



President's Message

Dear Congregants,

We are now in the middle of a lovely autumn season. Autumn is my favorite season as it has meant the High Holiday season filled with family, friendship, prayer, and holiday goodies. I think the Congregation of Moses fits this description. This season also means the northern hemisphere is getting ready to go into its dormancy during the winter months. I certainly do not think CoM fits this description as there are many activities planned in the coming months.

I imagine most of you are aware of the considerable damage the attic area suffered during a thunderstorm on September 21st. We offer thanks to those members and staff who acted quickly to preserve the contents of the freezer, and call the proper companies to begin the repair. It is a relief to know that CoM has insurance that will cover the repair.

I am concerned about getting more of our members out for services. The Simchat Torah evening celebration was great fun but attended by more children than adults. The morning Simchat Torah Services was poorly attended and there was not initially a minyan. Perhaps we all need to make it a priority to attend alone or with our family at least two services a month, either Friday night or Saturday morning. It may also help to call another member and invite him/her to join you and or your family for services. I do want to acknowledge and appreciate those members who do attend services on a regular basis.

Three Board Members will be attending the newly redistricted Central District Conference of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. I plan to share what transpired at the conference in the next bulletin and inform you about the value of membership in USCJ. CoM will have helped Temple B'nai Israel celebrate the 135th anniversary of their first building by the time you receive this message. The Congregation is presenting TBI with an engraved Kiddush Cup honoring this occasion.

On Thursday, Nov. 4th, the synagogue is sponsoring an important program featuring speakers from the Michigan Israel Business Bridge. Look for more information on page 17 of the Bulletin. On November 6th the women of the Adult Bat Mitzvah class will be leading services. It is hoped the membership will attend and show support for these women who have been studying with Rabbi Spivak since last spring. I also look forward to Rabbi Spivak's Adult Classes.

Shalom,

Shirley M. Wise

President

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November Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Hadassah Board Mtg. 12:30 pm	2 Synagogue Board Mtg. 7:30 pm	3 Adult Hebrew Class 7:30 pm	4 Michigan Israel Business Bridge Program 7 pm	5	6 Adult B'nai Mitzvah
7 Israel Bonds Breakfast 10 am	8	9	10 Hadassah General Mtg. 7 pm	11	12 Sisterhood Shabbat	13 Sisterhood Shabbat
14 Hanukkah Bazaar & Book Sale 10am-2pm; Essential Jewish Ideas 11 am	15 Hadassah Book Club 7:30 pm	16 Executive Committee Mtg. 7:30 pm	17 Bulletin deadline 5 pm; Adult Hebrew Class 7:30 pm	18	19	20 Tot Shabbat 10:30 am
21	22	23	24	25 Synagogue office closed	26 Synagogue office closed	27

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Service Schedule

Friday	November 5	7:30 p.m.	Friday	November 19	7:30 p.m.
	Announcements	Diane Fogel		Announcements	Ed Goldenthal
Saturday	November 6	9:30 a.m.	Saturday	November 20	9:30 a.m.
	Adult B'not Mitzvah			Tot Shabbat	10:30 a.m.
	Torah: Genesis 25:19-26:22	David Rosenberg		Torah: Genesis 32:4-33:20	Ken Eisenberg
	Haftarah: I Samuel 20:18-42	B'not Mitzvah		Haftarah: Obadiah 1:1-21	Stephen Koss
	Announcements	Michelle Angel		Announcements	Connie Bowman
Friday	November 12	7:30 p.m.	Friday	November 26	7:30 p.m.
	Sisterhood			Announcements	Paul Davidoff
	Shabbat			Announcements	Paul Davidoff
	Announcements	Tema Lando		Announcements	Paul Davidoff
Saturday	November 13	9:30 a.m.	Saturday	November 27	9:30 a.m.
	Sisterhood			Torah: Genesis 37:1-37:36	Rabbi Spivak
	Shabbat			Haftarah: Amos 2:6-3:8	Rabbi Spivak
	Torah: Genesis 28:10-30:13	Rachel Haus, Jill Ruterbusch, Janet Heller		Announcements	Elisabeth Thall
	Haftarah: Hosea 12:13-14:10	Tamara Norman			
	Announcements	Ruth Lando			

Candle Lighting

Barucha for Candle Lighting

November 5	6:14 p.m.	
November 12	5:07 p.m.	Baruch ata Adonai Eloheinu
November 19	5:00 p.m.	melech haolam asher kideshanu
November 26	4:56 p.m.	bemitsvotav vetzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat.



Mishpacha

MAZEL TOV TO

Gloria and Stanley Besbris on their 35th wedding anniversary

Cheryl and Mike Tenenbaum on the marriage of their son Matt to Rebecca Raymor

Gloria Besbris, Sylvia Blum, Marian Fisher, Beth Grode, Betty Hirschfield, Emily Hoffman, Marcia Kalb, Gerry Tregerman, and Shirley Wise on their B'not Mitzvah

CONDOLENCES TO OUR FRIENDS

Marilyn Zheutlin on the passing of her husband, Bertram Zheutlin

Shirley Grekin on the passing of her brother, Bertram Zheutlin

TREE OF LIFE

A leaf for Shannon Dion in honor of her many years of fine service to the Religious School as Principal and Teacher.

The Marvin and Rosalie Okun Religious School

GENERAL FUND

Mazel Tov to Gloria and Stanley Besbris on their 35th wedding anniversary.

Mazel Tov to Cheryl and Mike Tenenbaum on the marriage of their son Matt to Rebecca Raymor.

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Condolences to Marilyn Zheutlin on the passing of her husband, Bertram Zheutlin.

Phil Horwich, Marian & Ken Fisher, Marilyn & Art Feinberg, Joanne & Mike Simon, Pnina & Judah Ari-Gur, Shirley Wise & Frank Szopo

Wishing Cathy Cheron a speedy recovery.

Condolences to Shirley Grekin on the passing of her brother, Bertram Zheutlin.

Joanne & Mike Simon, Pnina & Judah Ari-Gur, Shirley Wise & Frank Szopo, Phil Horwich, Marian & Ken Fisher, Marilyn & Art Feinberg, Judy Davis & Al Rosenthal

Thinking of Beatrice Sichel.

Judy Davis & Al Rosenthal

In loving memory of Rabbi Abraham Tuchman.

Hy Tuchman

Mishpacha

BUILDING FUND

In honor of the 35th wedding anniversary of Gloria and Stanley Besbris.

Given with love from: Bedonna, Celia, Avis & Joe, Steve & Vreni, Randie, David & Nina, Debbie & Seth

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Sallie & Ken Goodman, Ruth Lando

Thinking of Beatrice Sichel.

Sandy & Larry Rose

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Ruth Lando, Sallie & Ken Goodman, Celia Besbris, Miriam Brot & Gail Brot, Beatrice & Werner Sichel

Condolences to Shirley Grekin on the passing of her brother, Bertram Zheutlin.

Sallie & Ken Goodman, Ruth Lando, Sandy & Larry Rose, Miriam Brot & Gail Brot, Celia Besbris, Beatrice & Werner Sichel

In loving memory of my daughter, Eva Stein.

Bruce Stein

MARVIN AND ROSALIE OKUN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

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Judy & Lowell Seyburn, Susan & Patrick Welbourne, The Fischell Family

In loving memory of our daughter, Abigail.

Jenna & Rich Verne

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Sisterhood

Dear Sisterhood and CoM Members,

The season is changing. Fall is upon us with beautiful and vibrant colors. Coming from a tropical country I for one have always been amazed by that.

Vibrant and exciting programs are a goal of our Sisterhood. We are very lucky to have so many dedicated women on our Board that take on this challenge.

Our first program is on October 17, the Annual Sisterhood Membership Brunch. Marilyn and Art Feinberg presented us with an exciting topic: "What is a Converso?" This interesting subject was accompanied by a slide presentation. A delicious brunch was prepared by Board members Joyce Camhi and Gerry Tregerman with the help of Lee Tregerman. Thank you.

The B'nai Mitzvah class is getting ready for their service on November 6. Sisterhood very gladly offered their support by preparing a Kiddush luncheon for this special occasion. We wish them MAZAL TOV!



Our next program:

Friday, November 12, 7:30 pm and Saturday, November 13, 9:30 am

SISTERHOOD SHABBAT

Join us for these special services led by women members of the Congregation of Moses. Services will be followed by an Oneg on Friday and a Kiddush luncheon on Saturday. If you would like to participate with either an English or Hebrew prayer, please contact Janet Heller(323-2014) or myself (388-3562). We would like to include everyone.

Sunday, November 14, 10:00am -2:00pm

CHANUKKAH BAZAAR

Our 5th annual Bazaar where you will find gifts for family and friends. Look for the coupon in the Bulletin.

Also come and visit the Sisterhood Gift Shop. Kim Rubin and Candi Levene really ZETZED it up! There are new items to enhance your décor. Hours are posted on the flier and are always on the Gift Shop door. Call Candi 345-5412 if you need an appointment.

Reminder: Our Sisterhood has a Board along with members at large that make recommendations and decisions together. Please, do not to use Sisterhood's name for a participant's personal agenda.

If you have not already done so, please send your dues of \$25.00 to Emily Hoffman/Treasurer.

Let's make Sisterhood a vibrant part of C.O.M.

Shalom,
Tema Lando
Sisterhood President



Men's Club



President: Phil Horwich philhorwich@yahoo.com (phone 269 720 2653)
Vice President: Bruce Patrick bpatrick6178@sbcglobal.net (phone 269 342 6243)
Secretary: Jon Isley xtarheeljmi@yahoo.com (phone 269 321 0219)
Treasurer: Paul Nimz paulvictornimz@hotmail.com (phone 269 649 1966)

We invite men (or women) to help out at any of these events. Men's Club dues are \$25.00. Please send your check to Paul Nimz.

Meetings Calendar: 2010

11/7	Israel Bond Breakfast	TBA
12/5	Meeting and Hanukkah Lunch	9:30 AM
5/8/11	Mother's Day Brunch	

Clip and Save !!

SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

CHANUKAH BAZAAR

SUNDAY, NOV. 14TH

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

20% off any 1 non-sale item

with this coupon!

Hadassah

Put a Little Yiddish in Your Life!

Hadassah Meeting
November 10, 7:00 pm

at the home of
Joanne Simon
6305 Applewood, Portage

Special Presenter
Marcia Kalb



"If you can't say
something nice
about someone,
say it in
Yiddish"

Were you raised with grandparents who you hardly knew because they spoke Yiddish and you didn't understand? Do words like *yachna*, *zergut*, and *chazzer* leave you in a daze? Or, would you just like a refresher course in our traditional language?

Now's the time for you to *get with it*. Marcia Kalb, Yiddish Maven, will lead us in a fun evening exploring Yiddish phrases and what they've come to mean. No longer will you miss the point of Jewish jokes, and you'll have a great time even if you know no Yiddish when you arrive.

"From the Catskills to Kalamazoo~Yiddish is IN!"

RSVP by Sunday, Nov. 7, to Linda Wienir, web@kalamazoo.net or 381-3497.

December Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 Simchat Shabbat
5 Men's Club Mtg. 9:30 am Hanukkah Party, Lunch & Sisterhood Craft Project	6	7 Synagogue Board Mtg. 7:30 pm	8 Adult Hebrew Class 7:30pm	9	10 Community Shabbat Dinner 6 pm; New Mem- ber Shabbat Services 7 pm	11
12 Essential Jewish Ideas 11 am; Hadassah Mitzvah Day Party @ Friendship Village 2 pm	13 Hadassah Book Club 7:30 pm	14	15 Bulletin deadline 5 pm	16	17	18
19 Winter Break Begins	20	21 Executive Committee Mtg. 7:30 pm	22	23	24 Synagogue office closed	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Synagogue office closed; New Year Oneg	

Mishpacha continued

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In loving memory of my brother, Bertram Zheutlin.

Shirley Grekin

In loving memory of my sister, Harriet Ginsberg, and nephew, Jeff Ginsberg.

Stephen & Alice Koss

In loving memory of my parents Ben and Eva Halpert.

Diane (Halpert) & Steve Field

MORT AND JOYCE FISHER KITCHEN/KIDDUSH/ONEG FUND

Condolences to Marilyn Zheutlin on the passing of her husband, Bertram Zheutlin.

Condolences to Shirley Grekin on the passing of her brother, Bertram Zheutlin.

Gloria & Stan Besbris

HERMAN AND ROSE FISHER LIBRARY FUND

In loving memory of my mother, Frieda Levene.

Candi Levene

NELSON SCHUPAN USY FUND

In honor of Galya Herzog and Ayelet Walfish for their incredible work on behalf of our youth.

In honor of Beth and Stephen Grode for housing Galya and Ayelet.

Tamara & Earl Norman

CEMETERY FUND

In loving memory of my parents Ben and Eva Halpert.

Diane (Halpert) & Steve Field

We would like to thank everyone who made donations in memory of husband, father, and grandfather, Bertram Zheutlin. Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated.

Marilyn Zheutlin & Family

New Address

Vivian Pollack has moved to:

16396 M-89

Augusta, MI 49012

Religious Affairs Committee

Fifty-one members of the Congregation of Moses participated in the Cantor Survey with 25 members voting to search for a new cantor for 2011, 18 to retain Cantor Fischman, and 8 members indicated they would go with the majority or had no opinion. Consequently, the Religious Activities Committee has begun the search for a new cantor. We expect to have a contract signed by early spring of next year.

This is a reminder to all Pulpit Officers. Shirley Mengel sends out an email every month to members assigned to Pulpit Officer duty during that month. This is a very important position and we rely on Officers to carry out their responsibilities. If you cannot make your assigned date, please find a replacement. Following are the responsibilities of all Pulpit Officers: Welcome congregants: thank participants in services for their efforts, read announcements, which will be affixed to the lectern: acknowledge any specific happenings of the evening/morning where appropriate; make sure doors are locked at 7:45 pm (Friday evenings) and before the last person leaves the building.

We are interested in putting together a list of congregants who are willing to receive calls at the beginning of Shabbat or Festival services should there be a need to make a minyan. Please email Valerie Eisenberg if you would be willing to be on this list. veisenberg@charter.net

We inadvertently left off a thank you to Jon Rubin for his leading the discussion during Yom Kippur. Thank you, Jon, for a job well done.

Jerrold M. Raffel Scholarship

Congratulations to Barbara Brown and Mike Katz on their marriage.

Get well soon to Vivian Pollack.

Condolences to Shirley Grekin and Family on the passing of her dear brother Bertrum Zheutlin.

Thinking of you Bea and Werner Sichel.

Aviva Norman sent this thank you note upon being awarded the \$500.00 Raffel Scholarship.

"Thank you for your generous scholarship award. I really appreciate your commitment to this annual scholarship and your interest in strengthening college students' educational experiences through this award. I'm sure this scholarship will go toward an enriching learning experience while at Michigan State.

Wishing you a happy and healthy new year!"

Aviva Norman

Marvin and Rosalie Okun Religious School

Shalom everyone!

Important Dates to remember:



There will be no Religious School on Thursday, November 25th and Sunday, November 28th due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

First night of Hanukkah, Wednesday, December 1st

Community Hanukkah Celebration & lunch, Sunday, December 5th beginning at 11am

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. We had some very beautiful weather in October making the fall holidays even more enjoyable.

I want to invite all parents and community members to take an active part in the education of our most precious resource, our children. Whether it is helping with our community dinners, being a Bubbie/Zayde in our school, or just saying hello to our students, every little bit makes a difference. Anyone who would be willing to be a Bubbie/Zayde in our school please let me know. We also need individuals who are willing and able to be substitute teachers and tutors for our students. If you are interested, please give me a call.

We are collecting “Box Tops for Education” to help raise funds for the school. This is a very easy way to help that anyone can do. Collect the Box Tops for Education logo from packages that you purchase (Betty Crocker and others that carry it) and bring them to synagogue with you and put them in the box marked for them by the office door. The more Box Tops we collect, the more money the school makes. If you have any questions, please call Tamara Norman or me. Thanks for all of your help.



The religious school appreciates all donations. There are two funds that accept donations to support the school: the Okun Fund (the school’s general fund) and the Bryna Graff Fund (helps fund professional development for religious school staff).

For those kind souls who wish to donate supplies, here are some items that we will need throughout the school year:

1. Healthy kosher snacks and juice
2. Tissues (Kleenex)
3. Hand sanitizer and cleaning wipes
4. Used laser printer cartridges (we can redeem to receive credit towards copier paper and other supplies)
5. Non Hanukah Jewish decorations

If the school needs other specific items, we will post them on a “wish list” outside of the Religious School Office or make a plea in the bulletin. **Thank you for your support!!**

If you have any questions for me, please e-mail me at morahsarah@hotmail.com or leave a message at the COM Religious School Office (342-5463 x 11) and I will return your call as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for all of your help and support for the coming year!

I would like to thank the Religious School Committee for all their help making the transition to my new position smooth and easy. I love being a part of the Religious School community. I would also like to thank Jenna Verne and her team for the wonderful Shabbat community dinner. The food and ruach brought the community together for a wonderful Shabbat. Thank you also to the teachers who so capably led us in the service. We are all looking forward to the next Shabbat celebration.

Yours truly,

Morah Sarah

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE
THE B'NAI MITZVAH OF EIGHT MEMBERS
OF OUR COMMUNITY ON SHABBAT
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH 9:30AM



GLORIA BESBRIS
CELIA BESBRIS
SYLVIA BLUM
MARIAN FISHER
BETTY HIRSCHFELD
EMILY HOFFMAN
MARCIA KALB
GERRY TREGERMAN
SHIRLEY WISE

SISTERHOOD WILL PREPARE A KIDDUSH LUNCHEON
IN THEIR HONOR



Congregation of Moses

New Member Shabbat Dinner

December 10, 2010

Dinner at 6 pm



Services at 7pm

Please come and welcome our new members!

Contact Shirley in the Synagogue Office to make a dinner reservation.

Call 342-5463 or e-mail

comofficemgr@yahoo.com

Prices

Paid Advance Reservations:

(Before Tuesday at 5 pm in advance of the dinner)

\$10 per adult, \$5 per child or \$25 per family.

Children 4 and under are free!

At the door*:

\$12 per adult, \$6 per child or \$35 per family

Children 4 and under are free!

****Please drop your check into the box prior to candle lighting***

You may leave your reservation and check in the special box by the synagogue office.

Community Shabbat Dinner Reservation Form

Date _____

Name(s) _____

of adults _____ # of children over 4 _____ Amount \$ _____

Contact Shirley at the synagogue office at 342-5463 to make a reservation.



Annual Campaign: Where **You** Make the Difference

Jewish Federations of North America's annual campaign is the engine that drives the work of the federation system. The 157 federations across North America raise over \$1 billion each year to address urgent needs in local communities, in Israel and in 60 countries. **The annual campaign is your opportunity to donate to your local federation in support of Jews locally and worldwide.**

Here are just two examples of the wide range of activities that JFNA helps fund:

Did you know that since Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans in 2005, Hillel has sent 3,700 young men and women to help rebuild the city? Their Federation-funded work has contributed to the repair of nearly 200 homes.

The Jewish Federations support HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, which since its founding in 1881 has helped more than 4.5 million refugees and immigrants. Even after their immediate needs have been served, HIAS maintains enduring relationships with those it has helped.

Please, won't **you** join **us** in donating to the 2010 annual campaign right now? Send your pledge or donation before December 31 to:

Jewish Federation of Kalamazoo & Southwest MI
P.O. Box 783
Portage, MI 49081

The Congregation of Moses invites you to a presentation by
Michigan Israel Business Bridge



Susan Herman, President and
Ron Perry Director of
Business Development
will be the speakers for this evening program.

Their topic will be:
**Michigan/Israel Business
Collaborative Opportunities**

We hope you will join us on
Thursday, November 4, at 7:00pm

Refreshments will be served

**Congregation of Moses
2501 Stadium Drive**

**Please RSVP to Diane Fogel at fogeld47@tds.net by
October 29**

This program is funded by a grant from

Ma'alot, Taking Steps Towards Increasing Israel Awareness, a
Program of the USCJ Israel Commission in partnership with
Nefesh B'Nefesh

Come join us for the Congregation of Moses
2010-2011
SIMCHAT SHABBAT SERVICE

Led by Cantorial Soloist Rachel Haus and Rabbi Harvey Spivak
Junior Congregation led by Mrs. Jenifer Rubin
In the main sanctuary from 9:30am - 12pm

We will meet on the following dates:

	January 22	April 16
(None in Nov.)	February 19	(None in May)
December 4	March 19	

**A traditional, exciting, musical, toe-tapping, spiritual
Shabbat experience geared to all ages!**

- *All aspects of the service are inclusive and participatory.*
- *Child-care will be provided, though all children will join the congregation for the Torah service and final song.*
- *Older children will participate in a short Junior Congregation in the Sofen Chapel, led by Mrs. Jenifer Rubin.*

After the service, we will all enjoy juice and wine, challah, food, treats,
and wonderful company.

Come join the fun!

Congregation of Moses

2010-2011

TOT SHABBAT

For ages 3 – 7 (though all are welcome)

Led by

Cantorial Soloist Rachel Haus



We will meet on the following dates:

	January 8	(None in April)
November 20	February 5	May 7
(None in Dec.)	March 5	

Time: 10:30-11:30am

Place: Last room on right in school wing

Please join us for a short musical service, interactive Torah story and just plain FUN!

Afterward, we will join the entire congregation in the social hall for Kiddush lunch and treats.

Rabbi's Message

The last adult bar mitzvah that I can remember in our synagogue was for Sam Halpert, of blessed memory. Because of his unsettled early life, including the uprooting of his family and the move from Poland to the United States, he did not have the opportunity for a bar mitzvah at 13.

For differing reasons, a number of women in the Congregation of Moses did not have a bat mitzvah at 13. But they want one now.

At the instigation of Sylvia Blum, several women got together to plan a joint bat mitzvah for November 6. They learned how to say the prayers over the Torah and Haftarah, to read portions of the Haftarah and lead prayers. The Haftarah that they are reading is a beautiful story about selfless and self-sacrificing friendship.

It is an effort that has become increasingly meaningful for the women involved—and for their families, too. Please join them for their celebration on Shabbat morning, November 6.

Torah Tidbits

The November calendar is dominated by Thanksgiving Day, a worthy and meaningful holiday. We have just completed our own Jewish thanksgiving celebration—Sukkot—but two such holidays in two months is not too much of a good thing.

Giving thanks is so important a value that the very name of our religion comes from the Hebrew word for thanks. In the biblical story, when Leah gives birth to her fourth son, she names him Judah, which means thanksgiving. “She conceived again, and bore a son and said, ‘This time I will give thanks to God;’ therefore she called his name Judah.”

His descendants—known as the tribe of Judah—became the largest of the tribes of Israel and gave its name to Judaism. If we want to take our name literally, we can say that we belong to the religion of giving thanks to God for creation, our lives and our blessings. An excellent name indeed.

Rabbi Harvey Spivak

Library News

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all those who participated in the **Adopt-A-Book Program**. Without you, we would not currently have any new titles on the shelves. You might be interested in what your contributions have bought. Here is a list:

Before We Eat: A Thank You Prayer
Sammy Spider's First Simchat Torah
Feivel's Flying Horses
Miriam in the Desert
Mrs. Kaputnik's Pool Hall and Matzah Ball Emporium
Rabbi Harvey vs. The Wisdom Kid
Cursing Columbus
Double Crossing
Learn Hebrew Through Fairy Tales: Beauty and the Beast
Noah's Bark
Red Hook Road
Jewish Choices, Jewish Voices: War and National Security
The Cookbook Collector
Ajami
Kosher Nation
Nine Contemporary Jewish Plays

But your job is not complete. The **Adopt-A-Book Program** still needs you! Here are a few titles you might consider adopting:

Yoo Hoo Mrs Goldberg (DVD)	\$18.99	Life, After	\$12.29
Dir. By Aviva Kempner		By Sarah Littman	
Blooms of Darkness: A Novel	\$17.13	Kings and Things: 20 Jewish Plays for Kids 8 to 18	\$17.50
by Aharon Appelfeld		by Meridith Shaw Pater	
Foreign Bodies	\$17.16	To the End of the Land	\$15.75
By Cynthia Ozick		by David Grossman	

You may request a book to adopt by emailing me at rhauscom@yahoo.com. Please make your check out to The Fisher Library Fund.

BIG NEWS!

The Library will be having an open house. We are considering the date of **Sunday, November 21**. Details to follow.

Todah Rabah,

Rachel Haus, Library Director

Community Announcements

The Board of Directors is working hard on behalf of the Congregation of Moses. The Board would like you to know that Board meetings are always open to all congregants and minutes of Board meetings are available upon request. We invite you to attend at any time.

SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP SCRIP

Please consider purchasing scrip certificates for the New Year. If you go out to dinner one time a month, why not pay with scrip? The synagogue will get money, and you will have enjoyed a good meal!! If you decide not to buy scrip, then just put 8% of your total bill in a pushke for the synagogue.

Thank you!!!

Scrip certificates are available through Shirley in the synagogue office.

SOURCE FOR KOSHER FOOD

**GOLD'S KOSHER MARKET AND DELI
908 E IRELAND ROAD
SOUTH BEND, IN
(574)231-8474**

**Mazel Tov to Jeff Haus and K College on the establishment of
the Jewish Studies concentration.**

<http://www.kzoo.edu/beLight/articles/?issueid=30&id=95>

Automatic Mishpacha Tribute Program

Each year several of our members have chosen to participate in Mishpacha Tributes. Here's how it works. People are automatically credited with tributes for congregants who are in the Mishpacha pages of our Bulletin. The subscriber to the automatic program can designate which fund their money would go to. Each month, the honoree gets a letter listing the automatic sponsors as well as the people who sent the tribute to them. You can be pleasantly surprised by receiving a letter of gratitude from someone who has received a tribute. You might not have even be aware of their simcha/ loss/illness. You are **not** subscribing or sponsoring the Bulletin.

For just \$400.00 a year you can join this program. Send a check (or stop into the office) to Shirley Mengel along with a note telling her which fund you've chosen. Then watch the Bulletin to see your tributes published and watch the mail each month for the letter telling you to whom the tributes went.

The Rabbi's Recognition Certificate goes to...

Valerie Eisenberg and Bruce Patrick!

The Congregation of Moses thanks Valerie and Bruce—and the Religious Activities Committee—for their months-long effort to make High Holiday services a prayerful and community-strengthening experience for our members.

Todah Rabbah!



Family Israel Experience July 3-14, 2011

ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE

This coming July 2011, United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism is sponsoring its first ever Family Israel Experience. This dynamic Israel travel program encompasses many of Israel's wonders – Caesarea on the Mediterranean, the Carmel Mountains, Masada, the Dead Sea, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. The program has a multi-generational approach with activities designed for youth, teens, adults and even active grandparents! All of your senses will be filled with the life, smells, tastes, sounds, and texture of modern Israel.

Our Family Israel Experience can also provide the opportunity to celebrate B'nai Mitzvah in Israel – or even celebrate the anniversary of your own bat/bar mitzvah.

Rabbi Charles Savenor, the director of the Metropolitan New York District of United Synagogue and a veteran Israel group leader, will lead the experience along with other caring and dynamic staff.

Itinerary, cost, and other details can be found at <http://www.authenticisrael.com/UserFiles/File/USCJFamily.pdf>

For questions about the program, contact Rabbi Charles Savenor at savenor@uscj.org or Jo-Anne Tucker-Zemlak at zemlak@uscj.org. For questions about registration, contact our travel partner, Authentic Israel, at info@authenticisrael.net.



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Join the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ) as we revisit Israel on an off-the-beaten-path experience. Explore the Carmel Mountains, the Western Galilee, the Mediterranean Coast, the Negev Desert, and return to Jerusalem! Along the way, we will explore the ocean swept grottoes of Rosh Hanikrah, learn how to bake pita bread, gaze across the Ramon Crater and relax at a spa hotel in the heart of the desert. See a whole new side of Israel and discover the magic of the Jewish Homeland anew.

Yahrzeits

November 5, 6, (29 Heshvan – 5 Kislev)

Arthur Cohen*	Ferdie Davis	Isadore Goldstein*
Lilly Greiner*	Doris Kagan	Arthur Levi*
Lottie Rapp	Beatrice Lee Rocklin*	Francis Rosenbaum*
Abigail Verne		

November 12, 13, (6 Kislev – 12 Kislev)

Rebecca Epstein*	Jennie Fisher*	Max Fisher*
Dorothy Fratus	Seymour D. Greenwald	Sam Harris*
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Samuel Willage*		

November 19, 20, (13 Kislev – 19 Kislev)

Evelyn Auslander	Fanny Axilrod	David Davidoff*
Louis Fogel	Jacob Goldstein*	David Graff*
Herbert Kaiser*	Eta Kercman*	Max Konigsberg
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November 26, 27, (20 Kislev – 26 Kislev)

Sam Becker*	Carl Brot*	Zipora Feder
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