

Congregation Neveh Shalom

CHRONICLE

THIS NEWSLETTER IS SUPPORTED BY THE SALA KRYSZEK MEMORIAL PUBLICATION FUND

From the Pulpit



Ever since I arrived at Neveh Shalom, many congregants, particularly those studying for conversion, have asked me why I feel compelled to follow Jewish Law. How is it that one truly feels a sense of being commanded to enact God's mitzvot? There are many classical rationales for observing mitzvot, though I am personally most compelled by my debt owed to God. My own faith and compliance with God's torah is driven by a need to express thanksgiving. If I take time for introspection, I am overwhelmed by the blessings bestowed upon me that continue each day. Because I view myself *primarily* as a recipient, I feel

duty-bound to repay The One who has enriched my life. Often times in prayer I acknowledge that which has taken place on my account. I feel ashamed in front of my maker, for there is not a balance between what has been done for me and what I have done for God. My debt leads me to welcome "obligations of gratitude." I owe God not only for the richness of my own experiences, but for the gifts given to others as well. My personal bill of life's accounting is quite high and overdue.

In our torah, God has made clear that what is requested of humanity is the obedience to God's law and thus the fulfillment of divine will. God clearly views humanity to be indebted to the One Who Spoke and The World Came Into Being. We are constantly reminded of the deeds done on our behalf. The Decalogue begins with God's self definition as the redeemer from Egypt, suggesting that we must follow divine law because of the divine positive actions done on our behalf. Because God calls out to man seeking the enactment of mitzvot, I believe adhering to the mitzvot is a fitting start to repayment. Undeniably, one may not feel in debt towards God if they have seen more atrocity in life than blessing. Why should they feel indebted to God if the life God has given them has been only filled with misery? The problem of evil uproots or at least complicates all theories for obedience to the Law.

Alongside my tremendous sense of debt towards God, I obey God's law because it is Divine Law. I do not *primarily* seek God's way because of any personal reward, hope for knowledge, or guidance. I do not commit to God's way *primarily* because God will be closer or because I aspire to be like God, or even because I read or feel that God loves me. If God is absolute, the eternal knower of all things, than I am drawn to manifesting God's will. We all observe the mitzvot in different ways and for different reasons. Mitzvah means commandment. The mitzvot are a language with which we are able to connect and converse with the transcendent. I have found them to be a spiritual discipline to express and give thanks to the One who always was, is, and will be.

My office door is always open, please stop by and say hello!
B'virkat Shalom,

Rabbi Bradley Greenstein

PASSOVER SECOND NIGHT SEDER

Plan to join **Rabbi Bradley & Sarah Greenstein** for our Second Night Seder on Tuesday, April 3, at 6pm. Fabulous food will be provided by our own Allen Levin. See the flyer in this month's Chronicle for cost and reservation information.

In This Issue

Purchase a Yahrzeit plaque

page 4

**Our President says:
Get involved!**

page 4

**Esther Chazon to
speak at CNS**

page 6

**Passport to Paris
taking off**

page 8

Adult Ed update

page 10



**Cantor Marshall Portnoy at
Congregation Neveh Shalom**

February 2, 6:15pm, Shabbat Shira

February 3, 9am, The Song of the Sea

February 3, 8pm, Concert including
Cantor Ida Rae Cahana, Cantor Judith
Schiff, Cantor Linda Shivers & Julie Beth
Portnoy with Phyllis Louke on flute &
Marjorie Janove on piano.

This concert is a benefit for the Neveh Shalom Choir. Tickets are available from any choir member or from the Neveh Shalom office (jmarquis@nevehshalom.org or 503.246.8831, ext 100). Adults: \$18, Seniors & Students (with ID), \$15.

Neveh Shalom Family

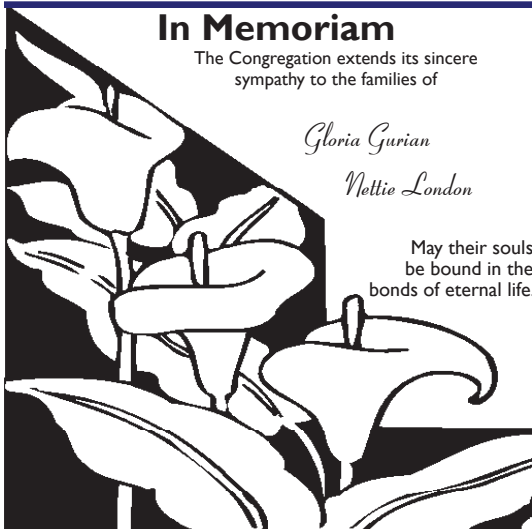
In Memoriam

The Congregation extends its sincere sympathy to the families of

Gloria Gurian

Nettie London

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



Condolences

Our sincere condolences to our members **Melvin Ball** on the death of his father, Louis Ball; **Victoria Rosenberg-Lewis** on the death of her mother, Carolyn Easton; **Eric Kodesch** on the death of his grandmother, Freda Wolf; **Kenneth Gurian** on the death of his wife, **Gloria Gurian**; **Lillian Wexler** on the death of her brother, Morton Kessler; and **Cerinda Survant** on the death of her mother, Dorothy Survant.

Refuah Shlema



Refuah Shlema, a speedy recovery, to **Roz Andronesco, Barbara Barde, Goldie Barde, Marg Everett and Gary Weinstein.**

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.

Welcome, New Members

Neveh Shalom extends a warm welcome to new members: **Avraam Hayat, Pearl Rubenstein and Leah Shapiro.** We look forward to their participation in synagogue life.

Kol Ha-Kavod!

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

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

Jay and Nancy Drogin
Leonard and Nira Levine
Simon and Inga Newman

Edward and Davida Rosenbaum
Jack and Barbara Schwartz
Brian and Barbara Suher

MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

Francine Abolofia
Michelle Alberts
Roberta Cohen
Teresa Coughlin
Howard David
Paul Gilliam
Lesley Glasgow
Diana Golden
Shari Katz
Harvey Keller
Nina Khatayevich

Ida Levenshteyn
Edith Levitt
Merritt Linn
Joseph Mandiberg
Joanna Menashe
Robert Metter
Wendy Miller
Naum Miroshnik
Sam Monastyrsky
Sidney Nieh
Joan Rosenbaum

Steve Rudolph
Jack Schwartz
Gail Semler
Chris Shirkoff
Robert Shlachter
Eric Stone
Gennady Talal
Dora Waddle-Denichenko
Marla Weiner

Shabbat Unplugged

Friday, February 9, 6:15pm

Zidell Chapel

A meditation service with
Cantor Linda Shivers

Neveh Shalom Family



Mazel Tov to **Derek Sturman** on his becoming a Bar Mitzvah February 2 & 3, 2007. Derek is the son of Lee & Isabel Sturman and brother to Hannah and Mitchell. Grandparents are Esther Sturman & the late Reuben Sturman and Ernest & Dolores Robles. Derek is a 7th-grade student at Lake Oswego Jr. High. He enjoys improvisational acting, skateboarding, and guitar.



Mazel Tov to **Alex Bard** on his becoming a Bar Mitzvah February 9 & 10, 2007. Alex is the son of Ed & Becky Bard and brother to Rachel. Grandparents are Dr. Allen and Fran Bard of Austin, TX, Mr. Elliot Moser of Houston, TX, and the late Harriet Moser of Houston, TX. He is a 7th-grade student at Lake Oswego Junior High. Alex's interests include playing the cello in the school orchestra, science, computer games and traveling.



Mazel Tov to **Michael Metter** on his becoming a Bar Mitzvah February 16 & 17. Michael is the son of **Karen & Robert Metter** and is brother to Jennifer and Jacob. Grandparents are Jeanne Fischer & Evelyn Metter. Michael is a 7th-grade student at Cedar Park Middle School. Michael is a very active athlete. His favorite sports are football, basketball, baseball, paintball, video games and reading. He donated time packing apples for the Oregon Food Bank and contributed money as well.

Calling for all de-activated cell phones and battery chargers. Old cell phones still dial "911" and the service is free. Old phones can be donated to victims of domestic violence and other people in need. Please bring in your cell phones and battery chargers to the school office.

Kid Videos: Kids in the hospital suffer from sickness, pain, fatigue, weariness of body and boredom of mind. Videos make a difference. Please bring in gently used children's videos to the school office.

Membership

As we begin 2007, it is important to look back and recognize the accomplishments of the past year. Fresh in my mind is the successful All Member Hanukkah Party we hosted in December, just a few weeks ago. It was an amazing testament to the strength and warmth of our congregation. I would like to thank all of the people who worked hard to help organize this event, including the Shoreshim Committee, the Membership Committee, Jan Skolnik, Susan Bernstein and Michelle Caplan. As Rabbi Isaak succinctly described it, "It was a wonderful Hanukkah celebration and reflected well on all that we do." We had over 300 attendees, including some prospective individuals and families, and there was something for everyone to do. Good food, great company and a lovely way to celebrate the holiday.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, January 28 at 8:30 am for the Neveh Shalom Annual All Member Pancake Breakfast. You will be receiving more details in the mail.

Here's to a happy, healthy, productive 2007!

Shalom, **Julie Zola**, Membership Committee Chair



SUIT CLOSET

Donations wanted! Do you have a suit that your son all-too-rapidly outgrew right after his bar mitzvah? Don't let it collect dust! Share it with others! The Suit Closet is a great new place to donate to or borrow from.

This Suit Closet benefits those in need and supports environmental sensitivity by recycling, rather than discarding, old apparel. **Stephanie Arnheim** is in the process of collecting suits in like-new condition for this special project. Please only donate suits that are clean. We are accepting donations of shirts and shoes as well. Please make your contribution at the CNS offices, or directly to Stephanie. And, if you would like to borrow from our collection for your own son's use, please contact **Stephanie Arnheim** at 503.690.7768 or stephanie@landeas.com.

Kvell with Us



Adena Gilana Kaufman

Mazel Tov to Allison & Jason Kaufman on the birth of their third daughter, Adena Gilana, who was born December 30, 2006. Big sisters Eliana and Sarina are very excited. Grandparents are Martha Kapusta and Sandy Kaufman of Dallas, TX and Dick and Sue Anderson of Lincoln City, OR.

Mazel Tov to David & Carol Olson on the marriage of their son, Joshua Olson, to Hasmik Ghazaryan on December 27, 2006. Also, Mazel tov on their son Josh's completion of his Peace Corps service in Armenia.

Mazel Tov to Marge & Allan Sherman on the engagement of their son, Ken, to Jennifer Strada. Parents of the bride are Berlynn and Albert Strada of Atlanta, Georgia. The couple, who live in Brooklyn, are planning a late summer wedding in New York.

For the first time in over 30 years, the Encyclopaedia Judaica has produced a new, improved, and updated version. The Feldstein Library here at Neveh Shalom has ordered both the print and CD ROM versions of the new encyclopedia. We are particularly proud to note a wonderful entry in the new version on our own Rabbi Emeritus, Rabbi Joshua Stampfer. We all know what a wonderfully productive, impactful and meaningful life he has had, now the rest of the world can learn as well. It is with pride that we reprint the entry on Rabbi Stampfer below: Stampfer, Joshua. Bezael Gordon.

Encyclopaedia Judaica. Eds. Michael Berenbaum and Fred Skolnik. Vol. 19. 2nd ed. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2007. p160. 22 vols.

Full Text: COPYRIGHT 2007 Keter Publishing House Ltd.

STAMPFER, JOSHUA



STAMPFER, JOSHUA (1921–), U.S. Conservative rabbi, historian. Stampfer was born in the Jewish Quarter in the Old City of Jerusalem and was brought at the age of two to the United States, where he grew up in Akron, Ohio. He earned his B.S. from the University of Chicago in 1943 and his M.S. from the University of Akron in 1945. He returned to Jerusalem to study at the Hebrew University and volunteered to fight with the *Haganah in Israel's War of Independence. He was ordained at the *Jewish Theological Seminary in 1949 and received a D.H.L. from the *University of Judaism in 1972. In 1987, he was awarded an honorary Ph.D. from Pacific University. He served as rabbi of Congregation Tifereth Israel in Lincoln, Nebraska (1949–53) before becoming rabbi of Congregation Neveh Shalom in Portland, Oregon (emeritus since 1993). Under his leadership, Neveh Shalom grew to more than 1,000 families, to become one of the leading Conservative synagogues in the Pacific Northwest. Influenced by his teacher Mordecai *Kaplan, Stampfer initiated egalitarian changes, encouraging women to read the Torah and counting them in the minyan long before it became more commonplace within the movement.

A past president of both the Oregon Board of Rabbis and the Pacific Northwest Region of the *Rabbinical Assembly, Stampfer brought dynamism to the greater Oregon Jewish community as well. In addition to developing innovative educational programs at his own synagogue, Stampfer was instrumental in founding the first Jewish day school in the city, Hillel Academy (now the Portland Jewish Academy). He established and chaired the Oregon Jewish Historical Society, the Oregon Holocaust Resource Center, the Oregon Jewish Museum, and the Oregon Israel Jubilee Committee. In 1983, he founded the Institute for Judaic Studies, sponsoring symposia and conferences (in conjunction with the University of Oregon and Portland State University, where he serves on the faculty) that bring Jewish scholars to an area of the country considered remote. Remembering the influence of Shlomo *Bardin's Brandeis Camp on his own life, Stampfer founded and directed Camp Solomon *Schechter, the only Conservative Jewish summer camp in the Pacific Northwest.

Stampfer created and nurtured organizations beyond the boundaries of Oregon as well. His travels and contacts with the remnants of the ancient Jewish community of Kaifeng, China, and the Converso families of Belmonte, Portugal, led him to become the founding president of the Society for Crypto-Judaic Studies, to support research on the vanishing traces of the *Diaspora. He was also an organizer and the first vice president of the Sino-Judaic Institute.

Stampfer has maintained close personal and professional ties with Israel. He spent his sabbaticals working for and teaching at the fledgling Center for Conservative Judaism in Jerusalem. He encouraged support for Israel at home and led more than a dozen community and clergy tours to Israel. He was a co-founder of Oregonians for Peace Now and a member of the national board of Americans for Peace Now.

Stampfer was a long-standing appointee to the Oregon Government Ethics Commission and was actively involved in interfaith dialogue with Muslim and Christian leaders. He was the author of *Pioneer Rabbi of the West: The Life and Times of Julius Eckman* (1984), and a volume on ancient history, *Cradle of Civilization in the Middle East* (n.d.). In addition, Stampfer edited six books: *Prayer and Politics: The Twin Poles of A.J. Heschel* (1985); *Dialogue, the Essence of Buber* (1986); *The Sephardim: A Cultural Journey from Spain to the Pacific Coast* (1987); *All Its Paths Are Peace* (1987); *Islam and Judaism, 1400 Years of Shared Values* (1988); and *The Last Crypto Jews of Portugal* (1990). A biography of Stampfer's life, *To Learn and to Teach* (by David Michael Smith) appeared in 2003.

[Bezael Gordon (2nd ed.)]

Source Citation: Gordon, Bezael. "Stampfer, Joshua." Encyclopaedia Judaica. Eds. Michael Berenbaum and Fred Skolnik. Vol. 19. 2nd ed. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2007. 160. 22 vols. Gale Virtual Reference Library. Thomson Gale. Hebrew University of Jerusalem. 31 Dec. 2006

Thomson Gale Document Number: CX2587519036

© 2005 Thomson Gale, a part of The Thomson Corporation.

Neveh Shalom Family

Cantor's Notes



I hope I'll see all of you at the concert featuring Cantor Marshall Portnoy on Saturday night, February 3, at 8pm. If you aren't sure whether you'd like it or not, then come to services on Friday, February 2, at 6:15pm to help you decide. The concert is a benefit for the Neveh Shalom Choir and they have worked very hard to put this exciting evening together. Every choir member has donated to help support the evening as well

as put in their share of sweat equity. The money raised funds sheet music, guest musicians and our conductor. Please help our choir continue to bring quality Jewish music to Neveh Shalom.

The Percy Bernstein Orchestra will play on Friday night, February 23rd, at 6:15pm. The orchestra will be playing some new arrangements by our new conductor, Ethan Chessin. Come participate in this lively and meaningful Shabbat service. Also look for some new faces in the band.

Rehearsals are underway for Purim: The Rock Opera. This Purim Shpiel (play) was written by **Mark Steering, Mark Sherman, Matt Emlen, Lisa Rosenthal, Barbara Steinfeld, Patti DeWitz, and Barbara Nagy**. What a wealth of talent! What a bunch of hilarious people! Mark your calendars now for at least one of the two Purim performances: 12:30pm and 7:00pm on Sunday, March 4.

Now is a great time to join the choir. We will be starting new music on Monday, February 5, from 7:30-9pm to get ready for a performance of Yiddish music. Do you like Yiddish music? Here's your chance to finally learn the words to your favorite Yiddish songs. No knowledge of Hebrew (or Yiddish) reading is necessary.

This month's Shabbat Unplugged is February 9—the second Friday night of the month at 6:15—in the Zidell Chapel. It will be Shabbat Yitro, the Torah portion of the giving of the Torah. It is said that all the souls of all the Jews that ever were and ever will be were present at the receiving of the Torah at Sinai. What does that mean for us? What did we receive and are we still receiving anything? Who did we get it from? Does your soul still remember being at Sinai?

Finally, on Saturday, February 24, at the Downstairs Minyan (there will be only one service that morning), **Jeff Menashe, Julie Brophy** and perhaps a few others will be chanting Torah with Turkish Sephardic tropes that they have been learning for the past two months. Mazel tov to both of them for their dedication and hard work. Thanks also to **Mark Abolofia** who has helped by making tapes of the tropes and the portions.

Cantor Linda Shivers

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.

If plaques are ordered before by mid February they will be in the sanctuary in time for Passover and Yizkor Services on. Please contact **Michelle Caplan**, 503.246.8831, ext 114, or mcaplan@nevehshalom.org, if you would like more information about this tradition and or about purchasing a plaque.

From the President



Committee work is the life-blood of our congregation. It is through our committees and the work of their members that new programs are established and fine-tuned, policies are examined and considered, and connections are made. How do we find members for committee work? We look to you, our members, to volunteer. Do you have an idea that will improve the educational

offerings for our youth or adults? Then join one of our education committees. Are you passionate about social action and want to be more involved? Then join one of our many newly-forming social action sub-committees. Do you want to learn more about ritual matters, or have something to contribute in that area? Then join our ritual committee. Do you have a great idea that will increase our membership by 10%? Then share that great idea with the membership committee by joining it. We are always looking for new members for all our standing committees, and welcome your enthusiasm, energy and interest. For a complete list of all the committees available at Neveh Shalom, please contact JoAnn Bezodis, jbezodis@nevehshalom.org or 503.246.8831, ext 113. Don't wait to be asked to join a committee, just do it!

Sandy Axel, President

Feldstein Library News

The catalogue of the library can now be accessed electronically for the information regarding book titles, authors and subjects. Books cannot be checked out online. Visit nevehshalom.org.



Library Winter Hours

Sunday: 8am to noon*
Monday: 8:30am to 1:30pm
Tuesday: 8:30am to 1:30pm
Wednesday: 5pm to 8:30pm*
Thursday: 8:30am to 1:30pm
*When Religious School is open
Closed Friday & Saturday

Capital Campaign



Working Together for Neveh Shalom's Future

Aside from congregational input and the expertise of staff and lay leadership, our greatest asset in driving a Master Plan for Neveh Shalom is our partnership with the talented professionals at Soderstrom Architects. For the past several years, Henry Fitzgibbon and his team at Soderstrom have advised the congregation with knowledge, experience, warmth and understanding as we have embarked on the very important mission of remaking the building and campus for generations to come.

...there is now a dedicated green building consultant shepherding our ability to be sensitive to the environment during construction...

It started with master planning—what should we do—and has continued on through design, engineering, site and space planning, budget development—what can we do—and a variety of other vital services to help the congregation take the proper steps along the way.

Soderstrom also has advised the congregation on the best approach to sustainability—an aspect of this campaign that holds deep meaning for the Jewish community. As part of the Neveh Shalom/Soderstrom team, there is now a dedicated green building consultant shepherding our ability to be sensitive to the environment during construction and to ensure our new building operates at peak efficiency over the long term.

One of the most exciting activities the architects have undertaken during the process is a trip last winter to visit 26 synagogues on the East and West Coasts. Accompanied by Executive Director **Fred Rothstein** and Building & Grounds Chair **Jeffrey Weitz**, they soaked up the rich architectural examples that exist today and also studied past congregational success stories and drew from others that had informative lessons for us as we embark on our ambitious Master Plan.

As we move closer to securing the services of a general contractor (more on that process in next month's *Chronicle*) and begin preparing to move the campaign further ahead, it's comforting to know that our professional relationship with Soderstrom Architects is right for this project and right for our congregation's future.

One-of-a-Kind Experiences

This is what the Auction Committee is seeking!

Do you...

...know an expert (chef, artist, golfer...) willing to have a class or demonstration?

...have connections to get "backstage" at concerts or sporting events?

...know employees or owners of unique places of interest for a private tour?

Let your imagination run wild! Enhance our auction with these rare and exceptional opportunities. Call **JoAnn**

Bezodis today with your ideas!

503.246-8831, ext 113 or jbezodis@nevehshalom.org

PASSPORT TO PARIS, SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2007



Mausoleum Update

Construction of the new mausoleum at Ahavai Shalom is progressing apace, with a completion date estimated for April, 2007. Please contact Member Services Director, Michelle Caplan, at 503.246.8831, ext 114 or mcaplan@nevehshalom.org to get price information.





Women's League

A heartfelt Todah Rabah to **Gussie Cooper** and **Linda Alpert** for another wonderful and enjoyable Women's League Shabbat.

Join us Thursday, February 8, at 7pm for a book review—Jenna Blum's *Those Who Save Us*—and discussion led by Sylvia Frankel. The book is available at our Gift Shop or your library.

Do you want to learn to make and bake hamentaschen? On February 22 and 25, we will prepare hamentaschen for the synagogue to use in celebration of Purim. If you can assist, please contact **Marla Weiner**, 503.690.9233 for more information.

Our Gift Shop is open Monday-Friday, 10:00am-12:00pm, Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm and Sunday mornings during the school year. It is maintained with volunteers: Can you give us a morning or a Wednesday evening? Contact **Sue Axel**, 503.297.9140 or **Gloria Bacharach**, 503.292.0231.

On Sunday, April 15, join our Torah Fund Celebration. We will honor our Guardians (\$300 donation) and our Benefactors (\$180 donation). We are also proud to honor **Gloria Bacharach** for her many years of service to Women's League. Torah Fund Cards are available at our Gift Shop or contact **Chris Gottlieb**, 503.245.0384.

Tuesday, February 13, at 6:30pm is our monthly Potluck and Planning Meeting. It will be held at **Susan Sutherlin's** home. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, contact **Susan Sutherlin**, 503.626.6611 or **Linda Alpert**, 503.291.9346.

Be a part of what makes Women's League such a vibrant and supportive group. We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming event or meeting.

Susan Sutherlin & Linda Alpert, Women's League Co-Presidents



Men's Club

As we enter February, we are in the middle of the Hebrew month of Shevat. In fact, Tu B'Shevat is early in February this year. Tu B'Shevat reminds me of when we used to purchase trees to plant in Israel when I was a child. The trees would start as small seeds and grow to the point where they provide shady havens from the sun. February can also be an opportunity to start your growth as a Men's Club participant. We will have our Sunday morning meeting on February 4. Our speaker will be from ADL in Seattle. We meet for brunch just after morning minyan and start our presentation around 10am. We will also volunteer at the Oregon Food Bank on Thursday, February 22. Please contact **David Sibell** if you are interested. Lastly, we will be packaging the Yom Hashoah candles on Wednesday, March 14. Please contact **Peter Wigmore** if you are interested. We look forward to seeing you at our Men's Club events!

Joe Goodman, President



Esther Chazon

Sunday, February 18

7:30 PM

Congregation Neveh Shalom
Birnbach Hall

"Where are the Women in the Dead Sea Scrolls?"

Esther Chazon earned her B. A., magna cum laude, from Barnard and Columbia Universities. Her Masters and Ph.D. degrees were awarded by Hebrew University in Jerusalem in 1992. She is presently director of Hebrew University's Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Associated Literature and senior lecturer in the department of Hebrew literature at the Hebrew University. Chazon has done postdoctoral work on the Second Temple and the scrolls. Her latest among many publications is *Reworking the Bible at Qumran in the Context of Second Temple Judaism, Proceedings of the Seventh International Symposium of the Orion Center, 15-17 January, 2002* (STDJ 58), ed., E. G. Chazon & D. Dimant, Leiden: Brill, 2005.

Tickets: \$15 per lecture

no charge for students with proper ID

Community Warehouse Needs Your Stuff

There is never a slow day at Community Warehouse. This last year, over 3000 families received essential furnishings at no cost. These are people from our community who are working to overcome domestic violence, homelessness, mental illness, substance abuse or disability. A mattress and box spring, a kitchen table, pots and pans, silverware, a blanket—things most of us take for granted—these are the items most needed by families coming to the Warehouse for assistance.

Community Warehouse is a volunteer driven agency. We rely on donations from the community to operate this resource. Neveh Shalom Social Action Committee encourages your support of this much-needed resource in our community. Neveh Shalom members **Roz Babener**, **Merridawn Duckler**, **Randi Katz**, **Wendy Gutmann**, **Carolyn Shain Snyder**, **Mary Goldhammer** and Explorer Scout **Ethan Balgley** are part of the Warehouse volunteer team. Check our website, www.communitywarehouse.org, or call us at 503.235.8786 for more information.

Barry Manilow Concert

On January 8, a group of 31 members of Neveh Shalom attended the Barry Manilow concert together. Many others joined us to make this event a successful fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. We owe our gratitude to **Harvey Platt**, who was responsible for bringing Barry Manilow to Portland in support of this important cause. It was an enjoyable evening filled with music, memories, and laughter, in addition to participating in a mitzvah!



School News



Foundation School



It's great to be back in school! The teachers and children are well rested and ready to go again.

After returning from our winter vacation in January, Foundation School activities centered around winter themes. Our halls were filled with

artwork representing this chilly season.

As Tu B'Shvat approached, the children focused on the beauty of trees and birds in their world. In class, The children talked about and performed "mitzvot." They enjoyed keeping track of the commandments they fulfilled with "mitzvah leaves" that hung on their classroom trees.

Jan Skolnik, Foundation School Director & **Sheila Stern**



Religious School

How is knowledge measured? In the secular world, tests and grades are used primarily when determining a student's ability to understand a subject area. It is certainly not the only means of evaluation, but indeed grades and exams play an important role in the scholastic life of the student. These measurements are inadequate when we attempt to evaluate Jewish learning. In religious school education, the student's success, growth and understanding of the teachings of the sacred texts, holiday celebrations, and life cycle events, is based upon the lessons that the students and their families put into practice and live by. Tzedakah is the Hebrew word for the acts that we call "charity" in English. Tzedakah has as its root *Tzade-Dalet-Koof*, meaning righteousness, justice. In Judaism, giving to the poor is not viewed as a generous act; it is simply an act of justice, the performance of a duty. Our kids learn about Tzedakah in their classes, collect money, donate clothes and food and care about the environment. The challenge for us all is to continually keep the less fortunate, our community, Israel, the elderly, and our world in our minds, not only at specific times of the year.

Tu B'Shevat, the Jewish holiday for trees, will be celebrated on February 3rd. There are several tzedakah opportunities connected to this minor holiday. First, it is a tradition to donate 91 cents to a charity of your choice. Ninety-one is the numerical equivalent of the Hebrew word *Elan* which means tree. Because Tu B'Shvat reminds us of the importance of trees and of our environment, we donate money to the Jewish National Fund to plant trees in Israel. Here in the United States, we can dedicate time to beautify our parks, neighborhoods, and synagogue grounds in honor of the holiday.

The local contact for the Jewish National Fund is **Ron Kaiser**: rkaiser@jnf.org. For planting trees in Israel: 1.800.542.8733. Planting a tree in Israel is a great idea throughout the year to celebrate special occasions.

Susan Bernstein, Religious School Director

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS FOR FEBRUARY

February 4th - Second grade Family Life Program

February 7th - Second Semester of High School begins

February 23rd - K, 1st, 2nd grade Family Dinner

February 24th - Fourth grade service

February 25th - Fifth grade Family Life Program – Wedding

Special Thank You to **Lisa Resnikoff** and **Vicki Stone** for their help frying latkes for the Hebrew School.

The Hebrew and Religious School will be collecting canned food for the Harvey Scott School during this month.

Youth Activities

Junior Kadima



Over the past few months Junior Kadima has given me so much to brag about... I LOVE IT! In December, we had our Hanukkah Overnight and we raised \$241.90!! With this money, Junior Kadima purchased the following gifts of animals through Heifer International: a goat, a trio of rabbits, a flock of ducks and 2 flocks of chickens! I'm very proud; what a mitzvah you guys have done.

I'm extremely excited for this month's event: the Third Annual Junior Kadima Shabbaton! We're heading to Camp Solomon Schechter from Friday, February 16, to Sunday, February 18. **Rabbi Bradley Greenstein** will be joining us for this great weekend event and in case you haven't heard, the theme this year is Jewish Heroes. All the flyers and forms were mailed out in early January. If you haven't received them or if you've misplaced them, please pick them up off the bulletin board at CNS, download them from our website (www.portlandrishonim.org), or send me an email. I'll see you all on the bus on the 16th!

Scot Leavitt, Junior Kadima Advisor, 503.246.8831, ext. 160, jrkadima@portlandrishonim.org.

Kadima

We are off to a fantastic 2007! This month we had an amazing event, Parent's Night Out. It was a blast to hang out with Jr. Kadima and USY for a night of LOTS of fun! Next month we are Rock Climbing on February 4th and Games and Purim Mask Making on February 25th. If you've been coming to the previous Kadima events, keep coming! And if you've never been to an event, now is the time to start!

Helene Martel, Youth Activities Director, 503.246.8831, ext 142 or kadima@portlandrisonim.org

USY

As Winter Break came to an end, Neveh Shalom's USY chapter wasted no time getting involved again. An Ice Skating and Pizza event was scheduled for January 7th, the first Sunday back, and was a stunning success. With a more than satisfactory number of both members and nonmembers attending the event, it was clear that excitement for USY didn't dwindle the slightest during the two-week break. Two weeks later, on the night of Saturday, January 20th, USY held a Parent's Night Out event, hanging out with Jr. Kadima members, allowing parents a night to themselves, and catching up on community service hours at the same time. The grade schoolers and high schoolers alike enjoyed themselves and relished the opportunity to bond as Jewish youth.

Rachelle Vagy, rachelle@kfsh.com

Committee News

Auction! Auction!



Passport to Paris

Neveh Shalom's Annual Auction
Sunday, April 29, 5:00pm
Birnback Hall

Preparations are underway for **Passport to Paris**—the 2007 Neveh Shalom Auction. This is our synagogue's biggest fundraising event of the year. Doors will open to the

Eiffel Tower, Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe, Musée du Louvre and other sites of Paris at 5 pm on April 29, 2007.

Our congregation depends on the success of this event to continue to provide services, programs and opportunities that enrich the lives of our 1,000 member families and our local community. We appreciate and depend on your generosity to bring success to this event. A donation form is included in this issue.

The possibilities are endless for creating exciting packages that will make our auction successful, and you personally—beyond your generous dollars—can help that happen. For example, do you or someone you know have a vacation home available for a week? How about tickets to sporting or cultural events? Do you own a business that could provide goods or services? Do you enjoy cooking or wine tasting? Could you provide a meal and open your home for these events? Would you like to host a dinner party? An outdoor adventure? In recent years, unique items and once-in-a-lifetime experiences have been very successful in raising the most hands and dollars during the event.

Although many people have already graciously agreed to help, we could always use smiling, energetic volunteers to join our committee and help on the evening of the auction.

Call or email Program and Fundraising Director, **JoAnn Bezodis**, at 503.246.8831, ext 113, or jbezodis@nevehshalom.org if you can offer time, have questions or would like to share ideas.

We invite your input and your participation. Be sure to save April 29th for a spectacular evening. Thank you for your continued support of this very special event!

Chai, Plus a Few

Celebrate Chinese New Year with Chai Plus a Few (Neveh Shalom's singles group for 55+). We will meet on Sunday, February 18th at 3pm at the Shanghai Noble House at 5331 SW Macadam (Note: not a kosher restaurant; vegetarian selections will be available). Please RSVP by February 15 so we can make our table reservation. Call **Julie Marquis** at the Neveh Shalom office, 503.246.8831, ext 100, or jmarquis@nevehshalom.org.

For more information, contact **Julian Kaufman** at juliankaufman@earthlink.net, or 503.642.7412.

Charity Food Fund Needs Donations

Winter is upon us and we should remember to help those in need. The Neveh Shalom Charity Food Fund is the answer. Thousands of children and adults in the Portland area go to bed hungry each night. The Charity Food Fund purchases much needed food for LOCAL food banks. You can help in 3 ways:



- **Contribute money to this important fund. Make checks payable to CNS, and designate "Charity Food Fund" on the memo line.**

- **Help stretch your donation dollar by including cents-off food coupons with your check.**

- **Donate to the new food barrel for the Sunshine Pantry available in the entryway. Non-perishables only, please.**

This will help many make it through the difficult time of winter, and you will know you have done a great mitzvah.

Thank you for your help,

Gene Abrams, Coordinator

College Outreach

How fun it was for the College Outreach students to meet **Rabbi Bradley & Sarah Greenstein** at a casual setting like McMenamin's! We will soon be sending out Purim packages: Contact **Giselle Bawnik** at 503.644.4490 or giselle@teleport.com for information, if your son or daughter's name is not on the College Outreach list, or if their mailing address has changed this semester.

First Babies Group

Last month the First Babies Group of Congregation Neveh Shalom sponsored the first "Come Schmooze" get-together for parents and their children. **Michelle Katz**, organizer and chair of the First



Babies Group, recognized that in recent months there have been a growing number of new families in Portland looking to meet other families in our Jewish community but with limited outlets to do so.

The gathering was open to anyone in the Jewish community with children between the ages of newborn and two years. Parents not only had the opportunity to socialize and build new friendships, but the children had a great time playing, too. With the success of the first "Come Schmooze," another get together is



being planned, as well as a community-wide effort to establish more activities for moms, dads and their young children. If you would like to receive more information about future "Come Schmooze" gatherings, please contact **Michelle Katz** at

503.292.3380 or oregonkatz@comcast.net.

Committee News

Empty Nest

Expand your culinary horizons by taking a Brazilian Cooking Class on Saturday, February 24, at 6pm at Cooking



Accomplished, 6302 Meadows Road in Lake Oswego. We will make three or four dishes with some hands-on experiences guided by Chef Shelley and her assistants. Cost is \$50 per person and includes a glass of wine (plus we get to eat everything we cook!). I have participated in her classes and they are excellent! To participate, please contact Giselle Bawnik, 503 644-4490 or giselle@teleport.com by Friday February 16. Thank you!

Hinenu



Hinenu keeps building momentum with fun events and plans for future activities! On January 12th the group gathered at co-chair Jessica Krivoy's house for the first "Shabbatluck" vegetarian potluck dinner. From fantastic food to fun and fellowship, everyone had a great time and left looking forward to upcoming events. Next on the schedule is a social action

project planned for February 4th to celebrate Tu B'Shevat. On March 4th get ready to bake batches of hamentaschen, and on March 10th a masquerade ball is planned to celebrate Purim. Hinenu is a group for young adults in their 20s and 30s who are post-college but pre-kids. We need your input and involvement to help it grow! For more information, contact Hinenu's Co-Chairs Jessica Krivoy (jessica.krivoy@gmail.com) or Eva Novick (eva.brian@comcast.net). We look forward to seeing new faces at our next event!

We want your input and involvement. Please contact Hinenu Co-Chairs, Jessica Krivoy (jessica.krivoy@gmail.com), or Eva Novick (eva.brian@comcast.net) for more information!

Keruv

The next Keruv meeting will be a bagel breakfast on Sunday, February 25th, at 9:45am in the Zidell Chapel (following morning minyan). All are welcome to attend, please RSVP to **Julie Marquis** by February 22 so we can plan for food quantity: jmarquis@nevehshalom.org or 503.246.8831, ext 100. After a time of noshing and schmoozing, Randy Grossman will give us an insightful reading for our consideration and to stimulate discussion. Other topics of your choice can also certainly be discussed.

The root of KERUV means "to bring close." Keruv is a program to reach out to intermarried couples, to address the needs of families that are directly or indirectly affected by intermarriage, and to encourage inclusion and participation.

Our last meeting was on Sunday morning, January 28th. After enjoying the delicious pancakes at the Membership Pancake Breakfast, intermarried families gathered in the Zidell Chapel for informal schmoozing, and to swap holiday stories of their challenges and successes.

We welcome all intermarried couples to join us. Please contact **Randy Grossman** at RMGOR@aol.com or **JoAnn Bezodis**, Program Director, at jbezodis@nevehshalom.org and we will add you to our list to receive updates and invitations to future events.

Outside-In Cooking

Thank you to January Outside-In cooks: **Jenn Knudsen, Susan Siegel, Tovah Siegel, Annie Zigman** and **Jonah Zigman**. We will NOT be meeting in February but we look forward to seeing people March 11 at 10:30am. Please contact head chef, **Aviva Zigman**, if you have any questions or comments at ajzigman@hotmail.com.

Senior Lunch Bunch



The Senior lunch this month will be Tuesday, February 12, at 12 noon in the Birnbach Social Hall. We will be joined by the chorus from the Rose Schnitzer Manor and they will treat us to love songs and Broadway show tunes. RSVP by Friday, February 9, to **Julie Marquis** in the office at jmarquis@nevehshalom.org or 503.246.8831, ext 100. Please join us!

Shoreshim

After resting up from our wonderful Hanukkah celebration with the entire Neveh Shalom congregation, we are beginning to prepare for Tu B'Shevat. What a great tradition we have—making a joyous, meaningful holiday out of a tax day! Tu B'Shevat has become an excellent time to reconnect to the land and the cycles of the seasons and to turn our attention to recycling, preserving, and sustaining the wondrous nature that surrounds us. Shoreshim families will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 4, at the Tryon Creek State Park shelter. We'll experience a Tu B'Shevat seder discovery walk, nosh and schmooze. Welcome are parents with children of all ages—teethers and up!—for this relaxing, outdoor event. Look for flyers and email reminders closer to February 4.

And do come to Tot Shabbat on February 3 to hear a special Tu B'Shevat story from Jordan Epstein, our service leader. Shabbat Kids also will have its service that morning.

Both of these Young Family Shabbat Services begin at 10:15 a.m. on the first and third Saturdays of each month, concluding with a Kiddush and light lunch shared by both groups in the chapel. We hope to dance, sing and observe with you on February 3 and 17! As we continue to look at our Shoreshim Shabbat services, be sure to let committee members know your thoughts about what you would like to see and experience in services or, better yet, come to a Shoreshim Committee meeting and join in the conversation! Our next meeting will be January 28, at the all-congregation pancake breakfast.

For more information about Shoreshim please contact one of Shoreshim's co-chairs, **Kristen Ertischek**, 503.222.7229; kjert@aol.com, or **Dani Nierenberg**, 360.713.8171; DrNierenberg@aol.com.

For more information about Shoreshim please contact one of Shoreshim's co-chairs, **Kristen Ertischek**, 503.222.7229; kjert@aol.com, or **Dani Nierenberg**, 360.713.8171; DrNierenberg@aol.com.

Winter Adult Education Classes

Beit Midrash Neveh Shalom

Thursdays, 7:00pm-8:00pm (ongoing)

Discover the logic games of the Talmud, dive into the philosophy of Solomon Schechter or Kushner, uncover meaning in this week's torah portion, research Israel's history, the possibilities are endless. It is a Jewish tradition to discuss, read aloud, argue, and comment upon sacred text. We will study in chevrua (pairs) and create a buzz of learning. Multiple texts will be provided in English and Hebrew. Drop in for 15 minutes or stay for the hour, by yourself or with a friend....come Thursday nights and add your voice to the echoes of our people's heritage. It is a mitzvah to study! Taught by **Rabbi Bradley Greenstein**.

Seek My Face: A Jewish Mystical Theology

Tuesdays, 8:00pm

Starting January 30-March 6, 2007

Seek My Face is a book of very modern and also very Jewish theology written by Rabbi Arthur Green of Hebrew College in Boston. This class will go through the book chapter by chapter and discuss Rabbi Green's journey of discovery of God, the world and ourselves. One of the most influential Jewish thinkers of our time, Green has created a road map of meaning for our lives in the light of Jewish mysticism. In very clear, beautiful and understandable prose, Green has created a theology that arguably better meets the needs of modern Jews. This class will be led by Cantor Linda Shivers. Students will need to have access to a copy of the book, "Seek My Face: A Jewish Mystical Theology."

Where Do We Stand on Homosexuality?

Monday evenings beginning January 8

7:30pm, for 5 weeks

An Opportunity to Study and Discuss the Three Responses Accepted Last Week by the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly.

Join Rabbi Isaak for five Monday evenings as we read and explore the decisions that were passed at the recent meeting of the CJLS. What does Jewish law have to say? How have the rabbis over the centuries confronted male as well as female homosexuality? Is there room for maneuverability within the Halakhic system? On what legal basis did some of the rabbis vote for a loosening of the strictures opening up the possibility for openly gay students to be accepted into rabbinical school and officiating at commitment ceremonies? What was the reasoning of those who voted for the stricter interpretation? What happens next?

To register and receive materials for the first class, contact Julie in the main office, 503-246-8831 ext 100

Beginning Hebrew

12 weeks beginning February 5

Mondays, 7:00-8:00pm

Hebrew is the glue which binds the Jewish people in space in Jewish communities dispersed throughout the world, and time, from the past to the present and on to the future. Language is the key to a nation's heart and soul.

Come learn Hebrew for the first time or refresh your knowledge from your childhood. Learn the basic vocabulary,

use of verb constructs, nouns, pronouns and prepositions. Excellent opportunities for parents to read and decode Hebrew; feel more comfortable opening the prayer book and helping your children with their Hebrew School Experience. Taught by Vered Tzur. For information, contact **Susan Bernstein** at sbernstein@nevehshalom.org. \$120: CNS members, \$160: Non-members

Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah

Tuesdays, starting October 31, 2006, at 7:00pm (ongoing)

Both men and women are invited to join a class for learning to read from the Torah and the Mincha and Ma-areev services for Shabbat. This class will meet weekly and have the goal of leading the afternoon and evening service on a Saturday in the spring. All students must be able to read Hebrew. Taught by Cantor Linda Shivers.

History of Israel Through Music

10 Weeks, beginning February 5

Mondays, 8:15-9:15pm

This unique way to understand and enjoy Israel's colorful history will cover the years leading up to Israel's independence through current times. Milestone events occurring in Israel and in the Middle East will be explored, as well as how these events were reflected in the folk tunes of the day. The ability to read and translate Hebrew will enhance your experience in this class. Taught by **Susan Bernstein & Vered Tzur**. Contact Susan Bernstein at sbernstein@nevehshalom.org for more information.

\$80: CNS members, \$120: Non-members

Bible Class

Thursdays, 4:30-5:15pm

These informal study sessions offer the opportunity for lively discussion of bible passages being studied. Taught by Rabbi Joshua Stampfer.

Talmud Class

Tuesdays, 5-6pm

Studying the Talmud is like listening to conversations of rabbis who lived 2,000 years ago. Their talk is witty, profound and vastly important to the development of our people's culture. Join Rabbi Stampfer as he interprets their conversations.

Or Chadash A New Light

Or Chadash is a program designed for those seeking conversion to Judaism. As a follow up program to the Oregon Board of Rabbis Introduction to Judaism class students will attend adult education classes and Shabbat services at Neveh Shalom. Or Chadash will include a number of excursions to fully experience Jewish observance and cultural life. Through a series of support groups, classes, and one-on-one meetings with Rabbi Greenstein, participants will continue their intellectual, emotional, and spiritual engagement with Judaism.. For information contact Rabbi Bradley Greenstein at bgreenstein@nevehshalom.org.

Support group Wednesdays 7:00-8:30pm: January 3, 10

Excursion to Oregon Jewish Museum January 7th meet at Neveh Shalom at 1:00pm

Excursion to Holocaust Memorial February 4th meet at Neveh Shalom at 11:00am.

TRI BUTES

Tzedakah is a central mitzvah of Judaism. Use it often and in good health! Tzedakah honors the giver and the recipient. You can make a Tzedakah contribution to honor, remember or thank someone who is important to you. It is also the custom in many communities to give Tzedakah in appreciation of an honor or aliyah during any service. **PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF BOTH THE DONOR AND THE RECIPIENT, AS WELL AS THE NAME OF THE FUND.** Our dedicated volunteers will thank you! We gratefully acknowledge donations to the following Synagogue Funds:

ANN FISCHER ISRAELI DANCE FUND

In memory of

Louis Ball
Eleanor Fischer

BUILDING FUND

In honor of

Sarah Yablok's Bat Mitzvah
Eric and Akiko Berkman

In memory of

Dorothy Geller
Floyd Geller
Jack Geller
Floyd Geller

CAMP SOLOMON SCHECHTER FUND

In honor of

Esther Stone's birthday
John Barton

In memory of

Harry Oxman
Sidney and Regina Atlas
Dr. Eugene Stillman
Molly Bodner
Celia Brounstein
Richard Levin & Stillman Family

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of

Ella Rosenfeld
Kenneth Golden
Max Weinstein
Ron Weinstein

CEMETERY FUND

In memory of

Hannah Bodner
George and Harriet Bodner
Jacob Borenstein
The Averbukh Family
Bertha Eisenberg
Min Zidell
Suzy Gevurtz
Burton Gevurtz
Thea Grunbaum
Ruth Ephraim
Our Loved Ones
The Averbukh Family
Vladimir Lurie
The Averbukh Family
Robert Mudrick
Min Zidell
Jean Philan
Stanley and Beverly Eastern
Preva Swire
Melvin and Janet Swire

CHARACK KITCHEN FUND

In memory of

Henry Sherman
Allan Sherman

CHARITY FOOD FUND

In memory of

Sara Cogan
Robert and Lesley Glasgow

COOKIE YOELIN FLORAL FUND

In memory of

David Ostomel
Merritt and Marilyn Yoelin

DAVID & ROSALIE LESCH CAMP FUND

In honor of

Ron & Taya Meyer's Grandson, Josh
Leisner's Bar Mitzvah
Rosalie Lesch

Jay & Rochelle Leisner's son Josh's
Bar Mitzvah
Rosalie Lesch

Harold & Jackie Lesch's 30th
wedding anniversary
Benjiman and Jeanette Philan

Jerry and Shirley Nudelman's
grandson's Bar Mitzvah
Rosalie Lesch

Rosalie Lesch

In memory of

Mary Lesch
Rosalie Lesch

DAVID BERNSTEIN MEMORIAL BIBLICAL G

In memory of

Morton Kessler - Lillian Wexler's
brother
Vivienne Bonnin

EDDY SHULDMAN DOWNSTAIRS KIDDUSH

In memory of

Joan Dickerson Bezodis' mother
John Barton
Rose Cohen
Reena Davis
Robert Mudrick
Earl and Dale Oller
Anne Shuldman
Jeff Edmundson and Ethel Shuldman
Philip Wolfson
Marvin Wolfson

ELEANOR FISCHER DIAL IN FUND

In memory of

Freda Rovech
Marvin and Marlene Lazarus

ELEVATOR FUND

In memory of

Bea Chusid
Norman and Kathy Chusid
Monte Chusid
Norman and Kathy Chusid
Jean Philan
Robert and Carol Ginsberg

FELDSTEIN LIBRARY FUND

In honor of

Irma & Harvey Keller's special
wedding anniversary
Joy Rabin

Ari Strudler's Bat Mitzvah
Reggie Frumkin & Family

In memory of

Maurice Joseph
Gertrude Joseph
Beatrice Loeb
Lynn Ferber

FOUNDATION SCHOOL FUND

In honor of

Thelma Geffen's special birthday

Stanley and Judith Blauer

Stanley and Beverly Eastern

Ian & Bev Getreu's new
Granddaughter, Isabella Claire
Robinson

Mitchel and Lynne Cohen

Eli Katz

Eric and Akiko Berkman

In memory of

Leon Goldstein

Harvey Keller

Philip Greenberg

Sandra Greenberg & Family

Jean Philan

Mark and Francine Abolofia

Debbie Cohen

Ron and Marcy Morris

Sam and Beulah Schauffer

Esther Rosenbloom

Sam and Beulah Schauffer

Wolf Schauffer

Sam and Beulah Schauffer

Judith Sherman

Michael Sherman

GENERAL SYNAGOGUE FUND

In appreciation of

My children and Grandchildren

Rosalie Goodman

Neveh Shalom

Samuel and Jo Ellen Miller

In honor of

Dick Brownstein's Oregon State Bar
Award

Jerry and Gayle Marger

Joshua Leisner's Bar Mitzvah

Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Greenwald

In memory of

Abraham Amiton

Rose Isenstein

Fanny Bernstein

Dennis Steinberg

Joseph Blauer

Henry Blauer

Beba Blikh

Ludmila Slahover

Harry Bruss

Leo Bruss

Regina Bruss

Leo Bruss

Andrew Cooper

Henry Blauer

Nettie Kostiner and Elizabeth Bloom
Gordon

Anthony and Priscilla Kostiner

Esther Fowler

Harold Fowler

Joseph Fowler

Harold Fowler

Sarah Fowler

Harold Fowler

Amy Freedman

Howard Freedman

Eva Freedman

Howard Freedman

Anne Geffen

Stanley Geffen

Joseph Glasgow
Robert Glasgow
 Fanny Golden
Hilliard Golden
 Inga Gottlieb
Pincus Gottlieb
 Yevsey Govshstein
Liliya Zaltsman
 Max Grant
Cheryn Grant
 Dale Greenblatt
David Shrem
 Olga Guttman
Anthony and Priscilla Kostiner
 Estelle Hammer
Charles Hammer
 Jane Forst Banta, Ralph Heller,
 Sophie Heller, and Sol Heller
Anthony and Priscilla Kostiner
 Bernard Kaufman
Steven Kaufman
 Edward Kay
Shirley Jabon
 Gloria Kershenbaum
Jason Kaufman
 Bogdana Levitskaya
Faina Talal
 Bayla Mad
Isaak Mad
 Harry Mandrow
Joan Fraser
 Robert Mudrick
Larry Mudrick
 Nuhim & Polina Munblit
Roman and Irina Munblit
 David Nepom
Marvin Nepom
 Abraham Novick
Rosalind Kane
 Burnetta Packouz
Harriet Towne
 Daniel Peizner
Richard and Mary Peizner
 Riva Premysler
Isaak Premysler
 David & Minnie Rabinowitz
James and Lora Meyer
 Alexander Raskin
Elisa Weger
 Morris Saltman
David Saltman
 Sol Sax
Bev Eastern
 David Shaman
Paul and Susan Shaman
 Anne Shuldman
Leo Greenstein
 Abraham Siegel
Diana Lubarsky
 Benjamin Strudler
Steve and Heidi Strudler
 Gregory Tolchinsky
Peter and Alla Tolchinsky
 Katie Wahba
Elliot Wahba
 Leib Yablonkevitch
Sophia Yablonkevitch
GEVURTZ CHAPEL FUND
 In memory of
 Preva Swire
Melvin and Janet Swire
GRAYCE GUMBERT ENDOWMENT FUND
 In memory of
 Esther Feldstein

Gerald and Kay Gumbert
 Morrie Gumbert
Gerald and Kay Gumbert
HARRY & EVA GROSS CHAPEL FUND
 In memory of
 Laddy Gross
Esther Wayne
HUNGER RELIEF FUND
 In memory of
 Sonia Willer-Neuman
Judith Ahern
JEWS OF CHOICE FUND
 In memory of
 Linda Winchell
Sheri Cordova
JOSEPH FENDEL CAMP FUND
 In honor of
 The Fendel Family
The Averbukh Family
 In memory of
 Esther Rosenbloom
Albert and Bette Lynn Menashe
 Dr. Eugene Stillman
Albert and Bette Lynn Menashe
MARISA PATRICE STRAUSS YOUTH FUND
 In honor of
 Marisa Strauss Happy Hanukah
David and Naomi Strauss
 In memory of
 Ella Ostroff's sister Olga
David and Naomi Strauss
MARK & LEAH RUBIN FOUNDATION SCHOOL
 In honor of
 Mark & Leah Rubin for your love
 and support
Gary, Cari, Abby & Sarah Rubin
MARY ROSENBERG SCHOLARSHIP FUND
 In memory of
 M'Liss Gilbert
Toinette Menashe
MAURICE & MINNIE BERG CAMP FUND
 In honor of
 Charlotte Amiton's special birthday
Eva Levy
 Shirley Hodes' special birthday
Eva Levy
MICHAEL HARROWITZ FUND
 In honor of
 Cathy Berlant
Irene Harrowitz
 In memory of
 Irwin Harrowitz
Irene Harrowitz
 Pincus Harrowitz
Irene Harrowitz
 Jean Philan
Melvin and Cathy Berlant
 Esther Rosenbloom
Irene Harrowitz
 Dr. Howard Schatz
Irene Harrowitz
 Arthur Subotnick
Irene Harrowitz
MILT HORENSTEIN MORNING MINYAN FUND
 In honor of
 Harvey & Irma Keller's 60th wedding
 anniversary

Howard and Petra Shapiro
In memory of
 Florence Bookman
Marlene Brenner
 Reva Singer
David Singer
MUSIC LIBRARY FUND
 In honor of
 Cantor Shivers' Arts Program
Samuel and Christine Gottlieb
 In memory of
 Arthur Gottlieb
Samuel and Christine Gottlieb
 Zemmia Kane
Lisa Frank
NATHAN & MINNIE SHERMAN BOOKSHELF
 In memory of
 Minnie Sherman
Aaron Cohen and Helen Sherman Cohen
PRAYER BOOK FUND
 In memory of
 Hannah Bodner
Molly Bodner
RABBI & GOLDIE STAMPFER LECTURE
 In honor of
 Julie Feinstein
The Averbukh Family
 Rabbi & Goldie Stampfer
The Averbukh Family
RABBI GREENSTEIN DISCRETIONARY FUND
 In appreciation of
 Rabbi Greenstein
Jonathon Lietz Elaine Coughlin Lietz
RABBI ISAAK DISCRETIONARY FUND
 In appreciation of
 Rabbi Isaak
Jonathon Lietz and Elaine Coughlin Lietz
Ira and Julie Gottlieb
Linda Hormel, Debbie Levin, Ron & Jeff Ostomel
 In honor of
 Rabbi & Carol Isaak's son Ari's
 marriage to Eva
Milton and Jean Hasson
 Rabbi & Carol Isaak's son Ari's
 marriage
Jerry and Gayle Marger
 Earl Oller's 60th birthday
Raizie & Michael Axman
 In memory of
 Sam Olds
Pamela Ritchie
RABBI STAMPFER DISCRETIONARY FUND
 In appreciation of
 Rabbi Stampfer
Linda Hormel, Debbie Levin, Ron & Jeff Ostomel
Richard Rosenbloom
Joy and Isadore Russell
 In honor of
 Susie & Alan Barzman's marriage
Donald and Naomi Olds
 Rabbi Stampfer's special birthday
Gloria Bacharach
Ian and Beverly Getreu
Anthony and Priscilla Kostiner
Gary and Carolyn Weinstein

Dick Brownstein's Oregon State Bar
Association Affirmative Action Award
Merritt Linn and Susan Korey
Rabbi Stampfer's Volunteer Award
Jerry and Gayle Marger

In memory of

Robert Mudrick
Frieda Tobin

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

In honor of

Emilie Cohen's Bat Mitzvah
Maya Ward-Fineman & Family
Joshua Leisner's Bar Mitzvah
Maya Ward-Fineman & Family
Jonathan Lenhoff's Bar Mitzvah
Maya Ward-Fineman & Family
Miriam Orzol's Bat Mitzvah
Maya Ward-Fineman & Family
Steve & Heidi Strudler's daughter
Ari's Bat Mitzvah
Steve and Michelle Gradow

ROBBIE BALL MEMORIAL FUND

In honor of

Malca Muskin - continued recovery
Raizie & Michael Axman
Anna Steckel's Bat Mitzvah
Melvyn and Elaine Ball

In memory of

Louis Ball
Raizie & Michael Axman
Lee and Sheri Cordova
Anthony and Priscilla Kostiner
Malca Muskin
Gary and Sylvia Pearlman
Alvin and Sharon Segal
Leonard and Arnette Springer
Charlie Goodfellow
Melvyn and Elaine Ball
Malca Muskin
Nettie Springer
Leonard Springer

**SAM & IDA SOBLE RENOVATION
FUND**

In honor of

Leah Nepom - good health wishes
Jerome and Shirley Nudelman

**SAM DICKERSON CHILD CARE
FUND**

In honor of

Emilie Cohen's Bat Mitzvah
*Louis, Risa, Jacob and Noah
Feldman*

SAPERSTEIN CHAPEL FUND

In appreciation of

Marci Atkins
Jay, Rochelle & Joshua Leisner
Rabbi Isaac
Jay, Rochelle & Joshua Leisner
Barb Schwartz
Jay, Rochelle & Joshua Leisner
Cantor Shivers
Jay, Rochelle & Joshua Leisner

In honor of

Our Aliyah at our grandson's Bar
Mitzvah
Ronald and Taya Meyer
Joshua Leisner's excellent Bar
Mitzvah recitation
Ronald and Taya Meyer
Rochelle & Jay Leisner's son
Joshua's Bar Mitzvah
Ronald and Taya Meyer
Taya & Ron Meyer's special
wedding anniversary

Thelma Geffen & Harry Wilson
Ron & Taya Meyer's grandson,
Joshua Leisner's Bar Mitzvah
Stanley and Judith Blauer
Rosalie Goodman

SCHILLER BOOKSHELF FUND

In memory of

Anne Geffen
Thelma Geffen

SONIA NUDELMAN FLORAL FUND

In honor of

Sheil & Matt Casimo - Happy
Chanukah
Jerome and Shirley Nudelman
Sharon & Dean Morell - Happy
Chanukah
Jerome and Shirley Nudelman
Sharon & Dean Morell's wedding
anniversary
Jerome and Shirley Nudelman
Jerry & Shirley Nudelman Happy
Hanukah
Sharon, Dean & Blake Morell

**SYLVIA PEARLMAN MEMBERSHIP
FUND**

In honor of

Alan Blank
David Forman

In memory of

Lorraine Lippoff
Bari Isaacson
Anne Pearlman
Gary and Sylvia Pearlman

**TOINETTE MENASHE BOOKSHELF
FUND**

In honor of

Toinette Menashe's birthday
Phillip and Raya Gladstein

In memory of

Lena Holzman and M'Liss Gilbert
Irwin and Renee Holzman

TORAH REPAIR FUND

In memory of

Irving Neusihin
*Lisa Neusihin and Berklee
Robins*

USY TRAVEL FUND

In honor of

Dick Brownstein's Oregon State Bar
Award
Jerry and Bunny Sadis

In memory of

Ray Goodman
Rosalie Goodman
Lorraine Lippoff
Rosalie Goodman

VAAD SHEL HESED FUND

In memory of

Dorothy Spiro
Rena Ziegler

WEINSTEIN CHAPEL FUND

In honor of

Tony Kostiner's honor from Kaiser
Permanente
Gary and Carolyn Weinstein

In memory of

Louis Ball
Gary and Carolyn Weinstein
Mort Kessler
Gary and Carolyn Weinstein

**WOMEN'S LEAGUE SCHOLARSHIP
FUND**

In memory of

Arthur Gottlieb
Samuel and Christine Gottlieb
Olga Guttman
Elliot and Sue Axel
David Weinstein
Marla Weiner
Rhea Weinstein
Marla Weiner

**Any tribute received
after the first Friday of
the month will appear
in the next issue.**

ad page

DATED MATERIAL

WHEN A DEATH OCCURS

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

WOMEN'S LEAGUE JUDAICA SHOP

Our Gift Shop has Judaica for baby gifts, weddings and B'Nai Mitzvot as well as assorted candles for Shabbat and Havdalah. We also have Judaic art, greeting cards, as well as Tallisim for men and women. Do come to browse and shop.

Special Earrings \$7.00

SPECIAL ORDERS WELCOME

Please volunteer to work on Wednesday from 10am to noon.
If weekly, let me know which day you are available.
Torah cards available for all events.

To volunteer, for special orders or for special appointments, call **Gloria Bacharach** at 503.292.0231 or **Sue Axel** at 503.297.9140

Winter Hours

Monday-Friday 10 am to noon, Wednesday from 6pm to 8:30pm
& Sunday 9:00 to 12 noon, when Religious School in Session.

Kindle the Sabbath Candles

ברוך אתה יי,

אלהינו מלך העולם,

אשר קדשנו במצותיו

וצנו להדליק נר של

שבת.



Ba-ruk'h atah A-do-nay, e-lo-hay-nu me-lekh
ha-olam a-she'r 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, February 2	4:25 pm
Friday, February 9	4:33 pm
Friday, February 16	4:42 pm
Friday, February 23	4:52 pm

DIRECTORY

Congregation Neveh Shalom
Affiliated with USCJ
Office **503.246.8831**, FAX **503.246.7553**
www.nevehshalom.org
email: **info@nevehshalom.org**

Rabbi Daniel Isaak

ext 115, **disaak@nevehshalom.org**

Rabbi Bradley Greenstein

bgreenstein@nevehshalom.org

Rabbi Emeritus Joshua Stampfer

ext 119, **jstampfer@nevehshalom.org**

Cantor Linda Shivers

ext 116, **cantor@nevehshalom.org**

Fred Rothstein, Executive Director

ext 134, **frothstein@nevehshalom.org**

Sandy Axel, President

503.292.3425, **sandyaxel@msn.com**

- **Roz Andronescu**, High School Director
ext 137, **randronescu@nevehshalom.org**
- **Darlene Arntson**, Admin. Asst.
ext 135, **darntson@nevehshalom.org**
- **Marci Atkins**, Clergy Asst. & Events Coord
ext 129, **matkins@nevehshalom.org**
- **Susan Bernstein**, Director, Youth Education
ext 128, **sbernstein@nevehshalom.org**
- **JoAnn Bezodis**, Program & Fundraising Director
ext 113, **jbezodis@nevehshalom.org**
- **Mary Blankenship**, Admin. Asst.
ext 111, **mblankenship@nevehshalom.org**
- **Michelle Caplan**, Member Services Director
ext 114, **mcaplan@nevehshalom.org**
- **Marg Everett**, Admin. Asst.
ext 112, **meverett@nevehshalom.org**
- **Joe Goodman**, Men's Club President
j3ngoodman@comcast.net
- **Hilde Jacob**, Librarian
ext 118, **hjacob@nevehshalom.org**
- **Shawn Jones**, Graphics/Admin. Asst.
ext 133, **sjones@nevehshalom.org**
- **Dayle Maizels-Tyrrell**, School Administrator
ext 120, **dayle@nevehshalom.org**
- **Julie Marquis**, Reception/Admin. Asst.
ext 100, **jmarquis@nevehshalom.org**
- **Helene Martel**, Youth Services Director
ext 142, **hmartel@nevehshalom.org**
- **Wendi Menashe**, Capital Campaign Coordinator,
ext 139, **wmenashe@nevehshalom.org**
- **James Monaghan**, Cemetery Maintenance
971.207.6974
- **Jan Skolnik**, Foundation School Director
ext 122, **jskolnik@nevehshalom.org**
- **Susan Sutherlin & Linda Alpert**, Women's
League Co-Presidents, Women's League Judaica Shop,
ext 127
- **Debbi Villani-Allen**, Administrative Director
ext 125, **dvillani@nevehshalom.org**

DAILY MINYAN

Monday - Friday 7:15 am

Rosh Chodesh 7am

Sundays and Holidays 9:00 am

SHABBAT SERVICES

Erev Shabbat, Friday

1st, 4th & 5th Friday of the Month

6:15pm ONLY

2nd and 3rd Friday of the Month

6:15pm and 8:15pm

Shabbat, Saturday, 9 am

Every Saturday: Shabbat Child Care
Please call 503.246.8831 to reserve space.

If you would like to participate in the
main sanctuary, please call the CNS office at
503.246.8831, ext 100

Tot Shabbat/Shabbat Kids

1st & 3rd Shabbat, 10:15 am, Zidell Chapel
and rooms 113-115

Shabbat Kiddush Club (3rd-5th graders)

1st & 3rd Shabbat, 10:00 am. Room 117

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



Eleanor Fischer Dial-In Service

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

The Chronicle is a publication of
Congregation Neveh Shalom
2900 SW Peaceful Lane, Portland, OR 97239
Provided free with membership.

Congregation Neveh Shalom Auction

Sunday, April 29, 2007

Please fill out form **completely** and return to our office **NO LATER THAN** April 2, 2007.

DONOR

Donor or Business Name (as it should appear in print)

Contact person

Mailing Address

City, State, Zip

Signature

()

Daytime Number (IMPORTANT)

()

Evening Number

Email address

ITEM

Item Name

Description: Please give specific details (e.g., quantity, size, color, etc.).

Restrictions: Valid dates, special instructions for pick-up, etc.

Item Type

Please check appropriate boxes:

Gift Certificate ☐ Enclosed

☐ Donor will deliver by ____ / ____ / ____

☐ CNS will supply

Certificate value \$ _____

or

Merchandise ☐ Included

☐ Donor will deliver by ____ / ____ / ____

☐ Arrange for pick-up

Approximate retail value \$ _____

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

☐ I am enclosing a cash donation of \$ _____

☐ Please contact me about event sponsorship & underwriting opportunities.

☐ I would love to attend this event! Please send me information on purchasing tickets.

THANK YOU for your donation.

All proceeds will enrich programming and services to our members and the greater Portland community. Congregation Neveh Shalom (CNS) is a nonprofit organization (501c3), Tax ID# 93-0505089. Unless stated otherwise, all donations will remain valid for one year from the date of the auction, April 29, 2007.

for office use only

Solicited By:

Item#



CONGREGATION NEVEH SHALOM 2900 SW Peaceful Lane, Portland, OR 97239
503.246.8831 FAX 503.246.7553 www.nevehshalom.org

PLEASE KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS