



# Temple Beth David Bulletin

January 2009

Rabbi Geoffrey Goldberg, Ph.D.

Ron Kraus, President

Samuel Asher, Cantor

## From the Rabbi's Desk

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*Tzedakah* is unquestionably one of the highest of Jewish values. It is commonly translated as "charity," but the English does not bring out the full meaning of the Hebrew. In the Bible *tzedakah* means "righteousness," while the related word, *tzedek*, means "justice." Both these concepts are implicit, therefore, in the use of *tzedakah* with respect to "charity." Giving to charity is not something to be performed grudgingly or in a patronizing manner. When we give to those in need we do so because they, in fact, have a claim on those who are better off and in a position to give. Giving to *tzedakah* is one of the basic obligations of Judaism, to be performed willingly and with a generous spirit.

The Talmud includes many discussions and statements concerning *tzedakah*. These rules and ideals were later codified by Maimonides and his successors and became part of Jewish law. As a result there is a whole section of the *Shulhan Arukh* devoted to charity in all its aspects (*Yoreh Deah* 247-259). To give a few examples:

It is a positive religious obligation for a person to give as much as possible as he/she can afford. We have been commanded positively to do this many times in the Torah. There is also a negative precept which

warns against hiding oneself from this obligation, as it is said, "You shall not harden your heart, nor shut your hand (Deuteronomy 15:7). Whoever hides himself from this obligation is called a scoundrel and it is as if he had worshipped idols" (247:1)

A person should give charity cheerfully and out of the goodness of his heart. He/she should participate in the grief of the poor and speak words of comfort to such a person. But if he/she gives in an angry or unwilling spirit he/she loses any merit there is in giving (249:3).

One of the most famous of the classic Jewish statements on charity is Maimonides' famous eight degrees of charity.

There are eight degrees of the giving of *tzedakah*, one higher than the other:

- One who gives grudgingly, reluctantly, or with regret.
- One who gives less than one should, but gives graciously.
- One who gives what one should, but only after asked.
- One who gives before asked.
- One who gives without knowledge to whom one is giving,

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## January Schedule

Shabbat Evening: 7:30 p.m.

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

Shabbat Morning: 9 a.m.

Young Children's Shabbaton:

10:00 to Noon Sat.

Sunday Minyan: 9:30 a.m.

Family Services: 10:30am

Jan. 3 and Jan. 17

Young Children's Shabbat:

Jan. 3

*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.*



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**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.

# From the President

Ron Kraus, President

244-0865

Dear Congregants,

As I am about to embark on being President, I want to share with you some of my history at Temple as a form of introduction.

I joined Temple Beth David in 1991 and was married at TBD in 1992. At that time Nancy and I were the youngsters at Temple every Saturday morning. Back then, we were a warm, heimish synagogue with an aging population. Sam Asher had not yet joined us, about 5 people could read Torah, and we had about the same number of families as we do now. Bingo took place at Temple on Thursday nights, and hot dogs were served at Bingo selling for a dollar.

Around that time, Annette Shapiro asked me to take over Adult Education. In 1993 I was Ritual VP. In 1994 I became President for 2 years, and my wife Nancy was asked to be Education VP. Serving Temple during 1994-95 became Nancy and my hobby. I remember each of us being

tempted to answer the phone saying, "Temple". Even after we stepped down people, would call us and ask when Purim services were or when the Hannukah party started.

Early in my term, Sam Asher approached me about leading services as Hazzan, started doing it once or twice a month, and became our Cantor. Also early in the term, I deemed it important to envision where the Temple could be by the end of those 2 years. I arranged with the Board to have a half-day retreat to brainstorm elements of a vision. By the end of 1995, we had accomplished much of what we set out to do. We had developed programs and activities that created vitality and made our synagogue an attractive place. We had publicity and events at Temple that 'put us on the map', so that people in town and people who were moving to town knew who we were. Nancy, myself, and others contacted people we knew in Rochester who we thought might be a match for our synagogue, there was an open house at Temple and parlor

meetings at homes resulting in an increase over time of our membership by 20-30 families. Through education and training, the number of Torah and Haftarah readers increased dramatically, so that over 30 people can read now. The education at our Hebrew School improved, and there were more students attending. The Temple's finances were in at least break even mode. And by the time the term was over, Nancy and I were no longer the youngsters at Saturday morning services.

Since 1995, I have continued to serve as head of Adult Education and Membership (with the hiatus of 2002-2007 while I was completing a doctorate) and have aimed to assist other leaders at Temple with the functioning of our synagogue. Working together, Temple Beth David will continue to grow and develop during the coming year.

Sincerely,

Ron Kraus

## Don't Miss our Adult Education Offerings!

**Pray in Hebrew**, by arrangement with Kelly Beller  
**Chant Torah and Haftarah**,

with Bernie Roth on Sunday mornings

**Learner's Service**, with Nancy Kraus

1st and 3rd Shabbat mornings at 10:30am

**Jewish Music 101**, Sundays beginning January 18

**Inside Torah**, monthly study sessions after services

both offerings with Rabbi Goldberg

**Learn in Pairs**, (or Hevrutah) with Ron Kraus

*Call Ron or Nancy Kraus for more info. 385-3696*

## Judaica Shop

**Did you know that the Sisterhood Gift Shop has the some of most reasonable prices around (including the internet)? We are open on Sundays, from 9:30 to 12:00, during Hebrew School, or by appointment. Linda Servetnick is the new manager, so please stop by to see the new merchandise, and chat about things you'd like to see in the shop. Feel free to call for more info: 899-6797**

# Rabbi, con't.

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although the recipient knows the identity of the donor.

- One who gives without making one's identity known.
- One who gives without knowing to whom one is giving, and the recipient is unaware from whom the *tzedakah* comes.
- One who helps a fellow person to support him or herself by a gift, or a loan, or by finding employment, thus helping that person to become self-supporting.

On another occasion, perhaps in a sermon or discussion, we might look at implications of the Maimonides' eighth degree of *tzedakah* for modern society.

Centuries ago the ancient rabbis said that one of the distinguishing features of the Jewish people is that they are generous and compassionate. And so it has been throughout the generations. This spirit of generosity is alive and well here too, at Temple Beth David.

One of the destinations of charity in our Temple is the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund. It is my responsibility and duty to administer this Fund wisely and with discretion. Thanks to the generosity of you, the members of TBD, this charity is well funded, especially because of sums that have been carried forward from when the Fund was in the hands of Rabbi Skopitz (z"l). But now is the time for much of this Fund to be used for the purpose that you intended when you so generously donated to it.

Before I proceed and decide which deserving Jewish charitable, welfare, educational or religious organizations to direct sums from the Fund, I would welcome suggestions from members of the congregation regarding possible worthy beneficiaries from the funds available. I am sure that many of you have favorite charities (I have my own) you would like to be considered when I make my decisions. Please contact me with your suggestions by e-mail, by phone, or by letter.

I look forward to your input and participation in fulfilling this *mitzvah* of *tzedakah*.

Rabbi Geoffrey Goldberg

## Rabbi's Office Hours

### Sundays

10am to Noon

### Tuesdays

3pm to 5pm

Rabbi Geoffrey Goldberg

730-5179 office

Rabbi's home phone, for emergencies: 319-4407

## Sisterhood Scholarship Opportunity

Scholarships are available to Temple Beth David's youth who meet the following requirements:

1. His (her) family is a member in good standing of Temple Beth David and his (her) family is a member in good standing of Sisterhood.
2. If the participant has been accepted into a program sponsored by a bona fide Jewish Organization, and can submit proof thereof.
3. He (she) has submitted a written request to the Sisterhood President, **no later than March 31** of the year of the proposed trip.

The funds available will be evenly divided among all applicants, subject to the approval of the Sisterhood Board. Sisterhood offers this incentive in the hopes of encouraging our youth to participate in these educational experiences, and hopes that the youth benefitting will, in turn, be a positive influence on our youth to join similar activities.

## Federation Scholarship Opportunity

The **Jewish Community Federation of Greater Rochester** is pleased to announce the availability of need-based awards for Jewish young people, between the ages of 13 to 21, participating in accredited Israel programs. In addition to Israel trips, funds may be applied to other upcoming Jewish travel experiences, Jewish high school programs, and college courses with Jewish content.

Spring distributions will be made for programs to take place summer, 2009 or during the next year. **The deadline for application is March 15, 2009**. For a full description of the scholarship guidelines, contact **Josh Boress**, Coordinator of Teen Education & Israel Trips, by phone 461-0490, or email, [jboress@jewishrochester.org](mailto:jboress@jewishrochester.org).

# News from IHSC

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The IHSC was a busy place on the morning of November 16. Parents and children together were actively exploring some of the values that are important to Jews and that help us learn how to be our best selves. Each class presented an activity that would help visitors to the classroom learn about the value that that class had chosen to teach.

In the K/1 class people were decorating tzedakah boxes. Outside of the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class people were learning about tikkun olam—repairing the world— as they played a recycling sorting game. The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade presented the value of hachnassat orchim—hospitality, so visitors were greeted and made to feel welcome with snacks and the opportunity to make a welcome sign for their homes. 4<sup>th</sup> grade was teaching about the value of kedusha- holiness -by teaching various brachot that we use to sanctify time, space and eating. 5<sup>th</sup> grader s had designed a concentration

game and a bulletin board display to teach about the mitzvot that command us to treat others and the world with respect. Visitors to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade had the opportunity to play a classroom sized board game that taught derech erez- good manners- by presenting examples of situations in which people do and do not act with derech erez. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade transformed their room

into a theater (home to the “Pickle Players”— they really like pickles in that class) and presented skits about lashon hara— viewers were asked to identify the examples of “bad speech” in each of the plays. And, visitors to the Hineni teen room learned about the value of “klal Israel”- the community of Israel- as they looked at students’ family trees and had the oppor-

tunity to send messages to some kids in Modi’in Israel. Parents said that they appreciated the opportunity to see what their children are learning and to visit classrooms. They even said the morning was “fun!”

Mark your calendars for the annual IHSC Art Show opening—Sunday, February 8, 2009—in the TBD social hall.



## Family Services at Temple Beth David

This year's dates:

January 3 and 17  
February 7 and 21  
March 7 and 21

April 4 and 18  
May 2 and 16  
June 6 and 20

Please join us for a Family Service on the first and third Shabbat of each month! This service is for school aged children and their parents. We have a great time discussing Torah, singing together, and learning new prayers. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Kraus at 385-3696.

Please sign up to be on our email reminder list by emailing Nancy at [nancyronkraus@earthlink.net](mailto:nancyronkraus@earthlink.net)

### Temple Office Hours

**Maria Dewhirst, Office Manager**

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**Sundays** 8:30am to Noon / 1:00pm - 5:00pm

**Monday thru Friday** 9:30am - 2:00pm

**Tuesdays** 9:30am - 2:00pm / 4:00pm - 6:00pm

**Saturday** closed

(Note office will be closed Dec. 22, 23, 24, 25, 26)

# News from USY

USY Advisor (Grades 9-12):

Susan Kruchten

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December was an exciting month for USYers. Amidst the jingles and follies of the holiday season, we found an exciting escape at Miriam's night of Tikkun Olam! It's nice to know that however little, USYers help to "kick back" to the world. Giulia's Israeli

Pre-Hanukkah Party was also exciting. Diced with a moderate "Israeli" flair, it was a very unique experience. Thanks to those who helped to host!

January will provide several thrilling opportunities for USYers. On January 10<sup>th</sup>, USY/Kadima Shabbat will be held at temple as usual. If the weather holds up (cross your fingers that it's not like last year!) USY annual tubing should occur on the 18<sup>th</sup>! I can't wait.

Everyone should also look forward to the monthly USY meeting on January 21<sup>st</sup> at the JCC, which I will be leading! It's a super secret surprise. Be sure to watch your mailboxes and inboxes for all sorts of updates about these events!

Enjoy the New Year!"

Josh Kruchten

VP Communication

## Celebrate Tu B'Shevat at Temple Beth David

**Join the I.H.S.C. students and families for an opening of their wonderful art show, followed by a Tu B'Shevat Seder and light lunch.**

**Sunday, February 8**

**11:30-noon Art Opening (see below)**

**Noon-12:45 Seder and light lunch**



**Tu B'Shevat is an ancient holiday which began in Sefat, Israel. It marks the celebration of the New Year of the trees. Join us on a cold winter day for a festive seder eating the fruits and nuts of Israel where we can happily imagine the beautiful trees beginning to bloom.**

Please R.S.V.P. to Nancy Kraus at 385-3696 or [nancyrokraus@earthlink.net](mailto:nancyrokraus@earthlink.net)

Sponsored by Nancy Kraus in honor of Ron's presidency



**DON'T MISS IT!**

**Annual IHSC Art Show Opening**

**11:30 -Noon**

**Sunday February 8th, 2009**

**Inspiring Artwork by IHSC students will be displayed in the social hall during the month of February for all to enjoy.**



# Second Annual Skopitz Memorial Concert

Davida Bloom, Concert Chairperson

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The Second Annual Rabbi Laurence Skopitz Memorial Concert – A Resounding Success!

A wonderful time was had by all at the Memorial Concert in honor of our beloved Rabbi Skopitz (z"l). The mood was lively and joyous. The "opening act" including **Samuel Asher, Angela Lenzo and Bonnie Abrams** was simply wonderful.

**CADENCE**, the acapella group from Toronto was fun and full of energy. Featuring **Carl Berger**, Rabbi Skopitz's nephew, they performed many tunes across many genres, all without a single instrument except their voices. The quartet obviously has a good time together; they bring that positive spirit right into the audience.

There were moments, of course, we thought of Rabbi Skopitz (Laurie to many of us) and wished he could

be there with us. His sister **Donna** read a delightful poem reminding us of all his idiosyncrasies. His nephew made mention of how much he had hoped to bring **CADENCE** to Temple, and that he was undoubtedly smiling down on us. The overall mood, however, was far from somber. We came, we sang, we ate. We laughed and talked and remembered. We think he would have liked it that way.



The upbeat offerings by (L to R) **Samuel Asher, Angela Lenzo, and Bonnie Abrams** were a delight!

**CADENCE** performed jazz, show tunes and classical pieces with a distinctive flair!



The event could not have been possible without the help of the many volunteers listed here. Apologies for anyone left off the list. Thank you so much for your time, wisdom, energy, and enthusiasm. We hope to continue the tradition and look forward to the next concert.

**Sam Asher, Shelli Asher, Miriam Asher, Andrew Berger, Carl Berger, Donna Berger, Mike Berke,**

**Davida Bloom, Adrienne Young Cohen, Marjory David, Ida Dell, Maria Dewhirst, Sue Eckhaus, Jacob Eckhaus, Lauren Erlichman, Bill Gertzog, Ellen Gertzog, Marilyn Goldberg, Rickie Gordon, Mike Greenberg, Marsha Greenberg, Phyllis Anne Hirsch, Allison Helms, Anne Howell, Helen Kashtan, David Kaufman, Aaron Kaufman, Margaret Kearney, Nancy Kraus, Ron Kraus, Susan Langmann, Judy Levy,**

**Carl Levy, Matt Levy, Lois Markus, Michelle Mendelson, Tara Oakes, Martin Presberg, Linda Roth, Sylvia Roth, Bill Scheuermann, Risa Saltzman, Annette Shapiro, Debbie Steinfeld, Debra Trione-Okunieff, Barbara Weber, and Sarisa Zoghlin.**

THANK YOU to all those who contributed with their time and effort, as well as all of you who contributed financially.

# This one's for you, Loo Loo

Poem by Donna Berger, sister of Rabbi Laurence Skopitz (z"L) read at the concert 11/16/08

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So he wasn't the neatest person in the world  
Books and papers strewn everywhere  
And clean clothes heaped in laundry baskets  
"Who needs drawers?" he'd declare

He loved to collect odd objects  
To the delight of our mother and father  
He'd rifle through tables of stuff at yard sales  
When others would think, "Why bother?"

Toy soldiers and trains and musical things  
He amassed happily through the years  
He had a bathroom museum of articles wacky  
A living room teeming with art – some quite tacky  
A dining room filled with beautiful menorahs  
And kitchen cupboards papered with old family photos

And yet, all this chaos, I'm sure you'll agree  
Made his house a home – at least it did for me  
His home was a mirror into the essence of Laurie  
And all of its contents blended to tell his story

My brother was giving, compassionate and kind  
His talents were many, diverse and refined

He loved life. He loved fun. He loved to dance around a room.

He loved music and writing and travel and reading  
He loved photography and art, and occasionally, eating  
He loved his children, his parents, his siblings and their spouses

He loved his nieces and nephews and their little offspring  
He did not love dogs.

For every important occasion, and then some  
No matter how busy he was or how difficult for him to come  
He was there for us

To his family, he was the goofy, the funny, yet wise one  
He was a good father, a good brother and a very good son

As a Rabbi, he was very much loved and respected  
Because he made a difference.

And he is still making a difference.

We are all here today to pause and reflect  
Yet to celebrate a man who we won't forget



The audience thoroughly enjoyed themselves! We had a crowd of over 200 attendees.

Here, they are singing along with CADENCE.

# News From VP, Finance

Sy Zivan

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As I write this letter in early December, I am projecting that Temple Beth David will meet its budget goals for 2008. Cost savings, such as reductions in our insurance and utilities costs have contributed handily to this good news. The major reason for our success, however, was the hard work of so many of our members in fundraising. Bingo and our golf tournament, among other activities, helped generate over \$50,000 in 2008. It is so urgent for us to continue these successes in 2009.

Allow me to suggest how each and every member can help our financial needs. These thoughts include:

- Volunteering at Bingo. We especially need people during the winter months. Call Sylvia Roth at 266-6756 to find out more.
- If you do not already own cemetery plots, buy plots from Temple. Our prices are the lowest in town.
- Sponsor a Kiddush to honor a friend or memorialize a loved one. Sponsorships can cost as little as \$72.
- Sponsor a cholent at a Kiddush for only \$18.
- Help to organize, volunteer, and/or attend the Shavuot Dinner.
- Be a Golf Tournament sponsor, or just attend the dinner.
- Remember your loved ones in our annual Book of Remembrance.
- Sponsor a Tree of Life Leaf for your loved one's special birthday or anniversary.
- Support Sisterhood & Men's Club events

Every one of these opportunities for your participation will help Temple. Perhaps you can come up with an idea of your own that will make needed money for Temple. Just know that we need your help to meet our 2009 targets. Call Maria Dewhirst at 266-3223 to find out more about these and other opportunities. Call me if you have any ideas on creative fundraising for temple that you would like to see implemented. We welcome your input and thank you for your ongoing support.



## Men's Club Lecture Series

**First Lecture: Sunday, January 11, 2009**

Sponsored by

Temple Beth David Men's Club  
and Temple Beth El Men's Club

**Breakfast is included. Free for members and their spouses, \$2.00 for others  
10:00 A.M at TBD**

**Barbara Morgenstern, publisher of The Jewish Ledger, will speak on "Then and Now: The History of Jewish Newspapers in America"**

**Pay in full for an annual subscription to the Jewish Ledger, and \$10 will be donated to the temple in your name.**

**RSVPS's appreciated. Please e-mail  
[jpapkin@aol.com](mailto:jpapkin@aol.com) or call the temple office.**







## Temple Beth David Men's Club Annual Superbowl Party

**WHEN:** Sunday, Feb. 1

**WHERE:** Papkin home  
37 Split Rock Rd  
Pittsford, NY 14534



**COCKTAILS** 4:30pm      **DINNER** 5:30pm

*RSVP Required, please call by January 24*

**Please call Jonathan Papkin @576-0130**

*Open to Men's Club members, prospective members, plus wives,  
significant others, etc.....We hope you can join us!*



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2009**  
**9:30 AM SMALL SANCTUARY**

**Temple Beth David Men's Clubs**

**SEVENTH ANNUAL  
WORLD WIDE (TEFILLIN) WRAP  
FOLLOWED BY A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**



## **TBD Family Night Out Rochester Amerks Hockey**

**February 22 at the Grand Blue Cross Arena  
the puck drops at 6:05pm**



**RSVP Scott Davis - 266-8208 by Feb. 15  
Win or lose, it'll be a blast!  
Sponsored by Temple Beth David's Men's Club**

# All in the Family

To submit information, contact the Temple Office at 266-3223

**Our condolences go out to  
the friends and family of:**

**David Wandersman  
Scott Grube  
Irving Roth  
Virginia Erlichman  
Joseph Klein**

## January Birthday Wishes!

Felicia Minton	Jan. 1	Melissa Meynadasy	Jan. 16
Rabbi Geoffrey Goldberg	Jan. 2	Fronie Hoffman	Jan. 17
Susan Levinson	Jan. 2	Irvin Katz	Jan. 17
Shirley Frank	Jan. 3	Benjamin Duchano	Jan. 18
Aaron Zachary Freedman	Jan. 3	David Langmann	Jan. 18
Bruce Zivan	Jan. 5	Dorothy Schiller	Jan. 19
Bruce Goldin	Jan. 8	Felice Harris	Jan. 21
Harold Feinberg	Jan. 9	Sarah Duchano	Jan. 23
Leonard Harris	Jan. 14	Ellie Spivak	Jan. 23
Susan Baruch	Jan. 15	Linda Servetnick	Jan. 25
Sandra Brenner	Jan. 16	Sarisa Zoghlin	Jan. 27

## Happy Anniversary!

Harold & Dolly Fishman Jan. 25  
Philip & Rachel Weinstein Jan. 26

**Mitzvah of the Month:** A little bird told us that **Rachel Snider**, who is just in second grade, recently made her second contribution of hair to Locks of Love. The first time she did this was when she was in kindergarten. What a wonderful gift.

**Correction:** How could we have missed **Fronie Hoffman's** name in the list of **bingo workers** in last month's bulletin?

Fronie is our table captain and our indispensable money dispenser. Her quick wit keeps us on an even keel every Thursday night.

**Please note that the Mi-Sheberah list was cleared on December 31. Simply call the office if you need a loved one on the list.**

Thank you Fronie, and please accept our apologies at our oversight.

## Sponsored Kiddushes and Cholents

- November 15, Sponsored Kiddush **In Memory of family members** by Florence Etingoff
- November 22, Sponsored Kiddush for Study Session (Rabbi Goldberg)
- November 29, Sponsored Kiddush **in Memory of Joseph Sherr** by Dorothy Sherr
- December 6, Sponsored Kiddush by Rabbi Goldberg **In Memory of his parents.**
- December 20, Sponsored Kiddush **In Honor of Samantha Hendren and Jason Schwalb** by Debra Trione and Paul Okunieff
- Jan 24, Sponsored Cholent **In Memory of Norman Gilman** by Cindy Halpern

Call the temple office to sponsor a Kiddush or cholent today!

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**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.

## DAVID SOLOMON FUND

### *In Memory of:*

#### **Scott Grube**

Jay & Adrienne Young Cohen  
Richard & Debbie Steinfeld

#### **Joseph Klein**

Bernie and Sylvia Roth

#### **Irving Roth**

Harriet Lempert  
Ron & Nancy Kraus

#### **Virginia Erlichman**

Harriet Lempert

#### **Herbert Sugarman**

Dr. Saul & Helen Presberg

#### **Yetta N. Moidel**

Mike & Toby Berke

#### **Ruth Shechet**

Dr. Kevin & Judy Fleissig

#### **Eli Bauman**

#### **Sy Bauman**

#### **Ida Priceman**

#### **Joe Priceman**

Anita Bauman

### *Get Well Wishes!*

#### **Harry & Marion Cohen**

#### **Charles & Laura Levinson**

Bernie & Sylvia Roth

### *Belated Birthday Wishes:*

#### **Ed Drexler**

#### **Rich Howell**

Pam Rosen & Gary Cohen

### *60th Anniversary Donation*

#### **Irwin & Annette Applebaum**

(donated by them)

### *Happy Anniversary Wishes:*

#### **Dan & Judy Koltun**

Gary Cohen & Pam Rosen

## SHIVA CHEVRA FUND

### *In Memory of:*

#### **Scott Grube**

Art & Ida Dell  
Ayala Emmett  
Ruth Kramer

#### **Miriam Lustig**

Kalman & Esther Zohar

#### **Irving Roth**

#### **Joe Klein**

David & Florence Phillips

### *In Appreciation:*

#### **Bernie Roth & Shiva Chevra Group**

Irving Kessler, Esq.

## PreK SHABBATON FUND

### *In Memory Of:*

#### **Mother of Anna Markowitz**

Ayala Emmett

## TORAH REPAIR FUND

### *In Memory of:*

#### **Max Raphael**

Marvin & Linda Raphael

#### **Leon Alent**

by his children & grandchildren

### *Belated Birthday Wishes:*

#### **Ceidlen Beller**

#### **Cindy Halpern**

Gary Cohen & Pam Rosen

## RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

### *In Memory of:*

#### **Harold & Selma Kay**

Stephen & Marcia Kay

#### **Irwin Halpern**

#### **Mildred Gilman**

Herbert & Phyllis Hirsch

#### **Rachel Mentel**

Philip Mentel

### *In Appreciation of your help:*

#### **Rabbi Geoffrey Goldberg**

Ruth & Ari Kramer  
Sue & Neal Eckhaus

## RABBI SKOPITZ MEMORIAL FUND

### *In Memory of:*

#### **Michael Simon**

Sam & Sandra Cohen

#### **Claire Engel**

#### **Irving Roth**

Jerald & Beverly Engel

#### **Virginia Erlichman**

Carl & Blossom Voldman

### *Happy Birthday Wishes:*

#### **Anita Bauman**

Gladys Garey

### *Belated Birthday Wishes:*

#### **Debra Goldberg**

Gary Cohen & Pam Rosen

### *Belated Anniversary Wishes:*

#### **Abe & Golde Hersch**

Gary Cohen & Pam Rosen

## MARSHA FISHMAN FUND

### *In Memory of:*

#### **Donald Gallant**

Elaine Gallant

## USY/KADIMA FUND

### *Belated Anniversary Wishes:*

#### **Patrick & Sue Kruchten**

#### **Dan & Risa Saltzman**

Pam Rosen, Gary, Alex, &  
Jordan Cohen

## MITZVAH / KIDDUSH FUND

### *In Memory of:*

#### **John Schnidman**

Shirley Schnidman

#### **Donald Gallant**

Irwin & Annette Applebaum



**Purchase Sisterhood Torah Fund Cards  
online at:**

**[www.jtsa.edu/giving](http://www.jtsa.edu/giving)**

# Save the Date

**TBD Sisterhood's  
Scholar in  
Residence Weekend**

**Speaker: Jan Katz**

**May 15 & 16, 2009**



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# Yahrzeits From Jan. 1 to Jan. 31 (Tevet 5 to Shevat 6, 5769 )

Name	Observed	Jewish	Name	Observed	Jewish	Sheldon Himmelstein
Lillian Mountain	Jan. 1	Tevet 5	Jean Levy Gan	Jan. 11	Tevet 15	Jan. 21 Tevet 25
Grace Gittel Springer	Jan. 1	Tevet 5	Ben Passer	Jan. 11	Tevet 15	Reuben Robbins Jan. 21 Tevet 25
Joseph Weissman	Jan. 1	Tevet 5	Belle Raskind	Jan. 11	Tevet 15	Jacob Michael Ouriel
Lillian Yaravitz	Jan. 1	Tevet 5	Alice Shur	Jan. 11	Tevet 15	Jan. 22 Tevet 26
Phillip Berger	Jan. 2	Tevet 6	Paul Newman	Jan. 12	Tevet 16	Esther Prives Jan. 22 Tevet 26
Joseph Bernstein	Jan. 2	Tevet 6	Anna Alva	Jan. 13	Tevet 17	Betty Rose Altman
Fanny Rosen	Jan. 2	Tevet 6	Louis Ambush	Jan. 13	Tevet 17	Jan. 23 Tevet 27
Samuel Stein	Jan. 2	Tevet 6	Sylvia Kobrin Weber	Jan. 13	Tevet 17	Rae Goldman Jan. 23 Tevet 27
Philip Fain	Jan. 3	Tevet 7	Martin Roth	Jan. 14	Tevet 18	Benita Hernandez
Selma Feldman	Jan. 3	Tevet 7	Samuel Snow	Jan. 14	Tevet 18	Jan. 23 Tevet 27
Jack Hoffman	Jan. 3	Tevet 7	Max Gross	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Herbert Kraus Jan. 23 Tevet 27
Elsie Perlman	Jan. 3	Tevet 7	Estelle Hirsch	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Anne S. Levin Jan. 23 Tevet 27
Harry Selkowitz	Jan. 3	Tevet 7	Abraham Lutzky	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Jacob Marcusfield
Sarah (Smitty) Grossberg	Jan. 4	Tevet 8	Doris Pulvino	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Jan. 23 Tevet 27
Blanche Packard	Jan. 4	Tevet 8	Edith Rubenstein	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Max Schwartz Jan. 23 Tevet 27
Joseph Donsky	Jan. 5	Tevet 9	Y'hoshua Schnidman	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Morris Blass Jan. 24 Tevet 28
Eddy Kazdan	Jan. 5	Tevet 9	Jack Schultz	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	George Geiger Jan. 24 Tevet 28
Aryeh Reznik	Jan. 5	Tevet 9	Joseph Seigel	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Ethel Hersch Jan. 24 Tevet 28
Herbert Rubin	Jan. 6	Tevet 10	Sally Shilman	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Sarah Safrin Jan. 24 Tevet 28
Rabbi Abraham Rubin	Jan. 6	Tevet 10	Nathan Zeif	Jan. 15	Tevet 19	Blanche Levine Jan. 25 Tevet 29
Serafine Rubin	Jan. 6	Tevet 10	Paul Lichterman	Jan. 16	Tevet 20	Benjamin Rosenbaum
Sadie Swartz	Jan. 6	Tevet 10	Hannah Wandersman	Jan. 16	Tevet 20	Jan. 25 Tevet 29
Lena Testa	Jan. 6	Tevet 10	Bessie Berkowitz	Jan. 17	Tevet 21	Ralph Saffer Jan. 25 Tevet 29
Michael Feldman	Jan. 7	Tevet 11	Phillip Dell	Jan. 17	Tevet 21	Esther Aroesty Jan. 26 Shevat 1
David Moldawsky May	Jan. 7	Tevet 11	Mowey Presberg	Jan. 17	Tevet 21	Rita Kazdan Jan. 26 Shevat 1
David K. Moldawsky May	Jan. 7	Tevet 11	Eugene Roth	Jan. 17	Tevet 21	Dorette Arditi Jan. 27 Shevat 2
Eugene Rosenbaum	Jan. 7	Tevet 11	Isadore Donsky	Jan. 18	Tevet 22	Geraldine Demayo
Ann Cohn	Jan. 8	Tevet 12	Milton Lande	Jan. 18	Tevet 22	Jan. 28 Shevat 3
Sandra Garey Kaye	Jan. 8	Tevet 12	Jacob Rosenbaum	Jan. 18	Tevet 22	Milton Grossman Jan. 28 Shevat 3
Morris Schnidman	Jan. 9	Tevet 13	Max Grossberg	Jan. 19	Tevet 23	Phillip Gutterman Jan. 28 Shevat 3
Louis Hurwitz	Jan. 10	Tevet 14	Morris Kofschik	Jan. 19	Tevet 23	Sadie Gutterman Jan. 28 Shevat 3
Bella Nussbaum	Jan. 10	Tevet 14	Abraham Prives	Jan. 19	Tevet 23	Yuda Kinel Jan. 28 Shevat 3
Nissim Ojalvo	Jan. 10	Tevet 14	Gertrude Selkowitz	Jan. 19	Tevet 23	L. Grant Meeker Jan. 28 Shevat 3
Sharon Garey Slavin	Jan. 10	Tevet 14	Jacob Weinstein	Jan. 19	Tevet 23	Isadore Goldberg
Rose Weinstein	Jan. 10	Tevet 14	Sidney Yates	Jan. 19	Tevet 23	Jan. 29 Shevat 4
Bessie Braiman	Jan. 11	Tevet 15	Minnie Flaxman	Jan. 20	Tevet 24	Dora Yates Jan. 29 Shevat 4
Morris Dunsker	Jan. 11	Tevet 15	Minnie Flaxman	Jan. 20	Tevet 24	Harry Brothman Jan. 30 Shevat 5
			Aaron Goldenberg	Jan. 20	Tevet 24	Max Mendel Feldman
			Lillian Solomon Lobenthal	Jan. 20	Tevet 24	Jan. 30 Shevat 5
			E. Edward Hersch	Jan. 21	Tevet 25	Norman Gilman Jan. 30 Shevat 5
						Rose Schwartz Jan. 30 Shevat 5
						Selma Kay Jan. 31 Shevat 6
						Louis Pulvino Jan. 31 Shevat 6
						Nathan Rabinowitz
						Jan. 31 Shevat 6
						Ada Rosenthal Jan. 31 Shevat 6
						Abe Rouso Jan. 31 Shevat 6

# News From the Office

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Temple Beth David is fortunate to have a very caring community. One way to express your care and concern is to send a donation card.

Each month, people send birthday and anniversary cards, Mazel Tov wishes for a variety of occasions, as well as get well wishes and condolence cards.

We have lovely cards that have been

specially designed for several of the funds. As we all know, it is nice to be remembered.

We can send a card for you for a minimum donation of only \$7.50. If you find that you have three cards to send, we will gladly give a discount of \$6.00 per card, or \$18.00 for all three.

If you are wondering where to donate the money, note that we have tried to

designate the purposes of each individual fund below. If you have particular questions about the funds or the greeting cards, feel free to call me at the temple office or call Bill Gertzog, VP Admin., at 461-4336.



Memorial Card- to whichever fund is designated



**Torah Repair Fund**  
This fund provides for the repair and maintenance of Temple Beth David's Torah scrolls.

**Marsha Fishman Education Fund**  
This fund benefits educational programs and expenses for youth at temple.



**David Solomon Fund** - The general building fund that provides for the day-to-day operation of temple.

We also use this card for other funds:

Herb Kraus - for Adult Education Programs

Capital Improvement - for Major Improvements to the building

PreK Shabbaton - for our weekly Shabbaton program


Library Fund - to cover costs of maintaining and improving our library

USY/Kadima Fund- for our USY/Kadima youth programs


Rabbi Skopitz Fund - for youth programs at temple



**Mitzvah Kiddush Fund**  
Defrays the cost of the weekly kidusshes and cholents we all enjoy at temple... Card comes with Rabbi Skopitz's (z"l) famous cholent recipe on the back



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Tree of Life Leaf	\$72.00
Siddur Sim Shalom	\$30.00
HH Prayer Book	\$25.00
Etz Hayim	\$75.00
Basic Kiddush	\$72.00
Cholent Sponsor	\$18.00
Wine/Challah Sponsor	\$18.00
Memorial Plaque	\$270.00
Non Member	\$414.00
Cemetery Plots In Riverside	
Member	\$600.00
Non-Member	\$800.00



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Reason for Card/Message:

Fund : ☐ D. Solomon ☐ M. Fishman ☐ Rabbi Skopitz Youth Fund ☐ Temple Residence  
☐ Mitzvah/Kiddush ☐ TBD Capital Improvement ☐ Library ☐ H. Kraus/Adult Ed.  
☐ Torah Repair Fund ☐ USY/Kadima ☐ Shiva Chevra ☐ Rabbi Discretionary's Fund

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- **Building:** Michael Walker
- **Recording Secretary:** Susan Drexler

**Temple Funds:**

- Capital Improvement Fund
- David Solomon Memorial Building Fund
- Gilbert Rosenbaum Fund
- Herb Kraus Adult Education Fund
- Library Fund
- Marsha Fishman Memorial Education Fund
- Mitzvah Kiddush Fund
- Children's Shabbaton Fund
- Rabbi Skopitz Memorial Youth Fund
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- Torah Repair Fund
- Shiva Chevra Fund
- USY/Kadima Fund
- Temple Residence Fund

**Temple Activity Chairs:**

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# January 2009

January 2009							February 2009						
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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec 28 - Jan 3	<b>Dec 28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Jan 1, 09</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
					Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 7:30pm TBD Services	9:00am TBD Svc 10:30am Family Svc.
Jan 4 - 10	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
	Ofc Open 830-12, 1-5 9:00am NO IHSC 9:00am Exec. Board Meet	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm Ofc. Hours 4-6pm 4:00pm IHSC reopens	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 12:00pm JCC Sr. Group 7:00pm Kadima Mtg. @ J	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 7:30pm TBD Services	USY/Kadima Shabbat 9:00am TBD Svc
Jan 11 - 17	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
	Ofc Open 830-12, 1-5 Speaker Series 10am 9:00am IHSC-music 11:3	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm Ofc. Hours 4-6pm 4:00pm IHSC	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 12:00pm JCC Sr. Group 7:30pm Small Shul Coll @	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 7:30pm TBD Services	Family Svc 1030am 9:00am TBD Svc
Jan 18 - 24	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
	Ofc Open 830-12, 1-5 9:00am IHSC	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 7:00pm TBD BOT meeting	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm Ofc. Hours 4-6pm 4:00pm IHSC 6:30pm IHSC Staff Mtg	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 12:00pm JCC Sr. Group 2:30pm Board of Rabbi's I 7:00pm IHSC Board Mtg 7:00pm USY Mtg@JCC	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm	Ofc Hours 9:30 - 2pm 6:00pm Svc. @ JCC 7:30pm TBD Services	cholent IMO N. Gilman 9:00am TBD Svc 12:00pm Monthly study ses
Jan 25 - 31	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
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# TEMPLE BETH DAVID

## Upcoming Events

### February:

Feb. 1	Executive Board Mtg.
Feb. 4	Kadima Mtg @ JCC
Feb. 7	Family Service/ Young Children's Shabbaton
Feb. 8	Sisterhood Meeting
Feb. 8	IHSC Art Show Opening
Feb. 8	Tu B'Shevat Seder
Feb. 14	USY/Kadima Shabbat
Feb. 15-22	February Break - No IHSC
Feb. 16	BOT meeting at TBD
Feb. 18	USY Meeting @ JCC
Feb. 21	Family Service
Feb. 27	Svc @ JCC at 6pm—Sr. Lounge
Feb. 28	Study Session



### March:

Mar. 1	Executive Board Mtg.
Mar. 4	Kadima Meeting @ JCC
Mar. 7	Family Service/ Young Children's Shabbaton
Mar. 8	Sisterhood Meeting
Mar. 8	Purim Carnival
Mar. 9	Purim - Reading of the Megillah
Mar. 14	USY/Kadima Shabbat
Mar. 16	BOT @ JCC
Mar. 18	USY Meeting @ JCC
Mar. 21	Family Service
Mar. 27	Svc @ JCC at 6pm—Sr. Lounge
Mar. 28	Study Session

