

# HaShomer

FEBRUARY 2008

Congregation Beth Shalom

SHEVAT/ADAR I 5768

## Schedule of Services

February 2008

Shevat/Adar I 5768

Friday, February 1, 8:00 pm

Saturday, February 2

Torah Study 9:00 am

Shabbat Service 10:00 am

**Children's Minyan/Simcha Shabbat**

Torah: Mishpatim

Thursday, February 7, 7:00 am

**Rosh Chodesh Adar I Minyan**

Friday, February 8, 8:00 pm

Saturday, February 9

Torah Study 9:00 am

Shabbat Service 10:00 am

Torah: Terumah

Friday, February 15

**Tot Shabbat Service 6:00 pm**

**Shabbat Dinner 6:30 pm**

**Family Service and Teacher**

**Appreciation Shabbat 7:30 pm**

Saturday, February 16

Torah Study 9:00 am

Shabbat Service 10:00 am

Torah: Tetzaveh

Friday, February 22, 8:00 pm

**Brotherhood/Sisterhood Shabbat**

Saturday, February 23

Torah Study 9:00 am

Shabbat Service 10:00 am

Torah: Ki Tisa

**Simcha Blessings For All Birthdays  
and Anniversaries on the First**

**Shabbat Morning of Each Month.**

All who will be celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the coming month will be called to the bimah before the Torah for a blessing.



## To Contact the Rabbi:

Rabbi Soltz welcomes your calls, emails, and instant chats.

You may contact him at the CBS office, 817-860-5448; at home, 817-654-9572; or via email and instant chat, [nsoltz@aol.com](mailto:nsoltz@aol.com).

## From the Rabbi

It's Adar. But where's Purim?

I know you immediately asked the question once you saw that Rosh Chodesh Adar occurs on February 7, and Purim is the 14th of Adar.

This year is a leap year in both the Gregorian and the Jewish calendars. In our case, we add one month in seven years of a 19-year cycle in order to keep the lunar year (354 days) in sync with a solar year (365-1/4 days). When this occurs, Purim is in Adar II.

But the real question is why all the fuss over the calendar? Once again, I harken back to my comments to you this past Yom Kippur. We live in the realm of the holy – the kadosh. Holiness extends to person, to time, and to space.

We sanctify time through each sacred occasion, through each step in the life cycle, and even through each step in our process of mourning. We sanctify space through making our homes a mikdash m'at – a small sanctuary. We combine the holiness of time and space through participation in communal prayer in a sacred space, the synagogue.

The notions of sacred time and sacred space also combine to force us to realize that we are not always in total control of our time, space, and circumstances. Purim, just as an example, represents yet another unsuccessful attempt against our lives. The observance, then, of Purim, is the most ancient way that potential victims lorded over their failed oppressors – they mocked them.

So just hold your Purim joy back for a month. We'll read the Megillah on Thursday evening, March 20.

– Rabbi Ned J. Soltz



## First Congregation Beth Shalom Golf Tournament

Congregation Beth Shalom is hosting a fund-raising golf tournament for the very first time!

The date is April 29, and it will be held at Mansfield National Golf Club. We invite everyone to get involved in some way – either by playing, volunteering, or by signing up sponsors.

The cost of playing is \$75 and includes lunch and a raffle ticket for the grand-prize giveaway. In addition to the grand prize, there will be other prizes raffled off and contests throughout the round. These will include a putting and chipping contest, longest drive, closest to the hole, closest to the water without going in, closest to the bunker without going in, and longest club throw.

Sponsorships are available in three categories: Title sponsor for \$1,000. Hole sponsor for \$500. Tournament sponsor for \$250. If you know a business or individual who might be willing to be a sponsor, please send that information to David Silverberg at [atouchofsilver@sbcglobal.net](mailto:atouchofsilver@sbcglobal.net) in order to have them receive sponsorship material.

More information to come in the coming months.

*FORE!*

## From the President

Having now conducted my first board meeting as president, I want to give you a glimpse into the issues and activities with which your board of directors is actively engaged.

Our web-master, **Aaron Perez**, has taken photos of our fantastic Gift Shop and created a link on our website. It was the board's feeling that only those with children in religious school were aware of all of the beautiful Judaica for sale, and we hope that this new link will expose our gift shop to a larger audience.



**Melanie Garver** and **Valerie Carlone** have done a wonderful job fine-tuning the merchandise mix and displaying items in a visually appealing manner. Look for Internet-only specials down the road, and remember that all purchases directly benefit our congregation.

**Dr. Michael Kapin** updated us on the status of the Rabbi Search committee. Seventeen congregants who have expressed a desire to serve will be invited to a fact-finding meeting to learn what is involved in this process. Toward that end, URJ Southwest Regional Director **Rabbi Brian Zimmerman** will address the board during our February 10 meeting, sharing a Union perspective and offering insights into how the Union can assist with this process.

**Barry Schneider** and **Larry Brunell** educated us about the Federation guidelines involved when applying for grant money for programs that will enhance our congregation. Not only did the Federation provide \$17,000 in grants to Beth Shalom in 2007, they were so impressed with **Al Fratina's** appeal on behalf of Camp Impact, that Al was invited to speak at the Federation Major Gifts Dinner. Way to go, Al!

**David Silverberg** and his committee have been working diligently behind the scenes organizing our 1st Annual Golf Tournament at Mansfield National Golf Course April 29. This exciting event will not only benefit Beth Shalom, but a portion of the proceeds will be donated to our partner, the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Look for more information in this issue of **HaShomer**.

The board will begin the 2008-09 budget process next month; an overview was given on how each committee chair is to prepare their respective budgets.

**Joe** and **Rochelle Bekerman** will once again undertake the mammoth task... er, task, of compiling an updated directory which will be distributed on or about Passover this year. Directory ad-rate information sheets were handed out and

each board member was challenged to sell one to two new ads. The board once again thanks Joe and Rochelle for engaging in this most worthwhile pursuit.

Our first annual **Lay Leader Weekend** is scheduled for March 7-9. This weekend is important for two reasons: As I mentioned in my inaugural address December 14, service to HaShem is not a spectator sport. What better way to feel comfortable with the Friday night or Saturday morning service than by participating? Secondly, we must face the realization that those knowledgeable in the ways of our service are an aging and finite number.

In addition, should the congregation wish to delay the hiring of a full-time rabbi after Rabbi Soltz retires, it is imperative that we replenish our cadre of experienced participants. Lay Leader Weekend, coupled with the High Holy Days, will allow us to develop and showcase talent twice a year. The weekend will conclude Sunday, March 9, with a Brotherhood-sponsored breakfast, followed by a lecture given by Beth Shalom's own **Dr. Brent Sasley**, Assistant Professor of Middle-Eastern Affairs at UTA, on a topical issue of interest. As before, look for more information in this issue of HaShomer.

Adult Education chair **Mark Schwartz**, waxed poetic about the large turnout that attended the initial classes of our second semester of *Judaism, a Guide to Life* series. With beginning Hebrew taught by **Naomi Brand** at 10:00 a.m., Mitzvot from a Reform Jewish Perspective taught by 1st vice-president **Barry Goldfarb** at 11:00 a.m., and an interactive Pirkei Avot (ethics of the fathers) class led by **Howard Rosenstein** at 12:30 p.m., there is something for everyone.

Finally, past-president **Barry Schneider** is coordinating and organizing an off-site Board Retreat to be held Sunday, March 30. Strategic planning to set the short- and long-term goals of any organization is vital to its survival and success, and our synagogue is no exception. A facilitator from the URJ will be on hand to assist in this process.

– **Stuart Snow, President**



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### New 2008-2009 Board of Directors

Top row (l-r): **Mike Kapin, Mark Schwartz, Scott Sherwin, Mike Kornitzky, Randy San Antonio, Richard Franklin.** Center (l-r): **Stephanie Posner, Larry Brunell, Barry Goldfarb.** Front row (l-r): **Leslie Smith, Judi Lecoq, Mark Lewis, Michael Rein, Stuart Snow.**

# Sisterhood

Dear Sisterhood members and future members, in case you were afraid you had missed it – the annual wine-tasting event has been postponed until installation, the first week-end in June.

Activities to look forward to are:

February 7 - Card-making class taught by Sue Brezinsky. 7:00 p.m.

February 10 - Membership celebration.

February 22 - Sisterhood/Brotherhood Shabbat service.

March 9 - Hamentaschen making. 10:30 a.m.

We hope to see all of you there.

Our February meeting will be on the 19th. **Jennifer Daley** and **Fran Kreindler** will be hostessing. We will meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at The Black-Eyed Pea on Collins and Road to Six Flags. Please join us for dinner, the meeting, or both. Email me to let me know if you plan to attend dinner so we can save you a place.

It will soon be time for the nominating committee to meet and create a slate of officers. Come join us and be an active member of Sisterhood. If there is a special place you would like to contribute, please email me and I will make sure the nominating committee gets the information.

Remember, it is never too late to join Sisterhood. Without *you*, we are one woman short.

– **Martine Thomas, President**  
[thomas68@sbcglobal.net](mailto:thomas68@sbcglobal.net)



## Tzedakah Sunday - February 3

Once again Tzedakah Sunday volunteers will be calling you asking for your gift to the Jewish Federation Annual Campaign.

By now you know that programs at Lil Goldman Early Learning Center, Jewish Family Services, Tarrant County synagogues (including \$17,000 to Beth Shalom), UNT Jewish Studies program, Melton Adult Mini School, BBYO, Jewish War Veterans, and other local programs are funded by the Annual Campaign.

In fact, 50% of the allocable dollars raised in Tarrant County stay in Tarrant County.

The other 50% is used to fund regional and national agencies, including university programs (Hillel), birthright israel, Jewish Children's Regional Service, Jewish Council for Public Affairs, to name just a few. The largest portion (\$312,000) of our allocable funds from the campaign was sent overseas to fund programs of the Jewish Agency and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, aiding needy Jews in Israel and around the world.

So now that you know where the money goes (47 different places), and the thousands of lives the Annual Campaign contribution affects every day, *please answer the call*.

It's for you; it's for all of us. Better yet, why not join our Mitzvah corps at Beth-El that Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help make phone calls, do administrative tasks, or assist with refreshments. Shifts are three hours in length. Call the Federation at 817-569-0892 to learn how you can help our community.

Live generously. It does a world of good.

# Brotherhood

Brotherhood held a very successful breakfast meeting on Sunday, January 13. More than 25 men came to show their support for Brotherhood, eager to kick off new activities and plans for 2008.

**Richard Posner** welcomed all to the meeting. The men reacquainted themselves by way of self-introductions, many of them filled with humor.

**David Silverberg** got the ball rolling by briefing the group on an exciting event being planned – a Golf Tournament at Mansfield National Golf course on April 29. The tournament will be an outstanding way for Brotherhood to help generate funds for the synagogue.

There will be three ways to generate income from the event: sponsorship donations, entry fees from the players, and direct donations to the event. There will be many prizes handed out at the tournament for achieving various levels of play (both good and bad milestones) and you may even have a chance to win a car.

In addition to the golf event, many suggestions for future events were discussed, including possible trips to a Texas Brahmas hockey game or a baseball outing to see the Fort Worth Cats.

Brotherhood is also looking forward to being part of the February 22, Brotherhood/Sisterhood Shabbat, and will coordinate a Sunday breakfast for the March 9, Lay Leader Weekend being planned.

The current officers of Brotherhood reaffirmed their commitment to their posts:

Richard Posner - President

Brian Caplan - Vice President

Alan Weiner - Secretary

Joe Bekerman - Treasurer

Richard solicited the group to fill in the membership and programming chair positions. Brotherhood still seeks possible volunteers to take on these important positions.

As part of its membership drive for the 2008 year, those attending the meeting contributed membership dues for the coming year. With all the exciting things planned, please don't wait to join us and become an active member of Brotherhood. Fill in a Brotherhood membership form and get your dues (\$36/year) in today!

– **Alan Weiner, Secretary**

## Congregation Beth Shalom Sisterhood Gift Shop

Be sure to take a look at the Gift Shop link on the Beth Shalom website ([www.bethshalom.org](http://www.bethshalom.org))

The 40% Off Chanukah Items Sale Continues.

We Have a Beautiful Selection of Menorahs, Candles, Cookies, Toys, and Other Gifts.

20% Off on Mezzuzahs and

10% off on Selected Jewelry.

## Congregation Beth Shalom

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## Sylvia Gray Chaverim

Invite you to join us in the Social Hall  
Sunday, February 17, 12:30 p.m. for  
Lunch and a Musical Performance by  
Standing Room Only

(Theatre Arlington's Childrens Performers)

Cost is \$5 per person for lunch.

Please RSVP by February 11, to:  
Sandy Silverman at 817-745-0766

*Sylvia Gray Chaverim made possible through a grant from  
the Jewish Federation of Fort Worth and Tarrant County.*

### Daytimers Presents:

***Behind the Scene: How a Performer  
Prepares for a Performance***

***Featuring Pianist Tamar Ungar***

**Wednesday, February 20, 12:00 noon  
at Congregation Beth-El**

Lunch \$8.00, catered by Jason's Deli  
Program only, \$3.00 per person

Pianist Tamar Ungar has earned worldwide acclaim  
for his powerful performances and innovative  
programming. A regular guest artist at numerous  
music centers in the U.S., he also performs and  
teaches frequently all over the globe.

For information/reservations contact: Barbara Rubin,  
817-927-2736, or Sylvia Wexler, 817-294-1129.

*The Sylvia Wolens Jewish Daytimers is a program of Beth-El  
Congregation with support from the Jewish Federation.*

### Night Shelter Thanks

We want to thank everyone who volunteered to help  
and supply food for the dinner at the Arlington Night Shelter  
on Christmas Eve. It's a mitzvah to provide for those in need,  
and there were more than 90 people spending the night at the  
shelter. Also, a big thank you to the Black Eyed Pea on South  
Cooper and to Joey's Pizza at 1121 W. Arkansas Lane for the  
donation of food.

It is with sadness that we feel the loss of one of our best  
Life Shelter volunteers: David Poster. David and Sheila have  
offered their dedication and hard work for ten years to help  
with Christmas Eve dinner at the shelter. They were always  
eager to do whatever it took to make the project successful.  
Though not feeling well, David volunteered this past Christ-  
mas; he knew the value of honoring his commitment and  
performing a true mitzvah. He will be greatly missed within  
the community. Thanks to the Posters for their generous ser-  
vice to the Arlington Life Shelter.

– *Phil Kabakoff and Carol Pock*

### Congregation Leader Weekend

We are planning a special weekend on March 7, 8, and  
9. Friday night and Saturday morning services will be led by  
members of our congregation, with congregants participat-  
ing in all phases of the services.

Sunday morning there will be a Brotherhood breakfast,  
followed by a talk by one of our newest members, Dr. Brent  
Sasley, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science,  
University of Texas at Arlington.

If you would like to participate in the services, call Mike  
Kornitzky, ritual chair, 817-467-6834, or email,  
[korny@flash.net](mailto:korny@flash.net).

### URJ Social Action Project

The moral test of any society is how it treats its most  
vulnerable. Each year, 350-500 million people are infected  
with malaria. In Africa, more than one-million of those in-  
fected die each year.

The spread of malaria is preventable; the solution is  
simple and cost-effective. Studies show that the use of inse-  
cticide-treated bed nets can reduce transmission as much as  
50%. A \$10 donation goes directly toward the purchase, dis-  
tribution, and education about the proper use of a family bed  
net. Contributions raised will provide bed nets to Darfuri  
refugees who have crossed borders into the Central African  
Republic and Chad.

The URJ's goal is to raise \$500,000 for this project. As  
part of that goal we encourage our congregants to make a  
donation for this worthy cause. [www.urj.org/relief/nets/](http://www.urj.org/relief/nets/) pro-  
vides details on how you can donate to this project.

– *Ben Weiger*

### Community-Wide Mitzvah Day

All four synagogues in Tarrant County will participate  
in this community-wide Mitzvah Day event on April 6. The  
kickoff to the projects will be Sunday, at 9:00 a.m. in the  
Great Hall of Temple Beth-El.

The event will begin with a breakfast of bagels, cream  
cheese, coffee, and juice, followed by a short prayer service.  
This will be followed by Mitzvah Day activities. Lunch will  
be served at 12:30 p.m. The Carter Bloodmobile will be in  
front of the Temple from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and the Beth-  
El Gift Shop will be open for "tax free" shopping.

Some of the organizations we will provide assistance  
to include: Mission Arlington, Tarrant Food Bank, Ronald  
McDonald House, Habitat for Humanity, and All Church  
Home for Children.

Organizations that benefit from Mitzvah Day can use  
clothing in good repair, shoes, small household appliances,  
books, shampoo, soap, combs and brushes, toothbrushes and  
toothpaste.

This is a family event, so bring the entire family for a  
day of fun and fulfillment in pursuit of tikkun olam. Stu-  
dents who want to participate will be granted an excused  
absence from Sunday School.

Further details on organizational volunteer opportuni-  
ties and registration will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions, please call Ben Weiger at  
817-860-5165, or email him at [weiger@sbcglobal.net](mailto:weiger@sbcglobal.net).

– *Ben Weiger*

## Why Everyone Should Go To Israel

Israel was always a place I wanted to visit. After studying the country for many years in Sunday school, and listening to my ARFTY friends talk about how great their trip was, I realized I had to experience the Promised Land for myself.

My dream hit a snag when my fraternity brothers and I applied and were wait-listed last summer. I was so looking forward to the trip that when the next opportunity presented itself, I jumped at it right away. Five of my fraternity brothers joined the Boston Hillel chapter the 27th of December for a trip I will never forget. As I boarded the plane to Israel, I knew I was finally embarking on a journey 20 years in the making.

When we landed at the Ben Gurion airport, I knew I had arrived at my home away from home. The scenery as we got off the plane was phenomenal and a welcome change from the boring flat plains that Texas has to offer. My trip was full of wonderful and moving experiences. Whether it was climbing Masada, floating in the Dead Sea, or spending the night in a Bedouin tent, the trip was full of adventure.

The highlight of the trip had to be our visit to the Western Wall. Returning home, I know I will always look back at this 10-day journey as one that helped me strengthen my Jewish roots and establish a true affinity towards Israel.

One thing that really struck me was the fact that Israel is a place where you are never alone. It was an awesome feeling to be in a country where I was in the majority, rather than the minority. Returning from Israel, I feel a new pride in being Jewish and an increased appreciation for our heritage. When I got home I dug out an old necklace that had been my grandfather's. It is a facade of the Western Wall inscribed with the words: "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem." I am wearing it proudly.

Visiting Israel was definitely a life-changing experience; I encourage each and every one of you who has an opportunity, to go. Taglit Birthright is amazing. Who can argue with a free trip to the land of our forefathers and a chance to make new Jewish friends. It is an opportunity to travel to the only place where you can further your Jewish identity and gain a better understanding of the historical and political situation in Israel.

I think it was best said by our tour guide at Independence Hall in Tel Aviv: "Israel is your home and you are wanted here. You don't have to ever live here, but if you want to, then it is always a place you can feel at home."

Birthright is open to all Jewish young adults between the ages of 18-26 who have never been on a peer tour to Israel. You can get more information on-line. Look into it, you will be glad you did.

– Jared Snow



Jared in Israel in front of the Western Wall.

## Religious School

In Judaism we celebrate more than one Rosh HaShana. The Rosh HaShana we all know is the beginning of the Jewish New Year, but there is another one: *Rosh HaShana La Ilanot*. That is Tu B'Shevat, the birthday of the trees. In recognition of the trees that give us shade, fruit, and wood, we celebrate by eating their fruit and especially fruit that the land of Israel has been blessed with.

This year, Iron Chef came to Beth Shalom; our secret ingredient was (you guessed it) fruit! The kids divided into groups and cooked up delicious recipes with fruit and nuts. The panel of judges (and parents) was very impressed with the creativity and artistic flair displayed by our kids.

One of the first tasks that God commanded the Israelites to do as soon as they entered the Promised Land was to plant a tree (Leviticus 19:23). Our kids did just that: **Mrs. Dafna Ninio's** second-grade planted a virtual tree in Israel through the Israeli Parliament website ([www.knesset.gov.il](http://www.knesset.gov.il)). Check it out with your family and you too can plant a tree in Israel free of charge.

For actual planting, consider the Jewish National Fund programs that plant a tree in your name or in honor or memory of a loved one for only \$18. You and the honoree receive a beautiful certificate and know that you just performed a Mitzvah. Go to [www.jnf.org](http://www.jnf.org) for more information.

From Tu B'Shevat we move right on to Pesach. Already? Well, not yet. Pesach is celebrated this year on Saturday, April 19, but be sure to get your Passover candy orders in by February 17. The Barton's chocolate is delicious, and purchases benefit the school. We are able to supplement our budget with the proceeds from various fundraisers, and are grateful for your support. An order form is being sent along with this copy of HaShomer, or contact [daniellesnailer@aol.com](mailto:daniellesnailer@aol.com) to place your order.

All these wonderful happenings at Beth Shalom would not be possible without the dedicated work of our volunteer faculty and staff. We will honor them on a special Shabbat service on Friday, February 15, and invite you to join us so we can show our teachers and volunteers how much we appreciate their hard work. Room parents will be calling you to bring one-g items and donate money for the bimah flowers for that night, so please be generous. Sixth-grade will be leading services with Rabbi Soltz that night, so we are in for a treat. Please call Janet and RSVP for the dinner that night; the cost is always minimal and the food is always great.

See you then.

– Danielle Snailer, Religious School Director  
[daniellesnailer@aol.com](mailto:daniellesnailer@aol.com)

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If you can't read this, you need to see us.

## Beth Shalom Profiles

### Ben Weiger

Ben Weiger, a member of the CBS board of directors currently serving as social chair, works as the Chief, Hydrologic Services Branch, National Weather Service, Southern Region Headquarters. He lives in Arlington with his wife, Fran, and son, Sam, who is about to become Bar Mitzvah.

Ben was born in January 1954 and lived for 25 years in Brooklyn. His father was from Poland, his mother from Israel.

After graduating from CCNY, Ben worked for the U.S. Geological Survey. Starting out as a hydrologist, he generated river/flood forecasts for river systems. He then worked at NWS headquarters for ten years providing operational/technical/policy support for field offices across the nation. Ben has over 30 years of experience working for the National Weather Service, the past 10 at the Southern Region Headquarters, providing support for offices in a ten-state area covering the southeast, Tennessee Valley, and southern plains.

He has received three major awards in the past five years. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Administrators Award for a leadership role in marketing the flood safety awareness campaign slogan: "Turn around. Don't drown". He received the same award in 2007 for a leadership role in developing and implementing a precipitation analysis web service for the nation. In addition, Ben received the Department of Commerce Bronze Award for operational support during hurricane Katrina.

Over the years, Ben has been involved in B'nai B'rith, ADL, Union of Councils for Soviet Jewry, and The Jewish Federation. He has also worked with Hillel.

Many of you might have seen Ben as he conducted Israeli folk dances for several CBS functions. He has also been active in Mitzvah Day, the Gala, and ushering for the High Holy Days.



– Phil Kabakoff

### New CBS Members



Top row (l-r): Sheldon Goodman, Don Powers, Arthur Moses, Brian Moses. Middle row (l-r): Brent Sasley, Yael Sasley holding Samara, Rob Berg, Linda Moses, Lee Schulman. Front row (l-r): Arielle Sasley, Sue Brezinsky, Sandy Rieser, Joyce Derewitz, John Derewitz, Leslie Schulman, Cara Schulman.

## Birthdays

### February 1

Josh Frisinger  
Amanda Wallace

### February 2

Wanda Brunell  
Leah Bushlow

### February 3

Lauren Schwartz  
Ned Soltz

### February 4

Judy Clark

### February 5

Joel Mandelkorn  
Sheila Poster

### February 7

Heidi Rothschild

### February 11

Jeff Visosky

### February 15

Terri Kravetz  
Arielle Sasley  
Julie Vest  
Adam Weiss

### February 16

Scott Jessup  
Bill Mason

### February 18

Steve Burke

### February 19

Daniel Barr

### February 21

Alixandra Barasch

### February 22

Leslie Udes

### February 23

Yasmin Feinberg

### February 24

Caleb Cohen  
Aliza Feinberg  
David Ninio

### February 25

Jerome Kane

### February 26

Nick Chaimson  
Ronna Kirkland  
David Markson



Mazel Tov

## Anniversaries

### February 10

Darlene & Michael  
Dickman

### February 26

Cookie & Phil Kabakoff

**Would you like to honor someone's good deed, honor a birthday, special occasion or send condolences? You can do this with a donation that benefits Beth Shalom.**

**You may indicate a fund of your choice, or leave it to the discretion of the executive director to select it for you. Donation forms are available on the website ([www.bethshalom.org](http://www.bethshalom.org)), or from the office.**

**If the recipient is not a synagogue member, please be sure to include their address.**

## Become a Minyanaire

Just think. We have a Rosh Chodesh minyan once a month, or 13 times a year (lunar calendar).

We have a dedicated group of 6 - 7 people who attend.

We have 194 family units that equate to about 300 adults (post Bar/Bat Mitzvah).

Minus the seven regulars, we need three people to make a decision to attend minyan once a month.

Three divided into 300 equals 100, or a commitment by three people to attend just one minyan out of every 100 minyans.

With 13 minyans a year, each person would make a solid commitment to attend minyan once every seven-and-a-half years!

Is this not a mitzvah we can do?

Is this not a mitzvah to the congregation?

Is this not a mitzvah to our fellow Jews?

Please refer to the schedule of services on page one for date and time of services.

# Donations

(Received prior to January 13)

## MORTGAGE REDUCTION FUND

In memory of David Feld  
from Melanie Garver  
In memory of Lorean Gardner  
from Toni and Norm Epstein  
In memory of Harriet Mintz Flack and Samuel William Flack; in honor of the birthdays of: Linda Elsenbaumer, Philippe Lecoq, Jeff Rothschild, Stuart Snow, Jim Kravetz; in honor of the anniversaries of: Martine and Larry Thomas, Stacey and Barry Goldfarb, Dolores and Barry Schneider  
from Harold Mandel and Sharon Self  
In memory of Sylvia Soltz and Lois Abel  
from Rabbi and Mary Soltz  
In memory of Skippy Reynolds  
from Debbie and Marty Goldsmith  
In memory of Martine and Larry Thomas's 40th anniversary  
from Rabbi and Mary Soltz  
from Debbie and Marty Goldsmith  
from Christine and Gene Posnock  
In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Nicholas Markson  
from Shelley and Steve Sternblitz  
In memory of Ann Sheen; in appreciation of Congregation Beth Shalom  
from Martine and Larry Thomas  
In memory of David Rubin and Ben Rubin  
from Sherwin Rubin  
In honor of the birthdays of: Martin Zelling, Carl Cagan, Stuart Snow, Alan Silverman, Rosalie Cagan; in honor of the anniversaries of: Alan and Sandy Silverman, Frank and Lili Weiner, Barry and Dolores Schneider, David and Sheila Poster; in loving memory of Sylvia Gray  
from Randall Gray

## RICHARD WENOKUR MEMORIAL FUND - Religious School Scholarships

In honor of the birth of Marcus Goldblatt; in memory of Judy Jurewitz, Etta Schmerler, Joanne and Bert Barnes  
from Sharon and Lee Wenokur

## RABBI'S ESCROW FUND

from Dolores and Barry Schneider

## BIMAH FUND

In memory of Debbie Weinbaum; wishing good health to Lynne Diorelli  
from Shelley and Steve Sternblitz

## EDUCATION FUND

In memory of Alan Chait  
from Vicky Steinberg

## BUILDING FUND

In appreciation of Congregation Beth Shalom  
from Claudia and Arnold Alcocer  
from Ron Vickers  
Leaf on Tree, in honor of their 40th anniversary  
from Martine and Larry Thomas  
In honor of my Sisterhood friends  
from Martine Thomas  
In memory of Eve Glickman  
from Karen and John Blair

## MAINTENANCE FUND

Rakin' with Ruach  
from Dolores and Barry Schneider  
from Andrea and Stuart Snow  
from Trish and Randy San Antonio  
from Fran and Ben Weiger  
from Laura and Larry Fleischer  
In memory of Hetty Rubins  
from Pat and Roy Rubins

## ONEG FUND

In appreciation of Beth Shalom  
from Janet and Jerry Aaronson  
In honor of their 40th anniversary  
from Martine and Larry Thomas  
In loving memory of Alex Cabrero  
from Sarita and Stephen Cabrero  
In loving memory of Ben's father, Sam Weiger  
from Fran and Ben Weiger  
In loving memory of Sylvia Gray  
from Randall Gray  
In honor of his loving wife Judi  
from Philippe Lecoq

## GENERAL FUND

In appreciation of Congregation Beth Shalom  
from Martine and Larry Thomas

## RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of Lillian Blumberg  
from Loesje and Elliott Blumberg  
In appreciation of Rabbi and Mary Soltz  
from Martine and Larry Thomas  
In memory of Beatrice Vogel Goodman  
from Larry and Mary Goodman

## CAMP IMPACT FUND

In memory of Coston Gardner  
from Toni and Norm Epstein  
In memory of Eleanor Tanofsky  
from Marian and Allan Jacobi

## BANK'S MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In memory of Sidney Steinberg  
from Vicky Steinberg

# Yahrzeits



## February 1-2

Anna Levy  
Efraim Nasserfar\*  
Louis Oxman\*  
Eli Cobbel\*  
Abraham Rothschild  
Helen Rothschild  
Samuel Tobor  
Ruth Bolding\*  
Leonard Elster  
Dorothy Hibert King\*

## February 8-9

Benjamin Feld\*  
Maxwell J. Rodenberg\*  
Harry Waetzman\*  
Ester Fleischer  
George Abraham\*  
Isadore J. Sternstein  
Donald Garver\*  
Max Kornitzky\*  
Israel Margolis  
Hilda Needleman\*  
Daisy Silverberg  
Norma Reynolds\*  
Morris Schneidkraut\*

## February 15-16

Jerry Kaden  
Samuel Weiss  
Betty Berger  
Harold Dorfman  
Rose Golden  
Arnold Berger  
Louis Eisenfeld\*  
Sylvia Asman  
Ethel Newell Flack\*  
Shirley Printz\*

## February 22-23

Edna Frost\*  
Jay Silverberg  
Bernard Stein\*  
Benjamin Epstein\*  
Abraham Mandelstein\*  
Jean Mazer  
Roy Propp  
Abraham Glickman  
Irvis Thomas  
Isabel Thomas  
Irving Rein\*  
George Coplin\*

## February 29 - March 1

Aaron Sternstein  
Joseph Robertson  
Florence F. Katz\*  
Israel Solomon\*  
Howard Neil Maurer\*  
Irwin Paderewski\*  
Harold Grossman  
Bella Needleman  
Susan Abraham\*  
Naomi Binder\*

\* Memorial Plaque in Sanctuary

## Bike Riders Wanted

Interested in going for a bike ride? Need more exercise? Bike sitting in the garage gathering dust?

I'm trying to find adults interested in riding their bikes on Sunday mornings from about 9:30 a.m. to noon, weather permitting.

Drop off the kids at CBS for religious school, then meet us at River Legacy Park. The trail is about 11 miles long.

This will be a ride, not a race. Adults only.

If you're interested, contact Phil Kabakoff, 817-572-4928, or email at [kabby7@tx.rr.com](mailto:kabby7@tx.rr.com).

# Thank you to those who pledged to the High Holy Day *Mortgage Free in Three* Campaign

## Three-year pledges – Amount pledged per year \$5000+

Michael Kornitzky  
Dr. Barry and Dolores Schneider  
Dr. Alan and Pam Weiner

## \$3001 - \$4999

Dr. Michael and Suzi Kapin

## \$1501 - \$3000

Dr. Brian and Klila Caplan  
Steve and Billye Burke

## \$1000 - \$1500

Larry and Wanda Brunell  
Cheryl Visosky

## \$500 - \$750

Harold Mandel  
David and Cynthia Barr  
Carl and Rosalie Cagan  
Jim and Cathy Frisinger  
Marty and Debbie Goldsmith  
Dr. Israel and Fanny Hartman  
Scott and Shelley Jessup  
Dr. Lew and Ellen Pincus  
Drs. Mark and Arlene Schwartz  
Martin Zelling and  
Stacey Silverman

Stuart and Andrea Snow  
Todd and Nora Bushlow  
Stephen and Sarita Cabrero  
Sherryl Clark  
Melanie Garver  
Jeff and Michele Rothschild  
Amir and Shirley Sassoon  
Paul and Carolyn Solomon  
Dr. Barry and Seena Stevens  
Scott and Laurie Sherwin  
Steve and Mary Ann Levine  
Trish Holland and Bryon Adinoff

## \$301 - \$499

Mort and Eileen House



## \$100 - \$300

Julie Eisenfeld  
Mark and Melanie Gotlieb  
Les Pock  
Boris Shtreyzman and  
Faina Sandler  
Ben and Fran Weiger  
Rabbi Ned and Mary Soltz  
Phil and Cookie Kabakoff  
Sharon and Lee Wenokur  
Hy Siegel

## \$1.00 - \$99

David and Felice Silverberg  
Charles and Amy Tashbook  
Johnny and Pam Sudbury

## Two-year pledge – Amount pledged per year

### \$1000

Chris Scotese and Phyllis Richmond  
Monte Shaw  
Dr. Stephen and Tamara Lenhoff

### \$500

Francine Levy  
Joanne and Bert Barnes

### \$100 - \$299

Frank and Lili Weiner  
Helen Wilson  
Lee and Phil Landsberg

### \$1 - \$99

Alan and Sandy Silverman

**Mortgage Free  
in Three  
Campaign Goal:  
\$360,000  
Total to Date:  
\$140,173  
from 76 Families**

(and five non-members)

## Single-year pledge – 2006 campaign

\$5000 – Sisterhood  
\$2500 – Sisterhood Gift Shop  
\$1000+

Larry and Martine Thomas  
Dr. Gene and Christine Posnock  
Dr. Jim and Terri Kravetz

## \$500+

Sherwin Rubin  
Joe and Rochelle Bekerman  
Jay and Barbara Printz  
Howard and Annette Lackman

## \$300 - \$499

Eric and Fran Kreindler  
Randy and Trish San Antonio  
Randall Gray  
Anonymous  
Chris Scotese and Phyllis Richmond  
Phil and Lee Landsberg

## \$100 - \$299

Dr. Predrag and Sandy Pavlovic  
Bea Stein  
Etta Schmerler  
Michael and Linda Dunn  
Michael and Thressa Lobel  
Jeff and Leslie Smith  
Chris Scotese and  
Phyllis Richmond  
Dr. Jossef Perl  
Mark and Debi Lewis  
Adam and Linda Weiss  
Dr. Larry and Marcy Coben  
Rochelle and Joe Bekerman

## \$1.00 - \$99

Steve and Shelley Sternblitz  
Karilynne Cohen  
Leslie Udes  
Alan and Sandy Silverman  
Helen Wilson  
Keith and Gina Richardson  
Jerry and Dina Lindell

## Single-year pledge – 2007 campaign

### \$1,000+

Michael and Lisa Rein

### \$500+

Barbara and Larry Bushner

### \$300 - \$499

Randy and Trish San Antonio

### \$100 - \$299

Jennifer and Ken Daley  
Drs. Lisa and Jonathan Heistein  
Fran and Eric Kreindler  
Barbara and Jay Printz  
Shelley and Steve Sternblitz  
Leslie Udes  
Rosalie and Carl Cagan

### \$1.00 - \$99

Helen Wilson  
Lee and Phil Landsberg

## Jewish War Vets Want You!

The Martin Hochster JWV Post 755 of Fort Worth and Tarrant County is accepting applications for membership.

Anyone who has served in any branch of the military - active, reserve, guard, or in the military of another country - is eligible for membership. War-time service is not necessary.

JWV is the oldest veterans organization in the U.S., and plays an active role in issues affecting Jewish servicemen and women, both active and retired. For information/applications contact: Post Commander Dr. Barry Schneider, 817-360-9298; [dr\\_barrys@yahoo.com](mailto:dr_barrys@yahoo.com).

## New Member Applications

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in joining the Beth Shalom family, please call our executive director,  
Janet Aaronson,  
817-860-5448