



CHRONICLE

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Friday, May 2

7:15 pm First Friday Dinner

First Friday Shabbat and Yom Ha'Atzmaut Seder (registration and details on separate flyer).

Sunday, May 4

9 am – 12 pm Religious School Archaeological Dig

"Dig the past" Students participate with life-size re-creation of an archeological excavation with an Israeli archaeologist

Sunday, May 4

9:30am-11:30 am Shoreshim Sponsored Program for Young Families

Activities to include mini-dig, flag making, cookie decorating and Hebrew learning.

Sunday, May 4

12:30pm-2:30 pm Israel Affairs Committee-Sponsored

Synagogue-wide Celebration

Includes live talk with Rabbi Isaak and congregants in Israel, special guest Israeli Shaliach Adi Farjon, Kochavim Shuk, vendors and much more.

Sunday lunch (available 11:30 am-1:00 pm), is \$5/falafel platter and must be pre ordered. This yummy entree is prepared by Century Catering.

Networking: A Critical Tool for Today's Career Transition

Congregation Neveh Shalom is hosting a new program for people in, or considering, career transition. Beginning Wednesday, May 14th and every Wednesday thereafter, **Susan Goldstein**, an experienced consultant and career transition professional, will facilitate the CNS Career Transition Networking group. This is not a lecture, workshop, seminar, or sales event. It is all about you networking with others who may know just the person to provide you with the information you need.

Over 80% of new positions are filled through networking—whether as the path to a position or a follow-up to submitting a resume. It is an important tool today's job search strategy. The new CNS Transition Networking Group provides a valuable opportunity for those seeking new positions to:

- ... share job leads and job search strategies
- ... refine and practice your professional elevator speech
- ... expand your network to help you gain access to key individuals
- ... gather information about industries, companies, business leaders, and ultimately job

If you have been down-sized, right-sized, laid-off, or been part of a myriad of other names used to identify the loss of a job—or, if you are returning to the workforce, recently relocated, a trailing spouse, recent graduate, or just looking for something different—maybe a volunteer assignment for a rewarding retirement—this is designed for you.

May 14th, 2008 is our first session. We will meet from 8:15- 9:15 AM in Room 117.

The program is free to all who wish to participate. We encourage you to attend until you land your next position...or start attending whenever you feel the time is right for you.

For more information contact **Fred Rothstein** at 503.246.8831 or **Susan Goldstein** at 503.880.1473.



Israel On My Mind

By the time you receive this edition of the Chronicle, 27 of us will have settled into our hotel in Jerusalem. If all goes according to plan during

the celebration of Israel's 60th anniversary here at Neveh Shalom on Sunday afternoon, May 4, we will greet you live via web cam and Skype. Hurray for modern technology that permits us to be so close when we are so very far away.

We will have arrived in Israel the previous Wednesday and will look forward to sharing with you our first adventures in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City, at the newly renovated Yad Vashem Holocaust complex on Mt. Herzl, at the bustling Machaneh Yehudah produce market and following our first Jerusalem Shabbat.

However thinking ahead to our planned itinerary, I can't help but reflect back on my first trips to Israel. I can still remember how jubilant I was when I saw my first ElAl jet plane that would fly us from Kennedy Airport to Tel Aviv. It is difficult to imagine that the Jewish state was barely 21 years old when I arrived with a plane-load of fellow undergraduates for a year of study at the Hebrew University. The year was 1969 and the mood in Israel was euphoric. The Israeli army had only two years earlier not only saved her citizens from annihilation, but had won a stunning victory over the invading armies of all her neighbors. The Israeli university students, all of whom served in Israel's civilian army, were national heroes and they burst with macho and pride. They had so convincingly defeated the armies of the surrounding Arab states that further wars would, they were convinced, be inconceivable. Communication home to family that year was by aerogram; phoning was so expensive that most of us didn't even consider it.

I returned to Israel as a newly married rabbinical student for a second year of study to a very different Israel in 1974. Though Israel had by no means lost the Yom Kippur War a year earlier, the entire country projected a prolonged state of shock. The military attack

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B'nai Mitzvah

Zach Davis

May 16th & 17th



Mazel Tov to **Zach Davis** who is becoming Bar Mitzvah on 05.16.08 and 05.17.08. He is the son of **Laura & Barry Davis** grandson to **Marge and Allan Sherman; Delphine Davis** and the late **Milt**

Davis and brother to **Alicia** and **Jason**. Zach is a 7th grader at Lake Oswego Junior High and he is an honor roll student who enjoys music and playing the drums, he loves sports and competes in football, basketball and baseball, and likes to cook and hangout with his friends.

Adam Oken

May 23rd & 24th



Mazel Tov to **Adam Oken** who is becoming Bar Mitzvah on 05.23.08 and 05.24.08. He is the son of **Melanie & Barry Oken** grandson to Curt and Sally Fried of Ardsley, NY and Boca Raton, FL;

Morton Oken of Boynton Beach, FL and brother to **Kiva** and **Corey**. Adam is a 7th grader at Robert Gray Middle School and he loves to fish, play soccer and tennis, play trumpet, and spend as much time as possible at the beach in Manzanita, and hangout with his friends.

Corey Oken

May 23rd & 24th



Mazel Tov to **Corey Oken** who is becoming Bar Mitzvah on 05.23.08 and 05.24.08. He is the son of **Melanie & Barry Oken** grandson to Curt and Sally Fried of Ardsley, NY and Boca

Raton, FL; Morton Oken of Boynton Beach, FL and brother to **Kiva** and **Adam**. Corey is a 7th grader at Robert Gray Middle School and he is an avid student of history who loves to read, play computer games, and play basketball.

Ellen Eady Kalenscher

May 30th & 31st



Mazel Tov to **Ellen Kalenscher** who is becoming Bat Mitzvah on 05.30.08 and 05.31.08. She is the daughter of **Mark & Jennifer Kalenscher** grand-daughter to Hannah

Kalenscher of Sacramento, Ca the late Dr. Alan J. Kalenscher, and the late Ileen and Roger Cady and sister to **Albert**. She is a 7th grader at Jackson Middle School and her hobbies include soccer and any other sport, playing the flute and piano, hanging out with friends and playing with her cat & dog.

From the President



We have reached a critical point in the Capital Campaign. While construction continues to move forward quickly on both the Administration Wing and on the Stampfer Chapel, our fundraising

efforts have been lagging. We have raised almost \$7 million toward our \$9 million goal, but we still have a long way to go to be successful. For the first time, we have taken a draw on our line of credit with our lender, First Republic Bank, so we are now accruing interest fees. It is vitally important for those of you who have not yet made a pledge to the Campaign to do so as soon as possible. If you would like to meet with one of our solicitor teams to get all the latest information about the Campaign and how you can help, please call me so that we can set up an appointment. We must all do our utmost to support this effort so that we are successful in raising the needed funds—and the sooner we achieve success, the more money can go into our endowment fund to maintain the wonderful new spaces we are building. While our solicitor teams have made efforts to reach our congregants for one-on-one meetings, we still have not reached many of you, so don't wait for the call or e-mail—pledge today, and you will be glad you did when you see our finished campus in the fall. To all of you who have already given generously to the Campaign,

Thank You.
Sandy Axel, President

Kindle the Sabbath Candles

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

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

CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

Friday, May	2	8:02pm
Friday, May	9	8:10pm
Friday, May	16	8:19pm
Friday, May	23	8:26pm
Friday, May	30	8:33pm

Shabbat Unplugged

A meditation service led by
Cantor Linda Shivers

Friday, May 9th, 6:15pm

Chronicle Submissions

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

Please e-mail submissions to
mailto:lkitchen@nevehshalom.org
Deadlines

June/July Chronicle- May 4th
August Chronicle- July 7th
September Chronicle- August 8th



Misgav Minyan

Shabbat Afternoon Misgav Minyan
Saturday, May 3, 4-6pm

Our Misgav Minyan, which meets the first Shabbat of every month from 4-6pm will gather for Mincha, study, Seudah Shelishit, singing, camaraderie, Maariv, and Havdalah. This is a newer program at Neveh Shalom and we welcome all who wish to join in.

DAILY MINYAN

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

SHABBAT SERVICES

Erev Shabbat, Friday
1st, 4th & 5th Friday
of the Month
6:15pm ONLY
2nd and 3rd Friday
of the Month
6:15pm and 8:15pm

Shabbat, Saturday, 9 am

Shabbat Child Care

Every Saturday:

*Please call 503.246.8831 to
reserve space.*

Torah Study

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

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

DOWNSTAIRS MINYAN

2nd and 4th Shabbat, Room TBD
3rd Shabbat at the Robison Home

If you would like to lead the
davening for Shaharit, Torah,
or Mussaf please call **Mark
Sherman**, 503.245.0571



**Eleanor Fischer
Dial-In Service**

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

Cantor's Notes



Shabbat Unplugged, Friday May 9 at 6:15pm. Shabbat Unplugged is our monthly meditation Shabbat service. The praying is a little slower, lots of English additions on a theme, a 5-10 minute meditation period and lots of singing. We always finish before 7:30pm and if you aren't comfortable meditating, there are always extra readings to look at. I read the names on the Yahrzeit list and Kaddish is part of the service. Although this service is not designed for young children, I've been amazed at how well behaved the children who come have been. If you're bored by services that are always the same, if you'd like to learn a song each time, if you wish the praying could be slower, or if you want to think about a different theme each month, you might really be moved by Shabbat Unplugged. Shabbat Rocks the Rose City takes place on Friday, May 16 at 8:15 pm. The Percy Bernstein Orchestra is comprised of talented members of Neveh Shalom (plus one player we're working on). These musicians range from High School to Old School. We have retired professional musicians as well as those just launching themselves. The music is a range of styles with a heavy dose of klezmer. We now have 2 drummers, bass and rhythm guitar, French horn, violin, clarinet, sax, flute, trombone, bassoon and who knows! It's always a little of a surprise exactly who will be performing but our fearless leader, Ethan Chessin, is amazing at keeping us all together and sounding great. This will be the last performance for our graduating seniors – Marc Wasserman (sax) and Trevor Edwards (cello). Both of these talented guys have been with the band from the start and I'm very sad to see them go. Danit Rothstein is an also alum who is graduating this year. Maybe by my writing this she'll be inspired to come with her horn to this last performance of the season. I haven't heard yet where these seniors are going next year, but come May 16th and they will all be able to tell you.

If you like a service that is upbeat with a sound that fills the room, this is the service for you. All ages enjoy watching and hearing and singing along with the music. Sometimes we even have a chance to get up and dance. If you have a child who is learning to play an instrument, they might really enjoy hearing their instrument playing some Jewish music!

Cantor Linda Shivers

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In an effort to become a more globally conscience synagogue we are trying to cut down on paper and postage wherever we can. **Jeff Katz**, in conjunction with staff, has been working hard to make our web-site more user friendly as well as having up to date information. If you go to the web site (<http://www.nevehshalom.org>) you will see that you can download flyers and forms to register for most events and classes as well as view the Chronicle. If you are interested in reading your Chronicle online, rather than get a copy in the mail, please contact Lisa at <mailto:lkitchen@nevehshalom.org> or 503.246.8831 to update your preference in our records. If enough congregants choose this option, we can greatly reduce the amount of paper that is being sent out of the office, as well as save on postage which will help on many different levels. We thank you for taking the time and helping us become a "Greener" Synagogue.

ОСТАВЛЯТЬ ЦВЕТЫ, РАСТЕНИЯ, ИЛИ ЛОПАТЫ НА ТРАВЕ ВОСПРЕЩАЕТСЯ.

As we continue to keep our cemeteries beautiful, please note that it is not permitted to leave flowers, plants, or tools on the grass surrounding the grave. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **Michelle Caplan** at 503.293.7305 or <mailto:mcaplan@nevehshalom.org>

Kol-ha-kavod

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

Milestone Anniversaries

Seth and Rose Alford
Jerome and Gaby Barde
Eric and Anna Kodesch
Richard and Ellen Koplan
Irving and Arlene Potter
Mark and Ilene Rosenberg
Dan and Melissa Rubin

Milestone Birthdays

Seth Alford	Thomas Kramer
Amy Alpern	Rachella Kryszek
Debra Bellos	Gail Levine
Dana Benson-Melnick	Albert Menashe
Debbi Bodie	Earl Mooso
Anna Davis	Edward Neuwelt
Jonathan Emanuel	Thelma Newson
Sandey Fields	Darryl Orona
Alvin Goldenberg	Benjiman Philan
Jean Goldstein	Jerome Roth
Peter Goodkin	Sharon Segal
Helaine Gross	Robert Sorkin
Gwen Hollcraft	Leslie Spector
Mariline Horwitz	Eydil Stelmakh
Jennifer Kalenscher	Rick Vagy
Ellen Kipnis	Michael Wolf
Lisa Klein-Wolf	Liliya Zaltsman

Welcome to Our New Members

Linda Bourne
David Colborn
Tatyana Mayler
Sabine Meyer

First Babies Group



The First Babies Group, for families who have recently welcomed their first baby into the world, will be getting together on Sunday, June 8th at the Oregon Zoo. We will meet at the entrance to the zoo at 9:30 am. We hope to see you there! For more information about the First Babies Group or our upcoming outings/events, please contact **Sarah Mitnick** at <mailto:mitnick.sarah@yahoo.com> or **Caron Blau Rothstein** at <mailto:crothstein@nevehshalom.org>

Tikkun Leil Shavuot:

“Who Is a Jew?”

Late Sunday Evening, June 8,
beginning with Maariv at 8:15pm

“Who is a Jew?” has changed over the long course of Jewish history and continues to be debated among Jewish leaders and even in the Israeli Knesset. Judaism chose to become matrilineal (identity passing from birth through the mother) in the rabbinic period. The Bible never challenges the identity of children born to Jewish fathers (Joseph, Moses) and non-Jewish mothers. Also conversion, we are told, is a Jewish invention, allowing someone with no Jewish ancestry entrée with full rights and privileges. Nevertheless debates abound as to who is a legitimate Jew by Choice, frustrating converts and rabbis alike.

On Shavuot we study the Book of Ruth. Ruth, considered the paradigmatic Jew by Choice, simply professes her faith to her mother-in-law Naomi and is welcomed into the Jewish community without additional rites or requirements.

This Shavuot eve when it is traditional to study through the night, simulating the expectation our ancestors felt as they stood awaiting the revelation at Sinai, we will explore the controversial issue of formal Jewish “citizenship” with spokespeople from Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Movements. Can we resolve the painful problem of recognition by some, but not by others? We will debate and discuss, challenge and prod.

The major Jewish festival of Shavuot begins this year on Sunday evening, June 8 and will continue through Monday and Tuesday. Shavuot celebrates the climax of the seven week journey which took our Israelite ancestors from Egypt to Sinai, from human bondage to religious commitment to God. Receiving the Ten Commandments symbolizes our entrance into a life of obligation to God and to each other, a life of ethics and observance.

Join us for study and lively discussion. Let the sparks fly wherever they may. More details of our Tikkun Leil Shavuot—Shavuot eve of study—will be available shortly on our website and in our June Chronicle. We hope to see you here.

Office Changes

As many of you already know Mary Blankenship, a nine year employee of Neveh Shalom, is leaving her position to be a nanny for her grandson.

Mary has been a valuable member of our team and will be missed; we wish her well and hope to see her often. As a result, Julie has moved from her position as receptionist to Mary's position and is very excited about her new responsibilities.

The newest member of our team, our new Receptionist/Admin. Assistant is Rebecca Moeri. Rebecca is a recent graduate of Beloit College in Wisconsin. We are very happy to have her join our staff. Be sure to introduce yourself to her when you come to Neveh Shalom.

Reminder

Womens league
book review/discussion on
*“The five books
of Moses Lapinsky”*
May 28th 7:30pm
at Neveh Shalom

Kvell with us!

...**Jack and Darlene Menashe** are the proud grandparents of twins... Grace and Juliette, born to Ed and Misty Menashe on April 1, 2008. The girls join their vivacious sister, Lucy. They all reside in Portland.

...**Laurie & George Fendel** on the birth of their granddaughter, born to Reyna & Jeff Zach.

...**Dan & Ember Burg** on the birth of their son, Aaron Skidmore Burg.

...Birth of Danile Evan Oller on 3/28 to Heather & Josh Oller. Proud grandparents are **Dale & Evan Oller**, Pat & Ann Adair and Karen Crusich.

... Sarah Oller and Ryan Scott announced their engagement to be married on 8/31. Parents are **Dale & Evan Oller**, Art & Gale Scott and Leila & Rick Arnopolin.

Shoreshim



Shoreshim is putting on exciting events to celebrate Israel at 60! On May 4, 9:30 am, please join us to celebrate Israel's milestone birthday with a pint-sized archaeological dig; sweet cookies; singing

with Morah Kim (Palumbis) and dancing with Morah Rachel (Stern); and flag-making crafts. Thanks to Cyndy Kagan, Susan Greenberg and Maxine Hart for organizing such a celebratory Yom Ha'atzmaut for our young families.

Tot Shabbat now is held upstairs in Rms. 113 – 115. There also is a Shabbat Kids service; held simultaneously next door to Tot Shabbat (Rm. 117), for children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade that includes aliyot and singing accompanied by a guitar. Next services will be May 3 and 17, 10:15 a.m., followed on site by a light Kiddush lunch for all Tot Shabbat and Shabbat Kids' families. Hold the date now for June 7 for a Shavuot dairy Kiddush. Did you know you can sponsor a Shoreshim Kiddush? Doing so in honor of a child's birthday, your anniversary, in memory of a loved one, or for any special occasion, is a mitzvah and will increase the meaning of the Kiddush for all congregants gathered. For more details and to complete a form to sponsor a Kiddush, please pick up an information sheet, available at the kids' Shabbat services and outside the synagogue's main offices. For questions about Shoreshim or information on how you can get involved, please contact **Amy Katz** at 503-238-3773, <mailto:ajkatz@mindspring.com>, or **Jenn Director Knudsen**, <mailto:jdknudsen@yahoo.com>.

RETREAT ATTENDEES EXPLORE JUDAISM YESTERDAY AND TODAY

Recently, **Rabbi Daniel Isaak** led a group of members of Neveh Shalom in a retreat at Skamania Lodge to explore how to survive and thrive as Jews in modern America. The group, which included long time as well as new members of the congregation, met over a weekend to examine ancient texts as well as current literature as guides to models they can adopt in their own lives and the community.

Among the issues that were explored in the beautiful wooded setting of this resort in Stevenson, Washington just 43 miles from Portland were integration and assimilation, generational differences and trends toward a variety of ritual and cultural observances. Tentative plans are already being made for next year and many more people are welcome, said **Rabbi Isaak**, who was joined at the retreat by his wife, **Carol** and the following: **Susan & Allan Abravanel, Mark Astor, Bonnie Berry, Elaine & Arnold Cogan, Sheri & Lee Cordova, Wanda Fullwiler-Skaug, Sheryl & Gary Martel, and Arnette & Leonard Springer.**

Neveh Still Seeks Havurah Prospects

The deadline has been extended for prospective Havurah members to submit their interest forms. A Havurah is a great way to get together as a small community within the larger Neveh community and make friends, celebrate holidays, observe Shabbat and have fun.

Please log onto the CNS website and download a form under the "Get Involved" groups section. You can also contact program coordinator **Caron Blau Rothstein** x139 or <mailto:crothstein@nevehshalom.org> to request a form. Remember, we need as many interested congregants as possible to submit these updated, detailed forms to make the best Havurot possible, so please fill out and send in those forms!!

Creek Restoration Event Sunday, May 18

Kick-off of Shomrei Teva Creek Restoration Project

Event from 9-12; come for as long as you want!

Welcome any synagogue members and friends: youth, adults, families (children at least 10)

To remove non-native plants like English ivy, Himalayan blackberry, clematis.

We supply tools and gloves, please dress for weather; we'll be there rain or shine.

Refreshments provided plus a gift for each family.

Refuah Shlema

Refuah Shlema, a speedy recovery to
Jane O'Glasser,
Gene Abrams,
Lillian Braverman,
Edward Jacobowitz

Women's League Judaica Gift Shop

Thank you for visiting our gift shop during the construction. Unfortunately we will have to vacate the shop for a month (probably in July) during the construction, but we are excited about our beautiful and new facility. Please let us know what kind of merchandise you are looking for so that we can accommodate your needs and wants as we prepare to go into our new space. Volunteers are always needed. We need two special people who can take charge of the greeting cards and cd's. They will need to keep an inventory and do the ordering, maybe one or two mornings a month. Please call **Sue Axel** at 503-297-910 or Ann Yudman at 503-352-4074. We look forward to working with you.

**TORAH FUND CARDS
ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL
EVENTS....**

Gift Shop Spring Hours

Monday-Friday 10 am – Noon
Monday and Thursday 4:15-5:45 pm
(When religious school is in session)
Wednesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Sunday 9:30am-noon
First Tuesday of the month 6:30 – 8 pm
(When Melton School is in session)

Women's League



Be a part of what makes us such a vital part of our synagogue. Women's League is YOUR link between synagogue and home. Women's League is a proud contributor to the Capital Campaign, join us as we grow and change for the future. Be a part of OUR growth.

We are active throughout the year, and membership is available to all women of Neveh Shalom and our community. We support our Synagogue with an annual donation to the Feldstein Library, the annual Women's League Scholarship donation to our religious school, we sponsor the Break the Fast Meal after Yom Kippur services and we participate in community wide events such as the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure against Breast Cancer. For Membership information, contact Marla Weiner, 503.690.9233.

Do you need a Bar Mitzvah, wedding, or a gift for any other reason? Our Judaica Gift shop is open Monday – Friday 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Tuesday evening during Melton school and Wednesday evening and Sunday morning during Religious school sessions. You can get your Tallit, Mezzuzah, Kippot (order your own special colors), Chanukah Menorah and Shabbat Candlesticks, and a lot more for you and your home. We ARE open during the Synagogue construction, for more information, contact Sue Axel, 503.297.9140 or Anne Yudman, 503.352.4074.

Join us on Wednesday, May 28 at 7:00 pm, for a book review of The Five Books of Moses Lapinsky written by Karen X Tulchinsky. Sylvia Frankel will lead our discussion and review of this highly regarded book. It will be available at our Judaica Gift Shop and at your local Library.

Our monthly Potluck & Planning Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 14 at Linda Alpert's home at 6:30 pm. Is there something that YOU want to say to US? Our meetings are open to everyone to attend and to participate WITH US. For more information, contact me at 503.626.6611.

Susan Sutherlin, Neveh Shalom Women's League President

Senior Lunch Bunch Tuesday, May 6, 12 noon

The Senior Lunch this month will be on Tuesday, May 6 at 12:00 noon in the Birnbach Hall. Neveh Shalom member, Fern Schlesinger, will speak about "Surviving and Thriving through Adversity."

Don't miss this unique, first-rate KOSHER lunch, only \$5 per person, reservations required. RSVP by noon on Monday, May 5 to Rebecca at 503-246-8831 ext.100 or <mailto:rmoeri@nevehshalom.org>. NOTE: Due to construction, plan to park in our lower lot and enter through the rear entrance into Birnbach Hall.



Gay & Lesbian Havarah

The Gay/Lesbian Havurah seeks to add contacts—both existing and prospective Neveh members—to its mailing list to ensure that we are reaching as many Jewish gay and lesbian households that we can about our programming. Please email Liza (see email below) with

additional contacts and always feel free to forward our notes to friends who may be interested.

May 3rd 8pm Havdalah & Movie Night

Join us at Hal Nevis' house to watch Ha-Buah, "The Bubble." This is a movie about "Three young Israelis—two guys and a girl share an apartment in Tel Aviv's hippest neighborhood. Trying to put aside political conflicts and focusing on their lives and loves, these progressive 20-somethings are often accused of living in a sort of escapist bubble..." You can read more at www.thebubble.msn.co.il/eng/about.asp.

June 15 Pride Parade

CNS Gay/Lesbian Havurah & Friends will march in the Friends Section of the June Pride Parade. Please be in touch with **Liza** if you are interested in marching with us.

To RSVP for movie night or for any questions about this Havurah contact **Liza Milliner-Bloom** at <mailto:liza410@comcast.net> or 503-319-1848.

Men's Club



We hope everyone had a healthy Passover and enjoyable Seders. At our May Sunday program, Lois Shenker will talk about what she does as a life coach. We start with a brunch in the back of the Sanctuary at 9:40am followed by the meeting at 10am.

The Men's Camp retreat is June 6-8 at Camp Solomon Schechter. It is a great opportunity to spend a shabbat with members of other Jewish Men's organization in the Northwest. Several members enjoyed this event last year.

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 <mailto:sibell@ohsu.edu> if you are interested in helping.

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

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

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had caught Israel unaware. The best trained army in the world, or that had become its reputation, was unprepared and came all too close to devastating defeat. The country we explored that year was in a deep state of self doubt and depression. Could Israel survive? Was the entire enterprise worthwhile? Would peace and security ever be achieved?

I often wonder what the Palestine that my father experienced was like when he arrived in 1937 as an 18-year-old refugee from Nazi Germany. He shared only a few random stories leaving me with the impression of a mixture of hardship with camaraderie with others engaged in building what would eventuate in the Jewish homeland. He stayed until 1947 serving during World War II with the British army in North Africa. I have a stack of letters he wrote to family during those years, but they unfortunately reveal little about the mood and conditions in the country. My father came to America to join his mother and siblings and in doing so met my mother.

I am thankful for the privilege of having been able to visit Israel often over the years, but it is difficult to take the pulse of the country unless you live among the people for an extended period of time. Nevertheless we have felt the pride in technological and economic achievement, wonder at new archeological discovery, excitement and challenges when welcoming Jews from Ethiopia and the former Soviet Union, dreams realized and dashed in the search for peace.

Despite the impression one might receive from reading headlines, tourists today do not have the sense of visiting a nation under terrorist siege. The country is peaceful. The streets are safe. Appropriate precautions are routinely taken and a part of life.

In recent visits I sense more and more frustration and a resignation that resolution to Israel's ongoing situation will not come soon if ever. Hope never dies, but the war in Lebanon last year, the unending rocket attacks from Gaza and the inability of the Palestinians now to rally around a single leader with whom to conduct productive negotiations does not bode well for the immediate future. And internally Israelis are dissatisfied with their own democratically elected directionless leadership.

But we are joined at the hip, we Jews in America and our brothers and sisters in Israel. And so we rejoice when they rejoice and we commiserate when they commiserate. We will have more to tell upon our return. We look forward to speaking with you directly from Israel on Sunday afternoon, May 4.

Rabbi Isaak

Thank you to all our
Albertsons shoppers
Our "Passover in the Aisles"
was a huge success!



Israel Affairs

Our Israel Affairs Committee is a great group of dedicated individuals who are passionate about fostering people-to-people connections with Israel. We are hosting a weekend of Yom Ha'Atzmaut activities with our first Friday Shabbat Service and Yom Ha'Atzmaut Seder & Dinner on May 2 and our synagogue-wide celebration of Israel's 60th on Sunday, May 4. Thanks to Rabbi Greenstein, Ilene Safyan and Rabbi and Mrs. Stampfer for making our YH Seder so successful and our committee for their hard work on our celebrations.

We've been discussing future program ideas including:

***creating a relationship with a synagogue in Israel**

***enhancing contact with Portland's sister city, Ashkelon**

***supporting members of the Israel Defense Forces (IDF)**

***contributing to the efforts of Magen David Adom (the Israeli "Red Cross")**

***viewing and discussing Israeli movies**

***reading and discussing Israeli-authored books**

***...and much more.**

There are many more activities exploring our relationship with Israel and Israelis coming your way. Won't you help plan them? Join our committee. Contact **Caron Blau Rothstein**, committee staff liaison at mailto:crothstein@nevehshalom.org for more information.

This month's Hebrew is:

Hello, How are you?

"Shalom, Ma nish ma?"

"שלום מה נשמע?"

And the various answers could be:

Good "Tov"

"טוב"

All right "Beseder"

"בסדר"

So-so; "Kacha Kacha"

"ככה ככה"

or "Loh tov"

"לא טוב"

The next time you see someone, try it out! It's fun! B'Shalom,
Dana Sacks, Israel Affairs Committee Chair

Youth @ CNS

JR. Kadima (grades 3-5)

I don't know about you guys, but Bouldering was a blast! You all were such amazing climbers! Our next event in May will be our last official event of the year, Laser Tag!

I know this is one of your favorite events, so I thought I would save the best for last!

I'll see you there!

Marissa Louke, Junior Kadima Advisor
mailto:jrkadima@portlandrshonim.org



Kadima (grades 6-8)

Hey Kadimanicks!

Kadima had fun in April. This past month we had an adventure scaling the walls at the bouldering gym and later continued the good times at Games and Pizza Night at Neveh. We all rolled up our sleeves and broke out the board games and decks of cards, and we got to eat lots of pizza too! Make sure to keep an eye out and come to our final two activities of the year: Laser Tag and Tie-Dye End-of-the-Year Party.



Jaime Wren, Kadima Advisor
mailto:kadima@portlandrshonim.org



USY (grades 9-12)

The excitement continues for USY. We just completed our 2nd annual video scavenger hunt in downtown Portland and discovered some new hot spots near the fountains and historical sculptures! It was an educational and social experience all in one. West Regional Convention is approaching and we would love to share this incredible experience with you. Taking place on Memorial Day weekend in Post Falls, Idaho, we will partake in various Jewish programming, social activities and the ever-so-popular Saturday Night Disco. Please contact mailto:usy@portlandrshonim.org if you have any further questions.

Rachelle Vagy, USY Advisor

From the Youth Director @ CNS

Youth Activities has worked tremendously hard to expand and grow our program. In April our kids not only set out to explore Portland together through many fun, recreational events, but our USY'ers had a relaxing and spiritual weekend at their second bi-annual beach shabbaton. The programs created are to allow our kids a social and interactive way to explore their Judaism with peers. We are always open for suggestions on future events and other ways to help our program grow.

As Youth Director, my most important goal is to ensure the safety of all kids at every event. But I need your help in doing this. RSVPing on time helps us by allowing us to guarantee enough staff for all events, so that we can always maintain our 1:10 staff ratio. With most of our events being "field trip style" our advisors and assistants are constantly working to supervise and protect everyone. It is vital that parents **never** drop their kids off or pick their children up from an event without first checking them in/out with the Youth Advisor. We appreciate all your help so that everyone can have a fantastic Youth Activities Experience.

If you have any questions and/or comments please feel free to email or call anytime.

-Helene Wren, Youth Director mailto:hwren@nevehshalom.org

Feldstein Library

FELDSTEIN LIBRARY will be CLOSED

April 19 through May 19

Please RETURN books, tapes, videos to the Office during that time.

Spring Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9am to 2pm.

Sunday morning and Wednesday nights when Religious School is in Session

Evenings by appointment.

Religious School Highlights for May

Sunday, May 4th –

Yom HaAtzmaut Celebration –@ Neveh Shalom

Friday, May 9th –

Family Shabbat Dinner – grades K-5

Saturday, May 10th –

Final Session, Shabbat School Service

Wednesday, May 14th –

12th grade Graduation

Saturday, May 17th –

grades 3-5 Shabbat Service

Sunday, May 18th –

Last Sunday classes

Thursday, May 22nd –

Last day of Hebrew School

Religious School

The month of May, corresponding to the Hebrew month of Nisan, includes the celebration of many "YomHas".... Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Memorial Day), Yom Hazikaron (Memorial Day for Israeli soldiers), and Yom HaAtzmaut (Israeli Independence Day).

This year we are celebrating Israel's 60th birthday and in order to show our support and join in the festivities, we have arranged to have an authentic archeological dig set up in our parking lot on Sunday, May 4th. The students in our Hebrew school will dig for buried artifacts, sift through their finds, classify their finds and discuss their significance, and decipher their own ancient Hebrew inscription and make Jewish texts come alive. This activity will be open to the public or other families who do not attend classes in the Religious School after 12:00 on May 4th. We are praying for good weather and hope many will turn out for this special event.

Please also be on hand to celebrate the graduation of our senior class on Wednesday, May 14th at 7:00pm. The guest speaker will be Rabbi Howard Gorin, who will speak on his experiences with the Jewish Nigerian community.

A special thanks to **Sherri Cook** and **Ashlea Barde** for helping out in the kitchen during our Purim celebration last month.

Susan Bernstein, Director of Education

High School Graduation Shabbat

Please join us at our late services on Friday night, May 9th, as we celebrate the graduation of all of our High School seniors. Neveh Shalom has established a tradition of recognizing these students as they are about to embark on their new adventures. All graduating seniors will be receiving information in the mail soon. Please contact **Marci Atkins** 503.293.7308 if you have any questions about this joyous evening celebrating a parent's pride and young person's accomplishments.

Neveh Shalom would like to congratulate the High School class of 2008:

Isaiah Aginsky	Ricki Kirsch	Sam Rudolph
Melissa Alford	Joanna Levy	Melanie Russell
Mariella Ballato	Jason Lohman	Marissa Snyder
Nicholas Bellos	Adam Markiz	Havah Solomon-Smith
Jeremy Carp	Liat Melnick	Joshua Stein
Stephen Dickerson	Daniel Nash	Ziv Steinfeld
Sean Dudley	Allison Neuman	Adam Stone
Trevor Edwards	Geoffrey Nudelman	Bella Vaynberg
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Joshua Goodman	Hosia Rotstein	Robyn Wolochow
Josh Halladay	Danit Rothstein	Leah Yablok
Gwen Kaplin	Sari Rosove	

Foundation School

The Foundation School Purim Parade was a noisy, fun time for us all. **Kim Palumbis** led us in Purim songs, and the children looked wonderful in their costumes as they marched around the sanctuary.



Upon returning from Spring Break, classes jumped into preparing for Passover.

The children learned the story of Passover, sang songs, practiced the Four Questions and baked Matzah.



Rooms were full of art projects-



making frog puppets, Seder plates and Kiddush cups.



On April 16 children and families gathered together for our clergy.



Our pre-kindergarten classes attended their annual theater production. This year they saw "Stellaluna". What a fabulous experience for them!

Jan Skolnik, Director and **Sheila Stern**, Assistant Director



Learning Opportunities at CNS

Walking With God.....this time it's Personal

Instructor: **Rabbi Brad**

Cost: Free

Place: Congregation Neveh Shalom Rm. 113. 6 Monday nights 7:30-9:00 April 28th- June 9th (no class memorial day)

RSVP to Rebecca at <mailto:rmoeri@nevehshalom.org>

Who/What really is God? Join us for the first time or continue studying with us as we dive into the second installment of Walking with God. In the fall we explored God from the perspective of our ancient ancestors...Now let's see how God can be relevant in modernity and our own lives. Together we will explore the Jewish portrayal of God within different streams of Jewish thought. We will dive into texts that reveal:

God in Kabbalah

God in Hassidut (traditional interpretations of spirituality and joy)

God in Modern Jewish Thought

God and Us

God on the Frontier of Jewish Thought

Conclusions: My God

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

An Inter-Faith Evening with RABBI MOSHE COTEL

PerformingChronicles:

A Religious Life at the Classical Piano



Sunday, May 18th,

5:00 p.m.

St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church

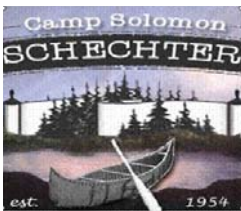
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Tickets: \$18/\$12 (students and seniors)

For advanced tickets at \$15/\$10 please contact any of the co-sponsoring churches or synagogues

Rabbi Moshe Cotel, composer/pianist, presents a unique mix of classical piano and personal stories. Cotel recounts his private journey from the life of a virtuoso musician to that of a spiritual leader. Works by Mozart, Bach, Mendelssohn, Bloch, Schoenberg, Scriabin, Gershwin, and Delibes will be performed in this program that has much to teach us about a life well-lived, music and spirituality, joy and love, art and Torah.



Camp Solomon Schechter Hires New Director

Camp Solomon Schechter welcomes its new director, Sam Perlin. Sam is already on the job and working to continue Schechter's tradition as the premier Conservative Jewish camp in the Pacific Northwest.

Perlin is a graduate of the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School in Rockville, MD, and a former camper at three different Jewish summer camps. He holds a B.S. in Physical Education (certified to teach Pre-K through 12th grade) from the University of Maryland and a Masters in Administration from Western Maryland College. Upon receiving his B.S., Perlin returned to his alma mater to teach and coach. He later joined Beth Tfiloh School in Baltimore, MD, serving as athletic director, PE department head and coach of the boys' varsity basketball and soccer teams. Sam also taught and led davening, and ran numerous shabbatons while at Beth Tfiloh. In addition, he served for three summers as the athletic director for Camp Rodef Shalom in Falls Church, VA.

In 1998, Perlin accepted a position as athletic director and boys' varsity basketball coach with the Seattle Academy of Arts and Sciences (SAAS). Over the subsequent 10 years, Perlin grew the program significantly, including helping raise \$6M to build a new athletic center. During this time, he also founded and ran Camp Maccabiah, a Jewish sports camp for elementary aged children in Seattle's Northend.

Perlin and his wife, Sharon, have three children and are members of Congregation Beth Shalom in Seattle. "As a parent of CSS campers, I have long admired the important role CSS plays in the Jewish community of the Pacific Northwest" stated Sam Perlin. "I am thrilled to have this opportunity and look forward to visiting all of the communities that CSS serves to meet campers, parents, staff and alumni. I'm confident that 2008 is going to be a wonderful summer and invite any parent who is considering sending his or her child to CSS this summer to contact me to discuss Camp."

Sam has already visited Neveh Shalom twice during his short tenure. He and his staff are putting together another great summer at Schechter. There are still some spots available for campers entering the 2nd through 10th grades and it's not too late to register for the summer. Visit the camp web site at <http://www.campschechter.org> or call 503-447-1967.

Donate Your Car

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

Rabbi Howard Gorin

"Reflections on Nigerian Jewry" Wednesday, May 14, 7:00pm

All are invited to come hear Rabbi Howard Gorin address Neveh Shalom's graduating High School Seniors on Wednesday, May 14. His presentation will last about 30 minutes. He will also have an information table and be available afterwards for a time of Q&A.

Howard Gorin is the Chief Rabbi of Nigeria. His current efforts involve helping to launch Jewish schools in Nigeria and training the next generation of Jewish leaders. He has visited there three times - most recently in March of this year. For more information, check out his web site at <http://www.rabbihowardgorin.org>

THANK YOU!!!!

We would like to thank everyone who made our auction a spectacular evening. We had countless volunteers, sponsors, donors and of course, all of you who attended this event, who made this an auction we hope you will remember.

Mitzvah Moment – Part Two!

For those who were unable to be there Sunday night, you can view our video tribute to Neveh Shalom on Auction website (<http://nevehshalom.org/auction>). Just click the play button. There is music that is part of the video. If you would like to contribute for the benefit of our congregation, please call the office at 503-246-8831. Thank you.

Sign-up parties

There are still a few openings for some of the great sign-up parties. If you are interested in attending on of these parties, you can review the list and see which ones are still available <http://nevehshalom.org/auction/signup.html> and contact the office if you are interested. See you next year! What's that you say? You had such a great time this year and want to be part of the planning for next year? It is not too early to start thinking about our next auction to be held April 26, 2009. If you are interested in joining the Auction committee, please contact **JoAnn Bezodis** at <mailto:jbezodis@nevehshalom.org> or at 503.293-7309. Again, thank you to the entire Neveh Shalom community!

Monica Brenner and Jeff Katz

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Scenes from Neveh Shalom's annual Auction



Jewish Film Club Sunday, June 8, 3pm



Neveh Shalom's Jewish Film Club meets every other month on a Sunday afternoon. We select from Jewish films both new and old, and serve coffee/tea and cookies. The next film will be shown on Sunday, June 8th at 3pm in the Birnbach Hall. For more information or to get on our email invitation list, please contact **Paul and Joan Sher** at <mailto:sherphosu@aol.com> or <mailto:paulpsher@gmail.com> or <mailto:joanzsher@aol.com>

SAVE THE DATE!

Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, June 5, 6:00pm

Neveh Shalom relies on volunteers to help us continue to provide a wide variety of programs and services to our members. In order to show our appreciation, the Staff and Board of Directors prepare and serve this dinner to acknowledge the time, thought, and resources our volunteers have given to our community.

Annual Meeting, Thursday, June 5, 7:00pm

We invite all our members attend this important meeting. Hear important administrative, program and financial reports from our clergy, staff and lay leadership; meet and elect our officers and Board of Directors; and enjoy fabulous desserts as well.



Taste and Travel

Thursday, May 15,
7:00pm

Enjoy a virtual tour through sharing experiences via slides, PowerPoint, artifacts, souvenirs, and best of all, food! We will have treats, snacks, or finger foods so you may sample the region and culture. We will be meeting at Neveh Shalom Thursday evening, **May 15, 7-9pm**. We look forward to seeing you there!

Presentations by:

Dale Oller

"Vietnam and Cambodia"

Fanny & Barry Horowitz

"South America"

Notes from Shomrei Teva



Spring and Restoration
of the Land

On Sunday May 18th, Shomrei Teva, Neveh Shalom's "green" committee invites the community to kick-off the beginning of

a long-term project to restore the creek that runs along the synagogue. (See the box on page 5 for details.) If you look you'll see that the area is terribly overgrown with non-native plants like English ivy, Himalayan blackberry, and clematis. We want to remove the exotics and replant the area with native plants that better benefit the soil, feed the birds and animals that live along the creek, require less maintenance, and look more natural and more beautiful. This is a project that will contribute to the beautification of our synagogue and the natural environment of the area. Shomrei Teva will supply tools and gloves, as well as refreshments and a gift for each family. Rain or shine, we welcome all families and young people at least 10 years of age. We'll be there from 9 until noon so come for as long as you want, but dress for the weather. Restoration of the land is a wonderful way to celebrate spring, and no one said it more poignantly than Rebbe Nachman of Bratslav, grandson of the Baal Shem Tov. The Rebbe wrote: "It is especially precious to go out into the fields at the beginning of spring, when nature awakens from her sleep, and to pour out a prayer there. For every fresh blade of grass, every new flower, all join themselves with the prayer, for they too yearn and long for God." **Jordan Epstein**, Shomrei Teva Chair

Outside In

Volunteer cooks made another delicious meal for Outside In, a volunteer agency that offers services for at risk youth and young adults. Thanks to head cook **Akiko Berkman** and helpers **Mackenzie Berkman, Lisa and Tali Greenfield and Annie and Aviva Zigman**. Email **Aviva Zigman** at <mailto:ajzigman@hotmail.com> for questions about the program.

Our next cooking date will be May 7 at 4:15pm.

First Friday Dinner and Yom Ha'Atzmaut Seder Friday, May 2, Approx. 7:15pm

The Israel Affairs Committee presents a Yom Ha'Atzmaut Seder in conjunction with our monthly First Friday Shabbat Dinner. **Ilene Safyan** will lead participants in a Yom Ha'Atzmaut Seder to honor Israel's 60th anniversary of its independence. This promises to be an extra special program. \$14/adult, \$7/child age 10 and under, \$42 limit per household (includes 2 adults and all minor children). Reservations required. RSVP by noon on Wednesday, April 30. Call Rebecca at 503-246-8831, ext. 100, or <mailto:rmoeri@nevehshalom.org>



Blood Drive May 18 9:00am-1:00pm

Give Blood, Save Lives!

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be on site at Neveh Shalom from 9am to 1pm. All blood types are needed. To sign up, please call **JoAnn** at 503-293-7309 or reply to <mailto:jbezodis@nevehshalom.org> and we will schedule you to the nearest half-hour you indicate. Don't wait for someone else to be the hero. We're counting on YOU!

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

We gratefully acknowledge donations to the above mentioned Synagogue Funds.

In Memoriam

We mourn the loss of synagogue members:

Norman Howard

Arlene Sims

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

Condolences

Our condolences to our members and their families,

Gloria Bacharach on the death of a loved one

Jack Birnbach on the death of his father, **Max Birnbach**

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Terry Howard's husband, **Norman Howard**

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May their memory be a blessing.

WHEN A DEATH OCCURS

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

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.

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 mailto:mcaplan@nevehshalom.org. If you would like more information about this tradition and or about purchasing a plaque.

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All Member First Friday Shabbat Dinner



*The Israel Affairs Committee
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Yom Ha'Atzmaut Seder in conjunction with our monthly

First Friday Shabbat Dinner

Friday, May 2, 2008

Birnbach Hall

Approximately 7:15pm

Join us after our early 6:15pm service for a family-style
Shabbat dinner as we celebrate Israel's 60th birthday in story and song.

Seder led by Rabbi Bradley Greenstein and Ilene Safyan

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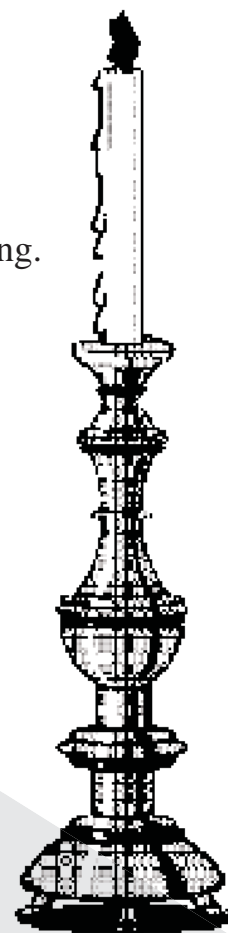
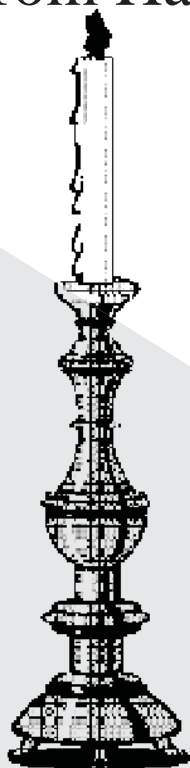
Household Maximum is \$42

Reservations **MUST** be made in advance

RSVP by phone or email to Rebecca at

rmoeri@nevehshalom.org

by noon Wednesday, April 30th.



Neveh Shalom's First Friday Dinner May 2, 2008

Please return the bottom portion of this form to Julie Marquis in the Neveh Shalom office by April 30, 2008.

Adult: \$14 Children: \$7 Household Maximum \$42

of Adults _____ # of Children(10 and under) _____

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Neveh Shalom invites you to celebrate Israel's **60th Birthday**

Friday, May 2

one 7:15 pm *First Friday Dinner*

First Friday Shabbat and Yom Ha'Atzmaut Seder
(registration and details on separate flyer).

Sunday, May 4

two 9 am – 12 pm *Religious School
Archaeological Dig*

“Dig the past” Students participate with life-size re-creation of an archeological excavation with an Israeli archaeologist.

Sunday, May 4

three 9:30am-11:30 am *Shoreslim Sponsored Program
for Young Families*

Activities to include mini-dig, flag making, cookie decorating and Hebrew learning.

Sunday, May 4

four 12:30pm-2:30 pm *Israel Affairs Committee-Sponsored
Synagogue-wide Celebration*

Includes live talk with Rabbi Isaak and congregants in Israel, special guest Israeli Shaliach Adi Farjon, Kochavim Shuk, vendors and much more.

*There is NO CHARGE for events two through four. Sunday lunch
(available 11:30 am-1:00 pm), however is \$5/falafel platter and MUST be
pre ordered. This yummy entree is provided by Century Catering.*

Please return this portion with the chosen amount of falafel platters you would like to pre order for Israel's 60th celebration on May 4th.
Return to the CNS offices with a check or call Julie Marquis at 503.246.8831 x100 or jmarquis@nevehshalom.org by April 30.



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Chosen in celebration of Israel's 60th Independence Day!

Radu Mihaileanu's 2005 Israeli/French classic, Live and Become

Most popular film at the 2005 Vancouver International Film Festival

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--Ed Scheid, Box Office Magazine

Monday May 5th, 2008 5:30pm \$9/person

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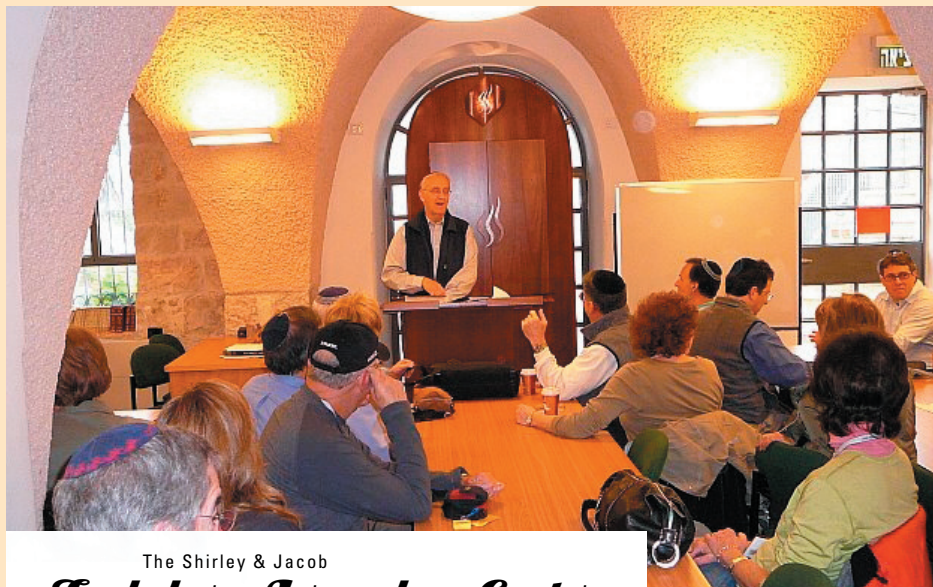
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Portland, Oregon 4/8/08 - The Interfaith Disabilities Network of Oregon is pleased to announce our upcoming conference "*Beyond the Ramp – Engaging People with Disabilities in Faith Communities*" that will be held on May 2, 2008 from 8:30am – 4:00pm at St. Anthony Village, 3560 SE 79th Avenue, Portland.

Leading disabilities advocates, faith leaders, self-advocates and professional service providers will be making presentations and facilitating open discussions on important issues concerning the creation of inclusive faith communities. In addition, exhibitors representing a variety of community support organizations will be present to provide information on a variety of services and resources.

If you are a pastor, priest or rabbi, person with a disability, congregational lay leader, parent or sibling of a person with a disability, or a professional service provider to people with disabilities this conference is for you. Four workshop 'tracks' designed specifically for the needs and interests of each of these groups will be offered as will several keynote addresses and a wrap-up session which will provide an opportunity to ask questions, exchange experiences, and make connections with others of similar interests.

For additional information, please contact Sibelia Chaiyahat, LCSW at 503-774-2572.

About The Interfaith Disabilities Network of Oregon – We are a non-profit organization seeking to activate the resources of faith communities to address the unmet needs of individuals with disabilities and their families in Oregon.

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