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Michael Kushnick

Gratitude, Condolences and Congratulations

Thank you to **Danny Friedlaender, Neil Zimmerman, Rolf Friedlaender** and **Sol Gartenhaus** for recently leading the Friday night services. Thanks also to **Sam Harris, David Sanders, Yinnon Sanders** and **Epfraim Fischbach** for consistently leading Saturday morning services and reading the Torah. Thank you to Rabbinic Intern **Michael Kushnick** for arranging for the sale of chametz. Mazel tov on the forthcoming wedding of **Liba Engel** (daughter of **Rabbi Engel**) to **Derek Feit**, in Phoenix.

Condolences to **Scott Rumpza** following the untimely death of his stepsister.

Refuah Shelema

We offer prayers for health, complete recovery and long life to **Alan Garfinkel, Hershel Krushen, Marge Aronson, Joe Haberer, Sarah Raskin, Irwin** and **Iris Treager**, and **Harry Mindlin**.

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Candle Lighting Times

Source: Orthodox Union

April 1: 8:53 p.m. Eve 8th day of Pesach
April 5: 7:57 p.m.
April 12: 8:05 p.m.
April 19: 8:12 p.m.
April 26: 8:19 p.m.

Carry in dinner at the Shul

A wise woman once said, "Feed them and they will come!" Your chance to prove her correct is Sunday, April 21 at 6 p.m. at the Shul. Everyone is welcome! Bring a salad, main course or dessert for this dairy repast. **Heather Moskowitz** chairs the event.

Rabbi's Calendar

Michael Kushnick, Rabbinic Intern, will be here the weekend of March 29 and again April 12-14 and May 3-5. All are encouraged to attend scheduled services, whether Friday at 8 or Saturday morning at 10.

Deadline for May Newsletter

The deadline for the April bulletin is Thursday April 25th. Materials should be sent to penmike@embarqmail.com

Yahrzeits

| Name | 2013 Hebrew Date | |
|-------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Berger, Sidney L. | April 2 | Nisan 22 |
| Winski, Oscar | April 3 | Nisan 23 |
| Kaplan, Lillian | April 3 | Nisan 23 |
| Cohen, Lee | April 4 | Nisan 24 |
| Goldstein, Bella Wolf | April 5 | Nisan 25 |
| Berger, Sidney | April 5 | Nisan 25 |
| Goodman, Anna | April 7 | Nisan 27 |
| Horwich., George | April 8 | Nisan 28 |
| Salzman, George | April 8 | Nisan 28 |
| Mazor, Albert N. | April 8 | Nisan 28 |
| Friedman, Mary | April 9 | Nisan 29 |
| Fischbach, Rachel Lew | April 9 | Nisan 29 |
| Goldberg, David | April 10 | Nisan 30 |
| Lillianfeld, Madelyn | April 12 | Iyyar2 |
| Gordon, Betty Bernstein | April 13 | Iyyar3 |
| Silver, Anne | April 17 | Iyyar7 |
| Brodsky, Harry | April 22 | Iyyar12 |
| Salzman, Jacob | April 23 | Iyyar13 |
| Horwich, Rose | April 23 | Iyyar13 |
| Berk, Jean | April 27 | Iyyar17 |

Torah leining classes

We are fortunate to have talented Torah leiners in our midst – especially one such as **Elana Salzman** who is willing to share her skill and teach the art of reading from the Torah. If you are interested in leining, or in learning to lein, please let **Elana** know. She is happy to offer support and instruction to anyone who would like to learn, even if it is just a few lines.

April Calendar

April 1 & 2: Monday and Tuesday 10 a.m. - Services for Last two days of Pesach; **Yizkor** on April 2

April 5: Friday 8 p.m. – Erev Shabbat Services

April 6: Saturday 10:00 a.m. – Shabbat Services

April 6 - April 16: Holocaust Conference

April 8: Monday – Yom HaShoah – Holocaust Remembrance Day

April 8: Monday 1:30 p.m. – Sisterhood Board Meeting at the home of Giesla Friedlaender

April 12: Friday: 8:00 p.m. – Erev Shabbat Services

April 13: Saturday 10:00 a.m. – Shabbat Services

April 14: Sunday – Yom HaZikaron – Israel's Remembrance Day

April 15: Monday – Yom Ha'Atzmaut – Israel's Independence Day

April 16: Tuesday – 1:30 p.m. Sisterhood General Meeting at the home of Sonia Barash

April 18: Thursday: 7:30 p.m. - Shul Board Meeting at home of Gwen and Elliott Slamovich

April 19: Friday - 8:00 p.m. – Erev Shabbat Services

April 20: Saturday- 10:00 a.m. – Shabbat Services

April 21: Sunday – 6 p.m. Carry in dinner at the Shul

April 22: Friday 8:00 p.m. – Erev Shabbat Services

April 26: Friday 8 p.m. – Erev Shabbat Services

April 27: Saturday 10:00 a.m. – Shabbat Services

April 28: Sunday - Lag B'Omer

Omer count in progress

Counting the Omer continues until Shavout, which begins May 15th, and commemorates the receipt by the Children of Israel of the Ten Commandments. The annual countdown began on the 2nd day of Pesach.

Joint Sisterhood and Hadassah Meeting

The Shul Sisterhood, the Temple Israel Sisterhood and local Hadassah chapter welcomed **Margaret Robb**, Chief Justice of the Indiana Court of Appeals to a joint meeting of the three groups, Monday March 4th at Sons of Abraham. **Judge Robb** provided a comprehensive overview of how the workload is distributed to the Justices who serve the State of Indiana's populace and the importance of interpreting the Constitution and avoiding personal opinion when sitting in judgment.



Happy Day Cards

To commemorate any simcha or recognize any other event call **Bette Rubinstein** at 463-4754 or **Iris Treager** at 463-2468. They will send your card for a minimum donation of \$5.00. Send your check, made out to Sisterhood Sons of Abraham, to **Sonya Garfinkel**, Sisterhood Treasurer, 2229 Carberry Drive, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

LJCRS News

Shalom! I hope everyone had a great Passover! It is hard to believe that this will be LJCRS's last month—time has gone by very quickly this year! As always, it is wonderful to see our students learning and growing as we move through the year. For many of our classes this month, the whole building is the classroom, as students explore the sanctuary, the Torahs, or roam the halls on Afikomen treasure hunts.

Our Passover Seder was a wonderful success, thanks as always to our talented students, dedicated teachers, and tireless parent volunteers. Each class contributed to telling the story, explaining the traditions, or singing songs for the group. Thank you especially to the volunteers who helped set up for the Seder! Miriam led us in spirited singing, our preschoolers led the four questions, and everyone consumed lots of matzah and grape juice. It was a great start to the holiday!

Some highlights of April:

Our next LJCRS Parent-Tot Time will be April 7. Children aged 0-3 and their caregivers are welcome to attend. We will be doing Yom Ha'Atzmaut and Shavuot activities, including crafts, song and snack.

LJCRS will be celebrating Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Israeli Independence Day, on April 14. Weather permitting, this will be an outdoor celebration with lots of games, pita-making, and music. More details to come!

Our Parent Meeting will be on April 21, at 10:30. Come share questions, comments and ideas for next year!

Our last day of classes is April 28. Plans are in the works to organize some sort of Lag B'Omer picnic after class that day. If you are interested in helping with this, please let us know!

Finally, if you are interested in teaching next year or know someone who is, please let me know. Many of our teachers are returning, but we will have some openings. We have been fortunate to have great teachers the last few years, so keep us in mind and let us know if you would like to join our staff.

Happy Omer counting!

L'Vracha,

Elana



A word about color...

If you are one of the few who receives this through the mail and does not read this online you are missing a lot. Such as? Well, color photos for one. Take this month's collage of Purim photos. Online they're in color; the mailed versions is dull and boring black and white. You'd rather watch a color TV, so why settle for a monochrome SOA Bulletin? Try us online at <http://www.soalafayette.org/>

On the top right click "Updates/Bulletins" and then click on the month you wish to read. Downloads take seconds, and if you wish, you may easily print any pages you see.

Reading online saves money. Want to switch? Write to **Harriet Diamond** at hardiam819@gmail.com.

PLEASE NOTE...

Every so often someone asks why a particular item was "omitted" from the previous month's bulletin. Actually, it wasn't "omitted." It means that either the item was never sent for publication, or arrived so far after the deadline that it was not possible to get it in without many hours of tedious work to alter the layout. The **ONLY** way to ensure inclusion is to submit material on a timely basis! No need to worry about grammar – we do our best to bring it up to standards at no additional charge! 😊

At Purdue in April

Thursday, April 4 ~ Fowler Hall ~ 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Anne-Marie O'Connor (Washington Post), "The Lady in Gold: The Extraordinary Tale of Gustav Klimt's Masterpiece, Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer"

Reception from 5:00-5:45, Ringel Gallery

Wednesday, April 10 ~ Stewart Center, Room 320 ~ 12:30

William Glenn Gray, Associate Professor, Department of History, Purdue University, "Germany, Israel, and Palestinian Terror in the 1970s: 'Black September' and its Aftermaths"

Confronted with a horrific wave of kidnappings and hijackings in the 1970s, West Germany and Israel pursued opposing strategies. The Bonn government under Willy Brandt preferred negotiated solutions; Golda Meir's cabinet in Tel Aviv embraced the unilateral use of force. As a result, the two countries clashed bitterly during tense hostage situations such as the Jordanian crisis of 1970 and the Munich Olympics of 1972. This lecture suggests that neither approach was adequate for confronting the era's key international challenge – the ideology of militant anti-imperialism.

William Glenn Gray is an associate professor of history at Purdue University, where he teaches courses on international history and 20th-Century Europe. His first book, *Germany's Cold War*, examined the worldwide competition between the two German states. He has subsequently published articles on nuclear non-proliferation and the international monetary system. This lecture offers a first look at his new book project, "Impossible Worlds: West Germany and the Global South in the Radical 1970s."

All members of the Purdue University community and the public are cordially invited to attend these free events offered by the Jewish Studies Program.

Find information about this and other programs at <http://www.cla.purdue.edu/jewish-studies/>

Letter from Jerusalem

A Caring Community:

A few anecdotes: When my granddaughter, Yocheved got on a bus at the backdoor with her stroller and all, she needed to go to the front of the bus to pay. Leaving the stroller in the back and carrying the baby in her arms, Yocheved was searching for the bus fare and discovered she only had large bills. She only needed to travel a few stops, and the bus quickly reached her destination. A young man who was alighting at the same stop paid Yocheved's bus fare with grateful thanks from Yocheved, who proceeded to the back to retrieve the stroller and exited from the bus.

When my grandson, Yechiel got on a bus from Bar Ilan University to Jerusalem, close to an hour's trip, he discovered that he only had American money in his wallet. The

driver had one stop fairly near by before he zoomed off to Jerusalem. He told Yechiel that he would deposit him at this stop. Meanwhile, the driver took his microphone and announced Yechiel's dilemma and immediately to modern orthodox yeshiva boys got up and paid Yechiel's fare for him. Yechiel pleaded with them to take some of his American money in exchange, but they demurred, considering their act a complete mitzvah. Thus Yechiel was able to arrive on time for his meeting with his uncle, who was on a brief visit from the States.

My grandson, Simcha was traveling by bus from an upscale neighborhood near Modin to Jerusalem, about a forty minute ride. Modin, by the way, is where the Maccabean revolt started and the neighborhood is aptly named Chashmonaim. The Hasmonean dynasty ruled in Israel from the 4th century BCE to the 1st century BCE. A young man came on the bus and discovered that he didn't have enough money for the fare. He had a reservation on a bus from Jerusalem to Eilat and intended to get more funds from a machine at the Central Bus Station. Simcha, very gallantly paid his fare and didn't accept any recompense when they exited .

Tel Aviv Architecture:

I read some background about Tel Aviv's historical buildings . Although the city was founded in 1907, which makes it much younger than the major European and American urban centers, the city fathers decided to preserve about 400 protected buildings, many of which were in the Bauhaus style. I learned that Tel Aviv is the Bauhaus capital of the world and UNESCO declared it a World Heritage Site. There is a little history which I quote, " The Bauhaus architectural style flourished in Germany in the nineteen thirties. It has clean, functional lines and aesthetic beauty. Jewish refugees who had fled Nazi Germany built many such buildings in Tel Aviv. After World War II the British Royal Air Force and the US Air Force flattened German cities. As a result, most of the remaining Bauhaus buildings in the world are found in Tel Aviv. Some experts believe that the reason for the popularity of the Bauhaus style in this part of the world is due to its adaptation to our climate. The original architects created cool, spacious and comfortable dwellings. The Bauhaus style might have been the initiator of the rooftop garden since they were the first buildings in Tel Aviv with strong flat roofs that were ideal for the creation of the rooftop gardens.

Heard on the street:

What are you doing or where are you going for Pesach?? The ads for various Pesach accommodations were in full swing since Sukkot. They ceased several weeks ago, as most people made their plans early. Since my Aliyah I have traveled to my family in

London and Milwaukee for the Chag, including spending the time at Kibbutz guest house with my daughter Shira's family. This year, for the first time I look forward to enjoying Jerusalem on Pesach. I celebrated the Seder night with my family in B'nai Brak. Happily, my grandson, Yechiel from Milwaukee enjoyed the holiday with me.

Kibbutz Galuyot:

I had a personal experience with the various cultures, which abound here. My taxi driver was speaking Arabic on the phone while I was reading my Yiddish newspaper. We communicated in Hebrew, obviously. My mother subscribed to the Forverts for many years and I decided to continue the subscription, these 30 some odd years since her death. Although because of time constraints, I confess that I often just read a few headlines, now I have a few favorite articles: one is written by the teacher of Yiddish at Columbia University, another is called From Tzfat to Eilat which contains Israeli news, another is a "vort shpiel" a word game, and another is the weekly Torah portion. Sometimes I read about the Yiddish theatre or news of Klezmer groups. Coincidentally, for the first time in its 50 year history the very popular Jerusalem International Book Fair featured seven Yiddish publishers — six from Israel and one from New York.

Various Doings and Simchas:

While my musical ensemble generally has one gig a month, this past month featured one gig per week, most of which were return performances. We are playing more and more proficiently, and as we agreed, we are about professional now. We have recently added a xylophone player to bring our total of seven. Interestingly, although our singers say the words to the songs rather than singing them in front of men, my daughter, Shira who is our talented percussionist whistles very musically and is a good substitute for a flautist. The last few weeks have featured several weddings of friends' grandchildren, plus our big family news: the engagement party of my grandson Menachem. Menachem had been married for about two years, when his wife became ill, needing custodial care. He was advised, sadly, to divorce, which he did about a year and a half ago. We are very happy that he has found a potential partner and they plan to be married after Shavuot. B:H .

For My Lafayette Friends:

Close to forty years ago, an Israel family spent several years in Lafayette. I taught their son, Dan, in Shul school for several years, and their eight year old daughter, Merav, came to assist me, when she was able. Sadly, their father, Aryeh Gilai, professor of biology at Purdue, and then, Hadassah Medical School, died last week. Barach Dayan Emet.

I hope yours was a redemptive, kosher Pesach. *Cyrelle*

Events of the 33rd Holocaust Remembrance Conference span April 6-16

The 33rd Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Conference (GLHRC) will begin with a special co-sponsored event, April 6, on the Purdue University campus and conclude on April 16 with a themed play performed by local high school students. Planned by the GLHRC Committee, which is chaired by Susan Prohofskey, the conference opens its traditional full-day commemorative and academic session on Sunday, April 7.

The conference theme is “From living memory to historical memory: The Holocaust in transition,” and all events are free and open to the public. The conference website is www.glhrc.org.

Jointly presented by the Purdue University LGBTQ Center and GLHRC is the April 6 showing of “Paragraph 175,” a documentary about the Nazi persecution of gays during World War II. Discussion will follow with Jewish history Professor David Shneer from the University of Colorado, author of “Queer Jews” and conference keynote speaker.

The Sunday session traditionally advances scholars who present their research or viewpoints of the Holocaust and Holocaust survivors who share their personal stories. The program also features an expert in a current, often international, issue related to genocide. The timing is fitting with the Jewish holiday, Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Memorial Day beginning at sundown on April 7.

Registration for the Sunday session will begin at 12:30 p.m. in Room 214 of Purdue’s Stewart Center.

Proclamations by the Lafayette and West Lafayette mayors will open the event at 1 p.m., followed by a candle lighting ceremony with area residents who are Holocaust survivors and children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of survivors.

At 1:30 p.m., the keynote speaker David Shneer, will present “Through Soviet eyes: Photography, war and the Holocaust.” Shneer is the Louis P. Singer chair in Jewish history, professor of history and director of the Jewish Studies program at the University of Colorado, Boulder. His presentation is based on his research into Soviet Jewish World War II military photographers and the photographs they took of Nazi genocide on the Eastern Front. Shneer was nominated for the National Book Award for his 2011 book of the same title. He is the conference’s 7th Annual Rabbi Gedalyah Engel Lecturer, which is named in honor of the late Hillel Foundation director who founded the conference in 1981.

At 2:30 p.m., Alena Heitlinger, professor of sociology at Trent University in Ontario, will present “Connecting Holocaust memories and generational perspectives from postwar Czechoslovakia.” She is widely recognized for her scholarship and received the Trent University Distinguished Research Award in 2000. A Czech native, she has published widely on ethnicity, feminist movements, migration, health and illness and comparative analysis of public policy in the former Czechoslovakia, the Soviet Union

and the post-communist Czech Republic. Her most recent book (2006) is *In the Shadows of the Holocaust and Communism: Czech and Slovak Jews Since 1945*.

At 3:30 p.m., former United Nations Ambassador from Iraq, Feisal Amin Rasoul al-Istrabadi, will address the “Current situation in Syria.” He is director of the Center for the Study of the Middle East at Indiana University and represented Iraq in the UN from 2004-2007. Istrabadi was the principal legal drafter of the nation’s 2004 interim constitution and principal author of its Bill of Fundamental Rights. He focuses his research on the processes of building legal and political institutions in countries in transition from dictatorship to democracy. Before contributing to the reconstruction of Iraq, Istrabadi was a practicing trial lawyer in the United States for 15 years.

At 7:30 p.m., a panel of adult children and grandchildren of Holocaust survivors will speak about the impact the Holocaust had on their personal lives as “The Next Generation.” The panelists are local residents Esther Chosnek, Nina Haberer (serving as moderator), Erin Chosnek Willis and Jacqueline Chosnek Williams.

A dairy dinner buffet is scheduled between sessions from 6-7:00 p.m. in the Purdue Memorial Union’s Anniversary Drawing Room. Information on cost, payment and reservations is available on the conference website, www.glhrc.org.

In recent years, other conference events have included a workshop on teaching about the Holocaust to grades 6-12, films on the Holocaust, related art or photography exhibits, musical concerts and other presentations for local K-12 schoolchildren.

A schedule of this year’s other conference events, which are also free and open to the public, is as follows:

SUNDAY, April 7, 2013

Room 214, Stewart Center, Purdue University, W. Lafayette, Indiana

2:30 PM Registration

Conference Opening Session

1:00 PM Session Chair: Susan Prohofsky

Mayors’ Proclamation: Mayor John Dennis, West Lafayette & Mayor Tony Roswarski, Lafayette

Candle lighting, accompanied by “Ani Ma’amim – The Anthem of the Victims,” Elana Salzman

Candle of Remembrance: Survivors

Candle of Hope: Children, Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren of Survivors

Memorial Prayer: Rabbi Audrey Pollack

1:15 PM Opening Remarks: Dr. G. Christine Taylor, Vice Provost of Diversity and Chief Diversity Officer

1:30 PM *The Seventh Rabbi Gedalyah Engel Lecture*

Prof. David Shneer, Univ. of Colorado

“Through Soviet Eyes: Photography, War and the Holocaust

Introduced by Susan Prohofskey

2:30 PM Prof. Alena Heitlinger, Prof. of Sociology, Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada

“Connecting Holocaust Memories and Generational Perspectives from Postwar Czechoslovakia”

Introduced by Rebekah Klein-Pejsova, Dept. of History, Purdue U.

3:30 PM Ambassador Feisal al-Istrabadi

“The Current Situation in Syria”

Introduced by Laurel Weldon, Political Science, Purdue U.

PURDUE MEMORIAL UNION, Anniversary Drawing Room, second floor

6:00 PM Dairy Dinner Buffet (\$20, adults; \$3, students)

STEWART CENTER, ROOM 214, PURDUE UNIVERSITY

7:30 PM **THE NEXT GENERATION – CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN OF SURVIVORS**

Esther Chosnek, Jackie Chosnek Williams & Erin Chosnek Willis

Moderated by Nina Haberer

MONDAY, April 8

HILLEL FOUNDATION, 912 W. State St., W. Lafayette

9:00 AM University Religious Leaders

Breakfast and Conversation with Alena Heitlinger & Ambassador Al-Istrabadi

Moderated by Rose Haberer

TUESDAY, April 9

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS.

4:30 PM TEACHERS' WORKSHOP

“Forgiving Dr. Mengele: A Survivor’s Mission to Forgive, but Never Forget”

MOVIES

SATURDAY, April 6, Krannert Auditorium

Paragraph 175

WEDNESDAY, April 10

West Lafayette Public Library - 6:00 PM

Film, *Sarah's Key*

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

West Lafayette Public Library

Film, *A Generation Apart*

Tuesday, April 16

McCutcheon Plays

Ann Frank and Me



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