middle School Klezmer Band Sundays, December 7, 14

2:15pm

For more information contact Cantor Linda Shivers at cantor@nevehshalom.org

Kindle the Sabbath Candles

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

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



Eleanor Fischer Dial-In Service

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

December CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES Friday, December 5th 3:58pm

Friday, December 12th 3:58pm

Friday, December 19th 4:00pm

Friday, December 26th 4:04pm

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Kol-ha-kavod

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

Milestone Birthdays

Barbara Atlas Sandy Axel Rebecca Bard Barry Davis Leslie Davis Michael Didner Harold Fowler Marilyn Geller Daniel Glatzer Gersham Goldstein Abby Guyer Gail Halladay Laurence Hornick Samantha Johnson Allison Kaufman Barry Klein Sheryl Langerman Miriam Lewitt Gary Liberman Nina Narinskaya Dana Sacks Leonard Shapiro Sheryl Stein Carol Wolff Mindy Zeitzer Min Zidell

Milestone Anniversaries

Jonathan & Carrie Banks
Jay & Robin Bodner
George & Laura Fendel
Jeffrey & Deborah Freedman
Nelson & Bela Friedman

Peter & Barbara Goodkin Barry & Eileen Kaplan Jack & Annette Lakefish Edward & Katherine Richman



All-Member First Friday Dinner Hay December 5, 7:15pm

Friday, December 5, 7:15pm (following services) Friday, January 2, 7:15pm (following services)

Join us after services for a kosher, family-style Shabbat dinner. Reservations required. \$14 per person, \$7 per child age 10 and under, \$42 limit per immediate household. RSVP by noon on the preceding Wednesday (Dec. 3 & Dec. 31). For reservations after noon on Wednesday, a \$5 per person convenience fee will be charged. Family maximum applies to ontime reservations only. Call Rebecca at 503.246.8831x100, rmoeri@nevehshalom.org

All-Member Hanukkah Dinner & Party



Sunday, December 21, 4:30pm

Members of all ages, come and join us for this fun-filled event! Bring your own menorah and candles; we will do candle-lighting and singing together before we enjoy a latke dinner. See more details on the enclosed flyer. Free to members. RSVP no later than December 15 to Rebecca at rmoeri@nevehshalom.org or 503-246-8831x100.

Donate Your Car

We would like to thank our recent donors:

Anna Berger, Robert Cohn, and Joel & Hilary Wasserman.

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.

Chronicle Submissions

Share your life-cycles events and accomplishments with your congregation.

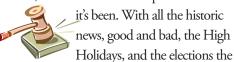
Please e-mail submissions to lkitchen@nevehshalom.org

Deadlines

January Chronicle-December 5th February Chronicle-January 2nd March Chronicle-February 6th

From the President

Whew, what a whirlwind couple of weeks



pace of change is amazing. It seems to me that now more than ever, its good to have a place that's somewhat isolated from the rest of the world, a place to have solitude and do some thinking. What an advantage Shabbat provides us. Our ability as Jews, to stop the world once a week, take a breath, recharge and regroup is as necessary for our health as it is obligatory for our religion. These services are critical to the well being of our congregation, and we are at our best when they are warm, welcoming and inspirational. The success of the Downstairs Minyan and Chik Chok services is evidence that congregants will attend services that address their spiritual and prayer needs. The Board and I are committed to working with the Clergy insuring we continue to create experiences like these. Our clergy have all expressed a desire and a willingness to be innovative and creative, in providing meaningful services. Certainly, input from the Congregation will be important as we move forward and take ownership of our Congregation by insuring we are delivering the religious services necessary for our well being. The feeling I would like to experience when coming to Shul is best expressed by an old Beach Boys song called "In my Room." If you don't know the song...here are the lyrics, just substitute Shul for room:

Theres a world where I can go and tell my secrets to In my room, in my room
In this world I lock out all my worries and my fears
In my room, in my room

Do my dreaming and my scheming Lie awake and pray Do my crying and my sighing Laugh at yesterday

Now its dark and Im alone But I wont be afraid In my room, in my room

Doug Lenhoff, President

Kvell with us!



...Mazel Tov to Danya & Golan Minyan, Hanoch & Cheryl Livenh, and Aliza and Yeshua Minyan of Israel on the birth of their daughter and granddaughter, Nadav Minyan. She joins big brother Eitan.

...Mazel tov to Erin Hadley, granddaughter to Raisa Moore for entering the US Army in June 2008. She has been posted to

the Presidio of Monterey, Ca. where she is studying at the language school. The **Moore** family is very proud of her.

Havurah Profile: Empty Nester's Havurah

It started out modestly enough, three couples coming together over lunch after having responded to Neveh's call for folks interested in forming an "Empty Nesters" Havurah. What was important was the social aspect of bringing together folks going through the same part of their lives. They also wanted a Jewish component, something as simple as blessings over the food and wine or as expansive as sharing in a Tikkun Olam activity. It also required them to address the variety of perspectives they, and others, would bring relative to keeping kashrut.

After meeting again, with a larger group, they made plans to meet again, this time reflecting an American Jewish tradition of dinner at a Chinese restaurant. By the time dinner came to pass the Havurah had expanded to TEN families! There was the happy complication of having a full complement of empty nesters. While not all were able to be there for the dinner, those who were had a wonderful time. Before leaving they reached a consensus that their havurah size was just right and they would stick together! If more folks were interested in the concept, they would need to form another Empty Nesters Havurah (which Caron hopes to do soon once more respond!). Two weeks later they met for a potluck dinner at one of the couple's Sukkah. It was another wonderful evening mixing tradition with expanding friendships.

The pattern has been set and plans are already in place for a December Hanukkah party, a joint Tikkun Olam project, other monthly events and, just perhaps, a short cruise to Victoria, BC!

This is the happy story of one of our newly formed Havurot. If you are interested in such a group or creating one that meets your particular interests and needs, please be in touch with Caron Rothstein, 503-246-8831 x139 or crothstein@nevehshalom.org.

All interested members are invited to submit an Interest Form available on our website or by contacting **Caron Blau Rothstein** at 503-246-8831 x139 or crothstein@nevehshalom.org.

Career Transition Group

Wednesdays, December 3, 10, 17 at 7:45am

Over 80% of new positions are filled through networking. Susan Goldstein, an experienced career transition consultant and coach, will facilitate this no-cost networking group for individuals seeking to expand their network in specific industries, organizations, communities, or jobs. There is no long-term commitment—attend when you can.

If you were caught in a recent layoff, are returning to the workforce, are a trailing spouse, recent graduate, or just ready to start looking for your next position—maybe a volunteer assignment for a rewarding retirement—your network is the best path to that next position.

For details contact **Susan Goldstein** at 503.880.1473 or **JoAnn Bezodis** at 503.293.7309.

Vaad Shel Chesed Group

Chesed Committee Member Testimonial: Everyone has one day when he or she is too sick to do anything. I had more than one day. I had a year and a half of being too ill to



care for myself, let alone my family. I did the best I could – the basic needs, grocery shopping and putting food on the table. But it got to the point where I could no longer cook.

I was too weak. I had already asked family and friends who provided numerous meals, carpooling, and moral support. I felt I could not ask for any more from family and friends.*

I knew I wanted to do more for my family, so I called the synagogue.

At that time, there was no group or arranged committee at Neveh Shalom set up to help. Yet, one phone call was all it took. I had 10 meals arranged, including the schedule of who would bring what when. Years later, when I heard about the Chesed Caring Committee forming, I knew immediately I wanted to help, to give back what was given to me.

I have been able to call those who have lost loves ones, offer rides to congregants in need, and be involved in getting meals to those unable to cook.

So I ask you, "Have you had days where you have been too ill to take care of yourself or your family?"*

Others have them, too. I encourage you to give back one time – one meal or ride to services for someone in need. If we all gave once, think of all the mitzvot we can accomplish in a short amount of time.*

I really get a lot of personal fulfillment out of being on the Chesed Caring Committee.

Sincerely, A very grateful Chesed Caring Committee member.

Our committee meets the second Sunday of every month in room 111 at 10am unless otherwise specified. If you have any questions please contact **Barbara Barde**, Barb@bardepdx.com or 503-293-1222.

Women's League Calendar 2008-2009

December 14th

Mixed Marriages Joint Program
With Men's Club

January 22nd Book Review/Discussion

● January 23rd ● Women's League Friday Night Services

• February 8th• The Sandwich Generation

• Anti-Semitism • TBA

• The Art I Used To Love • TBA

Women's League Potluck & Planning Board Meeting dates below:

Wednesday,
December 10, 6:30 pm
Wednesday,
January 14, 2009, 6:30pm

For more information please contact **Susan Sutherlin** at 503.626.6611.

Yachad Group

Neveh Shalom has expanded and so has our younger Men's Club! The thirty to forty somethings (and a few fifties) are breaking lose and forming The Yachad Group with blessing from the Men's Club. There are many social, cultural, and athletic events. Join us and help build our growing community.

Our first event being planned now is our first annual bowling challenge. You don't have to be a master to enjoy beer, pizza, and fun. Celebrate Tu Bishvat and the Super Bowl combined, as only we Jews can. We would love your input toward future activities such as Passover Seder training with **Rabbi Greenstein**, Israeli Independence Day education, a Gorge hike, wine tasting, and more.

This is a wonderful opportunity to build friendships and strengthen our community. For more information email NevehShalom-Yachad@Yahoo.com.

THE GLORIA BACHARACH JUDAICA SHOP AT CONGREGATION NEVEH SHALOM

The dedication and grand opening of the shop will take place Sunday,

December 14 at 2 pm

We hope you can attend as this is a very special event honoring Gloria and her many years of service.

Hanukkah is just around the corner and we have a large selection of menorahs including children's, electric, oil, and traditional. There are also games, decorations, and toys for children. Dreidels are wood, plastic and ones you can fill. We have gelt in milk chocolate and pareve bittersweet chocolate as well. There are gift items in varying prices and something for everyone.

Women's League donated decorations to the religious school to assist them in decorating the sukkah. We also provide Hanukah candles and gelt to the school. Your patronage of the shop allows us to do these things and Women's League thanks you.

Torah Fund cards for every occasion are available in the shop. Torah Fund supports The Jewish Theological Seminary branches in New York, Los Angeles, and in South America.

If you have any questions about the shop or products phone Ann Yudman at 503.352.4074 or Sue Axel at 503.297.9140 so we may help you.

We look forward to seeing you at the dedication and in the shop.

Men's Club



Many Men's Club members and others helped erect and take down our new Sukkah this year. First, we would like to thank **Gary Laroff** for the incredible amount of work he has done in researching and organizing this effort. In addition to Gary, we would like to thank the following people for their help: *Schlep-a-thon from storage to patio:* **Sandy Axel, Jeff Axel, David Cook,**

Josh Cook, David Honigstock, Jacob Elder, Michael Alberts, Michelle Alberts, Jacob Alberts, Rena Alberts, Stu Luxenberg, Kyle Luxenberg, Susan Bernstein Sukkah Erection: Peter Bedrick, Gabe Markiz, Sam Gottlieb, Abraham Furman, Bob Weiner, David Nash, David Cook, Steve Sirkin, Michael Rappaport, Roy Carmen, David Honigstock

Sukkah Take down: Paul Cohen, Bruce Stern

We would also like to thank Jeremy Kelter for his recent presentation on how to avoid the American Retirement Crisis.

Our next program is a joint program with Women's League on Sunday, December 14. Lois Shenker & Sheri Cordova will be discussing "Interfaith Families, a Positive Approach". We meet at approximately 9:40am for breakfast followed by the discussion. Don't forget our second annual Texas Hold 'Em Tournament on Sunday, March 1, 2009. Proceeds are donated to youth scholarships and the capital campaign. If you are interested in being a sponsor or donating prizes, please contact Bruce Stern at bruce@thesternfamily.net. If you know someone else who might be willing to contribute a prize or a sponsorship, Bruce can let you know what information we need.

Additionally, a group of Men's Club members volunteers at the Oregon Food Bank on the fourth Thursday of each month. Please contact **David Sibell** at sibelld@ohsu.edu if you are interested in helping.

If you would like to join Men's Club, please contact our membership chairmen, Larry Skolnik lsskolnik@hotmail.com and Jeremy Kelter timberlineadvisors@comcast.net. We also have membership forms available on our bulletin board in the synagogue. You may also contact either of us at bruce@thesternfamily.net or j3ngoodman@comcast.net. On behalf of the Men's Club, Bruce and I would like to wish everyone a Happy Hanukkah. Joe Goodman and Bruce Stern Men's Club Co-Presidents

Women's League



The calendar is full for the coming months with programs and events that will meet everyone's "taste." Women's League and Men's Club will hold a joint meeting on Sunday December 14th @ 9:40AM on Interfaith Families and how to cope with holidays and family gatherings. A Book Review will take place on January 22nd with Rabbi Isaak reviewing "The Faith Club" by Ranya Idliby. Our Annual Women's League Shabbat will take place on January 23rd. **Dana Sirkin** is coordinating this event and if you would like to

participate, please call Dana at 503.454.0610. On February 1st, we will hold our fantastic Mah Jongg Tournament. Once again, **Judi Goodman** and **Sarah Coblens** are our co-chairs; mark your calendars!

Besides all of the wonderful programs that we sponsor each month, we have fantastic people who both plan and run these programs. A big thank you to the following people for their time, effort and devotion: **Sandi Fulcher** and **Jackie Constantine** for planning the lovely and successful Torah Fund Tea, last month. **Nora Rothstein** and **Sheryl Robert** for organizing the Robison Home Shabbat Service on November 21st; a mitzvah that all of us look forward to, each year.

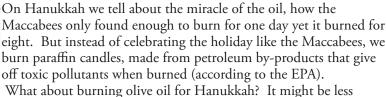
Our next Potluck and Planning Meeting will take place on December 10th at 6:30PM at the home of **Chris Gottlieb**.

"Pick an event" that interests you and join us; we would love to see you at our next program! For more information, please contact **Susan Sutherlin** at 503.626.6611.

Linda Alpert, Past President of Neveh Shalom Women's League

Notes from Shomrei Teva





wasteful (a renewable resource vs. a fossil fuel derivative), healthier, and more in the Maccabean spirit. But where does one get a chanukiyah (menorah) that can burn olive oil? Look no further than our own Gloria Bacharach Judaica Shop. They stock a lovely oil burning chanukiyah. You can even use your regular chanukiyah since they sell small glass vials that can be placed into the candle holders. Fill the vials with olive oil and, mazel tov, you're a Maccabee.

To examine this situation in more depth, Shomrei Teva will sponsor a one-evening class on the use of oil for Hanukkah and Shabbat. We'll look at alternatives to paraffin candles, cost, health issues, and why this matters to us as Jews. Check the synagogue website for information about this class in December.

From the Torah principle of bal tashchit (do not waste) to modern concerns about health and resources, the way of the Maccabees makes sense. Let's make this coming Hanukkah a true miracle of the oil.

Chag Sameach Jordan Epstein



Ellen Eisenberg, American History Professor Willamette University, Salem She will speak at Neveh Shalom on **Thursday**, **December 18**, **2008 at 7:00 PM**.

"From Protest to Collaboration:Western Jews and the Plight of Japense Americans During World War II"

The title of her talk is based on her new book: <u>The First to Cry Down Injustice?</u> Western Jews and Japanese Removal During WWII (2008)

Cost: \$5 general free to students

Contact person: Sylvia Frankel frankel@lclark.edu

Hinenu



Hinenu, a social group for 20-30 something, post-college, pre-kid Jews, will host their

third annual Hanukkah party on Monday, Dec. 22. The festivities will start at 7:30 p.m. in the Lucky Lab Beer Hall located at 7675 SW Capitol Hwy in Portland.

Admission to the party is free but limited to venue capacity. RSVPs prior to Dec. 19 are suggested to secure attendance. Event attendees will have full access to the private, upstairs bar and enjoy appetizers and doughnuts. There will also be an optional gift exchange for attendees starting at 9:00 p.m. To participate, please bring a wrapped gift, new or vintage, valued around \$10.

For additional information about the event or Hinenu, visit www.hinenu.org.



Scholar In Residence Rachel Brodie January 30-31, 2009 Rachel Brodie is a

Rachel Brodie is a Jewish educator who specializes in adult

and family education. She is the co-founder and executive director of Jewish Milestones: a nonprofit organization serving as an educational resource for those who seek to have Jewish lifecycle ceremonies (typically related to birth, maturation, partnering and loss) that are both authentic and personally meaningful (www. JewishMilestones.org). She is co-author of "Jewish Family Education: A Casebook for the Twenty-First Century," with Vicky Kelman. Ms. Brodie teaches Jewish literature, history, and ethics at a wide variety of Bay Area institutions. She and her family live in Berkeley, California. Rachel Brodie is also the keynote teacher at the Women's Day of Jewish Learning on Sunday, February 1. Her focus will be on Women's Tefilah (or women's communication with God).

Tentative Schedule
(more details will be published in the January Chronicle):

Friday, Jan. 30 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service, followed by dinner and study session Saturday, Jan. 31 9:00am Shabbat Morning Service

followed by a kiddush luncheon

12:45pm Study Session

Evening Havdallah program with Shoreshim

Youth @ CNS

Wow!

What a great season it has been for Neveh Youth Activities! We can't believe it is winter already! Get out your warm clothes and raincoats, because our kids won't be hiding out this winter! Get ready for a winter of fun!

This past month has been a blast for all of our programs. Roller skating and bowling, Kinnus and movies, it's been non-stop fun. Jr. Kadima bowled their best at Player's, Kadima roller-skated at the classic Oaks Park rink, and USY had an engaging and exciting pre-election party in the new youth lounge. USY also brought a delegation to the 2008 USY Fall Kinnus at Camp Solomon Schechter, displaying their notorious Neveh ruach (spirit) and pride along with Jewish teens from all over the Northwest and Canada. What a blast!

And just wait, December promises to bring even more fun, with the Kadima and USY board retreat at Schechter on December 5-7th, and the big Parent's Night Out at Neveh, which will be a huge treat for all kids (and Parents) on December 13th. And that is just the tip of the iceberg! Just wait to see what Neveh Youth Activities has in store for you!

Jonathan Emanuel, Youth Director jemanuel@nevehshalom.org

USY (9-12th grade)

Mark your calendars for USY's Parents' Night Out! Saturday, December 13th, 6:30 - 10:30 at Neveh Shalom. Drop your kids off at Neveh Shalom for top notch programming and activities planned by USYers and advisors. Your kids will be playing capture the flag and Jewpoardy or making candy sushi and challah covers! Volunteer hours will be awarded to all USYers who want to lend a hand. Email us to RSVP.

Rachelle Vagy, USY Advisor usy@portlandrishonim.org

Kadima (6-8th grade)

October was a busy month for Kadima. We welcomed our community at the Open Doors event with Rabbi Greenstein by installing and blessing a mezuzah on the door of our new Youth Lounge. Playing games and admiring our new panels filled the afternoon out. A trip to Southeast's Oaks Park Roller Skating Rink proved a very fun time as we glided on the wooden floors dancing to the live pipe organ. The turnout was great as Kadimaniks carpooled from CNS (thank you parents!) to Oaks Park.

Future events include a trip to OMSI, the Clackamas Water Park, and bowling. This year has been so much fun so far and the turnout terrific. Thank you Kadima!

In addition, Kadima, in coordination with USY, is designing a program especially for eighth graders. Please stay tuned for further information. For information about all Kadima events please email

Cara Buchalter Emanuel, Kadima Advisor at kadima@portlandrishonim.org

Jr. Kadima (3-5th grade)

Shalom Jr. Kadima! It's been a great year so far! A mixture of awesome outgoing events like laser tag and bowling with creative activities at home at Neveh like the "New Year's Party" in September and the "Fort-Building in Abraham's Tent" during the Open Door Festival has been enjoyable for us all! We've got a diverse group of kids with interesting personalities, active lives, and lots of ruach! I've enjoyed getting to know the youth in this congregation so much, especially the Jr. Kadimaniks at our super-fun events! Coming up on Saturday, December 13th is Parents' Night Out! Believe me, everybody loves this event! While parents go out worryfree, it's a youth group bonanza here at Neveh! We're currently considering fun Hanukkah

I've also enjoyed getting to know you, the parents. You are so concerned with your kids' experience and I appreciate it genuinely! I also am so thankful that you are continuing to make Jr. Kadima a part of your life along with all the girlscouts, boyscouts, camping trips, and family events! We appreciate your support and hope that these bright young ones will conintue to have fun with us over the years in Kadima and USY!

programs, messy Double Dare-ish activities,

looking forward to it!

skits, Jewpardy and other games! We're really

Get pumped up for some cooking, (FUN!) community service events, sports events, and most beloved of all overnights and the Schechter Shabbaton! I hope to coninue being flexible to your needs and interests. I am planning a "Boys' Day Out/Girls' Day Out" event coming soon to bring our youth together in more ways that will help them grow! I look forward to more bonding and playing! B'Shalom **Becca Cigan**, Jr. Kadima Advisor jrkadima@portlandrishonim.org



Mothers Circle Now Underway! NINETEEN women have signed up for the inaugural cohort of The Portland Mothers Circle course! This number exceeds our hopes and expectations, as have the women already themselves. What courage it takes to raise a family in a faith not your own, to deal with parental and in-law tensions, to live far from familial support, to encourage a spouse/partner to embrace his/her own Jewish faith, some perhaps for the first time. While each of these women has a unique story to tell, they are all coming together for the next eight months to learn and to commiserate, to ask and to share—all for the sake of their families and future families (two of the women do not have children yet). In the coming months facilitator Lois Shenker will work with the women to increase their ability to navigate the Portland Jewish community, Jewish tradition and ritual and to further their family's Jewish journey.

It is too late to sign up for this cohort, but it is NOT too late to be involved in The Mothers Circle. If you are interested in joining next year's cohort, let Caron Rothstein know at crothstein@nevehshalom.org or 503-246-8831 x139. You can sign up now for the national MC Listserve at www. themotherscircle.org. And the Portland Mothers Circle plans to co-sponsor one or more family-friendly activities for all of Portland's young Jewish families in the spring so check back in this column in the coming months for further details. If you are part of an interfaith family but are the Jewish parent either by birth or by choice or even the Jewish grandparents and you are interested in support, let Caron know that, too, as Lois and Caron are exploring other avenues to support Jewish families in the future.

School @ CNS

Religious School
Although last month was the official designation of Tikkun Olam month, Neveh Shalom is proud to sponsor and support a variety of mitzvah opportunities all throughout the year. Shomrei Teva Creek Side Restoration is held the third Sunday of each month along the tributary of Fanno Creek that borders our parking lot. Work begins around 9:00. Ongoing collection of canned and other non-perishable food is

collected in our food barrels to support Neighborhood House and the Sunshine Pantry. Collection of furniture and household items for the Community Warehouse to distribute to people in need at no cost to them is another year-round project. There are opportunities to help the Oregon Food Bank by assembling food packages on the 4th Thursday of most months from 6:00-8:30. Please contact David Sibell at 503-705-3753 for more information.

Here in the Hebrew School, we are busy putting our lessons of mitzvot and tikkun olam into action. The kids who participated in the "Walk for the Cure" back in September raised \$2887.00 for breast cancer research. The members of CNS donated 1575 pounds of food during our Yom Kippur Food Drive. The children of our weekday program baked cookies for the Outside In program helping kids at risk, signed post cards addressed to the political candidates urging them to fight poverty, visited the residents of the Rose Schnitzer Home and continue to bring tzedakah money to class each week to be earmarked for a special cause.

Helping each other within our synagogue community is another way to help repair our world. We would not have had such a wonderful Sukkot experience this year without the help, dedication and expertise of our Men's Club who erected our new and quite beautiful sukkah. Many thanks also go out to our Women's League who donated the decorations that were placed in the sukkah.

Each class is now discussing with their teachers the ways they can help bring about a positive change in the school community, in the city of Portland, and worldwide. Stay tuned for the results of their efforts.

Susan Bernstein, Director of Education



Neveh Shalom Babies Busy December

First Babies Events

The First Babies Group enjoyed their November get Neveh Shalom Babies together at Neveh Shalom. This month, they will be meeting on December 21st for the all-member

Hanukkah party at Neveh Shalom. For more information on this event, please contact Sarah Mitnick at mitnick.sarah@gmail.com.

Playgroup

Please join us anytime for our FREE drop-in playgroup!! We are meeting Friday mornings, 9-10 am in the large motor room at Neveh Shalom. First Fridays include special guest from CNS Staff. We hope to see you there! Note: we are NOT holding playgroup Fridays Dec 26 and January 2.

Parent Workshop

Parent workshops are open to all young families, members and non-members alike. On December 4, Rabbi Bradley Greenstein and a family clinician Rita Smith from Jewish Family and Children Services will lead a workshop on the "December Dilemma." They will be addressing the topic of holiday commercialism and the age old Hanukkah vs. Christmas challenge. Pre-registration encouraged, walk-ins welcome. Please contact Caron Blau Rothstein at crothstein@nevehshalom.org or 503-246-8831 ext. 139 to register.

New Babies Shabbat

Save the Date- On January 10th, all new babies born in the last year are invited to join in a New Babies Shabbat celebration. Contact Caron for more details. For more information on any of our upcoming events, please contact Sarah Mitnick at mitnick.sarah@gmail.com or Hilary Barthold at hiltim@aol.com. Thanks!!

Foundation School



December is always a favorite month for the children at Foundation School with the anticipation of Hanukkah. Classrooms

will be involved in creating hanukkiot, cooking potato latkes, spinning dreidels, and singing Hanukkah songs. All families are invited to join us on Friday Dec. 12th for our All-School Shabbat / Hanukkah program from 10:50-11:30am. Morah Kim will lead us in spirited songs and our Room 18 Pre-K Teddy Bear Class will present their Hanukkah performance for us. We will all enjoy sharing the Shabbat blessings, hallah & grape juice together. As the winter season approaches please refer to our Inclement Weather Policy if you are unsure whether or not the Foundation School is closed due to bad weather. We follow the Portland Public Schools closure decisions and I will also leave a voice message on the school phone for you to refer to.

Foundation School will be closed for Winter Vacation beginning Thursday December 18th and will be back in session again on Monday January 5th. We hope you will take the time to enjoy the needed rest and the beauty of the Hanukkah lights with your children. Shalom,

Jan Skolnik & Kathy Wolfson

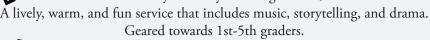
New Babies Shabbat

Saturday, January 10, 9am Shabbat Service Together we will welcome the newest members of our Neveh family born during the past year. Parents and their newborn children will be called to the Torah for an Aliyah and a special blessing. This will be a memorable Shabbat.

For more information or to RSVP that your family and new baby will attend on January 10 contact program coordinator **Caron** Blau Rothstein, crothstein@nevehshalom. org or 503.246.8831 x139.

Kehilat Noar (KeN:Youth Congregation)

Meets every Saturday morning at 10:15



All who love them are welcome to attend as well!

Led by **Gary Liberman** and **Amy Katz** Followed by kiddush.



Kochavim & Not'ztim Hebrew Immersion Programs

Morah Rachel's pre-K/K Kochavim (Stars) class has been working on chayot (animals) and tzva'im (colors), and the children are each creating a Hebrew book and presentation based on "Brown Bear, Brown Bear" by Eric Carle. Morah Bat-Ami's 1st/2nd grade class is focusing on hafachim (opposites), through games, art, songs, and stories, including "Zehava v'Shloshet Hadubim" (Goldilocks and the 3 Bears). During the week that we learned/reviewed the letter "Hey", both classes started learning a dance called "Hippo Hippi" which they will be performing as part of our family Hanukkah celebration on Wednesday, December 17. All are welcome to join us for this fun performance and event. It's a great way to check out our fun and unique Hebrew program!

Our 0-4 year-old Notz'tzim (Sparkles) are singing, bouncing, and bopping along with their parents to Hebrew music on Wednesday afternoons at 4;15 and Friday mornings at 10:00. We hope to hear from them, too, during our Hanukkah celebration! If you are interested in more information about our Hebrew immersion programs for 0-8 year olds at Neveh Shalom, please contact **Mel Berwin**, 503-452-6890 or michaelvmel@gmail.com.

Shoreshim

Please join us for Tot Shabbat on December 6th for services led by **Jordan Epstein**, and December 20th for services led by **Levia Friedman**. Services begin at 10:15 am and are followed by a light Kiddush lunch. Are you or your child celebrating a birthday or other family milestone? Consider sponsoring a Shoreshim Kiddush to commemorate the special occasion. Contact the Neveh office for further details.

We also hope to see you on December 21 for Congregation Neveh Shalom's Hanukkah party! There will be fun activities and entertainment for Shoreshim families in conjunction with the whole community.

For questions about Shoreshim or information on how you can get involved, please contact **Cyndy Kagan** at 503-927-4326, ckagan@gmail.com, **Debbie Plawner** at 503-830-3833 debbieplawner@yahoo.com, or **Leslie Solomon** at 503-350-0993, leslie@solomonster.org.



There are many new facets of our renovated building and each edition of the Chronicle for the next few months will carry an item of information under the title

"Did You Know" Enjoy!

Did You Know...

The beautiful wrought iron entry gates include the first 4 verses of the Ashrei (Happy are they who dwell in God's House...) in calligraphy created by our own **Gary Pearlman**. The gates were crafted in central Oregon by Kent Crook. You might be lucky enough to walk in and hear the voices of children happily chanting the Ashrei as they walk up to the synagogue gates testing each other's knowledge of the prayer...

Gary has truly given us a gift that will last a lifetime!

Adult Education Classes

Wellness Talks

Wednesday, Dec. 3 & 10, 7:00pm Dec. 3 Finding (and Maintaining!) Your Optimal Weight – Dr. Gil Winkelman

Dec. 10 Stress! What Do I Do About It? – Dr. Gil Winkelman

Learn more about Drs. Gil & Christie Winkelman at www.insightstohealth.net. Please RSVP to Rebecca at 503-246-8831x100 or rmoeri@nevehshalom.org

Adult Bar & Bat Mitzvah

Dates: By arrangement Instructor: Cantor Linda Shivers Anyone wishing to prepare for an adult Bar or Bat Mitzvah, please contact Cantor Shivers by phone, 503.293.7301, or email cantor@nevehshalom.org. Once two or more contact the Cantor, she will arrange a mutually convenient time to start. All students must have basic Hebrew reading ability.

Susan Bernstein meets with Religious School Parents

Sundays, 9:45-10:30am Stampfer Chapel

What do you do when you ask your child on the way home from Religious School, "What did you learn in class today", and the only response is "Nuthin"? Jewish education, as we all know, is most effective when reinforced with discussion at home. But how is a parent to reinforce what goes on in the classroom unless s/he knows what material is being covered?

This year Susan Bernstein will meet

monthly with parents of 3rd through 6th graders. We will review the subject matter, providing an opportunity for parents to learn and discuss, to share ideas and get to know each other better. For more information, contact Susan Bernstein at sbernstein@nevehshalom.org.

3rd Grade Parents: Jan. 11 4th Grade Parents: Dec. 7, Feb. 1, Apr. 5 5th Grade Parents: Jan. 25, Feb. 8, Apr. 19 6th Grade Parents: Jan. 4, Feb. 22



Senior Lunch Bunch

Senior Lunch Bunch Tuesday, Dec. 9, 12noon

The Senior Lunch Bunch invites you to join us Tuesday, December 9, for lunch and a Hanukkah party. Holiday foods will be featured, and we'll even spin the dreidle a time or two. Enjoy a spectacular KOSHER

lunch for only \$5 per person – reservations required. Save the date and plan to join us. RSVP by noon on Monday, December 8 to Rebecca Moeri in the office at 503-246-8831 ext. 100 or rmoeri@nevehshalom.org

CNS Annual Auction Sunday, April 26, 2009, 5pm At Congregation Neveh Shalom

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

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

Call or email **JoAnn Bezodis**, Auction Coordinator, TODAY to find out how you can help: 503.293.7309 or jbezodis@nevehshalom.org

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

Feldstein Library

The Feldstein Jewish Library is vital to the strength and future well being of the community. It provides resources for Jewish learning for young and old alike. As part of the Congregation Neveh Shalom this library represents a commitment to assist the community to grow Jewishly.

Since we moved to our present location in 1964 the collection has grown from approximately 500 titles to 10,000. A very special part of our library is our Children's Collection. This high quality collection of picture books, Holocaust materials, Jewish Holiday books and novels is perfect for young readers who want to know about our history.

Many friends in our community help the library when they give their time to volunteer. The library's mission is to enrich, so by having friends volunteer in shelving books, filing, and reading to children during Religious School times this undertaking is reached.

The library is used by students, teachers, parents, Hebrew speakers and individuals of the Portland Jewish community pursuing their own personal interests.

The library is here to meet the needs of our growing and thriving community. Use it in good health. It's yours.

New Arrivals At The Feldstein Library;

My Father's Aradise – Ariel Sabar Icon Of Evil – David Dallin Who Will Write Our History – Samuel Kassow Moscow Rules – Daniel Silva

Additions To Junior Section:

Honey Cake – Joan Stuchner *Let My People Go* – Tilda Balsley *Shalom Shabbat* – Susan Topek *Jewish Sports' Heroes* – David Goldman *Jodie's Hanukkah Dig* –anna Levine

Membership Committee



As my father was approaching the end of his life, I wanted to reassure him (since he didn't have any sons) that I would be saying kaddish daily for the required eleven months for him after he died. I knew how important this was for him as he davened daily and made sure all yarhzeits of family members were remembered with him saying kaddish. When I promised to do this towards

the end of his life, however, I don't think I realized what a big commitment it would be and how it would transform my husband and my life in Portland. My husband and I had wandered away from organized religion after our children graduated from college and we moved to Portland from Teaneck NJ. This was over 14 years ago and neither one of us felt joining a synagogue was a priority since we didn't have young children at home, anymore. After my dad (in blessed memory) died June 27, 2007 in Omaha, Nebraska, I discovered that Neveh Shalom had daily morning minyan. My husband, Paul, said he would come with me to daily services for support, although he warned me not to expect that he would want to join a synagogue. After a month of attending daily, however, we decided to join. We wanted to support the synagogue since they were supporting me during my year of mourning. What we didn't expect was that we would feel so connected and want to remain active members after the year of mourning.. Even though the year is up, we have continued to attend morning minyan at least three times a week and we have found that Neveh Shalom is not jus a place for parents with young children. Stop by minyan, before you have a need to stay kaddish and I think you will find another reason to call Neveh Shalom home.

Joan Sher, Membership Committee Member

Tikkun Olam

Tuv ha'Aretz Project

Neveh Shalom's Shomrei Teva in conjunction with Havurah Shalom is leading the effort to get Portland certified as a Tuv Ha'aretz site. The Tuv Ha'aretz project, initiated by the national Jewish environmental group Hazon, enables the Jewish community to support local, sustainable agriculture. Would you like weekly deliveries of fresh, locally and organically grown produce? Would you like to learn more about Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) and how it connects to Jewish teachings and traditions? For more information, contact Jordan Epstein at yaakovm@comcast.net

Southwest Community Health Center SW Walks for Health

December 14, 2:00pm (monthly) Get in shape and support a great cause. Neveh Shalom is one of the many sponsors in support of the SW Community Health Center. Join these monthly walks and select a one, three, or five mile route. We begin at the Multnomah Arts Center on Sundays at 2pm. Monthly dates include: Jan. 11, Feb. 8, Mar. 8, and culminating in our Fundraising Walk-a-Thon on April 19th, supporting the Health Center.

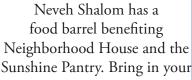
Shomrei Teva Creek Side Restoration

3rd Sunday each month

December 21, 9:00am

Neveh Shalom, through Shomrei Teva, has joined with SOLV to restore the area along the tributary of Fanno Creek that borders the Neveh Shalom parking lot. Come join us the third Sunday of every month at 9:00am to do maintenance at our site. We work for an hour or two clearing away new or existing growth of weeds and non-native plants. Bring a shovel (best) or other garden tools. We'll supply the gloves. It's a mitzvah! Contact Jordan Epstein at 503.245.6580 or yaakovm@comcast.net

Food Barrels



non-perishable food items to the barrel located outside the Zidell Chapel.

Thank you for your generosity!

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Outisde In



Outisde In has taken off for this year. We have cooked 3 meals already this year and are scheduled for another date Dec 14 from 12-1:30. A special thanks to all of our volunteers so far this year and especially

to Joyce & Alexis Mendelsohn who have also been bringing food to the Ronald McDonald house. The Ronald McDonald house offers

housing to families whose children are undergoing medical treatment at



Portland hospitals. Please contact Aviva Zigman ajzigman@hotmail.com if you would like to be on our emailing list for upcoming cooking dates.

Thank you to the following volunteers who helped last month:

Sammy Burch, Karen Burch, Reid Burch, Patty Lenhoff, Jon Lenhoff, Dalya Meyer, Orly Meyer, Avi Meyer, Dana Nathanson, Josh Spector, Eyhan Brenner, Seth Greenberg, Marianne Twain, Mackenzie Berkman, Alena Berkman, Josh Berkman & Akiko Berkman.

Support Neveh Shalom while shopping!



Neveh Shalom as your Community Partner and a portion of all your purchases will support the synagogue. This does NOT cost you any money, so it's WIN-WIN! No computer skills necessary. Send **JoAnn Bezodis** the following information:

Name

Albertsons/Safeway Card # Phone number associated with this card.

She will do the rest! Contact JoAnn Bezodis at jbezodis@nevehshalom.org or call 503-293-7309.

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Our condolences to our members and their families.

- * Mark Barnett on the death of his mother, Rae Wieland
- *Owen Thomas Berlant was born October 13, 2008 at and passed away the same day, he had a fatal genetic condition, Trisomy 18. Family members were blessed to have had those moments with him. His parents, Shannon & David: brother, Andrew; grandparents, Cathy & Mel Berlant and Leslie & Dave Walls: and great-grandmother, Roberta Sabin.
- *Vicki Zidell on the death of her Uncle.
- *Patty Lenhoff on the death of her aunt
- *Janet & Jerome Menashe on the death of her father, and his father in-law Paul Lefkow.
- *Lee & Sheri Cordova on the death of his sister and her sister-in-law, Zalie Cordova Lester.
- * Judy Blauer and Beverly Eastern on the death of their beloved mother, Mildred Sax.
- *Larry & Joyce Mendelsohn and Susan & Bruce Sutherlin on the death of their father and father-in-law, Morton Mendelsohn.
- * Terrye & Robert Rudolph on the death of her sister, his sister-in-law, Analie Cohen.

May their memories be a blessing.

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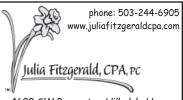
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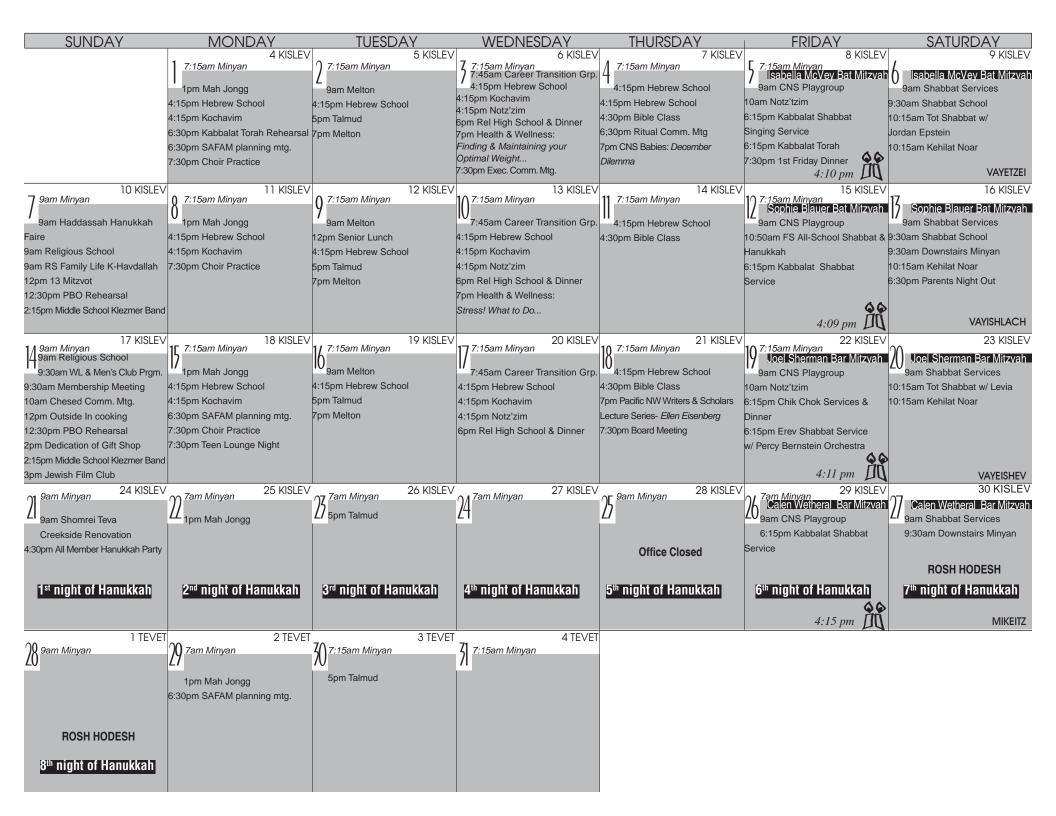
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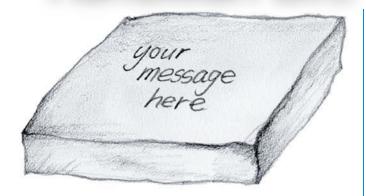
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