

# Temple Beth David Bulletin

April 2010

Rabbi Aviva Berg

Martin Presberg, President

#### From the Rabbi's Desk

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#### Pesach - The Power of Fifteen

As we begin our Passover Seders, we have the potential to enter a new realm – to undertake a fifteen step spiritual journey through time and space - from enslavement and persecution, through liberation, and ultimately to redemption by a loving God. Focusing on the seven ways in which the number fifteen permeates our Seders may bring us closer to experiencing the Divine Presence in our lives.

What are these seven occurrences of the number fifteen in our Seder? (1) There are fifteen parts to the Seder. (2) We celebrate Passover on the fifteenth day of Nisan. (3) We praise God for the fifteen ascending favors (Ma'alot Tovot) God bestowed upon us perience the entire Book of Exodus. when we join together to sing "Dayeinu." (4) In the Torah scroll, Shirat ha-Yam (the Song of the Sea), which is sung by Moshe and the Israpursuing Egyptians (Exodus 15), is written as a poem in three vertical columns. The center column, which appears to be an ascending ladder, has fifteen steps.

(5) There were fifteen steps on the southern side of the Temple Mount that led up to the sacred Temple in Jerusalem. (6) There are fifteen psalms (Psalm 120-134) that begin with the words Shir HaMa'alot, "A Song of the Steps" that were sung by the Levites on the fifteen steps of the Temple. (An alternative interpretation of these psalms is found in the Babylonian Talmud (Tractate Pesachim 8a) --According to Rabbi Yochanan, these fifteen psalms are to be recited as part of Hallel, the fourteenth "step" of our Seder.) There are fifteen words in the Priestly Blessing (Birkat Kohanim). And, in *gematria*, the system of equating Hebrew letters with their corresponding numbers, yud-hey, the first two letters of (and often shorthand for) God's name is 15 (yud = 10 and hey =

By singing and enacting the fifteen steps of our Seders, we not only exwe also connect ourselves to the fifteen steps the Israelites took during their celebration of Passover in Temple times. Coming to Jerusalem from elites after God rescued them from the all over the Land of Israel, the people would approach the Temple Mount. There, they would hear the Levites sing the fifteen psalms of praise to God -- one on each of the fifteen steps of the Temple; they would receive the Priestly Blessing by the specially adorned priests on those same stairs. and then would ascend those steps, bringing their offerings and gifts before God in, all of God's exaltedness. The fifteen steps, psalms, and words of blessing were meant to prepare the

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#### **April Schedule**

Shabbat Evening: 7:30 p.m.

The next TBD Service at the JCC will be on Friday, April 23 at 6pm in the Senior Lounge.

Shabbat Morning: 9:00 a.m.

Young Children's Shabbaton:

10:00 to Noon every Saturday

Family Svc. Apr. 3 and 17 - 10:30a.m.

Tot Shabbat Apr 3 - 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Minyan: 9:30am

#### Happy Passover!



Please remember to contact the Temple Office if you are considering scheduling any kind of event at Temple. This will help keep everyone informed and avoid scheduling conflicts.

We are handicapped accessible and equipped with a hearing loop.





The mission of Temple Beth David is to provide an environment where the concepts of community prayer, education, and service to the greater Jewish community are provided within the context of Conservative Judaism. We pride ourselves on being a friendly, participatory, egalitarian community, welcoming all to be a part of our synagogue family.

#### **News from the President**

Martin Presberg, President

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The past month has been difficult, but it was rewarding to see how well our community is able to pull together in response to a profoundly disturbing incident. We care about each other. We care about the community that we have built together, and we are not about to let someone or something pull it apart. It is nice to know that a crisis can bring out the best in us and draw us together, but I am hoping that we don't need to test this more than once every couple of years. More difficult are longstanding challenges that do not lend themselves to guick resolution. It is too easy to forget that our congregation is currently operating with pect to expend significant amounts of a significant structural deficit and that our pool of volunteers, committee members, and leaders is perpetually challenged to keep things moving forward.

In many ways this is the nature of small nonprofit organizations (no one said it was easy to run a synagogue,) but some of our challenges are particularly profound. I hope to learn more about the demographics of the Rochester Jewish Community from the Federation's current survey, but by all accounts our community is aging and shrinking. This is mirrored across the Conservative movement nationally so our primary objective of attracting a significant number of young Jewish families is going to be difficult. Difficult is not the same as impossible, but we need to think outside the box and exenergy over an extended period of time to get there. And while we concentrate our energy on this objective, we need to simultaneously think about what the larger community is likely to look like in 10-20 years and what our role in the

community should be.

I don't expect clear answers, but I hope that you are considering these issues. and I ask that you share your thoughts with fellow congregants, Board members and me. The more we talk, the better we get to know each other, and the tighter our commitment to accomplishing something together. And it is this commitment that will provide the strength and ideas for the next chapter in our history.

I believe that Temple Beth David provides a unique service to our members, and I believe that the entire Jewish Community benefits from our participation and example. I also believe that we can do even better for ourselves and for others. I thank each of you for your critical role in this worthy endeavor.

#### TBD Men's Club Special Breakfast Event

Sunday, April 18 at 10 a.m.

(breakfast served at 9:45am)

Senator Roger Robach

speaking promptly at 10:00a.m.

Topic: "Should Upstate NY Secede?"



Bagels, coffee, and juice served. All are welcome! We hope you can make it.

Rabbi Berg is available by appointment. She looks forward to hearing from you.

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**April Office Hours** (unchanged) Sundays: 8:30am - Noon & 1pm - 5pm

> Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays: 4 - 6 p.m. Office will be closed March 30 - April 6

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Israelites before they encountered God's awesomeness - the Divine Presence dwelling in the cloud of aromatic incense enveloping the Temple.

As we prepare our minds to travel through sacred time, beginning with kadesh, (the sanctification of time), the first step of our Seder, through nirtzah. (acceptance) the fifteenth step of our

Seder, we seek to come closer to God. We seek to establish a mutually-loving Divine-human relationship, this year in Rochester ... next year in Jerusalem.

Chag Kasher v'Same'ach,

Rabbi Aviva Berg

Many thanks to the beautiful and inspiring thoughts expressed by Rabbi Nathan Laufer in his book, "Leading the Passover Journey - The Seder's Meaning Revealed, the Haggadah's Story Retold.")



#### News from IHSC

Marcy Berger

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Since I started as principal of the IHSC I have been working towards the goal of having every student participate in a service at each of the affiliated temples. We have tried a variety of different things to make this work for the families and for the other congregants. Sometimes I get frustrated and think that perhaps it is not worth the energy. Then we have one of the services, and I am reminded how very worthwhile it is to strive towards this goal.

The Kindergarten, 1rst and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students' service at Temple Beth David was on Friday, Feb. 26. As you may remember we had over a foot of snow that day. The forecast said that

contact the families to cancel. At 4:00 it was still snowing, and I knew that people were not going to venture out. However, by the time we left the house, the snow had stopped, the sky had cleared and there was a beautiful bright almost Purim moon in the sky. Sure enough we had 1 first grader and 1 second grader there. And yet, it was definitely worth the effort. Those 2 students, along with the other children there, became actively involved in the service. They had important jobs to do and questions to answer. Sam picked a short story to read them that they eagerly stayed for, even though the time had gotten late.

the snow would stop at 1:00, so I didn't We have several more services coming up. The 6th and 7th graders are participating in the TBD Saturday morning service on March 27. And we are looking forward to joining with the congregation at Temple Emanu-El on April 9 and the congregation at Temple Beth Am on May 15. I hope that you will join us at services on those dates. It is great for the students to have opportunities to put what they have learned in its proper context, and I am always told by members of the congregations who don't have children how much they enjoy seeing the kids and their newly learned skills.



#### SAVE THE DATE!

Irondequoit Hebrew Studies Center Pre-registration, Graduation, Picnic May 23, 2010 Full Details in May bulletin



# תיקון עולם

A huge thank you to all who helped collect #5 plastics for last month's project! We collected LOTS. They will be transported to the recycling plant in the southern tier.

For April we will be collecting hotel samples: the little soaps, shampoos, and lotions you find in hotel bathrooms.

Mike and Toby Berke have an organization called Sample Soap to distribute

these freebies to needy folks at shelters. So, dig through your travel bags and find UNOPENED soaps, shampoos, lotions, sewing kits, cosmetics, toothbrushes/toothpaste etc. We will be collecting them in a container labeled "SAMPLE SOAP" outside the Temple office for the month of April.

If you have any ideas for future projects, please contact Marcy Berger or Shelli Asher, we are always happy for help and ideas.

Thanks a million, Tikkun Olam Committee



# Passover Soldier's Project a Great Success... Again!

Keith Freedman, Project Coordinator

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This Passover season the Jewish community in Rochester helped hundreds of our brothers and sisters serving our nation in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world celebrate the holiday by sending care packages of kosher for Passover food.

For the third year, the members of Temple Beth David and the families of the Irondequoit Hebrew Studies Center sent Passover Care Packages to Jewish service members. In 2009, 20 Passover care packages were sent from Rochester, most of which went to Jewish Chaplains or lay leaders to benefit large communities of Jewish soldiers.

This year over 40 Passover Care packages were sent to Jewish soldiers in: Iraq, Kuwait, Afghanistan, Germany, Spain as well as, Ft. Rucker (Alabama), USS Abraham Lincoln (an aircraft carrier) and the Whibley Island Naval base (Washington State). The Passover care packages contained: Haggadahs, matzos, grape juice, wine, gefelte fish, macaroons, chicken soup and other items. The wine was donated by the Temple Beth David Men's Club. The Haggadahs were donated by the Temple B'rith Kodesh religious school.

Just a few weeks earlier, Temple Beth David had sent over 100 Hamantaschen (traditional three sided fruit filled cookies) to Jewish service members in Iraq and Afghanistan in celebration of the holiday of Purim. This project would not have been possible without the generous assistance of members of Temple Beth David Sisterhood, who had baked the Hamantaschen.

These projects are just the latest in a series of efforts by Temple Beth David and the School in support of Jews serving our nation overseas. Care packages were also sent for the Jewish Holidays of Shavout, Rosh Hashanah (New Year) and Hanukkah. In

addition to Holiday care packages, Temple Beth David facilitated the donation of new prayer books to Jewish sailors serving on the USS Abraham Lincoln (an aircraft carrier involved in the Iraq War) in time for Rosh Hashanah in 2008.

The Temple and the IHSC wish to acknowledge: **Keith Freedman** for coordinating these projects, as well as **Rabbi Aviva Berg** of Temple Beth David: **Marcy Berger**, Principal of the IHSC and **Florence Phillips**, President of the Temple Beth David Sisterhood for their support and guidance. We also acknowledge the donation of a \$200 gift card by Wegmans.



## All in the Family

# Corrections.... And a story, by Susan Levinson

Periodically I read TBD's monthly bulletins, and I recently read mention (in February) of our having donated Rabbi Skopitz's special teapot to the congregation. I want to make a few minor corrections and also explain the story of how we ended up owning the teapot. My husband's name is Stephen (not Charles), and we moved away from Rochester well over four years ago.

Rabbi Skopitz actually donated the teapot to the Arts & Cultural Council's Celebrity Teapot Auction held at the Rundel Library in November 2000. I confess that I originally had my eye on a few other teapots (Bob Duffy was one of our neighbors during most of the years we lived in Rochester - and Hillary Clinton's and Ramon Santiago's teapots had lots of red [my favorite color] - but those three were bid up way too high for my budget). It seemed appropriate that I buy Rabbi Skopitz's teapot. I sent him a note afterwards, and he told me we were probably the only people in the world who owned a teapot of a Hassidic rabbi!

Meanwhile, years later we moved from our house in the Browncroft neighborhood to a small condo in Detroit. In the process of having to downsize so drastically, we decided it was impractical to keep the teapot any longer. We decided to give the teapot to my sister and brother-in-law for their next wedding anniversary - so we took it to Detroit "temporarily", where it resided in our storage area. I planned to bring it when we visited in late January - but meanwhile, Rabbi Skopitz died in-between Thanksgiving and our visit. We decided the teapot's rightful home had to be at TBD, and I delivered it to Patrick and Susan Kruchten when I visited Rochester in early June (2007). The teapot traveled many miles before returning to Rochester....

We miss TBD and we can't imagine a more special congregation!

#### **Our Sincerest Condolences**

to the friends and family of:

Saralie Foote

#### **April Birthday Wishes!**

Name Benjamin Saltzman Rebecca Saltzman Lois Markus Harold Fishman	Date Apr. 1 Apr. 1 Apr. 2 Apr. 3
Ethan Kramer	Apr. 4
Philip Weinstein	Apr. 4
Seymour Zivan	Apr. 5
Sam Cohen	Apr. 6
Isaac Asher	Apr. 10
Joshua Michael Freedman	Apr. 11
Harry Cohen	Apr. 12
Rhea Feinberg	Apr. 12
Lisa Klein	Apr. 14
Rickie Gordon	Apr. 16
Marsha Greenberg	Apr. 16
Jacob Snider	Apr. 16
Ellen Gertzog	Apr. 17
Eric Levy	Apr. 18
Phillip Lederer	Apr. 19
Matan Gavriel Presberg	Apr. 23
Nahoma Maytel Presberg Miss Sylvia Stiller	Apr. 24
Susan Meynadasy	Apr. 24 Apr. 25
Carolyn Schiff	Apr. 25
Samuel Langmann	Apr. 26
Michael Horowitz	Apr. 27
Hanna Kielar	Apr. 27
Alayna Hersch	Apr. 28
Judith Levy	Apr. 29

#### **April Anniversaries!**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Richard & Debbie Steinfeld	April 8
Robert & Tammy Hersch	April 20
Marc Lande & Linda Servetnick	April 30
Jose Zayas & Barbara Fein-Zayas	April 30



## Temple Beth David Spring Cleanup

SUNDAY, MAY 16

10:00 am to Noon (during Hebrew School) Continental Breakfast Provided

Bring your work boots and your garden tools!

Contact Scott Davis at 266-8208 or Ed Drexler at 586-3855 to R.S.V.P.





Tuesday, May 18, 2010 7pm-12am or beyond

Services and Dairy Dinner followed by Two or More Study Sessions

> Cost: \$10 Adults. \$5 children Call the temple office at 266-3223



#### PASSOVER SERVICES REMINDER

Pesach 7th Day, April 5 Services held at BHBI at 9:00 am

Pesach 8th Day, April 6 Services held at TBD at 9:00 am



#### **Yom Hashoah Commemoration** Speaker Eva Abrams and **Daughter Bonnie Abrams**

Tuesday, April 13, 2010 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

**Brighton Memorial Library** 2300 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, NY, 14618

The US Census Bureau is now hiring locally for the 2010 Census. These temporary, part-time jobs pay \$13.50 per hour and 50c per mile! We offer flexible evening and weekend hours up to 40 hours a week and the chance to work near to home. Workers are needed in every community. Call 1-866-861-2010 or visit www.2010censusjobs.gov to learn more.

#### **News from the Office**

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In case you haven't noticed, our synagogue is an impressive hub of activity many days each week. Sisterhood, Men's Club, our religious school and various committees offer a range of activities and events that attract a wide range of congregants and community members...all that in addition to our religious services on Shabbat and holidays. With this, we shouldn't be surprised that room availability is at a premium. Maria Dewhirst, our Office Manager, also serves as our Event Coordinator. She is the point person for reserving a room and arranging for additional services.

To gather the information Maria needs to help ensure that your room and facility needs are met, Temple Beth David uses a standard Event Form. The former single page form has recently been modified to seek more detail about the event and its requirements. This form needs to be

completed and sent to Maria at least three weeks prior to the event. Unfortunately, if an event form is not received in a timely manner, she cannot assure that your event needs will be met. This may mean that opening and closing the building, setting up and cleaning up your event, as well as any other support will be left up to you, as the person scheduling the event.

Here is some additional information about space use:

- If you simply need to use a room, with no additional requirements, you simply need to contact Maria by phone or e-mail. If the building is already open for other purposes and no food or special set up is needed, an event form is not required.
- Maria is in the process of creating standard forms for Shabbat and holidays. She will review

- these with the Ritual Vice President and Rabbi, to update prior to the holiday.
- Should you want to sponsor a kiddush, please contact Maria to schedule it. She will connect you with Marjory David, Kitchen Coordinator, who will assist you with food planning, staffing and cost.
- Should your event require additional paid staff, Marjory or Maria will help you.
- Groups and committees using our building are required to return the facilities to their original condition. Maria will review these guidelines with you, when you schedule your event.

It is truly exciting that Temple Beth David is such a vibrant place for our members.

B'shalom.

Since the formation of the TBD Shiva Chevra, I have had the privilege of participating in shiva minyanim. I am among a group who is contacted by the Shiva Chevra Committee to attend minyanim to support families in mourning, ensuring that 10 Jewish adults are present.

I know that family members appreciate the support of the Shiva Chevra and minyan attendees as part of the

larger synagogue community. In fact, a congregant who I know just a little bit recently recalled how I had been at her home for minyan following the death of a loved one a couple of years ago. It humbled me that this person, who had suffered a tragic loss, recalled my presence that one night two years ago.

The time commitment is relatively small. The service usually begins at

the start of the visitation hours and it generally lasts less than one half hour.

Please contact Merrie Franklin at merrie franklin@yahoo.com to have your name added to the list of congregants who are contacted to attend a minyan and support a family in mourning.

Did you know that **Temple Beth David** has its very own Matchmaker? Come see <u>Davida Bloom</u> as Yente the matchmaker in the JCCs production of Fiddler on the Roof. Runs April 24th - May 16th.

For information go to: <a href="http://www.jccrochester.org/NewWebsite/">http://www.jccrochester.org/NewWebsite/</a> centerstage.html or call (585) 461-2000 ext 235

# Please join us as we celebrate the installation of

# Rabbi Aviva Berg As Rabbi of Temple Beth David

Sunday, June 13, 2010

Details to be announced in the May 2010 Bulletin



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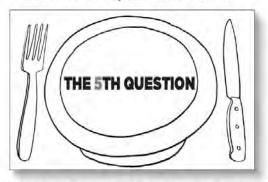
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#### THIS PASSOVER, ASK AND ANSWER



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This Passover, as you gather to retell the story of our people's freedom from bondage, help re-write the stories of others less fortunate. Donate what you would have spent to invite one more person to your Seder table.

This Passover, don't just say the blessings, share them.

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# **Donations** Received February 1 to February 28, 2010

Please Note: Every effort is made to ensure accuracy in the Bulletin.
Please let us know if an error is made and we will ensure a correction is noted in the next Bulletin.

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In Memory of:
Fanny Simon Passer
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Happy Birthday Wishes! Pam Rosen

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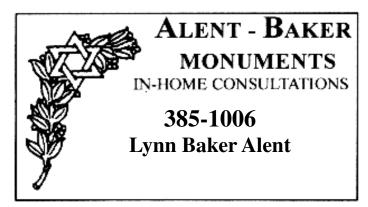
- Luncheon Kiddush March 6 sponsored In Honor of Sylvia Roth's Birthday by Bernie Roth
- Cholent March 6 sponsored In Memory of William David by Marjory David
- Luncheon Kiddush March 13 sponsored In Honor of the USY Shabbaton by generous members of Temple Beth David
- Cholent March 13 sponsored In Honor of Rich Popper's Birthday by Paula Popper
- Luncheon Kiddush March 20 sponsored In Memory of Family Members and In Honor of Spring by Florence Etingoff
- Kosher L'Pesach Kiddush March 30 by Paul and

- Cindy Halpern & Karen and Andrew Berger
- Kosher L'Pesach Kiddush April 3 by Mindy and Ben Zoghlin and In Honor of Servicemen Serving Overseas this Pesach by Keith Freedman
- Kosher L'Pesach Kiddush April 6 Lewis Rothberg and Shelby Nelson and In Memory of Richard Braiman by Julian and Shelly Braiman
- Luncheon Kiddush April 10 sponsored In Honor of Sy Zivan's Birthday by Karen Zivan

Sponsor a Kiddush or Cholent Today! Call the Temple Beth David Office at (585) 266-3223

# Yahrzeits From April 1 to April 30, 2010 (Nisan 17 - Iyar 16)

Maria			Nama	Oh	laiala
Name Mary Faldrage	Observed	Jewish	Name Dalla Mindall	Observed	<u>Jewish</u>
Max Feldman	April 1	Nissan 17	Belle Migdall	April 17	lyar 3
Blanche Gordon	April 1	Nissan 17	Hyman Moldawsky Marlowe	April 17	lyar 3
Benjamin Lehrer	April 1	Nissan 17	Blanche Diamond	April 18	lyar 4
Myron Rothschild	April 1	Nissan 17	Michael J. Gordon	April 18	lyar 4
Mark Schiff	April 1	Nissan 17	Fannie Hurwitz	April 18	lyar 4
Fannie Bronstein	April 2	Nissan 18	Fay Kiner	April 18	lyar 4
William C. Kruchten	April 2	Nissan 18	Ida Ritz	April 18	lyar 4
Jennie Stein	April 2	Nissan 18	Sadie Schulman	April 18	lyar 4
Allen Greenberg	April 3	Nissan 19	Natalie Rosen Hayman	April 19	lyar 5
Joseph Marzouk	April 3	Nissan 19	Dorothy Moscowitz	April 20	lyar 6
Harvey Louis Priceman	April 3	Nissan 19	Louisa Feldman	April 21	lyar 7
Harold Rosenbaum	April 3	Nissan 19	Harry Gordon	April 21	lyar 7
Samuel Applebaum	April 5	Nissan 21	Samuel Newman	April 21	lyar 7
Selma Bachman	April 6	Nissan 22	Minnie Richardson	April 21	lyar 7
Ruth Drexler	April 6	Nissan 22	Rose Feinberg	April 22	lyar 8
Eli Caplin	April 7	Nissan 23	Samuel Shaub	April 22	lyar 8
Samuel Chait	April 7	Nissan 23	Louis Goldberg	April 23	lyar 9
Sylvia Gertzog	April 7	Nissan 23	Betty Goldstein	April 23	lyar 9
Ethel Levin	April 7	Nissan 23	Beatrice Katz	April 23	lyar 9
Harold Phillips	April 7	Nissan 23	Raymond Kinel	April 23	lyar 9
Jacob Raphael	April 7	Nissan 23	Fannie Melin	April 23	lyar 9
Maurice Herzog	April 8	Nissan 24	Rabbi Samuel Porrath	April 23	lyar 9
Leonard Lutzky	April 8	Nissan 24	Baruch Stiller	April 23	lyar 9
Janette Shindel	April 8	Nissan 24	Morris Dell	April 24	lyar 10
Bernard Cramer	April 9	Nissan 25	Morris Germanow	April 24	lyar 10
Anna Deckter	April 9	Nissan 25	Samuel Greenberg	April 24	lyar 10
Abe Hecht	April 9	Nissan 25	Bernard Servetnick	April 24	lyar 10
Dora Schulman Kaufman	April 9	Nissan 25	Janet Shur	April 24	lyar 10
Myer Povolotsky	April 9	Nissan 25	Majer Danziger	April 25	lyar 11
Seymour Weingarten	April 9	Nissan 25	Rose Donsky	April 25	lyar 11
Harry Abelson	April 11	Nissan 27	Michael Rosen	April 25	lyar 11
Elizabeth Daniel	April 11	Nissan 27	Belle Sherman	April 25	lyar 11
Marvin Foigelman	April 11	Nissan 27	Meyer Weinstein	April 25	lyar 11
Sarah Stiller	April 11	Nissan 27	Toni Bernay	April 26	lyar 12
Molly Wasserman	April 11	Nissan 27	Fannie Shaub Brody	April 26	lyar 12
Obbe Abelson	April 12	Nissan 28	Max Dehaas	April 26	lyar 12
Bessie Goldberg	April 12	Nissan 28	Abraham Flaxman	April 26	lyar 12
Ira Goldstein	April 12	Nissan 28	Etta Fleisher	April 26	lyar 12
Louis Kopen	April 12	Nissan 28	Esther Friedman	April 26	lyar 12
Esther Levy	April 12	Nissan 28	William Friedman	April 26	lyar 12
Helen Rosen	April 12	Nissan 28	Rywka Kinel	April 26	lyar 12
Sally Zeif	April 12	Nissan 28	Morty Morrow	April 26	lyar 12
Rebecca Goldsmith	April 13	Nissan 29	Victor Eramus	April 27	lyar 13
Esther Herzog	April 13	Nissan 29	Dora S. Kaplan	April 27	lyar 13
Fortunea Marzouk	April 13	Nissan 29	Ephraim Strassman	April 27	lyar 13
Belle Schwartz	April 13	Nissan 29	Deborah Bella Bergman	April 28	lyar 14
Sidney Gallant	April 14	Nissan 30	Rose Cohen	April 29	lyar 15
Irvin Greenstine	April 14	Nissan 30	Esther Heicklen	April 29	lyar 15
Leah Laffer	April 14	Nissan 30	Bertha Karinsky	April 29	lyar 15
Jennie Nobel	April 14	Nissan 30	Max Moldawsky	April 29	lyar 15
Joseph Tishkoff	April 14	Nissan 30	Michelle Blumkin	April 30	lyar 16
Ruben Wolinsky	April 14	Nissan 30	Merrill Cohen	April 30	lyar 16
Molly Baker	April 15	lyar 1	Bernice Morrow	April 30	lyar 16
Benjamin Silverstein	April 15	lyar 1	Sam Schultz	April 30	lyar 16
Betty Marcia Donsky	April 16	lyar 2	Kathryn Schwartz	April 30	lyar 16
Ida Sanow	April 16	lyar 2			



# **Ruhl Funeral Home**

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Funeral Director Formerly of Parsky Funeral Home

I have proudly served the Jewish community for over 30 years

#### **Minimum Donations**

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#### Artwork Revisited and Remembered...

Dolly Fishman, former Sisterhood President and Creative Handicrafts Chair

In 1962 Marc Chagall donated what are known as "The Chagall Windows" at Hadassah Ein-Keren Hospital in Israel. Quite a huge success and we immediately were few years later, I went to Israel for the first time. I saw these beautiful windows in the Abbell Synagogue with the sun filtering through the brilliant stained glass. His inspiration stemmed from the Bible - Jacobs' blessings on his twelve sons and Moses' blessings on the twelve tribes. I guess that just as Chagall was inspired, so was I!

I found these needlepoint canvases in Israel and purchased them to bring back to our Sisterhood and hoped they would be as

thrilled as I was to be able to create this work of art for Temple Beth David. It was a able to purchase the brilliant colors which inspired us to completion in the late 1970's. A kind friend of mine donated his service and we only paid for the wood framing and glass.

The beautifully framed, completed needlework pieces were dedicated to Temple and currently hang in the entryway. The following ladies were honored with certificates for completing the needlepoint designs: Florence Phillips, Beth Phillips, Marion Cohen,

Bess Kopen, Eunice Freedman, Lois Markus and myself. I know that I have omitted some of the women who participated in the project; please accept my sincerest apologies. Perhaps after the bulletin, you will let us know whether you also participated in this beautiful project. We did work on this project for two years----just as Chagall did on the original windows. We hope that you will stop to enjoy them in the entryway next time you stop into Temple.

Photos by Mike Berke, thank you.



Asher, by Marion Cohen, in memory of her father. Nathaniel Alent



Gad, unknown crafter



Naphtali, by SK (known only by initials)



Joseph. by **Dolly Fishman** 



Dan, unknown crafter



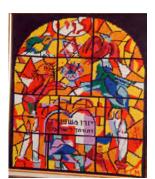
Benjamin, by Bess Kopen



Ruben, unknown crafter



Simeon. by Dolly Fishman



Levi, by Lois Markus in honor of Sid Markus' family



Issachar. by Eunice Freedman



Zebulun. by Florence Phillips



Judah. by Beth Phillips

# Temple Beth David Join us for April Shabbat learning at 1:00 pm in the Small Sanctuary

April 3rd: *A Guide for Today's Perplexed* – Read and learn about Rambam and the lure of assimilation of the Jews of Yemen and how it applies to us today -- with Rabbi Berg

April 17<sup>th</sup>: *Community Torah Study of Loving Speech* – Immerse yourself in and become part of the Tradition – discussion facilitated by Rabbi Berg

#### Save the Dates

May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 11:00 am – 12:00 pm – Leaving a Living Legacy – Ethical Wills – with Kelly Beller

May 16<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 -12:00 – Caring for Your Aging Parents – with Emily Krohn, LCSW-R of Jewish Family Services

May  $23^{rd} - 11:00$  am - 12:00 pm - Healthy Aging and Brain Fitness - A Hand's On Workshop - With Dr. Kimberly Kalish of Jewish Family Services