

Mazel Tavs

Saralee Sloven has recently joined our congregation. Saralee was born and raised in Grafton, North Dakota. She moved to West Des Moines on January 2, 2011 from Sun City West, Arizona. She spent most of her married life in Bismark, North Dakota where she and her husband, Sid, raised 5 children. In 1980, they built a home in Yesod Hamalla in the upper Galilee, where they spent half of each year for 23 years. Saralee has 11 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren, the oldest of whom is 5 years of age. She has been a widow for 3 years. She is pleased to be in Des Moines with her son Dan Sloven and devoted family, and to be a member of our congregation.



Congratulations to **Daniel Khalastchi**, son of Bobbi and Nashi Khalastchi, on the publishing of his first book of poems "Manoleria" in February. Daniel will have a book signing on Monday, March 21st at Beaverdale Books.

Congratulations to **Carolyn Schoen**, daughter of Maddie and Don Schoen and granddaughter of Elizabeth Sherman, on her recent engagement to Joe Gorowske, of Chicago.

Congratulations to **Pat Shepherd** on the birth of her grandson, Alvin Letsch, to Timothy and Karen Letsch. The Letches live in Kansas City, Missouri.

Passover Packets will be mailed out soon!

These packets will contain:

- *Schedule of Services and Events*
- *Second Night Seder Information and Reservation Form*. This will be the first event to be held in our remodeled social hall.
- *Women's League Passover Lasagna Dinner Information and Reservation Form*
- *Rabbinical Assembly Pesah Guide*. This guide contains a wealth of information on kashering and kosher-for-Passover foods.
- *Chametz Sale Form*

Watch for your packet to arrive in early March!



Your Spiritual Home

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Worship Services

Minyan Schedule

Sundays and most Legal Holidays - 9:00am

Tuesdays - 7:00am

Shabbat & Services Schedule

March 4-5 / 28-29 Adar I

Shabbat Shekalim

Shabbat Candle Lighting—5:50pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services
Birthday Aliyah

March 11-12 / 5-6 Adar II

Shabbat Candle Lighting—5:58pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services
Anniversary Aliyah

March 18-19 / 12-13 Adar II

Shabbat Zachor

Shabbat Candle Lighting—7:06pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services

March 19-20 / 13-14 Adar II

PURIM

Havdalah—8:06pm
7:00pm—Megillah Reading and Costume Parade
9:00am—Morning Services

March 25-26 / 19-20 Adar II

Shabbat Parah

Shabbat Candle Lighting—7:14pm
5:45pm—Toddler Service
6:30pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services
Tot Shabbat 10:30am

April 1-2 / 26-27 Adar II

Shabbat Hachodesh

Shabbat Candle Lighting—7:21pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services
Birthday Aliyah

April 8-9 / 4-5 Nisan

Shabbat Candle Lighting—7:29pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services
Anniversary Aliyah

April 15-16 / 11-12 Nisan

Shabbat Hagadol

Shabbat Candle Lighting—7:36pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services

April 18-26 / 14-22 Nisan

PESACH

Please see schedule on opposite page for dates and times of special Pesach services and events.

April 22-23 / 11-12 Nisan

Shabbat Chol Hamoed

Shabbat Candle Lighting—7:44pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services

April 29-30 / 25-26 Nisan

Shabbat Candle Lighting—7:44pm
6:00pm—Evening Services
9:00am—Shabbat Morning Services

Weekly minyan is an important mitzvah showing support for our congregants who are observing a yahrzeit for someone they love. Our weekday minyan takes place on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m.

Please help our community with this important, time honored tradition.

Tifereth Israel *Passover Service Schedule*

Your Spiritual Home

For 2011



- * Monday, April 18, 2011
Ta'anit Bekhorim (Fast of the Firstborn)
 Study session with Rabbi Edelman-Blank
 7:30 a.m. — Rabbi's Office
Erev Pesach
 No Services — First Night Seder in your home
- * Tuesday, April 19, 2011
First Day Pesach
 9:00 a.m. — Morning Services
 6:00 p.m. — Second Night Seder, Tifereth Israel Social Hall
 Begin counting Omer at Second Night Seder
- * Wednesday, April 20, 2011
Second Day Pesach
 9:00 a.m. — Morning Services
- * Friday, April 22, 2011
 6:00 p.m. — Shabbat Evening Services
 7:00 p.m. — Women's League Passover Family Dinner
- * Saturday, April 23, 2011
 9:00 a.m. — Shabbat Morning Services
- * Sunday, April 24, 2011
 9:00 a.m. — Morning minyan
- * Monday, April 25, 2011
Seventh Day Pesach
 9:00 a.m. — Morning Services
- * Tuesday, April 26, 2011
Eighth Day Pesach/Yizkor
 9:00 a.m. — Morning Services





From the Rabbi's Study...

An Invitation

This past week, I chose to pass on doing a normal sermon at Saturday morning services. Instead, I tried to open up a conversation that I feel that our congregation needs to have. It is not a conversation about our building, important as this has been. It is not a conversation about the long-term prospects of the Jewish community in Des Moines. Rather, it is a conversation about what we believe. It is a conversation about who we are. Not in the future, right now.

Let me explain the conversation we need to have. There is an old joke about Conservative synagogues. "What is a Conservative synagogue? It is an Orthodox rabbi with a Reform congregation." I used to find this joke funny...until I was ordained as a rabbi. The reason, I think, that people laugh at it is because there is some accuracy to it. It gets at a tension within our congregations. The vast majority of congregants simply do not observe many of the traditional Jewish laws about such topics as Shabbat, Kashrut, and prayer. At the same time, the clergy are expected to follow these laws at a high standard. "I do not keep kosher, but my rabbi does." However, our religion does not work that way. My keeping kosher does not help anyone else.

Please understand that I am not trying to sound judgemental or do any kind of "cranky rabbi" shtick. I just have noticed that there are some weird things that happen in our synagogue. In the daily life of the community, we mainly talk about kashrut in terms of what can and cannot be brought into the synagogue kitchen. On some level, kashrut stops being about what we put into our mouths and eat. Rather, the focus turns to what can be brought into one building. In the same way, Shabbat stops being truly about what actions we choose or do not choose to do on the day of rest. We talk, instead, about what people can or cannot do in the synagogue Saturday afternoons when preparing for a Saturday night bar mitzvah party. Shabbat observance becomes something that is bound by the walls of the synagogue.

I would suspect that some members of our congregation feel this tension. Essentially, saying we believe in one thing and acting differently does not fit with our shared thoughts about religious integrity. We expect some amount of congruity between our actions and beliefs.

Personally, I think I started to be conscious of this tension when I was a child attending Hebrew school. In the classroom, I was taught "what Jews do." It was hard to not notice, when I went home, that my family did not follow many of the laws. We sometimes went out on Friday nights. We ate non-kosher meat outside the house. But, had I not learned that these were things that Jews were not supposed to do? These contradictions kind of messed with my young head. I am still worried that, when this contradiction is felt by a Jewish child, he or she also learns the implication that Judaism should not be taken particularly seriously. We say there are things that Jews do, but we do not really do them.

So, where do we go from here? I am not proposing that we all instantly turn into "SuperJews" that unquestionably observe every law to its fullest. At the same time, I am not expecting that I am going to ever deliver the perfect sermon that will convince the whole congregation to not go out to see a movie on Friday nights. Honestly, I imagine that congregants has heard plenty of sermons about the benefits of Shabbat observance (though I still reserve the right to give one).

Rather, we start talking. We look at why traditional Judaism says we should follow certain practices and avoid others. Then, we ask if the reasons given resonate for us. We also explore what makes traditional Jewish living seem so difficult at times. We do not debate, we share and discuss.

We have started the conversation by talking about the idea of "commandedness." Do we believe that God commanded us to do anything? How and when were those commands given? What exactly was commanded, the exact words written in the Torah or something less specific?

I would like to invite everyone in our community to join in this conversation over the next several weeks. We need your voice. Please come to services next Saturday.

Rabbi Edelman-Blank



A Note from Cantor Linda Shivers

Shortly after I arrived at Tifereth, I was asked to imagine what an amazing sound system for the new social hall/sanctuary would be like. I had the opportunity to meet with a local sound engineer and I got advice from cantors all over the country.

So I'd like you to imagine with me. Imagine a room where you can only hear some of the time and the rest of the time the sound is garbled. Imagine a sound system that was put together by an amateur and needs tweaking for the next twenty years and even then isn't quite right. Imagine people constantly yelling out during events, "Louder!" Imagine decent equipment but no one from the company who is responsible to adjust it from time to time. Imagine sound that is acceptable for the high holy days when the room is open but not so great when the divider is closed for regular services. Imagine speakers that take up space and distract from the beautiful design of our new room. Imagine fixed mikes that can only be used in certain locations that aren't the places we really use anymore. Sound sort of familiar?

Now I'd like you to imagine something better. Imagine a room where every word and note was clear from every part of the room. Imagine a room where there were lots of portable microphones so that the rabbi and cantor would not be tied to a pulpit and you could still hear them. Imagine lots of hand-held mikes that could be put on stands anywhere in the room for any occasion – services, choir concert, an auction, dinner-dance, talent show, etc. Imagine services being streamed over the internet. Imagine Aunt Sadie in a nursing home in Tel-Aviv inviting all her friends to watch her nephew's bar mitzvah in Des Moines on the nursing home's computer or television screen. Or imagine some of our homebound seniors dialing in to hear our services over the phone. Imagine every bar or bat mitzvah receiving a dvd of their service that was made nearly instantaneously from the synagogue's built-in camera and sound system that fed into a dedicated computer. Imagine being able to play any kind of music at any time from a computer that is hooked up to the synagogue sound system. And imagine being able to watch any Tifereth event on your computer while you are in your snow bird location. You could even participate if you wanted to, using video chat capabilities. Imagine a system for the hearing impaired that actually worked. Imagine a family who is thinking about moving to Des Moines watching the services on their computer and realizing that Tifereth is the place to join!

None of these imaginings are things that haven't been invented yet. All of them are being done more and more. In fact, none of it is even technically difficult anymore. I'm sure you know where I'm going – the only thing holding us back from this vision is money. We already have most of this in a proposal – a proposal that we can't afford yet. I challenge those of you who have means to think about how exciting the sound at Tifereth could be and to help make it happen.

—Cantor Linda Shivers

March Birthdays

March 2

Eli Wolnerman

March 3

Matthew Brody
Mara White

March 4

Marilyn Winick

March 5

Elijah Waltman

March 6

Philip Bear
Laura Bernstein
Mia Blumberg
Julia Feder
Steven Goldstein
Patricia Shepherd
Louis Sloven
Sharon Stein

March 7

Amy Brody
Mayim Finkelstein
Stephanie Pearl
Marvin Winick

March 8

Susie Kimelman
Mary Noss Reavely
David Rovner

March 10

Maya Hazan
Noam Hazan

March 11

Velma Cohen
Margie Koslow

March 13

Brad Brody
Harry Griger

March 14

Jeff Beecher

March 15

Karen Marcovis

March 16

Susan Strauber

March 17

Risa Siegel

March 18

Lilianna Bernstein

March 19

Alan Givant

March 20

Daniel Sandler

March 22

Danielle Engman
Rebecca Finkelshteyn
Hinda Meyers

March 24

Todd Jacklin
Bernard Leman

March 26

Shirlee Marcovis
Cynthia Rovner

March 27

Sanya Bernstein
Rob Engman

March 28

Andrew Rosenberg
Rebecca Toubes

March 29

Jay Beecher
Jeff Carr
Betty Shindler

March 31

Philip Blumberg
Carolyn Levine
Scott Rosenberg
Jonathan Urban

March Anniversaries

March 16

Cynthia and Marc Shulman

March 24

Esther and Warner Bergh

March 25

Ann and Larry Blumberg

Celebratory Aliyot for March

If you are celebrating a March Birthday,
please join us for a special Aliyah on
Saturday, March 5th.

If you are celebrating a March Anniversary,
please join us for a special Aliyah on
Saturday, March 12th.

April Birthdays

April 1

David Farber
Benjamin Karney
Joe Lettween

April 3

Vivian Fritzier
Dorothy Goldberg
Eugene Shoykhet

April 4

Jeri Dunitz
Josh Engman
Jan Hockenberg
Elizabeth Ohringer

April 5

Aaron Schoen

April 6

Mara Egherman
Randall Levitt

April 7

Gail Pearl
Joseph Wolf

April 8

Philip Master
David Wiczner

April 9

Ann Blumberg
Marshall Flapan
Sheldon Ohringer

April 10

Ronald Osby

April 11

Adele Anolik

April 12

Idit Hazan

April 15

Bradley Beecher
David Frankel

Leah Goodman
Ksenya Malina

April 16

Audrey Rosenberg

April 17

Jordan Bookey
Regina Zilbermints

April 18

Tali Greenspon

April 20

Jacob Grund

April 22

Steven Beecher
Benyamin Kaufman
Daniel Klass
Maizy Mintzer

April 23

Michael Kuperman

April 25

Evelyn Fritzier
Michael Stein
Jeff White

April 27

Max Deal
Kent Rosenberg

April 28

Ellie Greenspon
Iveta Kershenbaum

April 28

Lyanna Lindgren

April 29

Peter Karney

April 30

Barbara Beecher
Harvey Giller
Leonard Kallio



April Anniversaries

April 5

Sigmund and Marilyn Nussbaum
Brook and Dawn Rosenberg

April 7

Ronald and Susan Osby

April 8

Evelyn Rudich and Jose Aguilar

April 14

Scott and Judy Rosenberg

April 22

Viktor and Viktoriya Zilbermints

April 26

Sandra Pomerantz-Reed and Jeff Reed

Celebratory Aliyot for April

If you are celebrating an April Birthday,
please join us for a special Aliyah on
Saturday, April 2nd.

If you are celebrating an April Anniversary,
please join us for a special Aliyah on
Saturday, April 9th.

Adult Education

Varieties of Jewish Meditation Led by Cantor Shivers Thursdays at 7pm

This class of Jewish Meditation continues throughout March.

March 3 - Tehorah Hee - Pure Soul Meditation
March 10 Contemplative Study
March 17 Hitbodedut - Meditation Alone with God
March 24 Journaling - writing meditation
March 31 Chanting

Upcoming Class:

How to Study Torah Led by Rabbi Edelman-Blank Thursdays at 8pm Beginning March 17

More information will follow soon in the Activities e-mails and weekly programs.

Sunday Torah Education Program Led by Mike Kuperman Sundays at 10am

This is an outgrowth of our Perek Yomi discussion group. We are going to remain Torah study based as we explore different texts and media about Jewish life.

Our informal study sessions will be on a variety of Jewish readings and topics. We are currently studying As A Driven Leaf by Milton Steinberg.

Rabbi Home Delivery

Rabbi Edelman-Blank is still delivering!

Tifereth Israel members are asked to host an evening for their friends (both members and non-members), The hosts only need to provide coffee and dessert.

Rabbi Edelman-Blank comes to your house and teaches about a topic of your choosing. All topics are open for discussion. The evening will be both fun and educational. To set up an evening, or for more information, please call Rabbi Edelman-Blank at 255-1137.

Tifereth Israel Choir Sings **Zimrat Shalom** (A Song of Peace) By Cantor Robbie Solomon

Friday Evening Service for Cantor and Choir
Friday, March 11, 2011 at 6:00 pm
Tifereth Israel Synagogue Sanctuary

Please join us for a contemporary, moving
Shabbat Service in traditional modes.

Cantor Robbie Solomon is internationally known as a composer of Jewish choral works and synagogue repertoire. His stirring anthem "Leaving Mother Russia", written in 1979, became the rallying cry of the Soviet Jewry movement and established him as a musical interpreter of Jewish conscience. He has since authored dozens of songs of Jewish content, including "World of Our Fathers", "Falasha Nevermore", "Peace by Piece," and is well known as a performer / song writer with the popular Jewish music group SAFAM. In addition to over ten original CD's with SAFAM, Cantor Solomon's works have been performed and recorded by numerous cantors and choirs throughout the world.

Building Your Spiritual Home

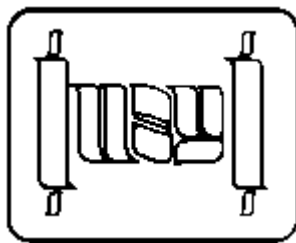
Making Passover Easy

Does the Passover seder--not to mention 8 days without bread--seem a little intimidating? Come and learn about some ways to make the holiday easy and enjoyable!

Where: Tifereth Classroom 6

When: Sunday, April 3rd from 1 to 4 pm

Please call 515-255-1137 to RSVP so we can prepare enough materials.



United Synagogue Youth

Shalom, Congregants of Tifereth Israel!

DMAUSY youth director Louie Sloven here, to tell you about two very important events coming up in the next couple months. As you may know, we've recently elected a DMAUSY Chapter Executive Board; seven of our youth group members have been hard at work for weeks now, planning local USY events and pulling in new members. They're very involved, and they're doing a great job.

Currently, we're trying to ramp up involvement in USY's regional conventions. Two are coming up in the near future. Kadima Kinnus, on March 11th-13th, is the only regional event for 7th and 8th grade USY'ers-to-be. Then, April 14th-17th, the 9th-12th grade USY'ers from across the midwest will meet up for Spring Kallah. Both conventions will be held at Lake Doniphan convention center, in Excelsior Springs, MO, and both promise to be a great time!

Being involved with USY at the regional level is a spectacular way for young Jews to meet other Jewish youth and forge relationships that can last a lifetime. I would strongly recommend that everyone of age make room in their schedule to attend at least one convention during their junior high or high school years.

If you have a 7th-12th grade son or daughter and you haven't been receiving updates about DMAUSY events, get in touch with me and we'll make sure you start receiving all the info! I can be reached at 319-594-3690, or at louie.sloven@gmail.com.

B'Shalom!

-Louie Sloven

REDEDICATION CEREMONY

A group of Tifereth Israel congregation members has begun meeting to discuss the rededication ceremony for the synagogue. We are excited by the group's diversity as it ranges in age from one of the eldest members of the synagogue to one of the most recently joined younger members. Everyone is enthusiastic about this project. We will be meeting on a regular basis and hope that our group of volunteers continues to grow.

We are preparing for a meaningful and joyful ceremony that reflects our collective pride in being a progressive and thriving congregation. We hope to share our celebration with the entire Des Moines Jewish community as we move from our current sanctuary to the new building. We anticipate that the ceremony will take place in early May 2011, depending on our contractor's projections.

We are eager to hear your ideas for both an overall concept for the ceremony and for any specific activities that you would like to have included. If you are interested, please call either Mike or Alice to find out about our upcoming meetings or send us an e-mail so that we can share your ideas.

Mike Mintzer
mikeandalla@msn.com
 457-9120

Alice Friedgood
alidav@aol.com
 223-0086

**Our next meeting
 is scheduled for
 March 13.**

**Temple B'nai Jeshurun's
Purimspiel 2011**

**Got time for a
three-hour tour?**

(Okay — how about an hour or so?)

**GILLICKSTEIN'S ISLAND
A Purimspiel in High Definition**

Will set sail Saturday,
March 5th, at 7:30pm
Temple B'nai Jeshurun

*** FREE ADMISSION ***

Preceded by optional dinner at 6 p.m.
\$7 per person / \$18 per family

Encore performance Sunday, 1:30 p.m.

Information and Dinner Reservations
515-274-4679

Memories Needed!

Pam and Harry Bookey are putting together a Tifereth Commemorative Book to be available to the Congregation during the celebration of our new facility in September. This will be a very special book for all to enjoy.

We are asking your help in gathering pictures from special events of your family, including copies of any pictures you have in the Sanctuary, Chapel, Social Hall, Youth Lounge etc. or any articles or memories that you want to have considered for the Book. We are also looking for pictures or information on the 75th Anniversary celebration. If you know of someone who may not be in the Des Moines area but may have pictures of special events at Tifereth, please forward this note on to them. If you would please scan any pictures, articles etc. that you have and mail or email them to the office (or bring them in and we will scan them for you), that would be very helpful.

A special thank you to Pam and Harry Bookey for their work on this project and to all of you for your help in gathering the information.

**TIFERETH ISRAEL WOMEN'S LEAGUE
Cordially Invites You To
A VERY SPECIAL SHABBAT EVENT
A Passover Lasagna Buffet Dinner**

On Friday Evening, April 22nd, 2011
In the Tifereth Israel Social Hall
immediately following Shabbat Services

Please mail the reservation form found in your Passover packet (which you should be receiving shortly), along with your prepayment, payable to Women's League, to the Synagogue office no later than Monday, April 18th. The cost of the meal is \$20 for adults and \$12 for children under twelve; children under five eat for free.

As an added feature, you will be able to pre order & purchase take-out Passover food. Place your order for Take-Out Meals no later than Friday, April 15th by calling Louise Kaufmann at 255-4613. You will be able to pick up your pre-ordered Take-Out Meals from the kitchen starting Thursday and Friday, April 14th and 15th from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., on Sunday, April 17th from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., and during normal office hours. Information on available Meals will also be included in your Passover packet.

Remodeling Update

The offices and classrooms are nearing completion! We hope to start moving back in to our renovated space sometime in early April. Meanwhile, construction continues apace on our new sanctuary.



The Library



The Atrium



Memorial Plaques arrive in the new sanctuary



Future location of our Ark, on the east wall of the social hall

**A Letter Updating the Congregation
On the Revitalization Effort**

February 22, 2011

The rejuvenation of our spiritual home on Polk Boulevard is a time of reflection. It is a time of excitement and sadness. It is exciting to see a renovated facility take shape that can both accommodate our spiritual needs and our financial realities. It is sad to see a once splendid sanctuary near the end of its existence.

The rejuvenation is a culmination of about a decade worth of efforts. We have assessed what it would take to restore the main sanctuary. We have considered a move to West Des Moines. Reality has forced us to spend what we believe we can afford. A restored sanctuary is of little value to a financially distressed congregation that can ill afford to maintain it. Our members have not been able to financially support a restoration of an 82 year old sanctuary which began leaking 80 years ago. We have struggled to meet operating expenses in recent years. We were unable to garner financial support for either a shared facility with Temple B'nai Jeshurun or a new Tifereth Israel only facility out west.

Even completing a relatively modest restoration plan involving one of the three buildings that makes up the Tifereth campus is a challenge. Our ability to complete the facility without debt still depends upon members coming through with multi-year pledges. We may soon need to take a construction loan secured by our facility while we wait for pledges to be paid.

We do anticipate substantially lower operation and maintenance costs with our synagogue occupying a smaller footprint (still about 18,000 square feet) and more energy efficient equipment. The reduction in ongoing expenses better prepares Tifereth to meet future budgets.

Our members have on two occasions voted in support of alternatives to the status quo. First, a majority of congregants supported a move west, which proved to be financially infeasible. More recently, our members voted to support the plan that is in place.

Recently we have learned that there again might be a possibility of outside funds to defray a portion of the cost of preserving the main sanctuary. Past efforts along these lines have proved infeasible. Given that a contract has been signed and the renovation work is far along, we are in no position to breach our contract which included both restoration and demolition. Moreover, we still do not have the funds to handle additional restoration costs not covered by grants and additional operation and maintenance costs of the main sanctuary.

The board would like to thank, chairman, Mike Mintzer, Co-chairman Alice Friedgood and the committee hard at work planning events to commemorate the main sanctuary on Friday, May 6, 2011, and to celebrate the renovation of Tifereth on Sunday, September 25, 2011. Also, we are planning on having the Second Seder at the renovated Tifereth on Tuesday, April 19, 2011. You will be hearing much more about these events in the months ahead. We hope to see you there.

Brad Long and Steve Weiss,
Tifereth Israel Co-Presidents

[Note: The Tifereth Board of Trustees on February 15, 2011 voted by consensus to endorse this letter.]

It is with great sorrow that we recall the passing of...



2/11 E. Carl Schneider
Father of Heidi Schneider (Joel Mintzer)

*May his memory always be
for a blessing*

Toddler Friday Service

March 25, 5:45pm

We will be having a special, short service designed for small children. There will be a special Kiddush at 6:15pm, sponsored by Laura and Howard Bernstein in honor of Sanya Bernstein's second birthday.

Saturday Tot Shabbat

March 26, 10:30 — 11:30am

We will be taking care of young children while parents attend Saturday services.

Temporary Offices

Classroom 6	Conference Room
Classroom 7	Office/Barb
Classroom 8	Gift Shop
Classroom 9	Cantor Shivers
Classroom 11	Rabbi Edelman-Blank

Please use the school wing doors to access the offices, gift shop, and conference room.

If you are planning to do a stock transfer, please contact Barb in the office at 255-1137 so she can appropriately credit your account.



The goal for the 2010-2011 campaign has been raised to \$4,000. We have raised \$1,870 so far. We would like to thank the following individuals for their generous donations:

Peggy Altman	Paulee Lipsman	Betty Shindler
Dorice Bassewitz	Lori Long	Cynthia Shulman
Myndell Nussbaum Bell	Pnina Luban	Rose Sloven
Esther Bergh	Shirley Marcovis	Lora Lee Spiro
Mildred Bernstein	Hinda Meyers	Rita Weinberg
Margo Blumenthal	Ethel Norman	Karen Weiss
Andrea Duitch	Marilyn Nussbaum	
Beverly Ellis	Gail Pearl	
Karen Engman	Harriet Pidgeon	
Harriet Feder	Rose Lee Pomerantz	
Alyseann Galinsky	Roselind Rabinowitz	
Helen Galinsky	Sandra Pomerantz Reed	
Barbara Geller	Hannah Rogers	
Dori Goodman	Janice Rosenberg	
Gwen Griger	Judy Rosenberg	
Florence Hirsch	Molly Sandler	
Marilyn Hurwitz	Melanie Sandler	
Thelma Kardon	Elizabeth Sherman	

The campaign ends on May 31, 2011. If you have questions or would like to donate, please contact Gwen Griger at 537-1454.

A note from Rabbi Edelman-Blank:

The Women's League Torah Fund helps subsidize the education of rabbinical students at both Conservative seminaries in America. Personally, I feel deeply indebted to Women's League for helping to make my training possible. Please help our synagogue's Women's League support this worthwhile cause.

Donations: January 17—February 18, 2010

Building Revitalization Fund

Sylvia Beecher
 In Honor of Jeffrey Beecher's Birthday
 In Honor of Thelma Kardon's 90th Birthday
 In Honor of Joy Miller's Birthday
 Ruth Engman
 In Memory of Betty Krantz
 Deb Finkelstein
 In Memory of Boris Kuperman
 Helen, Elise and Jim Galinsky
 In Memory of Sam Galinsky
 In Memory of Alan Livingston
 Jody and Todd Jacklin
 In Memory of Judith Holl
 In Memory of Boris Kuperman
 Tom Jacklin
 Kim and Dale Van Lengen
 In Memory of Alan Livingston
 Ethel Norman
 In Honor of Thelma Kardon's 90th Birthday
 In Memory of Mary Jane Bear
 In Memory of Lottie Kamerling
 In Memory of Bernice Waltman
 In Memory of Peter Zaprudsky
 Judy and Scott Rosenberg
 In Memory of Alan Livingston
 In Memory of Dr. Martin Rosenfeld
 In Memory of Dr. Peter Zaprudsky
 Esther Sandler and Louise Kaufmann
 In Memory of Alan Livingston
 Maddie and Don Schoen
 In Memory of Judith Holl
 In Memory of Boris Kuperman
 In Memory of Bernice Waltman
 Ronit and Dana Simon
 In Honor of Thelma Kardon's 90th Birthday
 In Memory of Judith Holl
 In Memory of Bernice Waltman
 Simma and Michael Stein
 In Memory of M.J. Bear
 In Memory of Judith Holl
 In Memory of Alan Livingston
 In Memory of Marty Rosenfeld
 In Memory of Bernice Waltman
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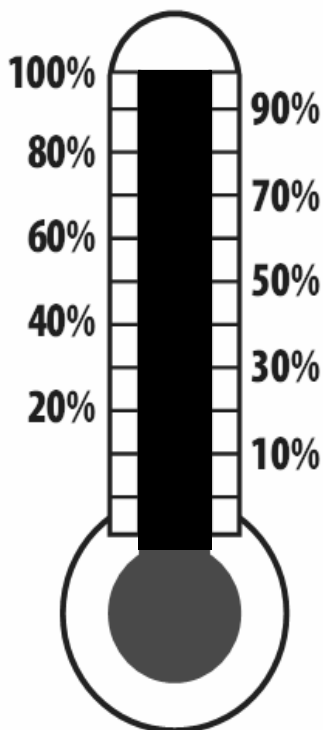
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The Tifereth Foundation advanced the money for the campaign to move forward on the building project. Through your continued pledge support we will be able to replenish and secure the Tifereth Foundation endowment and ensure the ongoing support of our synagogue.


Tifereth Israel Revitalization Fundraiser

Our Goal: \$2.2 Million



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Totals Through January 14, 2010

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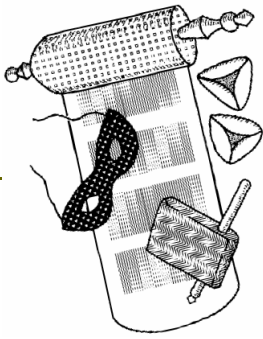




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<p>20 14 Adar II</p> <p>Minyan 9am JFCS—No Classes STEP 10am Community Purim Carnival Beth El Jacob, 11am-3pm Purim</p>	<p>22 16 Adar II</p> <p>Minyan 7am Meditation 7:30am Choir 7pm Board Meeting 5:30pm</p>	<p>23 17 Adar II</p> <p>JFCS 4:15pm—TBJ HS 6:30pm—TBJ</p>	<p>24 18 Adar II</p> <p>Meditation Class 7pm How to Study Torah 8pm</p>	<p>25 19 Adar II</p> <p>Toddler Service 5:45pm Kiddush 6:15 Evening Services 6:30 pm 7:14pm </p>	<p>26 20 Adar II</p> <p>Shabbat Services 9am Tot Shabbat 10:30-11:30am Shabbat Parah</p>
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