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## Gratitude, Condolences, and Congratulations

Mazel Tov to the **Moskowitz** family on the birth of a third son to **Toby and Bonnie Moskowitz**. We'll learn this newest **Moskowitz's** name after the bris. Yasher Koach to **Judith and Emily Silverman** for their magnificent laying of the Torah and Haftarah, in memory of the tenth Yahrzeit of their father, **Ed Silverman** at the egalitarian minyon on Saturday, May 17. Thanks also to the Sisterhood who provided a delicious kiddish lunch and an opportunity to talk with **Judith and Emily**, who came from California and Germany and whom we all enjoyed seeing again. Thanks also to **Sam Harris** and **Joe Haberer** who led the egalitarian services and to **Susan Prohofsky** who helped organize and coordinate matters. Thanks to **David Sanders** who organized and to **David** and others who also helped with the

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earlier traditional minyon that morning. **Jo Gartenhaus** did an awful lot in May. It started with organizing the oneg for the visit of guests from Twin Lakes Southern Baptist Church who came to visit and help celebrate Israel@60. She did it again for the farewell oneg for **Mike and Linda Lipschutz** who are moving to Radnor, PA and, just for kicks, arranged the Sisterhood closing luncheon. Yasher Koach, **Jo!** Heartfelt condolences to the entire **Horwich** family for the death of our beloved congregant and former co-president, **George Horwich**. Master Gardeners, **Esther Chosnek** and **Jim Klatch** have once again teamed up to contribute to the beauty of our cemetery and they are deserving of sincere thanks. Thanks to Michael Atwell who has been at work on a detailed map of the cemetery. If you are willing and able to provide even a crumb of information that might crack one of the identification problems he has encountered, please write him <atwell@gmail.com>. You may have noticed that this column has gotten bigger and better. We owe thanks for dedicated sleuthing and reporting by **Harriet Diamond** (who edits this publication before printing and mailing it to you.) Timely writing in the weekly electronic bulletin by **Muriel Harris** has also helped it along. Mazel Tov to **Aron Frank** and **Becky Lillianfeld** and their families on their graduations from West Lafayette High School. Mazel Tov also to **Josh Abrahamsohn** who graduated from Purdue and to **Christine Krushen** who graduated from Bryn Mawr College and has an internship in St. Petersburg, Russia.

## Shul Picnic June 22

So whaddy got against a delicious, juicy kosher hot dog imported from Chicago (courtesy of Rabbi Rascoe) and grilled to perfection by such experts in Jewish cuisine as **Irwin Treager** and **Harry Hirschl**?

What? So, tell me one thing! Cholesterol??? Whad-dymean??? This is JEWISH food chosen by G-d for the chosen people! Whatsmore, we got hamburgers too!! **SO, SAVE THE DATE. SUNDAY, JUNE 22.**

## June Candle Lighting Times

source: Rabbi Rascoe

June 6 8:57 PM

June 13 9:01 PM

June 20 9:03 PM

June 27 9:04 PM

## Rabbi's Calendar

Rabbi Rascoe will be in Lafayette on June 6-10 and June 27-29.

## Refuah Shelemah

Almighty God, we offer prayers for health and long life in the names of

**Sarah Raskin, Madelyn Lillianfeld, and Barney & Sara Axelrod**

## Lafayette Jewish Community Religious School Year's End News Note

Greetings,  
We celebrated together all through the month of May. The community Israel Day, organized and energized by **Heather Moskowitz**, brought Shul, Temple Israel and friends together. There are many people to thank and here a few: Allyson Steselboim and Karen Fingerman for sharing food treats and preparing a beautiful table; Kevin Gibson for his

generous room full of crafts, patience and good fun; Ana Gomez-Bravo for her help in the Food geography activity; **Eyal Barash** for leading the community program; Nurit Kantor for leading Israeli dancing; Phil and Rachel Subeck for decorating; the **Franks, Klezmerim, and Zimmerman** extended family for engaging music and words; Lotte Hirsch for joining with the third grade Israel Quiz teams; Eran Raizman for Hebrew and Arabic lettering; Rabbis **Engel, Pollack and Rascoe** for thoughtful prayers and remarks. We also had a great open house in Kevin Gibson's classroom again with many thanks to Kevin. Our First and Second graders led their parents in a family art project to cherish together. Simultaneously, the sixth grade theater players performed Fred Gimble's play, A Bintl Brief, to a most grateful crowd. Many thanks to Fred and to the parents who made a lovely photo book from the production. And, for our closing day assembly, thank you to the LJCRS Board including the Siskind, Fingerman/Yeazell, Marley, Metzman, **Slamovich, Spicker, Howland, & Steselboim** families for the thoughtful gift as I retire from directing to travel in Europe, as well as for providing and scooping up such delicious treats along with those from the Gomez-Bravo/Raferty and **Cramer/Barash** families. Fred Gimble also wrought a splendid photo play of pictures of the students and teachers from this year. We'll try to play it again in the fall (another reason to come to Mitzvah Day)! Frank Howland arranged the equipment and photography. Thanks go to those including Amanda Silvian and Catherine Grossman along with the teachers and staff.

Our time together represents an important contribution of ourselves to the Lafayette Jewish Community, and this, its Religious School. I appreciate all who have worked together another year building a Sunday morning 'palace in time' for the growth of each individual's Jewish identity. Thank you and congratulations. I'm pleased to know that David Weir will be welcomed by you as he becomes the next director of LJCRS this summer.

At our assembly we congratulated students for this year's highest attendance, either having missed none or only one class: Isaac, Aaron & Hannah Morris; Jonah, Asher and Eli Trout; Matthew Marley, Itamar Raizman and Jonathan Siskind. Mazal Tov & Thank you to you and to your families. Also, we rec-

ognize our ninth graders who are our graduating class: Micah Fanwick, Jonah Trout, Doron Kantor; and we thank our graduating Teachers' Aides: Catherine Howland, Eliot Suitor-Feld, **Aron Frank**. Thank you for your commitment and participation over many years.

Alex Sabol will lead Temple Israel services June 6th; several b'nai mitzvot are coming soon; and we look forward to graduating students joining Alex, Rebecca Howland and **Akiva Sanders** as they return in the LJCRS aides program.

The Fiddler family plans to finish at Purdue, grow in size and move this summer. (Not necessarily in that order.) We will miss their energy and commitment. May you quickly and surely find your way in your new synagogue and community.

Please participate in teaching at and coming to school. I support the premise of Rabbi Artson "if God is known through relationship, and if Jewish living is a celebration of that relationship, then God, the Jewish people and Judaism can be fostered only in the context of relationship." I hope that we will make our choices conscious of the need for Jewish community. The Jewish people are responsible both for teaching their own children and for providing opportunity for learning from other teachers. I'd like to mention that we will have the following teachers welcoming students September 7th: Ilana Feld & Chase Foster; Kevin Gibson; Elizabeth Justice; Phil Fanwick; **Josh Frank**; and Rabbis Pollack and Rascoe.

**We still need a fourth/fifth/sixth grade teacher for the fall semester and an 8th/9th grade teacher.**

And for this summer, please enjoy, especially, as you read Jewish books and create Jewish times together. I'll be around helping this summer and fall.

Thank you.  
Joy Steele Morris,  
Director

## Shul Board to Meet

The Board of Directors of the Congregation is scheduled to meet on **Thursday, June 19** at 8:00 p. m.. The meeting is open to all members.

## Rabbi's Reflections: "The Sum Is All The Parts"

Events in the synagogue are winding down as summer approaches. Things won't pick up until the school year begins, especially since the High Holidays are the end of September. Many of us will go on vacation. Judaism, though, does not stop. Services continue throughout: Shabbat every week, both Friday night and Saturday morning; Shavuot for two days in June; and some fast days. Those who observe kashrut will continue to do so, business ethics will continue, people will still need to be visited, and we will still avoid certain speech like spreading gossip, rumor mongering, etc. As I have said many times, Judaism is a lifestyle, the sum of all of its many parts.

Rabbi Bernard Raskas once wrote a thought nicely expressing the idea of Judaism being "The Sum Is All The Parts" (Heart of Wisdom, p. 303):

William Carey, a famous Scottish preacher, was also a shoemaker. Even though he was the leader of a great religious movement, he spent the better part of each day practicing his trade. One day someone asked him what his business was and he replied, "Well, my business is to extend the Kingdom of God to men's hearts, but I repair shoes to pay expenses."

His life was an excellent illustration of the principle that religion, if it is to have any value at all, must be practiced every day, hour and minute. When religion is sealed off from involvement in the concerns and affairs of men and the concrete particularity of daily decisions, then it becomes sterile and meaningless. If our faith is to function, we must allow it to grapple with our pressing personal problems.

In truth, every day is a messenger of God. He places choices before man daily so that one can never isolate himself from ethical issues. Those who sit in seclusion or retreat to ivory towers, or stay

out of politics, or dodge issues, or think they will find salvation by a few pious words are sadly mistaken.

We cannot rise to God by stepping on the heads of men. We cannot hate men during the week and love God on Saturday or Sunday. Religion is the sum of all its parts.

Men must beware of looking upon religion as an ideal to be yearned for; it should be an ideal to be applied.

Simon Dubnow (Russian Jewish historian, 1860-1941)

I hope you have a Judaically fulfilled summer as Judaism does not take a vacation.

## My Friend George

I write these words with genuine sadness. My friend, **George Horwich**, passed away a few weeks ago just as I was hoping he'd recover and we'd be able to take up where we left off. That was as we were coming to know one another better and better and, certainly from my point of view, developing a genuine friendship that included taking our wives out on "double dates," sharing administrative tasks at the shul, and even going to Indy to shop at Costco. Of course, if I am sad, I have only myself to blame. I could have started to get to know George, the friend, better than George, the editorial page contributor long ago and I just didn't do it. I got to know him best as we shared administrative tasks at the shul. He was not at all the selfish "me-firster" depicted by some who did not take the trouble to really know him. He was a lovingly warm, kind and funny man who may not have trusted the government to assist the poor but, by no means, had the attitude of "let them eat cake," for he understood the nature of *tzdekah* better than most. There's a lesson in this for all of us, including me. We are busy and we tend to compartmentalize people, putting off till tomorrow the opportunity to know them well. That delay results either in complete ignorance or in regret, the former being the more "blissful" of the two. What we need to do is look more for the good that people have to offer and to enjoy it while we can. The walls of our compartmentalizations are too rigid. In fact, Purdue's first Dean of Education, Robert B. Kane, used to joke about a guy who died of "hardening of the categories." Ever the teacher, George's passing could have a "silver lining" if you and I learn from it

to seek out the good in our acquaintances and turn them into friends.

## USCJ Issues Statement on Postville

**YOU SHALL NOT ABUSE A NEEDY AND DESTITUTE LABORER**  
Deuteronomy 24:14

**A Statement by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism  
And the Rabbinical Assembly  
Regarding Rubashkin™s Meat Products**

New York, NY (May 22, 2008) - In light of continuing disturbing allegations of unacceptable worker conditions at the Agriprocessors Plant in Postville, Iowa, the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Rabbinical Assembly is united in calling for a thorough evaluation by kosher consumers of the appropriateness of purchasing and consuming meat products produced by the Rubashkin™s label. Rubashkin™s produces kosher meat primarily under the Aaron and David label at the Agriprocessors facility. It is a major producer of kosher meat and poultry in the United States. The allegations about the terrible treatment of workers employed by Rubashkin™s has shocked and appalled members of the Conservative Movement as well as all people of conscience. As Kashrut seeks to diminish animal suffering and offer a humane method of slaughter, it is bitterly ironic that a plant producing kosher meat be guilty of inflicting human suffering.

The Rabbinical Assembly and United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism will immediately release an advisory to its members and constituents to evaluate the appropriateness of consuming Rubashkin products until the current situation is addressed. This advisory extends not only to products purchased on the retail level but to meat and poultry consumed in restaurants and at private functions, such as weddings and bar mitzvahs.

As the month of Sivan approaches, Jews throughout the world are mindful of the Torah's message of the power of Kedushah, holiness as it applies to all aspects of our lives including the ethics of worker

treatment and food production. It is hoped that Conservative synagogues, schools and summer camps engage in a study of this important topic in honor of the festival of Shavuot – which begins on the sixth day of Sivan -- which commemorates the giving of the Torah.

A valuable source for such study is the paper written by Rabbi Avraham Reisner , entitled Hekhsher Tzedek Al Pi Din. This paper is a companion to the Hekhsher Tzedek Policy Statement and Working Guidelines. The paper is available on the websites of the Rabbinical Assembly «[www.rabbinicalassembly.org](http://www.rabbinicalassembly.org)»and the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism «[www.uscj.org](http://www.uscj.org)».

By releasing this advisory, the Conservative Movement endorses the vision and guidance of the Hekhsher Tzedek commission. Hekhsher Tzedek is an initiative of the Rabbinical Assembly and United Synagogue that seeks to create an ethical certification process for kosher food. Through its work, Hekhsher Tzedek seeks to strengthen the bond between Halakha and Social Justice.

The reports of unacceptable worker conditions at the Agriprocessors plant demonstrate the pressing need for the sort of ethical oversight which might be provided by Hekhsher Tzedek.

For further information about the advisory being released by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Rabbinical Assembly, or to request an interview with any member of the Hekhsher Tzedek commission, the Rabbinical Assembly or United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism please call Shira Dicker at 212.663.4643 or by email at [shira.dicker@sd-media.com](mailto:shira.dicker@sd-media.com) or call Steve Rabinowitz at 202.265.3000 or [steve@rabinowitz-dorf.com](mailto:steve@rabinowitz-dorf.com) .

## Yahrzeits

Name	Hebrew Date	English Date
Winski, Ab.	Sivan xx	1904

Name	Hebrew Date	English Date
Levine, Harris	Sivan xx	1899
Goodman, Samuel	Sivan 4	Jun 7, 2008
Litman, Max	Sivan 4	Jun 7, 2008
Spector, Jacob Aaron	Sivan 5	Jun 8, 2008
Berger, Mose	Sivan 6	Jun 9, 2008
Salzman, Freida	Sivan 7	Jun 10, 2008
Goldstine, Leo	Sivan 7	Jun 10, 2008
Klatch, Louise Solomon	Sivan 8	Jun 11, 2008
Bass, Samuel	Sivan 10	Jun 13, 2008
Roger, Louis J.	Sivan 10	Jun 13, 2008
Altman, Maynard	Sivan 10	Jun 13, 2008
Zovod, Eda	Sivan 11	Jun 14, 2008
Singer, Bessie	Sivan 13	Jun 16, 2008
Tzucker, Esther	Sivan 15	Jun 18, 2008
Elkin, Lucille	Sivan 16	Jun 19, 2008
Brodsky, Jacob	Sivan 21	Jun 24, 2008
Barash, Moshe	Sivan 21	Jun 24, 2008
Brown, Ree	Sivan 24	Jun 27, 2008
Levinthal, Luba	Sivan 27	Jun 30, 2008
Spector, Hannah E.	Sivan 27	Jun 30, 2008

Name	Hebrew Date	English Date
Meyers, William M.	Sivan 28	Jul 1, 2008
Paul, Peter	Sivan 28	Jul 1, 2008
Berger, Goldie	Sivan 29	Jul 2, 2008
Schreiber, Phyllis	Sivan 30	Jul 3, 2008

## Shul Board Solicits Donations to Special Purpose Funds

The Shul board was recently asked to publicize the various funds to which one can make donations to the Shul. When other funds are established, they will be listed.

The Chosnek Fund, named for Sam and Edith Chosnek, is for ritual. For example, the fund could be used to repair or replace such things as Torah covers and the like.

The Elkin Fund, named for Barry Elkin, is for educational purposes. It might be used, for example, to pay part of the cost of bringing a speaker.

The 100th Anniversary Fund, established By Ed Simon, is for capital expenses in building maintenance. We used part of it for the recent re-wiring done in part of the building. This fund provides a naming opportunity for remodeling our sanctuary.

The newly established Ha Gomel fund is to celebrate recent recoveries from illness.

## Shavuot Services Followed by Dairy Luncheon

Services for Shavuot will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 9. There will be a dairy luncheon hosted by Sylvia Cember following the services.

## Sons of Abraham Special Funds Donation Form

Enclosed please find my check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. Please apply it to:

Emergency repairs of Break-in Damage\_\_\_\_\_

Ha Gomel (recovery) of \_\_\_\_\_

100th Anniversary Fund (Building) \_\_\_\_\_

Elkin Fund (education)\_\_\_\_\_

Chosnek Fund (ritual)\_\_\_\_\_

Donation in honor / memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Is the donor's name to be held in confidence?\_\_\_\_\_

Send check with this form to Sons of Abraham

P.O. Box 2671 / West Lafayette, IN 47996. Donations will be acknowledged.

Donor(s):\_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

## Gifts Received

### In memory of George Horwich:

Shirley & Jules Janick

Stephen & Ellen Mark

Gail Posner

Mr. & Mrs. Frederik

Gisela & Fritz Friedlaender

Sonya & Alan Garfinkel

**Building Fund:** Harriet and Sidney Diamond

## United Jewish Communities Fact of the Month

UJC/Federation supports JAFI's Hefziba network of Jewish day schools in the former Soviet Union. This past March, 450 Hefziba high school students studied the Holocaust and visited the sites of lost European Jewish communities.

### New Sisterhood Treasurer

Effective June 1, 2008, Sonya Garfinkel has accepted the office of Treasurer of the Sisterhood of Congregation Sons of Abraham. Her phone number is 463-7071 and her e-mail is «[sonyagarfinkel@comcast.net](mailto:sonyagarfinkel@comcast.net)».

### Ephraim Fischbach Receives National Honor

We are pretty much a congregation of academics. (Aha! So THAT's the reason for our tsuris, such as it may be.). Not only that, in our own respective fields some of us have numerous honors etc. to list on our C.V.s. None of us would ask to have them listed here and you can be sure that our fellow congregant, **Ephraim Fischbach**, did not ask for this. Nonetheless, this notice was brought to the attention of the whole country via this Purdue report. Congratulations, Ephraim. It is a pleasure for all of us to see distinction accorded to someone who does so much for Sons of Abraham.

#### Purdue Research earns Top 10 Honors from American Institute of Physics

A test of one of the most frequently used equations in all of science earned a Purdue University professor a spot in the American Institute of Physics's 10 top physics stories for 2007.

**Ephraim Fischbach**, a Purdue professor of physics, was part of a team that tested Newton's second law of motion - force equals mass multiplied by acceleration - at very low accelerations and found that it held true.

The American Institute of Physics selects 10 research papers each year based on the importance of the physics involved and the public impact of the news.

The test of this law was especially important because of recent observations of behavior of objects in space that puzzle physicists, **Fischbach** said. For example, Pioneer satellites sent to the edge of the solar system had an unexplained acceleration, as did stars circling the centers of some galaxies.

"The question arose of whether or not there is a new piece of physics acting on the stars in galaxies or if there are flaws in the basic accepted principles of physics," **Fischbach** said. "One possible resolution to the puzzle is the idea of dark matter -- that something is out there that we can't see. This matter would have attractive forces that would affect the behavior of objects in space."

Another solution to the puzzle was a new theory of how particles behave that suggests Newton's second law of motion would break down at very small accelerations.

"We actually proved that Newton's second law of motion holds true at very small accelerations and to an incredible precision," **Fischbach** said. "This helps establish the constraints for new theories. It helps box in the solution to a problem so that you can say that this is the only hypothesis that fits with what we know to be true. It will help in the construction of new theories and supports the idea of dark matter."

A paper detailing the work was published in Physical Review Letters in April. **Fischbach's** co-authors included J.H. Gundlach, S. Schlamminger, C.D. Spitzer and K.-Y. Choi at the Center for Experimental Nuclear Physics and Astrophysics at the University of Washington; B.A. Woodahl, an instructor at IU-PUI; and J.J. Coy at Saint Joseph's College. The National Science Foundation and the U.S. Department of Energy funded the research.

## Shavu'ot

from [jewfaq.org](http://jewfaq.org)

*You shall count for yourselves -- from the day after the Shabbat, from the day when you bring the Omer of the waving -- seven Shabbats, they shall be complete. Until the day after the seventh sabbath you shall count, fifty days... You shall convoke on this very day -- there shall be a holy convocation for yourselves -- you shall do no laborious work; it is an*

*eternal decree in your dwelling places for your generations. -Leviticus 21:15-16, 21*

Shavu'ot, the Festival of Weeks, is the second of the three major festivals with both historical and agricultural significance (the other two are [Passover](#) and [Sukkot](#)). Agriculturally, it commemorates the time when the first fruits were harvested and brought to the [Temple](#), and is known as Hag ha-Bikkurim (the Festival of the First Fruits). Historically, it celebrates the giving of the [Torah](#) at Mount Sinai, and is also known as Hag Matan Torateinu (the Festival of the Giving of Our Torah).

The period from Passover to Shavu'ot is a time of great anticipation. We count each of the days from the second day of Passover to the day before Shavu'ot, 49 days or 7 full weeks, hence the name of the festival. See [The Counting of the Omer](#). The counting reminds us of the important connection between Passover and Shavu'ot: Passover freed us physically from bondage, but the giving of the Torah on Shavu'ot redeemed us spiritually from our bondage to idolatry and immorality. Shavu'ot is also known as Pentecost, because it falls on the 50th day; however, Shavu'ot has no particular similarity to the Christian holiday of Pentecost, which occurs 50 days after their Spring holiday.

It is noteworthy that the holiday is called the time of the giving of the Torah, rather than the time of the receiving of the Torah. The sages point out that we are constantly in the process of receiving the Torah, that we receive it every day, but it was first given at this time. Thus it is the giving, not the receiving, that makes this holiday significant.

Shavu'ot is not tied to a particular calendar date, but to a counting from Passover. Because the length of the months used to be variable, determined by observation (see [Jewish Calendar](#)), and there are two new moons between Passover and Shavu'ot, Shavu'ot could occur on the 5th or 6th of [Sivan](#). However, now that we have a mathematically determined calendar, and the months between Passover and Shavu'ot do not change length on the mathematical calendar, Shavu'ot is always on the 6th of Sivan (the 6th and 7th outside of [Israel](#). See [Extra Day of Holidays](#).)

[Work](#) is not permitted during Shavu'ot.

It is customary to stay up the entire first night of Shavu'ot and study [Torah](#), then pray as early as possible in the morning.

It is customary to eat a dairy meal at least once during Shavu'ot. There are varying opinions as to why this is done. Some say it is a reminder of the promise regarding the [land of Israel](#), a land flowing with "milk and honey." According to another view, it is because our ancestors had just received the Torah (and the dietary laws therein), and did not have both meat and dairy dishes available. See [Separation of Meat and Dairy](#).

The book of Ruth is read at this time. Again, there are varying reasons given for this custom, and none seems to be definitive.

#### List of Dates

Shavu'ot will occur on the following days of the Gregorian calendar:

Jewish Year 5768: sunset June 8, 2008 - nightfall June 10, 2008

Jewish Year 5769: sunset May 28, 2009 - nightfall May 30, 2009

Jewish Year 5770: sunset May 18, 2010 - nightfall May 20, 2010

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## Help Needed Urgently

Our treasurer and our financial secretary have informed us that they are now working in their final year of service to the shul. We urgently need one or more people to begin an apprenticeship so they may take up this work at the end of 2008. Can you help? Will you help? **Will we have to hire a bookkeeping service to do this?** Speak with any shul officer for more information.

## June Calendar

Prepared by Muriel Harris

June 4: Wed. 12:30 p.m. Rosh Hodesh lunch, at Puccini's

7:30 p.m. Sisterhood Board Meeting, at the home of Esther Chosnek (Please note the change in date)

June 6-10: Rabbi Rascoe will be in Lafayette

June 6 : Fri. 8 p.m.; Shabbat evening services  
 June 7: Sat. Shabbat morning services  
 June 9: Mon. 10 a.m. Shavu'ot services, Shavuot Dairy Lunch, after services  
 June 10: Tues., 10 a.m. Shavu'ot services/Yiskor  
 June 13: Fri. 8 p.m.; Shabbat evening services  
 June 14: Sat. Shabbat morning services  
 June 19: Shul Board Meeting  
 June 20: Fri. 8 p.m.; Shabbat evening services  
 June 21: Sat. Shabbat morning service  
 June 22: Sun. 6 p.m. Shul Picnic, Happy Hollow Park  
 June 27-29: Rabbi Rascoe will be in Lafayette  
 June 27: Fri. 8 p.m.; Shabbat evening services  
 June 28: Sat. Shabbat morning services:

## Building Repairs

Tuckpointing Stage II began at the shul this week. It's not particularly exciting, if costly ... but it does beat sloshing through puddles on the floor after a rainstorm. Windows to replace those destroyed by rotting and our earlier break-in have been measured and are due for installation on or about June 12. We are in the process of making the temporary repair to the built-in gutter more permanent. Why bother you with this stuff? A special donation to honor / memorialize someone who cares / cared about the shul and its building would be earnestly welcomed.

## Sisterhood Garage Sale

**August 21-22**

We have only about 80 days till the next Sisterhood Garage sale. Success is really important. Like so many other things, it's "supply and demand." **In the next several weeks, check with friends and neighbors who are having garage sales.** They may very well have decent leftovers going to Goodwill that they would donate to us for re-sale. You'd have to store them till August...but it still might in-

crease the range of decent stuff we have. It certainly worked that way with the Rotary Club garage sale we used to do. In July, there will be a flyer in this newsletter. Make copies (or get us to help) and give them to everyone you think may have contact with potential buyers (especially foreign student families).

## Last Laughs

Sadie Cohen lived in an integrated neighborhood on Long Island .

Her neighbor was a very generous Black woman who stopped in one Saturday and asked, "Mrs Cohen, I have to go into the City this afternoon to meet my daughter; can I get you anything?"

Mrs. Cohen thanked her and exclaimed ",Listen, I have a commuter ticket for the train that I don't use on Saturday. Why don't you use my ticket and you'll bring it back tonight? After all, it's all paid for - why should you pay extra?"

The neighbor thanked her, and later got on the train. As the conductor came through the train, he happened to glance at the ticket and noticed the name "Sadie Cohen".

"Excuse me ma'am, are you Sadie Cohen, the person whose name appears on this ticket?"

The woman smiled sweetly and nodded her head affirmatively. A little suspicious, the conductor asked, "Would you let me compare signatures - would you please sign your name?"

The Black lady turned indignantly and snapped " , Are you crazy?; You want me to write on Shabbos?"

## On the Web Again

(with apologies to Willie Nelson)

We'll bet you have not seen this one:

**<http://jewishpostcardcollection.com/>**

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