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Kol Hakavod to our Award-Winning Beth Shalom

Early Learning Center

On it's recent NAEYC Re-Accreditation and earning 4 out of 4 Keystone Stars



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A MESSAGE FROM RABBI WERBOW



promote the Sunday

to encourage people to come on Super Bowl Sunday and intellect we possess. put on Tefillin.

Why Tefillin?

menu of options when it came to selecting a ritual to Thought". He states: encourage our communities to participate. In some ways it I do know is that doing something is the first step.

deeper into the idea of increasing our observance of rituals. A ritual is an action we carry out that has some significance that meaning.

the meaning behind the Tefillin.

reminder of God, God's oneness and the obligation that is Tefillin is near the heart while the head Tefillin is between that adds meaning to your life. the eyes. Arm, head, heart and eyes: There are so many

Each year, around this time, we start to combinations of meaning we can derive from all of this. gear up for the World Wide Wrap. We We can take from this that our arms (and by extension all introduce the ritual objects of Tallit and the limbs of our body) are to carry out what our mind Tefillin to our Bar/Bat Mitzvah students and discerns to be the right thing to do. We could also morning understand that we are to connect our heart with our brain programming that the Men's Club sponsors and thus bring together the emotions we feel and the

On one hand we should just do the mitzvot because they are commanded but on the other hand we should find meaning in the rituals we are carrying out. Rabbi Louis Jacobs addresses this in his work, "The The Men's Club could have picked from a wide Relationship Between Religion and Ethics in Jewish

"Although God commands them it is not implied really doesn't matter what was selected. It is much more that the command is the reason for their observance, so like the Nike commercial that encouraged us to, "Just Do that if God had commanded man to steal or to murder this It." What is the "it"? We may not be 100% certain but what would have been the right thing to do. On the contrary, the commands are announced in such a way as to suggest that Staying with the idea of Tefillin, we can dig a bit they are already fully comprehensible to man as the basis for living the ethical life. . . . Once God has commanded, however, the command itself is, of course, an additional and meaning. One reason for people not observing the reason for its observance." So, which comes first, the rituals of our tradition is that they either don't understand understanding that we are to be thoughtful in our actions or the meaning or they haven't made a personal connection to the command to put on Tefillin; our desire to connect our intellect with our emotions or the expectation that we follow It is too easy to see Tefillin as foreign to our an expectation of our tradition? In the end, it doesn't modern lives. Why would we want to take leather straps matter. Remember, "Just Do It!" Observe the Mitzvah. that are attached to boxes containing ancient texts and Have a personal connection to it first and then carry it out wrap them on our arms and heads? Let's look at some of or, get in the habit of doing it and come to some understanding of what the ritual means to you. Either way, In simplistic terms, the Tefillin are supposed to be a pick a ritual. It could be Tefillin or maybe you pick something else. Learn about the "hows" and "whys" of upon us to carry out what God expects of us. However we performing this particular ritual. Work to understand it can appreciate them on a deeper level as well. We put the personally and perform it over and over so you become Tefillin on our arms and heads. Specifically, the arm comfortable with it. And, soon, you will own a new ritual

B'nai Mitzva Meet



Sophie Ilana Geskin, daughter of Larisa Geskin, will celebrate becoming a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, January 19, 2013. Sophie is the granddaughter of Rita Gurevich, the late Uri Karpel, Leah Geskin and the late Zalman Geskin. Sophie has two brothers, Albert and Jacob. Sophie attends Community Day

School and enjoys playing piano and violin, tennis, traveling, skiing, gymnastics and art. Sophie's Mitzvah Project is the Samuel M. Goldston Teen Philanthropy Project and volunteering at the Veterinary Oncology Hospital.



Rachel Zoe Holzer, daughter of Sheila and David Holzer, will celebrate becoming a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, February 2, 2013. Rachel is the granddaughter of Merle and Mitzi Levine and Alvin and Lorraine Holzer and the late Eileen Holzer. Rachel has two sisters. Eileen and Samantha. Rachel attends Winchester Thurston School and enjoys basketball and hanging out with friends. Rachel's Mitzvah Project is the Bat Mitzvah Club and Friendship Circle.



Samuel Caleb Himmel, son of Dana and Alan Himmel, will celebrate becoming a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, February 16, 2013. Sammy is the grandson of Marcia and Lee Himmel and the late Carol Hirsch. Sammy has a brother, Benjamin. Sammy attends Community Day School and enjoys

basketball, cross country, EKC, stage crew and Friendship Circle. Sammy's Mitzvah Project is Project Linus and the Samuel M. Goldston Teen Philanthropy Project.

A MESSAGE FROM CANTOR BEN

For liturgical music, we are at a crossroads between the A time for a mournful prayer and time to be synagogue of the 20th century—which could fail today be- uplifted. cause of a monolithic approach to music in worship—and a new model of synagogue. In moving into the next century, In services, there are times when Debbie we have to find a balance between exploring and experiencing new forms of music in prayer while not loosing the kernel of tradition. Thus, a dilemma arises when planning and leading services in finding the right balance between nostalgia a n d modernity.

If the author of Ecclesiastes was alive today, and also a Ba'al Tefillah, we might read:

There is a time for percussion and a time for choir,

A time for Debbie Friedman and a time for Cantor Yosef Rosenblatt,

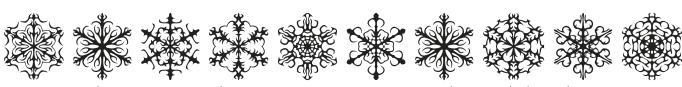
Friedman's Mi Sheberach heals us, times

when Kol Nidre brings us back to our ancestors and ancient times, and times when a choir can uplift us by encouraging us to sing or allowing us to close our eyes and be transported. We are comforted by singing our standard tune for Yismechu during Musaf, but we are also amiss if we don't learn Sephardi and Mizrachi traditions of worship. The key to providing a good worship experience is to learn together about our expansive musical tradition and to create services that allow us to talk with the divine.

> Fondly, Cantor Ben

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JOIN US FOR A MUSICAL AFTERNOON



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The Carnegie Mellon Guitar Ensemble is a classical guitar performance group open to music majors and non-majors by audition. Students present historically informed and creatively expressive performances of duos, trios, quartets, and larger ensemble music from every major style period. Four concerts a year are presented in one of the School of Music's performance spaces. Additional performances include community outreach programs at Pittsburgh area schools, retirement communities, and museums. The Guitar Ensemble has also presented pre-concert performances for the Guitar Society of Fine Arts and the Pittsburgh Chamber Music Society

Mishpachtenu



Sunday, February 10, 2013 1pm-4pm



5889 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh PA 15217

Adult musicians, singers, or spoken-word performers of all levels are invited to perform!

Non-perishable food items or monetary donations given to The Squirrel Hill Food Pantry Hosted by Cantor Ben Rosner of Congregation Beth Shalom and British musician Joel Lindsey Sign up in advance by emailing Cantor Ben at: cantorben@aol.com **Attendees under 18 must be adult supervised**

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH 12:00 P.M.

SAMUEL & MINNIE HYMAN BALLROOM
PLEASE RESPOND BY FEBRUARY 1ST
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Help Sponsor Our Special Needs Guests - \$118.00/table

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Mishpachtenu

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:



In the spirit of "Courageous Conversations" Does this Mission hold true today? have participated in a number of Jewish Agencies

on a number of topics of mutual interest. The presidents critical and if so we will know we are on the right path. have discussed collaboration in the Pittsburgh community and ways to enhance our respective congregations. We organization to state the purpose of the organization, state have studied national trends and are working together with the reason for the organization's existence and guide the Brandeis University to gather data which will reflect the state of affairs in our supplemental religious schools. We have learned we have far more in common than we imagined and a desire to collaborate.

Recently, I also participated in a series of meetings Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh that addressed "Communal stakeholders."

During one very energizing meeting, we explored Jewish community. We came to agree on several goals, with one goal resonating with all of us: the need and desire to build and sustain a vibrant Jewish community. As we stakeholders shared their own mission statements.

statement again. It sits on the desks in front of each board read:

congregation dedicated to perpetuating and affirming cemetery, with the intent of strengthening the faith and and write. nurturing the religious development of its members, religious school of instruction. The congregation shall speak up and share your ideas. endeavor to meet the Jewish health, educational, welfare, religious and other human needs locally, nationally, and in work together as we build upon our foundation. Israel.

What might you want to change or edit in this discussions and meetings with leaders from mission statement? As we work together over the coming and other months to explore our goals, our priorities and our financial synagogues and temples. The presidents state of affairs, we ought to keep the mission in full view. of synagogues from all the denominations have gathered Each program we offer needs to be tied in with our mission. together, on a regular basis, to learn from leading experts. We ought to ask if such and such a program are mission

> The purpose of a Mission Statement calls for the actions of the organization, and be an expression of the organization's values and its principle beliefs. In short: what is the purpose? What is the business? What are the values?

We turn to you to be engaged in our meetings on organized by the Agency for Jewish Learning and the sustainability. We ask for your involvement and your ideas. Join us on Sunday, January 6 at 10:00 a.m. or on Supplementary Jewish Educational concerns for local Monday, January 14 at 7:00 p.m. for the Forums on Sustainability.

We are seeking your input on the role of the goals of Jewish Education in the greater Pittsburgh Congregation Beth Shalom today and into the future. Here is your opportunity to enhance our mission statement, by rewriting it or editing it.

Do we want to build a vibrant Jewish discussed our goals and priorities a number of community? Or do we want to build a vibrant Conservative Jewish Community? Do we want to be a I was prompted to look at our own mission full service congregation? Perhaps we want to be but are not able to be at this time? Perhaps we want to be full member when we have meetings. The statement, as it service but are willing to share some aspects of our appears in our Constitution & Bylaws, is reprinted for you to operations. Do we want to be inclusive? If so, how do we convey this message? Do we want to state that we The Congregation shall be a full service, egalitarian welcome people of diverse backgrounds and lifestyles?

Some of you like to volunteer and we are grateful. Conservative Judaism by providing a complete range of Some of you will attend meetings and forums and we will religious, cultural, educational and social programs, and a be grateful for your participation. Some of you like to read

Please take a few minutes or allocate some including, without limitations, maintaining a place of public time and send along your recommendations for religious worship, according to the established usages and Congregation Beth Shalom's mission statement. Please customs of Conservative Judaism and maintaining a email me at: slkirschner@gmail.com This is your chance to

In order to create a sustainable future, we must

Stefi Kirschner

Do you have ideas on how WE can make our shul BETTER?

Please participate at our upcoming Sustainability Conversations SUNDAY, JANUARY 6TH @ 10:00 A.M. MONDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 2012 @ 7:00 P.M.

Facilitated by: Aviva Rosenberg, Kate Rothstein & Yael Silk

SHABBAT ALIVE

L'ayla U'l'ayla - Higher and Higher

Let our voices rise together as we create a meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat evening with Cantor Ben, Rabbi Werbow, Rabbi Donni and the Beth Shalom Band to lift our Shabbat souls higher & higher!

JANUARY 11 & FEBRUARY 8

6:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service for All in the Helfant Chapel **7:00pm** Traditional Shabbat Meal for additional charge Catered by Creative Kosher

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS
TUESDAY JANUARY 8
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 5

Early Bird Pricing-Before:

January 4/February 1 \$12.50 for Adults & Kids Age 8+ \$8.00 for Kids under 8 Kids under 2 are FREE

Standard Pricing- On or After:

January 4/February 1 \$15.00 for Adults & Kids Age 8+ \$12.00 for Kids Ages 2-7 Kids under 2 are FREE

Date



Printed Name

Shabbat Alive is supported by the Betsy and Alan Kanarek Shabbat Alive Endowment.

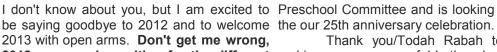
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studio, a community Shabbaton, Latkepalooza, a fun-filled grandparents and special friends sufganiyot were absolutely delicious! The games were both day, associate directors and so much more. That being fun and challenging. The creativity was buzzing as children community. way.



said TODAH RABAH and MAZEL TOV volunteers. to Toby Neufeld, better known as Mrs. Neufeld to her students, for her 22 (and a half) years of dedication to our youngest Congregants. Mrs. Neufeld

retired from the preschool classroom on December 14th. where she taught our 3's. Over the years, her alumni returned to Beth Shalom and sent their children to our school and her classroom. We celebrated Toby's retirement at the school's family Chanukah celebration on December 7th, and with her colleagues on December 13th.

Mrs. Neufeld will continue to be a valuable member of the

I don't know about you, but I am excited to Preschool Committee and is looking forward to helping with

Thank you/Todah Rabah to all who assisted in 2012 was surely exciting for the different making a very successful Latkepalooza. This was the third departments of education at Beth Shalom: collaborations, year of the event. This year instead of different kinds of joint programming, national awards, re-accreditations, an art Latkes, we had different kinds of toppings: apple sauce, Facebook pages, parve sour cream, ketchup, fiesta dip, and sweet retirements, opening enrollment, the largest turnout at cream. The grape, chocolate, strawberry, and even plain said, it was also a very challenging year. We were faced made holiday cards, their own wax candles, and even with tough decisions about our budgets and the future of dreidels out of clay. Rabbi Werbow showed us how to press education in our building and in our our own olive oil for our Chanukiyot, and Lynn Berman kept Sure, we took on these challenges and us on our feet with dancing. Fun was had by all! I am overcame them. We worked together, learned from each looking forward to next year as Chanukah and Thanksgiving other, and came out much stronger than we started. I do fall together. I already heard from many who are looking not assume that 2013 will be easier. I am simply indicating forward to deep fried turkey and Latkes. Todah Rabah to: that we are now prepared for anything that may come our Carolyn Gerecht, Carrie Fogel, Ira Frank, Beth Elinoff, Lisa Schlar, Michelle Mark, Rabbi Werbow, Diane Cohen, Rich The Beth Shalom Early Learning Center Feder, Sabina Robinson, Adrienne Indianer and all of our

> Kol tuv. Liron Lipinsky

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WHAT'S HAPPENING INTHE **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?**

January

1 & 3: Closed for Winter Break

8: Religious School Resumes-

21: MLK Program 5th-12th graders

25: J-JEP Shabbat Service & Dinner

26: B&B Mincha/Ma'ariv 5:10 p.m.

27: NO J-JEP CLASSES

February

3: World Wide Wrap

24: Purim & Purim Carnival











EVERY DAY IS A NEW DISCOVERY IN PRESCHOOL!







EARLY CHILDHOOD DEPARTMENT CALENDAR

January					
Tuesday	1	Winter Recess	NO SCHOOL		
Wednesday	2	SCHOOL RESUMES			
	February				
Monday	4	100 th Day of School!			
Monday-Friday	4-8	Parent Teacher Conference Week			
Monday	18	President's Day (Staff In-Service)	NO SCHOOL		
Friday	22	All School Family Purim Celebration	1PM		

REMINDER: Early Childhood Department CLOSINGS & DELAYS POLICY

The following policy applies to ALL children, both Academic Year & Full Year children.

Beth Shalom Preschool delays and closings are made on an individual, case-by-case basis and take into consideration the following:

- ♦ Road conditions and significant weather that impacts roads/travel
- Accessibility of our school to families and staff
- Delays and closings of surrounding universities and school districts

Beth Shalom reserves the right to modify programming in order to meet State, NAEYC and Keystone requirements. Remember that a "safety first" approach should always be your first consideration regarding inclement weather and your decision as to whether or not to attempt to get to school.

Notification of delays/closings:

Every effort will be made to notify families by 6am the day of the delay or closing. When delayed, Beth Shalom will make every effort to remain open for the rest of the day, however it is the responsibility of families to check for any change in status from delayed to closed.

If the Early Childhood Department is delayed 1 hour, the daycare and preschool will open its doors at 8am; if the delay is 2 hours, we will open at 9 am. The start of the school day is not affected by any delay.

All delays and/or closings will be broadcast in the following way:

KDKA (watch or listen for Beth Shalom Early Childhood Department)

WPXI (watch or listen for Beth Shalom Early Childhood Department)

Outgoing phone message of Beth Shalom Preschool (412-421-8857)

Outgoing email to families when possible

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^{*}Please note: If "Beth Shalom Early Childhood Department" is NOT listed, there is NO delay or closing



A MESSAGE FROM THE YOUTH DIRECTOR

At Congregation Beth Shalom, our Youth Department continues to thrive!

With a wide variety of programming for Chaverim (K-2nd), Atid (3rd-5th), Kadima (6th-8th) and USY (9th-12th) throughout the

fall and winter – from basketball games; to USY Newsflash Shabbat; to trips to FunFest, Shabbat onegs, and even hosting a regional convention– we continue to stay very busy, while we look forward to another great year jampacked with events for all ages.

This fall, **Chaverim** met in the Youth Lounge on a Saturday night for "Chaverim Goes to the Shuk," where friends could practice bargaining for items in an Israeli open market. Afterwards, we enjoyed fruit smoothies and Israeli snacks.

Atid took a trip to Romp and Roll, for a fun night of rollerblading and video games following Havdallah together in the Youth Lounge.

Kadima continues to meet for bi-weekly Open Lounge nights every other Tuesday (check the Youth Blog for dates!). Additionally, while Beth Shalom enjoyed an incredible 95th anniversary celebration in November, Kadima celebrated the weekend with Survivor-themed games and snacks from Beth El Congregation and Tree of Life/Or L'Simcha at an overnight here at Beth Shalom. It was a blast, and Kadimaniks are excited to see these new friends at Kadima Kinnus in Columbus, Ohio, January 18-20.

USY has also been full of activity. In addition to weekly Open Lounge nights and Shabbat text study, USY met up on a Saturday night in the Youth Lounge for

"Kindergarten Night" this fall, a throwback to our favorite snacks and games from Kindergarten. Turnout was great, and we loved the chance to enjoy hot chocolate, Hungry Hungry Hippo, childhood television shows, and more! This November, USY also held a Shabbat oneg dinner in the Macklers' home; and in December, we planned a Lunch and Learn at Beth Shalom on the Chanukah miracle.

Of course, we can't forget **Latkepalooza** this December too, a massive joint celebration of Chanukah with Beth Shalom's Early Learning Center, J-JEP, and the Youth Department. Our entire community came out for a wonderful morning of latkes and sufganiyot, carnival games, Chanukah crafts, Israeli dances with Lynn Berman, and music! *Kol HaKavod to Head of Schools Liron Lipinsky, for an amazing job organizing this event.*

Don't forget to check us out on Facebook! Friend "Beth ShalomYouth" (ShalomYouth one word) for updates and more – or visit the Youth Experience Blog, www.cbseducation.wordpress.com, for photos of recent events, youth group calendars, and online youth group registration.

Have a Happy and Healthy 2013. On behalf of Youth Commission Chairs Dana Himmel and Lisa Weissfeld, USY Advisor Sam Mellits, Kadima Advisor Michelle Kerbel, and Chaverim/Atid Staff Member Brooke Gunter: we look forward to seeing you soon!

L'hitraot, Carolyn

Purim Fun for Everyone!

Saturday, February 23, 2013

Mincha Service 5:30 p.m. Homestead Hebrew Chapel
Seudah Sh'lisheet 6:00 p.m. Eisner Commons
Ma'ariv Service 6:30 p.m. Helfant Chapel

la Calabratal)

Family Megillah Readings 6:45 p.m. (Two Opportunities to Celebrate!)

Families & Children up through 2nd grade

Kadima & Atid Groups (Grades 3-8) view a screening of the Purim video made by Kadima

Full Megillah Reading 8:00 p.m. Helfant Chapel

Sunday, February 24, 2013

Morning Service 8:00 a.m. Helfant Chapel Full Megillah Reading 8:45 a.m. Helfant Chapel

Purim Carnival! 10:00 a.m. Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom

Todah Rabah from the Youth Department

Helene Kessler Burke

Beth Elinoff

Greg Engel

Adam Kolko

For driving to Atid (3rd-5th grade) Romp and Roll, Oct. 27

The Mackler Family

For hosting USY for Shabbat dinner, Nov. 9

Lynn Berman

For teaching Israeli dance to BSUSY, Nov. 29

Rabbi Aaron Bisno

Rabbi Michael Werbow

For teaching Atid to bake and braid challah, Dec. 2

Beth Elinoff

Rich Feder

Ira Frank

Adrienne Indianer

Sabina Robinson

Lisa Schlar

AND ALL OF THE J-JEP TEACHERS AND MADRICHIM For all their help!



Upcoming Dates: Youth Department

Join our Facebook page (friend Beth ShalomYouth) or visit the blog (cbseducation.wordpress.com) for more information.

Kadima Open Lounge Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. January 8 & 22, February 5 & 19, March 5 & 19

Friday - Saturday, January 11-12: BSUSY Board Shabbat

Sunday, January 13: Chaverim Packs Welcome Bags for Ronald McDonald House, Scavenger-Hunt Style!

Saturday, January 19: BSUSY Shabbat Afternoon Chillz

Friday- Saturday, January 18-20: CRUSY Kadima Kinnus in Columbus, OH

Friday, January 25: BSUSY Tu Bishvat Seder

Sunday, January 27: Atid Volunteers, BSUSY Goes to Reel to Real

Friday, February 8: Pittsburgh USY Tri-Chapter Shul-In

Saturday, February 16: BSUSY Campfire

Saturday, February 23: Megillah Readings

Sunday, February 24: Purim Carnival!!

Thursday - Sunday, February 28 - March 3: CRUSY Specialty Kinnus in Dayton, OH

Saturday, March 9: Pittsburgh USY, NFTY & BBYO Joint Dance at Temple Sinai

Sunday, March 10: Empty Bowls at Rodef Shalom Congregation

Saturday, March 16: Chaverim Movie Night, BSUSY Death by Chocolate

Sunday, March 17: Kadima Chocolate Seder!

Sunday, March 26: Atid Chocolate Seder!

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SHABABABABA JANUARY 25 & FEBRUARY 22



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This winter bring your age 8 and under kids to a family friendly Shabbat experience with Rabbi Donni Aaron, Rabbi Werbow and Cantor Ben Rosner.

SING, DANCE, PRAY AND LISTEN TO STORIES
AS YOU EXPERIENCE SHABBAT WITH
YOUR CHILDREN!

Pricing

Until January 18/ February 15 \$10.00 for Adults & Kids Age 8+ \$8.00 for Kids Ages 2-7 Kids under 2 are FREE After Jan. 18/Feb. 15: +\$5.00/each

February: PURIM COMES TO SHABABABABA!

Date

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	Shababababa January 25	Feburary 22	Please RSVI	o to Judy at 412.42	1.2288 ext. 110
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A MESSAGE FROM THE SISTERHOOD PRESIDENTS

had another very successful membership event, Mixology sessions we attended. We also look forward to sharing and Karaoke, co-chaired by Saralouise Reis and Rachel several projects introduced to us by a very special woman, Albert. Our guest speaker, Melinda Freed, introduced us to "the mitzvah maven." We were especially thrilled to spend some delicious kosher alcoholic and non-alcoholic cocktails time with our regional president, Rhonda Cohn, who made that were easy to make and serve at parties. We sampled us feel very welcome. some interesting drinks, enjoyed some munchies, and Karaoke song for all to enjoy.

Having recently attended the Women's League for among friends. Conservative Judaism Convention held in Las Vegas on which our Sisterhood falls. In addition to hearing words of know. wisdom from the professional and lay leaders of the with 400 other women from Sisterhoods throughout the U.S. speaker programs, and more. Great Lakes region. Here are some brief highlights from take place on March 2-3, 2013. Convention:

thrive in the 21st century. Another keynote speaker during continuous basis. We wish everyone a Happy and Healthy the conference, Rabbi Elliot Dorff, discussed how 2013. conservative halacha has maintained its deep commitment to religious practices and ethics while confronting B'Shalom, contemporary issues. We were also inspired by Dr. Arnold Eisen, Chancellor of J.T.S., who shared new information Debby Firestone about the strong devotion of the conservative movement to 412-521-4879

Sisterhood continues to be Torah Fund over the years. Rabbi Bradley Shavit Artson busy planning opportunities also spoke about new trends in Jewish spirituality. We where women of all ages can participated in sessions for Sisterhood Presidents and come together to socialize, several hands-on activities that we look forward to sharing learn new things, and practice with our sisterhood. We enjoyed the ruach, meeting women tikkun olam in the community. At the end of November, we from all over, and were inspired by many of the special

We give a special thank you to Cheryl Blumenfeld received more recipes to add to our recipe boxes. The and her committee for planning a fun and festive Chanukah second half of the evening was wild and crazy as many of Breakfast held on December 16, which included a gift our sisterhood members came forward to sing their favorite exchange and Tikkun Olam project for the Women's Shelter. It was wonderful to culminate the Festival of Lights together

More great programs are in the works so please December 2-5, we returned energized and excited with new make sure you are included on our Sisterhood email list so ideas to share. Women's League for Conservative Judaism you can receive the latest Sisterhood news and information. (WLCJ) is the international umbrella organization under If you want to add your email to the list, please let one of us

Stay tuned for our Super Bowl Chili and appetizer Conservative Movement, we had the opportunity to connect sale in January, a Purim-themed membership event, Kesher Just so you know, and Canada, including 43 people from our own Central Sisterhood Shabbat and our Torah Fund brunch will

We continue to live in a world of uncertainty. The Sunday's opening convention address was given by constantly changing situation in Israel has been in our a dynamic speaker. Dr. Deborah Silver, from Congregation hearts and minds for the past few months. Let us all pray Ari El, California. Her message to the international group for a good year, filled with peace and a safe resolution to a concerned implementing change in order for sisterhoods to global conflict that overshadows our thoughts on a

Dorothy Greenfield 412-521-5217

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A MESSAGE FROM THE MEN'S CLUB PRESIDENT

As we now start 2013, my wife, Randi ,and I wish news and in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. everyone a happy new year. We just finished our 2012 and Sandy Zaremberg. Everyone that I have spoken with Jeff said that this year's meal was the best one ever, and that

them or their aids. This event is funded by people we call ideas, and wish you a safe winter season. 'angels' who sponsor a one or more tables. Last year we had over 500 people, and were featured on the channel 4

Sweepstakes with a wonderful dinner planned by Ira Frank please contact me, Steve Neustein sanlaw@juno.com or Rosenthal at jeff2827@aol.com. Once again I am asking if anyone has anything they having it on a Saturday night was a perfect idea. 2013 would like to see the Men's Club do, please let me know. In sweepstakes tickets can be purchased now just contact ira the 18 months since i took this office, I have only had 2 at natfabira@juno.com or me at dtire@zoominternet.net ideas sent to me. One was from our Past-President Mark On February 10th, we will have our sports Frisch which was to watch the Steelers in last years playoff luncheon. This is when we invite children and young adults game, where we had about 20 people attend. The other with special needs to Beth Shalom for an afternoon to have was from Cantor Ben, whose idea of having music in the lunch and meet local sports figures. We do not charge sukkah this year tripled our attendance. I welcome all

If you are interested in sponsoring a table,

Marc Berliner



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ATTN: Chili and Appetizer Sale

Please contact Debby Firestone (debbyfire@aol.com) or Dorothy Greenfield (412 521-5217) If you have questions or would like to volunteer



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The following individuals have made contributions to the synagogue in memory of their loved ones. Thank you to all those who have done so, and Martin Childs may the memory of your loved one(s) be for a blessing

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Have you been meaning to purchase a Yahrzeit Plaque for your departed loved one?

An order form can be found on page 19 of this issue!

Purim Carnival 2013!

Sunday, February 24, 2013 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom

Every year, BSUSY puts on a huge Purim Carnival for our entire community, complete with 20+ carnival games, lots of big prizes, hamantaschen, tzedakah tables, raffles, music, facepaint and more! This event would not be possible without your support.

Will you consider a donation to our youth for the Purim Carnival?

All donors receive recognition in the bulletin, their names on an easel at the carnival, and of course, a letter of thanks from USY.

Support Our Youth:

Sponsor a Children's Arts and Crafts Table\$18.00 Sponsor a Game Booth\$36.00
Help us to make this Purim Carnival better than EVER before!! Sponsor a Food Table\$54.00
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Mishpachtenu 19

News in Our Congregational Family

- Bunny Morris was honored with the William A. G. Fisher Award given by Taylor Allderdice High School.
- Melissa and Rabbi Michael Werbow celebrated the birth of their son, Asher Avraham.
- Judy and Samuel Kayam celebrated the birth of their grandson, Tal.
- The following members were recognized as Outstanding Volunteers by the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh: Janice Bahary Community Day School, Sondra I. Glasser Hadassah, Greater Pittsburgh Chapter, Robert L. Katz Congregation Beth Shalom, Judith Kornblith Kobell NA'AMAT USA Pittsburgh Council, Bernice Meyers Jewish Family and Children's Service, Jesse Rosenthal B'nai Brith Youth Organization, Harry Schneider Holocaust Center of the Jewish Federation, and Max Steinberg Friendship Circle.
- Natalie and Lonnie Wolf celebrated their grandson, Jonah Meir Wolf, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Mitzi and Merle Levine celebrated their grandson, Benjamin Noah Levine, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Brian Cohen organized a photography exhibit on fracking at the Pittsburgh Filmmakers Gallery.
- Sheila and Alex Cohen celebrated the birth of their granddaughter, Penina Rose.
- **J'Burgh** under the leadership of David Katzhas been recognized as one of the 50 most innovative Jewish non-profits in North America by Slingshot.
- Ilene and Jay Fingeret celebrated the birth of their grandson, Julius Fingeret Roth.
- Charilee Levy celebrated her granddaughter, Lauren Levy, becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Greta Hineck-Strahl celebrated her grandson, Jason Piechowicz, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Paula Eger celebrated the birth of her granddaughter, Avonlea Juliet Eger.
- Shelli and Larry Glanz celebrated the marriage of their daughter, Melissa Glanz to Brian Worthy.
- Natalie and David Rosenbloom celebrated the birth of their granddaughter,
 Kenzie Ellie Winston.

WE THANK THE GENEROUS SPONSORS OF EACH KIDDUSH FOLLOWING SHABBAT SERVICES

OCTOBER

13th - Mike and Ellen Siegel in honor of the aufruf of their son, Brian Siegel Patty and Harry Schneider in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

20th - **Steve and Tammie Moritz** in honor of their son, **Adam**, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

27th - Marlene Behrmann Cohen and David Plaut in honor of their son, Daniel,

becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

NOVEMBER

3rd - **Sherri and Fred Mayer** in honor of their son, **Jonah**, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Jody and Steven Berger in honor of their daughter, Rachel, becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
 Jane and Bruce Rollman in honor of their daughter, Rachel, becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
 Huvvy and Meyer Simon and Alice and Norman Jaffe in honor of their granddaughter,

Jennifer Jaffe, becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

If you would like to become a Shabbat Kiddush sponsor in honor or in memory of a loved one please contact the Beth Shalom office at 412-421-2288

Shabbat Candle Lighting Times



JANUARY 4	4:49 P.M.
JANUARY 11	4:56 P.M.
JANUARY 18	5:03 P.M.
JANUARY 25	5:11 P.M.
FEBRUARY 1	5:20 P.M.
FEBRUARY 8	5:28 P.M.

FEBRUARY 22 5:45 P.M.

NEECHUM AVELIM

FEBRUARY 15

- Ronald Blank on the passing of his beloved mother, Marion Topolsky.
- Helen Eaton on the passing of her beloved husband, Joseph Eaton.
- Zelda Schreiber on the passing of her beloved husband, Morton Schreiber.
- Raisa Vaysleyb on the passing of her beloved husband, Gregory Vaysleyb.
- Sylvia Reznick and Paul Reznick on the passing of their beloved husband and father, Aron Reznick.
- Lynda Schuster on the passing of her beloved father, Monis Schuster.
- Elliott Blum on the passing of his beloved father, Jeffrey Blum.
- Suzanne Wagner on the passing of her beloved mother, Ann Plotkins Schwartz.
- Lonnie Wolf and Barbara Braunstein on the passing of their beloved mother, Lillian Wolf Firestone.
- Racelle Goldstein on the passing of her beloved sister, Marjorie Iris Apter Mann.
- Family of Evelyn Benkovitz
- Family of Flo Mae Moravitz



5:37 P.M.

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In honor of:

Bunny Morris being honored by Taylor Allderdice High School and receiving the William A. G. Fisher Award Elaine Berkowitz

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Morton Schreiber, beloved husband of Zelda Schreiber Sylvia Friedman

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Natalie & Lonnie Wolf's grandson becoming a Bar Mitzvah Ann Adler

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In memory of:

Scott Allen's father-in-law

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In honor of:

The birth of Melissa & Rabbi Michael Werbow's son, Asher Avraham

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Beverly, Harvey & Randy Robins

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Mishpachtenu 23

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In honor of:

Shai & Beth Gruber's Wedding

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RABBI WERBOW DISCRETIONARY FUND

Marion Taube: Thank you for your kind attention during my recent illnesses.

Robin and Bill Halpern: Thank you so much for the beautiful baby naming of Zoey Grace and the kind words about Jeff's achievements.

Carol Pearlman and Jordan Pearlman: Thank you for officiating at the unveiling service which was special and meaningful to us in memory of our beloved husband and father. Stanton H. Pearlman.

Pat Weiss: Thank you for your guidance and support in arranging the naming of my granddaughter, Liora.

Jean Stein: Thank you for all of your kindness and concern.

Michelle and Martin Lubetsky: In memory of Ruth Sevel.

Fran and Reuben Biel: We want to give back to the

community that made us feel welcomed and to continue the good work that you do at the shul.

Dr. Sidney Schwimer: Thank you for your spiritual support through morning minyan and your invaluable help with my wife's memorial stone and unveiling.

Jonathan and Lauren Schachter: Thank you for your kind words at the unveiling of Andrea's headstone.

Larry and Shelli Glanz: Thank you for officiating at my father's funeral and all of your assistance during this difficult time.

Martin and Janice Graff: Thank you for your exceptional efforts during our time of mourning.

Ellen and Marc Erenstein: In memory of David Graff.

Joanne and Jonathan Haskel: In memory of David Graff

Morris Naimark: In appreciation of the wonderful work that you do.

Barbara and Michael Schneider: Thank you for your guidance and support during the loss of our Aunt Paula and Uncle Max Smolar.

Aviva and Noah Lubowsky: Thank you for preparing and leading a personal and meaningful ceremony for Hannah's Brit Bat

Cookie Elbling: Thank you for your kind visit while I was in the hospital.

Debby and Nate Firestone: In appreciation for officiating at my mother, Ruth Sevel's funeral.

Rochelle and Bruce Parker: Thank you for all that you did to make Pam and Andy's wedding so memorable and meaningful.

Karen Shapiro, Paul Shapiro, Janet Stoller and Steve Stoller: Thank you for always being there for us with your constant support.

The Katz and Loffman Families: Thank you for officiating so beautifully at Shirley Katz's funeral.

Tara Sherman: Thank you for your wisdom, help and support.

Ed and Susie Balis: Wishing a speedy recovery to Milt Eisner.

Harold and Connie Smolar: In gratitude of all of your kindness.

Iris and Eddie Smith: Thank you to Congregation Beth Shalom for the Aliyah on Rosh Hashanah.

Neil Smolar: In appreciation for all of your assistance and kindness.

The Milton and Sarita Eisner Philanthropic Fund of the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh: Thank you for your concern, calls and visits during Mitl's recent illness. L'Shana Toya

Rick and Shari Sweet: In honor of Asher Avraham

SIMCHAS REMEMBRANCES CONGRATULATIONS

Werbow's Brit

Neila and Danny Bendas and Family: In honor of the birth of the son of Rabbi and Melissa Werbow

Shirley Barasch: In honor of the birth of Baby Boy Werbow **Robert I Glimcher Family:** Mazal Tov to Rabbi and Melissa Werbow and their newborn son

Rachel Orenstein: Thank you for officiating when Brian and I were married

Nancy and Leon Zionts: Mazel Tov on the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Tammie and Steve Moritz: Thank you for all of your help with Adam becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Dr. Ralph and Dolores Roskies: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Ralph Schugars Chapel Personnel: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Dr. Jerome and Zippora Harris: in honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Claire and Morrie Weinbaum: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Rhonda and Mark Horvitz: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Gail Neft and Richard Callet: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Family of Grigory Vaysleyb: In appreciation of you officiating at Grigory's funeral.

Bob and Clarice Katz: Thank you for all of your kind words and prayers.

Elaine and Carl Krasik: In honor of the birth of Rabbi and Melissa Werbow's new son

Helen Eaton and family: In appreciation of your guidance and support during this difficult period in our lives.

Mike and Ellen Siegel: Thank you for making Rachel and Brian's aufruf and wedding ceremony so warm and meaningful.

Sissie and Jerry Margolis: In honor of the birth of Rabbi and Melissa Werbow's son

Sandy Hirsch: In honor of the birth of Asher Werbow. Rhoda and Richard Judd: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Fred and Barbara Gilman: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Werbow

Lisa Schlar and Alan Finkelstein: In honor of the birth of

Asher Avraham Werbow.

Harriet Kruman: In memory of my dear sister-in-law of over 70 years and in celebration of my 85th birthday.

RABBI WERBOW DISCRETIONARY FUND cont'd

Sheila Schreiber and Zelda Schreiber: In appreciation of you officiating at the funeral of our beloved father and husband, Morton Schreiber.

Carol Lederer: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham Shirley Weinsweig and Family: Mazel tov to you and your family on the birth of your beautiful son, Asher Avraham. May you and your family know only good health, happiness and iov

Dina and Sergey Rayzberg: Mazel tov on the birth of your son. Asher Avraham

Beth and Mark Frisch: In honor of the birth of Asher Avraham

Sylvia and Norman Elias: In honor of the new addition to the Werbow family: Asher Werbow

Suzanne Wagner: Thank you for your warm and comforting words at our time of grief.

Yvonne and Barry Stein: In honor of the birth of Asher Werbow

Suzanne and Martin Fenster: Thank you so very much **Devra Davis and Richard Morgenstern:** In celebration of a joyous Family Chanukah where we appreciate the fact that the best things in life are not things.

The family of the late Evelyn Benkovitz: In appreciation of you officiating at the funeral of our beloved mother, grandmother, sister and aunt, Evelyn Benkovitz.

Sylvia Reznick and Family: Thank you for the beautiful ceremony you performed at my husband's funeral.

Mitzi and Merle Levine: In appreciation of your good work.

Natalie and Lonnie Wolf and Barbara Braunstein: In appreciation of you officiating at our mother's funeral and shiva visits

Debbie Benkovitz: In appreciation of the time and your kindness as my family and I began the process of grieving and planning Joe's funeral.

Helen and Alex Kiderman: In honor of Asher Werbow. **Marina and Boris Yurovsky:** In honor of the work you do for our Congregation and community.

BethShalom

Remember them with Respect, Love, and Dignity

Allow us to help ease uncertainty, and to give your loved ones a sense of peace by planning ahead.

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Sat	5 23 Tevet Shemot	12 1 Sh'vat Vaera Rosh Chodesh Sh'vat	8 Sh'vat Bo Kadima Kinnus/Nachshon B/M Sophie Geskin (mincha)	26 15 Sh'vat Beshalach Tu Bishvat Chaverim Event	
Fri	4 22 Tevet 4:49 p.m. Candle Lighting 4:50 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service	29 Tevet 4:56 p.m. Candle Lighting 4:55 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Alive	7 Sh'vat Kadima Kinnus/Nachshon 5:03 p.m. Candle Lighting 5:05 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service	25 14 Sh'vat USY Tu Bishvat Seder 5:11 p.m. Candle Lighting 5:10 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:45 p.m. Shabababa & J-JEP Dinner & Services	
Thu	3 21 Tevet USY Open Lounge	10 28 Tevet USY Open Lounge	6 Sh'vat USY Open Lounge	24 13 Sh'vat USY Open Lounge	31 20 Sh'vat USY Open Lounge
Wed	2 20 Tevet Preschool Resumes	9 27 Tevet	5 Sh'vat	23 12 Sh'vat	30 19 Sh'vat
Tue	1 19 Tevet Preschool Closed Office Closed Religious School Closed	26 Tevet Executive Committee Meeting Kadima Open Lounge	4 Sh'vat Board of Trustees Meeting	22 11 Sh'vat Kadima Open Lounge	29 18 Sh'vat
Mon		7 25 Tevet Torah Study with Rabbi Werbow	14 3 Sh'vat Torah Study with Rabbi Werbow	21 10 Sh'vat Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observed	28 17 Sh'vat Torah Study with Rabbi Werbow
Sun		6 24 Tevet	2 Shvat	20 9 Sh'vat Kadima Kinnus/Nachshon	27 16 Sh'vat Atid Event

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24 14 Adar Purim Megillah Reading Purim Carnival!	17 7 Adar	30 Sh'vat Daylight Savings Time Begins Rosh Chodesh Adar Men's Club Sports Luncheon	3 Sh'vat World Wide Wrap Sisterhood Open Meeting Sisterhood Chili Sale Pickup Super Bowl Sunday		Sun
15 Adar Torah Study with Rabbi Werbow Shushan Purim Preschool Closes at 3:00: Family Purim Celebration	8 Adar President's Day Preschool Closed	1 Adar Rosh Chodesh Adar Torah Study with Rabbi Werbow	4 24 Sh'vat Torah Study with Rabbi Werbow		Mon
26 16 Adar	9 Adar Board of Trustees Meeting Kadima Open Lounge	2 Adar Executive Committee Meeting	5 25 Sh'vat Kadima Open Lounge		Tue
27 17 Adar	20 10 Adar	13 Adar	6 26 Sh'vat		Wed
18 Adar USY Specialty Kinnus No USY Open Lounge	21 11 Adar Fast of Esther USY Open Lounge	4 Adar USY Open Lounge	7 27 Sh'vat USY Open Lounge		Thu
	12 Adar 5:45 p.m. Candle Lighting 5:45 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service	5 Adar 5:37 p.m. Candle Lighting 5:35 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service	8 28 Sh'vat USY Shul-In 5:28 p.m. Candle Lighting 5:30 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Alive	1 21 Sh'vat 5:20 p.m. Candle Lighting 5:20 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service	Fri
	23 13 Adar Tetzaveh Shabbat Zachor Megillah Reading (Evening)	6 Adar Terumah B/M Sammy Himmel (Mincha)	9 29 Sh'vat Mishpatim Shabbat Shekalim	2 22 Sh'vat Yitro B/M Rachel Holzer	Sat



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