

TZEDEK V'SHALOM

A Reconstructionist Jewish Congregation

Mercy and truth will meet, justice and peace will embrace.
– Psalm 85:11



July/August 2010

Tammuz/Av/Elul 5770

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Summer Services and Torah Study at TvS

Torah Study

Saturday, July 10 at 10 a.m.

Leader: Susan Talia Delone

Location: at the home of Susan Talia Delone

4300 Church Street, Doylestown, PA 18902

215-862-8059 or sdelone@comcast.net

Friday Evening Service

Friday, July 23 at 7:15 p.m.

Leader: Naomi Mindlin

Location: at the home of Diane and Arnie Gold

1 Eton Road,

Yardley, PA 19067

215-295-2028 or goldn1@aol.com

Torah Study

Saturday, August 14 at 10 a.m.

Leader: Fran and Bernie Heyman

Location: at the home of

Fran and Bernie Heyman

245 N. Lincoln Avenue - ground

floor, Newtown, PA 18940

215-504-0358, bernie.heyman@gmail.

com, or gramfram@gmail.com

Friday Evening Service

Friday, August 27 at 7:15 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.

Leader: Rabbi Anna Boswell-Levy

Location: Newtown Friends Meeting House,

213 Court St., Newtown PA 18940



Focus on: Our Spiritual Needs

The TvS Board has decided to focus on the spiritual life of the congregation for this coming year. As a first step, we will call a special congregational meeting (postponed in June because of the death of Rabbi Anna's grandmother) that Rabbi Anna and I will co-lead in order to gather input from our members about both the scheduling and content of services. We will brainstorm about how services can better contribute to the congregation's core purpose: To nurture each person's unique gifts and spirituality through a dynamic Jewish community dedicated to justice and peace.

If you are unable to attend when the meeting is scheduled, please feel free to email your ideas to Ruth Jampol (ruth.jampol@gmail.com) or Rabbi Anna (rabianna@gmail.com).

**Stayed tuned for information about the rescheduled
Congregational Meeting on Spiritual Life.**

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September High Holidays and Festivals

Save these dates! Our holidays are right after Labor Day!

All services at Newtown Friends Meeting House,
219 Court St., Newtown PA 18940, unless otherwise noted.

Rosh Hashanah Evening Service and Festive Potluck
Wednesday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah Morning - Day 1

Thursday, September 9

Services, 9:30 a.m.

Children's Service and Program, 10:30 a.m.

Tashlich 1:15 p.m. at Core Creek Park

Rosh Hashanah - Day 2

Tikkun and Service

Friday, September 10, 9:30 a.m.

Women's Day at the Beach

Saturday, September 11

Kol Nidre Service

Friday, September 17, 6:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur Services

Saturday, September 18, 9:30 a.m.

Reconvene for concluding services and potluck
break-the-fast

Sukkah Building

Sunday, September 19

Sukkah building begins around 9:30 a.m.

Sukkah decorating begins at 11a.m.

Location: TvS Sukkah at a location TBA

Shabbat Sukkot Services

Friday, September 24, 7:15 p.m.

Location: TvS Sukkah

Simchat Torah Service

Wednesday, September 29, 6 p.m.



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Adult Ed (Liaison) - OPEN

Please feel free to contact any member of
our Board for any additional information.

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To submit news to the newsletter:

email: nsmindlin@photoreview.org

News Deadline: 22nd of the month. Any submissions after
that date will be included in the next newsletter.

Board News

Our board continues to work hard all summer. All board meetings are open to members, so mark your calendars and put in your two cents:

Wednesday, July 14 - at the Posmontiers',
32 N. Lincoln Avenue, Newtown, PA 18940
Wednesday, August 11 - at Wendy Friedman's,
15 Pebble Drive, Holland, PA 18966



Spiritual Life News

The following are scheduled meeting dates and times for the next few months. Meetings will be at Diane Gold's house at 1 Eton Road, Yardley, PA 19067. All congregants are invited to attend.

Sunday, July 25, 1 p.m.
Sunday, August 8, 1 p.m.
Sunday, September 12, 1 p.m.

The special Spiritual Life meeting postponed from June will be rescheduled soon and announced through email.

For any questions or comments about Spiritual Life at TvS, please contact Rabbi Anna or me.

- Diane Gold
Spiritual Life Chair
agoldn1@aol.com or 215-295-2028



School News

We are very excited for the first days of school. Be sure to mark your calendars!

First Day of Religious School

Sunday, September 12, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

First Day of Midweek Classes

Wednesday, September 15, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

The school is in a wonderful and strong position to grow, so if you know of any families who may be interested in our school, please send them our way!

Rabbi Anna and Wendy Friedman



Teen and Tween News

Let's get together for the summer in early July for a swim party! I'll be in touch to help with planning. Would you like to plan the gathering? Call me. 215-801-2005, Debby.

Wanted: New Tween/Teen Advisor

Requirements: love kids, provide awesome community service opportunities, desire to really "listen," and facilitate tween- and teen-led monthly meetings/get togethers. If this sounds like YOU or someone you know and love, please let Rabbi Anna know at 215-287-5128 or rabianna@gmail.com.



Community Announcements

Jewish Reconstructionist Federation News: Ma Nishma ("What's Happening?"): Register at the JRF website at <http://jrf.org/user/register> then click "Manage your JRF e-newsletter subscriptions" at the top left of the home page to subscribe.

Jewish Federation News: to get email news about the Kehillah of Bucks County, contact mgeorge@philafederation.org or visit www.jewishphilly.org.

Jewish Family and Children's Service offers a variety of programs and workshops. For information on Philadelphia area programs, contact (866) 532-7669, info@jfcspilly.org, or visit www.jfcspilly.org. For Mercer County programs, contact Debra H. Levenstein at 609-243-0390 or debral@jfcsonline.org, or visit www.jfcsonline.org and follow the link to "Calendar" for complete information.

Save the date! Mark your calendars! **Bristol Riverside Theatre and Theatre Ariel** announce that the second Buck County Jewish Theatre Festival will take place on Sunday, June 12, 2011. This year the Jewish Theatre Festival included 3 productions, 2 readings, 3 round-table dialogues, and a sold out performance of Tovah Feldshuh in *Golda's Balcony*. More information will be available in spring 2011.



In Our Shul...

Member News

We want to congratulate our TvS high school graduates of 2010, **Saul Posmontier** and **Jeff Bossio**. Both have been members of TvS for many years. We wish them well with their post high school endeavors! Mazel Tov, boys! Stay in touch!

We are sorry to hear the Ethel Kernis's sister and Bobbie Posmontier's aunt Jean Trachtenberg died on Mother's Day, May 9. May her memory be for a blessing.

We are saddened to learn that Rabbi Anna's grandmother, Olive Levy Rosenfield, passed away this past month. Donations in memory of Rabbi Anna's grandmother can be made either to Tzedek v'Shalom or to Riverdale Temple (4545 Independence Ave., Bronx, NY 10471), where Rabbi Anna's grandmother was a congregant. Rabbi Anna is very grateful to the rabbi at Riverdale Temple for the support she has given to her grandmother and the family.

Contributions

General Operating Fund

from Joel and Carolyn Bacher, in memory of Norman Glucroft, Susan Levin's Dad

Lifecycle Events at TvS

Anniversaries:

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| Noa Kuzma and Frumi Cohen | July 4, 1994 |
| Howard & Sharon Blumenthal | July 7, 1977 |
| Al & Debby Bossio | July 22, 1989 |
| Jennifer and Bob Abrahamson | July 28, 1991 |
| Jennifer Paget & Mark Pinsky | August 5 |
| Ilene and Steven Pastor | August 16, 1982 |
| Anna and Josh Boswell-Levy | August 17, 2008 |
| Meredith and Scott Laden | August 21 |
| Tali Adini and Jon Thorne | August 23, 1992 |

Birthdays:

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| Fritzi Rose James | July 1 |
| Kate Weintraub | July 1 |
| Eileen Goldstein | July 12 |
| Debby Bossio | July 13 |
| Jeffrey Bossio | July 16 |
| Marcia Gordon | July 16 |

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| Nathan Garfield | July 22 |
| Elizabeth Manas | July 23 |
| Emma Chong | July 24 |
| Gabrielle Bloom | July 25 |
| Seth Fein | July 28 |
| Stan James | July 28 |
| Arli Necowitz | July 29 |
| Marci Lapan | July 28 |
| Audrey Fisher | July 30 |
| Mark Pinsky | July 31 |
| Paula Adler | August 1 |
| Lindsey Pastor | August 3 |
| Susan Levin | August 8 |
| Josh Boswell-Levy | August 10 |
| Victor Chong | August 11 |
| Linda Gold | August 12 |
| Goldie Cohen | August 14 |
| Scott Laden | August 14 |
| Michael Blumenthal | August 15 |
| Anna Boswell-Levy | August 16 |
| Peter Plumb | August 16 |
| Jennifer Paget | August 17 |
| Ian Bloom | August 22 |
| Joan Plumb | August 22 |
| Diane Gold | August 24 |
| Susan Talia deLone | August 24 |
| Patty Sims | August 26 |
| Cindy Weiss-Fisher | August 27 |
| Owen Panick | August 31 |

ARAVA TRANS-BOUNDARY ECO-TOUR

Arava Institute and Friends of Arava Institute invite you to experience this groundbreaking trip with co-tour-leaders: Israeli Dr. Clive Lipchin and Palestinian Dr. Tareq Abu Hamed.

December 26–31, 2010

Travel through Israel, Jordan, and the Palestinian West Bank, where you will encounter these historic lands during a series of open-ended presentations, guest lectures, and interactive on-site discussions. Tour stops include Aqaba on the Red Sea, Wadi Rum, Amman, the Dead Sea, the Hula Valley, the Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, the Arava Institute and more!

The Eco-tour is nearly 1/2 full with only 22 spaces remaining.

<http://friendsofarava.org/Eco-Tour/>

Questions? Call 866-312-7282 or email david@friendsofarava.org.



Yahrzeits:

Yahrzeit dates are listed here by the Jewish death day (according to the Jewish calendar) and its Gregorian equivalent this year. The original death date follows in parenthesis when available.

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| Richard Netter | 11 Tammuz/June 23 (7/3/09) |
| Harvey Wallis | 12 Tammuz/June 24 (7/5/90) |
| Nettie Tarlo | 23 Tammuz/July 5 (7/12/85) |
| Morris Perloff | 1 Av/July 12 (7/31/92) |
| Irving Lilienstein | 3 Av/July 14 (7/11/75) |
| Moon Hee Chong | 9 Av/July 20 (8/7/03) |
| Elaine S. Feldman | 10 Av/July 21 (7/28/04) |

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| Anne Cohen | 14 Av/July 25(8/7/79) |
| Arthur Mallin | 15 Av/July 26(8/10/87) |
| Reba Heyman | 21 Av/August 1 (8/19/73) |
| Marjorie Moskowitz | 23 Av/August 3 (8/5/61) |
| Steve Laden | 23 Av/August 3 (8/13/09) |
| Israel Hersh Gordon | 1 Elul/August 11 (8/12/34) |
| Esther Fein | 2 Elul/August 12 (8/25/79) |
| Etta Blask | 4 Elul/August 14 (8/18/77) |
| Estelle Lilienstein | 5 Elul/August 15 (9/7/97) |
| Norman Gromer | 9 Elul/August 19 (8/26/93) |
| Evelyn H. Gold | 10 Elul/August 20 (9/10/00) |
| Roslyn Burd Walcoff | 16 Elul/August 26 (9/13/03) |



New TvS Teen Program POST BAR/BAT MITZVAH CLASS

The JRF (Jewish Reconstructionist Federation) has developed an exciting curriculum for post Bar/Bat Mitzvah students called TEL (Teens Experience and Learning), and TvS is now adopting this program. The class meets on a monthly basis, and once a season in the fall and spring there is retreat for all participants in the region at Camp JRF. TEL is in its second year, and each year there is a theme.

The TEL theme for 2010/2011 is "hiddur mitzvah," which we are using to mean creativity in the broadest sense. This is NOT arts and crafts! Each month, a different type of Jewish creativity will be explored, all in terms of the theme of Jewish identity. For instance, Jewish comedy & humor, film & theater, literature, visual arts, music as expressions of Jewish identity. The curriculum is highly flexible, so that the group leader and the participants can really pick and choose what to do and explore.

There is a project component that will be integrated into the session time. We are interested in maximizing the ways teens are engaged in the community and congregation, so there are no limits on what they dream up doing.

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***Contact Rabbi Anna Boswell-Levy, our Education Director, for more information.
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Please contact Liz Nover, Director
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Mitzvah Corner

Shul Thank You's

Thank you to the B'nai Mitzvah families for acting as shammas and organizing a fabulous kiddush/luncheon for Jordyn Friedman's Bat Mitzvah.

Thank you to Anna Kitces and Seth Fishman for the special Oneg Shabbat in honor of their daughter Laura's Bat Mitzvah, to Elana Braz and Ralph Posmontier for acting as shammas for Laura's Bat Mitzvah, and to everyone who helped set up and clean up.

Thank you to Debbie and Victor Chong for hosting, leading, and catering our Torah Study in June.

MmMm... Mitzvah Opportunities



Carolyn Bacher is on the long and winding road to recovery from pneumonia. I spoke to her and she sounded like her wonderful self, looking on the bright side of this current illness. She was given an antibiotic that caused her to lose a significant amount of weight, however, so she now has to try to gain back the weight. If you would like to help her in this endeavor, here is a short list of foods that she would particularly enjoy: sweet lukshen kugel, vanilla and peanut butter ice cream, brownies, and bread. A few congregants have already brought soup to Carolyn, but I'm guessing you can't have enough soup. If you wish to contact me, I'll be happy to schedule delivery of whatever you provide. Feel free to contact Carolyn directly at 215-860-3565 or carojoel@comcast.net, if you prefer that. (We might also shower her with get well cards.) I look forward to hearing from you.

Debbie Chong

(215)504-9268 or weederwiz@aol.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Kosher Meals on Wheels program, which operates from Greenwood House in Ewing, New Jersey is in need of volunteers to deliver meals to homebound people. This involves driving to Greenwood House, picking up the meals (between 10:30 & 11 a.m.), and delivering them. Deliveries are Monday-Friday. There are usually 6 to 8 stops to make. Most deliveries can be accomplished in an hour: one route is very close to Greenwood House, one is based in Lawrenceville and the other route I've never done but I know it involves more distance. I would estimate a 2-3 hour commitment from the time you leave your house to the time you return. A cellphone and gps come in handy, but are not essential.

Signing up for even one delivery/month would be helpful.

I have been delivering meals twice/month for more than year. It has been a real pleasure to perform this service. Some of the people just take the food but others appreciate this small social interaction. Even with my back issues and shoulder surgery, I always feel better for having accomplished my deliveries.

If interested, please contact Joan Rubin-Kritz at Greenwood House: (609)883-5391, ext. 320. I would also be glad to answer any questions.

Michele Kleinbaum

(215)493-7841 or michele.kleinbaum@gmail.

Baby Sitters Available!

We're certified by the Red Cross.

Do you want to go out and have fun, but don't have anyone to watch your kids?

We can help you with that! Just give us call at 215*504*5571.

If you have any friends who are looking for baby sitters, please tell them about us!

Thanks,

Michela and Hannah Lewis, TvS teens!



Camp Melton 2010

Save some time the **week of August 2**, 2010 to come to **CAMP MELTON!** Let's fill up Gratz College, and our venues on the Main Line, Center City and Chester County with Melton students, alumni, prospects, and friends.

There will be 2-hour classes: mornings, afternoons and evenings, open to all Melton students, alumni, prospective students and anyone from the community who wants to come. Some sessions will be topics chosen by our teachers, which they will approach in a text-based, interactive fashion. Others will be actual lessons from the Melton curriculum, which anyone could attend, but are also promoted as sample lessons. Come to one session or many. Tuition will be based on the number of sessions attended.

We will do some CAMPY stuff too. Singing, s'mores, and a "Gratz College Bowl" contest.

Registration opens May 25, 2010. Tuition is due upon enrollment.

\$27.00 per 2-hour session

\$25.00 per 2-hour session for Gratz-Melton students and Alumni

FREE! "Lunch & Learn & Sing" and "Gratz College Bowl" (Bring your own dairy or parve meal.)

Monday night's Gratz-Melton Alumni Symposium is FREE for 09-10 Members or Life Members of the Alumni Association. FREE for Classes of 2010 and 2011! Gratz-Melton Alumni who have not yet paid dues may pay your Alumni dues of \$50.00 now in order to be listed in our program and to attend the Alumni Symposium for free. Refreshments will be served.

\$250 for unlimited sessions - but you must register for your choices in advance.

Sponsorship Opportunities (which include unlimited sessions) – see later in this packet:

Counselor - \$360 / Division Head \$500 / Camp Director - \$720.

There will be a short break during each session.

Any camper who signs up for Melton Year 1 during or after camp will get the cost of ONE session deducted from her/his tuition.

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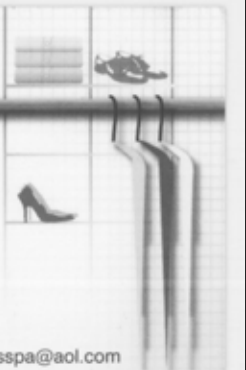
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