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10Adar – 11 Nissan, 5775

Service Schedule:

March 4, 7:00 p.m., Megillah Reading

March 27, 6:00 p.m. Children's Service

Egalitarian Friday Night Services begin at 8:00 p.m. and are followed by an Oneg.

Traditional Saturday morning services begin at 10:00 a.m. and are followed by a Kiddush.

Candle Lighting Times:

March 6 – 6:19 p.m.

March 13 – 7:34 p.m.

March 20 – 7:42 p.m.

March 27 – 7:49 p.m.



Yahrzeits

May their memories
be for a blessing.

- Malka M. Shinker – 10 Adar, March 1
- Beatrice Lowenthal – 10 Adar, March 1
- Herman Cember – 11 Adar, March 2
- Joseph Tubis – 12 Adar, March 3
- Hannah Gartenhaus – 12 Adar, March 3
- Solomon Goodman – 16 Adar, March 7
- Bara Pearlman – 17 Adar, March 8
- Peretz Gershovitz – 17 Adar, March 8
- Frank Goldstine – 18 Adar, March 9
- Esther Simon – 18 Adar, March 9
- Edythe Kalski – 18 Adar, March 9
- Harriet Berger – 19 Adar, March 10
- Nina Weitzman – 19 Adar, March 10
- Moshe Radinsky – 20 Adar, March 11
- Dottie Benzer – 21 Adar, March 12
- David Bercovitz – 23 Adar, March 14
- M. Bass – 24 Adar, March 15
- Gilbert Rubenstein – 27 Adar, March 18
- Hillel Kaplan – 1 Nissan, March 21
- Bessie Bosco – 2 Nissan, March 22
- Kay Savitz-Brownstein –
5 Nissan, March 25
- Morris L. Pickus – 6 Nissan, March 26
- William Zaban – 8 Nissan, March 28
- Samuel Rostov – 9 Nissan, March 29



We offer our very deepest sympathies to the Tubis family on the recent passing of Charlotte. May G-d console you among the other mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

Charlotte passed away on February 23 after a two-year battle with leukemia. Her friends in the Physics Department community and Jewish Community of Greater Lafayette are urged to enter memories of Charlotte by linking to : www.amisraelmortuary.com/book-of-memories/2071185/Tubis-Charlotte/index.php.

Dates for Your Calendar



Sunday, March 1, 12:30 – 3:00 pm,
Community Purim Carnival at Hillel

Tuesday, March 3, 7:30 p.m. Jewish
Studies Seminar, Room 214AB Stewart

Wednesday, March 4, 7:00 p.m. Megillah
Reading at Shul

Thursday, March 5 ~ Jewish Studies,
Fowler Hall, 7:00 p.m. Tara Zahra,
Professor of History, University of Chicago,
"Exodus from the East" Emigration from
East Central Europe and the Making of the
Free World"

Monday, March 9, 7:30 at Temple Israel
Joint Sisterhood and Hadassah Meeting

Wednesday, March 11, 12:30, Jewish
Studies Noon Series, Stewart Center,
Room 313

As you may know, the Office of
President of the Board of Directors of the
Shul is now rotating among board
members. The schedule for the rest of
calendar year 2015 is as follows:

March, April: Sol Gartenhaus
May, June: Gisela Friedlaender
July, Aug.: Ted Goodman
Sept., Oct.: Scotty Rumpza
Nov., Dec.: David Gallimore

Suggestions and information for this
Bulletin are always welcome. Please
contact me at bridgejudy@aol.com.

Deadlines are usually 7 days before the
end of the month.

Judy Weitzman

We extend our most sincere thanks to
Casey Seyfried for leading Friday night
services twice, and to David Gallimore for
bringing an industrial heater into the Shul
during the bitter cold weather. You have
warmed our hearts and our souls.

We recently received the following from USCJ, the
United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism:

ELECTIONS

There are two elections happening in
Israel now. One is for Israel's government.
The other, the one YOU can vote on, can
increase the Conservative – Masorti voice
at the October World Zionist Congress. To
do so, go to www.votemercaz.org, click on
"vote now," and vote Mercaz Slate #2. Any
Jewish person with a permanent address in
the United States can vote. Other
communities will be holding their own
election. There is a \$10 charge (\$5.00 for
those 18 – 30 years old) to cover the costs
of the election.

For more information, please visit
uscj.org.



Costumes at Shul?
Hamantaschen? A Megillah
reading lead by Ephraim Fischbach?

"Yes" to all these questions.



Come in costume, if you chose,
and join the festivities
at the Shul on Wednesday,
March 4 at 7:00.

Refuah Schelema - May the One who was a source of blessing for our ancestors bring blessings of healing upon Alan Garfinkel and Jo Gartenhaus.

Mazel Tov to Abby and Marc Snyder on the birth of their daughter, Dara Vanessa. Mazel tov also to Grandpa Mark Lillianfeld, Aunt Becky and Uncle Bobby.

Looking ahead

The Sisterhood Closing Luncheon, will be at the home of Esther Chosnek and Gary Wolfelt, 5009 Swisher Road, West Lafayette, Tuesday, April 28, (note date change) at noon.

Laura Clavio will present the program, "The Eclectic: The Life and Times of Dr. Wallace W. Wheat." She will share background information about her book and give a short review.



Letter from Jerusalem

An Extraordinary Shabbos:

My grandson, Yehudah, who while learning full time in his first year of Yeshivah here, occasionally stops in to play piano duets with me, use the computer, and enjoy a schwarma in the nearby shop.

At a recent visit, he regaled me and my guests with the following account of his recent Shabbos. His account began thusly:

My son Rashi, Yehudah's father, has a friend who founded a voluntary

organization called One Family. Its purpose is to provide support for victims of terrorist attacks and their families. Sadly, there is a real need for such an organization here.

Yehudah was invited to this family for Shabbos, along with another guest. This guest was a twenty year old air force officer who instructs people in the use of the famous iron dome. (In Hebrew, Kipat HaBarzel.) The young officer had won first place in the air force chess competition and had come to spend his first Shabbos in a religious environment in order to play chess with Natan Sharansky, chairman of the Jewish Agency, who lives nearby. In addition to his prestigious background, Sharansky is the second best Russian chess player. He even bested Gary Kasparov, the world's number one chess champion when Kasparov was playing a simultaneous game.

After the Friday night meal, my grandson accompanied his hosts to the Sharansky home for dessert where Natan and the air force chess champion were just completing their fourth game. They each won twice.

Sharansky shared his thoughts and feelings regarding the recent atrocities in France. He had just returned from participating in the French memorial service for the tragic murder victims. He also remarked upon his nine years in a Russian gulag, including 405 days in solitary confinement in a small cell with three slices of bread and 3 cups of water each day. He joked how most champions become so excellent by playing in chess clubs, whereas he played chess in his mind while in jail.

As is well known, Sharansky was jailed a day after his wedding. His wife, Avital spent nine years campaigning for his release culminating in a famous release in

exchange for a Russian spy. During this time, Avital became religious and Natan followed suit upon being granted his freedom.

Yehudah's host Marc was asked to give a D'var Torah during the dessert, thus further enriching the Shabbos.

My young grandson was also privileged on a following Shabbos, to receive a blessing from the world famous Chareidi rabbi, Rabbi Kanievsky. He said that the Rabbi's apartment was filled in every available space, with Holy Books.

This rabbi was not Chassidish, but represents another stream of Orthodox Judaism, called Litvish, stemming from Lithuania or Latvia. The Rabbi blessed Yehudah with many blessings and much success.

All in all, Yehudah spent another wonderful Shabbos!

With Warm Regards,

Cyrelle

Joint Sisterhood & Hadassah Meeting

Monday, March 9, 7:30 pm at Temple Israel

Jill Sutor, Professor will discuss findings from her 14-year study to answer the questions:

“Do mothers have favorite children in adulthood, and if they do, does it matter?”

“What are the long term consequences of parental favoritism?”

Lobby Day at the State House

The Indiana Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) invites and encourages members of Jewish communities from throughout the State of Indiana to come to the Indiana General Assembly. Participants will meet with their State Legislators and share thoughts about issues important to them and the Jewish community.

This Lobby Day will occur on Tuesday, March 17, 2015.

The program will begin with a legislative briefing and review of issue talking points by the JCRC Director of Government Affairs, David Sklar. The group will then proceed to the State House for pre-arranged meetings with individual legislators and leadership.

RSVP for Lobby Day by sending your name, home address, and email to David Sklar, at: dsklar@indyjcrc.org or by calling (317) 926-2935.

You can also follow JCRC on Facebook to get the latest information.

A Little Purim Trivia

During what holiday was Haman hanged?

- Passover. Yes it happened during Pesach. Purim coincides with the day that Haman had chosen to exterminate the Jews via lots.

How many days did Ahaseurus' first party last?

- 180 days. The second party, for the residents of Shushan lasted for 7 days.



TWIRL THE GROGGERS!
SOUND THE HORNS!



**JFGL'S 2015
PURIM CARNIVAL
& SILENT AUCTION
IS NEAR!**

Mark your calendars now!

Sunday March 1st

12:30-3pm

@Hillel House (912 West State Street, WL)

Fabulous items to be auctioned!

Homemade challah, Judaica pieces, beauty baskets, toy baskets,
Café Literato and Sharma's Kitchen gift certificates,
a beautiful chai necklace, books by Jewish community authors, and more!

Come in costume for food, carnival games, & bid!

Bidders receive 3 free carnival tickets!

Silent Auction will be settled at 2:30pm!

Bid early & be there to claim your items!

Net proceeds will benefit programming here and around the world.



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Purdue Jewish Studies Events

Center for the Environment and the Jewish Studies Program Special Seminar

Tuesday, March 3 ~ Stewart Center, Room 214AB ~ 7:30 p.m.

Professor Alon Tal, Ben Gurion University, "Will the Environment Survive a Renewed Middle East Peace Process? A Blueprint for Progress"

Stover Lecture Series

Thursday, March 5 ~ Stewart Center, Fowler Hall ~ 7:00 p.m.

Tara Zahra, Professor of History, University of Chicago, "Exodus from the East: Emigration from East Central Europe and the Making of the Free World"

Wednesday, March 11 ~ Beering Hall, Room 1222 ~ 12:30

Rabbi Levi Tiechtel, "Chabad: Its History and Journey from White Russia, 1773 to West Lafayette, Indiana, 2014"

Wednesday, April 15 ~ Stewart Center, Room 313 ~ 12:30

Lynn Parrish, Graduate Student, Philosophy and Classical Literature, Purdue University, " 'In the Abundance of Thy Lovingkindness': The Portuguese Synagogue of Amsterdam