

Celebrate Purim at Beth Shalom



PURIM
CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM
14200 LAMAR AVENUE, OVERLAND PARK, KS 66223
SATURDAY, 8:30 PM COME IN COSTUME

**CHILDREN'S
MEGILLAH** →

Saturday, March 15

Minchah will begin at 7:08 pm, Ma'ariv at 8:15 pm, the Megillah reading and program will begin at 8:30 pm with a costume parade to follow.

Sunday, March 16

Shacharit will begin at 8:30 am immediately followed by Megillah reading (around 9:15 am) Purim parfaits, pancake breakfast with prizes and pictures at 10:30 am.

ROARING 20'S Murder Mystery Party

The entire community, singles and couples, are invited to the Murder Mystery Party at Congregation Beth Shalom on Sunday, March 30. We hope you'll join us for the grand affair.

"Crime and 'Pun'-ishment" (rated PG13) is a traditional murder mystery set in the world of 1920's Gangsterland. Mobsters, murder and comic mayhem ensues after the mysterious death of one of the "family." The show is presented by The Murder Mystery Company.

Dress as a gangster or silent screen star, come as a flapper or come as you are. For inspiration think of the movies *The Untouchables*, *Bonnie & Clyde*, and *The Great Gatsby*.

This fun evening begins with cocktails at 6:00 pm; dinner, catered by Steve Ellenberg, and mystery at 6:30

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pm. Our Signature "Speakeasy Martini" will be served but be sure to sneak in your "medicinal alcohol" (kosher) to share with your table. Cost is \$50 per person. Mail your check as your reservation with your information and with whom you would like to be seated (tables of 8) to Beth Shalom, Attn: Stef Williams.

It's a Bird! It's a Plane!



Purim Carnival 2014 - March 9th

NO! IT'S THE KCUSY PURIM CARNIVAL!!!

Beth Shalom's 2014 KCUSY Purim Carnival will be held on Sunday, March 9 from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm in Goldsmith Hall. The theme will be "AvenJEWs Assemble!"

This year's carnival chairpeople are Jacob Flekier and Missy and Jeff Goldenberg who will be assisted by Joshua Hurst, Lindsey Paul, Emma Shapiro and all of KCUSY and Kadima. The very popular event will feature games of skill for all ages, food, prizes and the Kadima Raffle. Shekels are available for purchase.

The Purim Carnival is the largest yearly fundraiser for Beth Shalom's United Synagogue Youth, which consists of about 125 members. Part of the annual programming budget is raised by the carnival in which over 100 youth and parents will participate. The money raised is also used to support the International USY Tikkun Olam Project and to subsidize trips to USY regional events.

[Donate online](#). For more information or to participate in this year's carnival, please contact Stefanie Williams at (913) 647-7292 or swilliams@bethshalomkc.org.



[Make your reservations online](#). For more details, contact Cathy Newman, cnewman9023@gmail.com.



From the Rabbi's Study

Happiness Doesn't Just Happen

The rabbis teach us that during the Hebrew month of Adar, we are commanded to be happy. Rabbi Nachman of Bratslav famously wrote *Mitzvah gedolah l'hiyot b'simchah tamid* – “It is a great mitzvah to always be happy.”

We think that happiness is something that “just happens,” and that it is some sort of elusive high that should be felt all the time. The search for happiness, and the feeling of entitlement to have happiness, can be a source of personal frustration.

Our tradition only instructs us about actions one can actually do. So, if we take this to heart, this means that simchah (happiness) is not something that happens to us, but it is something we create. We are responsible for our own happiness.

The holiday of Purim is the paradigm of Judaism's Happiness Holiday. The four mitzvot of Purim create a wonderful instruction manual about how to bring true simchah/happiness into our lives.

Reading the Megillah – reading the Megillah teaches us that actively recalling times when we experienced joy and redemption and expressing gratitude for those times brings joy in our present situation.

Giving Mishloach Manot – “Mishloach Manot” are gifts of food we give to our neighbors and friends regardless of if they need it. This shows that by actively giving delicious and joy-inducing food to others also brings joy to our lives.

Giving money to the poor – “*Matanot l'evyonim*,” giving actual

money directly to poor people is a lesser known mitzvah on Purim day. Tzedakah both teaches gratitude for your own material, and allows you to truly help someone who needs it.

Drinking and eating – Although constantly going to parties in search of elusive happiness may fail, intentional celebration (eating and drinking in order to express gratitude) can bring joy. A double shot of gratitude will bring more true simchah than any alcohol on Purim day.



David M. Glickman

Rabbi David M. Glickman

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Jewish Adult Education Opportunities

Sarah Peltzman Class

We are studying “Walking with Mitzvoth” published by the American Jewish University. Thursdays 10:00 – 11:15 am

Contact Bernice Haberman for more info, rbhaberman@everestkc.net.

Learning in Leawood – Bemidbar: Leadership Defied and Defended

FREE FIRST CLASS: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12 at 7:30 pm.

This ten-lesson course on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm is from the renown **Melton Scholars Curriculum**. Taught in a home in Leawood, by Rabbi Glickman. Come dive into the dramatic events of the Book of Numbers.

Spring into Adult Learning

Munching and Melton – Jews in America: Insiders and Outsiders FREE FIRST CLASS: THURSDAY, MARCH 13 at 1:00 pm. at Village Shalom

This ten-lesson course on Thursday afternoons from 1:00-2:30 pm is from the renown **Melton Scholars Curriculum**, taught by Rabbi Glickman. We ask: “American Judaism: Is the cup half empty or half full?”

These Melton courses usually cost \$180 per person, but are offered through CBS for only \$72. To register, contact KC's Melton Coordinator, Henri Goettel: hgoettel@publicnet-working.org.

Locavort – Locally Grown Torah on Late Shabbat Afternoon

A “locavore” is someone who eats locally produced food. A “vort” is a “word” of Torah. Every Saturday afternoon at Congregation Beth Shalom, as

Shabbat concludes, we will have local food or drink and local Torah. Cost: free. Begins Saturday, March 15 before the Megillah Reading at 7:06 pm.

Downtown Talmud Jam – Lunch-time Talmud Study over lunch

The Second Wednesday of the Month, 12:00 – 1:00 pm

At the offices of Lathrop and Gage, we bring Talmud into the modern age. Spaces are limited, so RSVP's are a must. Cost: free; lunch provided.

To register email Rabbi Glickman's assistant, Natasha Olinetchouk: NatashaO@bethshalomkc.org.

Parshat Hashuva – Study the Weekly Torah Portion

The third Shabbat of the month, 9:00 – 10:00 am

Discuss the weekly Torah portion in an informal atmosphere.

For more information, [click here](#).

Executively Speaking

March Means Queen Esther, the First Known Vegan



The month of March brings us the holiday of Purim where frivolity reigns supreme, and at Congregation Beth Shalom, it is a time

for fun.

In keeping with the theme of Purim, I want to bring you a little Queen Esther trivia...I am sure that you know Queen Esther as the heroine of Purim, the beautiful woman that the King of Persia chose to marry, the woman who begged the king to

save her people from Haman's wicked ways, but did you know...that Queen Esther was probably our first known vegan, that the "Queen Esther Diet" that is still used by many today was based on her food choices?

The Midrash tells us that Queen Esther survived on a diet of legumes, whole grains, nuts and seeds because kosher food in the palace was non-existent. Don't forget meals in that era were extremely gluttonous with meats piled high as a symbol of wealth. She became a vegan by her choice and by her strength of char-

acter. Esther refused to give up the Laws of Kashruth. She was a woman to be admired, not only for her outward beauty, but for her inner beauty as well. She was a woman who stayed true to her convictions in the midst of the turmoil that swirled around her--truly, a woman to be appreciated.

Hope to see you at all our Purim celebrations.

Executive Director

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Third B'nei Mitzvah Workshop

The third B'nei Mitzvah workshop will take place on Sunday morning, April 6, from 9:30 am to noon. Parents of ALL Beth Shalom sixth graders and the children will take part in a session to learn about and also experience tallit and tefillin. Rabbi Glickman and Marla Brockman will be leading this session. We hope to see you, no matter where your child attends school.

Substitutes are needed to lead a weekday minyan when regular minyan leaders are unavailable. Please contact Marlene Katz at 913-681-0840 or storytime@kc.rr.com.

Rose Family Early Childhood Education Center

Judy Jacks Berman, Director | jjb@bethshalomkc.org | 913-647-7287



Thank You from Miss Judy

Thank you to the whole Beth Shalom community for celebrating with me on my 20 years here! Shabbat was wonderful, and all of your donations, cards and beautiful sentiments were greatly appreciated! It has been a wonderful 20 years, and I look forward to many more years working

with the kids, parents, grandparents and amazing faculty!

Today Rabah to Rabbi Glickman. He is a mensch, a scholar, a gift to work with and a real gift to our Beth Shalom community! I continue to learn from him every day!

The RFECEC faculty is second

to none in Jewish Early Childhood Education in this community or any other city! A real jewel in our Congregation!

The kids are smart, adorable, wonderful and a joy and pleasure to teach and love every day. Today Rabah to each of you for making my celebration so special!

Sisterhood

Beverly Newman, President | shpres@bethshalomkc.org

Sisterhood Nominates Board Members

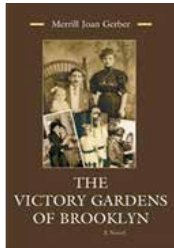
The CBS Sisterhood has nominated the following members for a three year term on the Board of Directors: Nora Dubin, Helene Ginden, Evie Grant, Staci Kahn, Phyllis Kalender and Suzanne Lange.

The nominating committee consisted of: Chairman, Linda Lessner; Parliamentarian, Marcy Rydell; Tina Chapman, Staci Kahn, Jessica Rudnick-Kaseff, Rhea Salasche, Joyce Shapiro and Aletha Simon.

Election of these prospective board members will take place at the

Book Club Meets April 23

Sisterhood Book Club will meet Wednesday, April 23 at 7:00 pm at Nata Scharf's home.



The book to be discussed is *The Victory Gardens of Brooklyn* by Merrill Joan Gerber. "Merrill Joan Gerber opens the door of a tenement household over a hundred years ago and invites us into the sounds, smells, lives, and drama of a Jewish immigrant family struggling to survive on New York's Lower East Side."

For further details or to be added to the e-mail list, contact Rowena Turk at 913-649-7098 or at turk@kc.rr.com.



Hamantashen

Instructions

Ingredients

- 3 eggs
- 4 cups of flour
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 4 tsp. baking powder
- 1 cup oil
- 1 cup sugar
- 2/3 cup diluted orange juice

Torah Fund Luncheon, April 18 and they will be installed at the May 20 Spring program.

ARTICLE IX Section 4 of the Sisterhood By-Laws: Nomination by Petition. Nominations may also be made in writing, by not less than five members in good standing, submitted to the Chairman of the Nominating committee, provided written consent of the person nominated is received not later than 15 days after notice of report of the nominating committee.

Sisterhood Opportunities

March 4
—Warm Up America!

March 5
—BBB Workshop

March 6, 27
—Peltzman Classes

March 19
—BBB Workshop

March 26
--Prayerworks

April 2
—Warm Up America!

You are in for a real treat!!

Our Sisterhood will hold its 71st Annual Torah Fund Luncheon on Friday, April 18, in Goldsmith Hall. The traditional Passover week luncheon to be catered by Steve Ellenberg, will begin at 11:30 am. Come earlier to enjoy appetizers in the foyer before the sit down luncheon begins.



Harpist Michael Oshiver, son of Joseph Oshiver and the late "Teddy"

Oshiver, will entertain us. Michael has performed, recorded or produced for Bob Hope, Dizzy Gillespie, Dave Brubeck and many more. In keeping with this year's Women's League for Conservative Judaism's Torah Fund theme, Mishpachah, the musical program will be songs inspired by family.

The cost of the luncheon is \$19 plus a minimum \$10 donation to Torah Fund, if a pledge has not already been made. Please donate by March 21 in order to be included in the program.

Co-Chairs for the event are Barbara M. Katz and Gloria Sher. Invitations have been mailed and reservations are to be sent to Staci Kahn by April 1. Complimentary child care will be available. All congregants are invited. For more information about the luncheon, contact Barbara at musictrek@aol.com, 913-649-0094; for the Torah Fund campaign, contact Gloria at gloriasher1205@gmail.com, 913-499-8260.

Polsky Religious School (PRS)

Hazzan Tahl Ben-Yehuda, Director of Congregational Learning | hazzantby@bethshalomkc.org

Shalom! There is a custom to welcome Adar with joy and song as this is the month of our miraculous survival in that ancient city of Shushan against the evil Haman. CBS will be ringing with song as we celebrate Shabbat and Purim with children throughout the month! Here are some of the upcoming programs for families with children at Beth Shalom:

Shabbat, March 1 – Tot Shabbat and Shabbat Kid's Club 11:00 – 11:45 am

Friday Night, March 7 – Third grade hosted Kabbalat Shabbat service 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 9 – Purim Carnival 11:30 am

Wednesday, March 12 – Polsky Reli-

gious School spring break begins

Saturday, March 15 – Megillah reading after evening services/Havdallah

Sunday, March 16 – Megillah reading and program for families with young children

Wednesday, March 26 – Polsky Religious School resumes

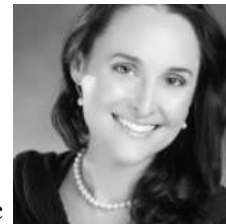
Friday night, April 4 – First and Second grade hosted Kabbalat Shabbat service 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 6 – third grade family Pesach program

Sixth grade tallit and tefillin program 9:30 am– noon

Last month I had the honor to attend the Jewish Educators' Assembly conference in Atlanta, GA.

At the conference, we discussed the changing needs and learning styles of the 21st century learner, and how the needs of the family and indeed, the Jewish community have also changed. Please look to the weekly parent communications and the synagogue eblast for invitations to come begin a conversation about how our own Polsky Religious School might change to meet the needs of our children.



Third Grade Shabbat March 7

The next grade-level “hosted” Shabbat will take place on Friday evening, March 7 at 6 pm. Third grade students from both the Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy and the Polsky Religious School will lead vari-



ous parts of the service which will be followed by an Oneg Shabbat. If you

have a third grader who would like to participate in services, contact Jill in the school office at 913-647-7286. Watch your mailings for information on the final “hosted” Shabbat of the school year, which will take place on Friday, April 4, and will feature our first and second graders.

Friday Night Lights- Final One of School Year

The final Friday Night Lights for this school year will be on April 4, 6 pm in Goldsmith Hall. The evening begins with a short “kid-friendly” Shabbat service lead by Rabbi Glickman and Bridey Stangler on guitar and is followed by a delicious kosher meal catered by Cathy Levin and Kosher Connection. The evening culminates with an entertaining and special interactive family program. This evening is open to young families, friends, grandparents and special

people who want to come together to celebrate a fun Shabbat with other young families in the community. Cost to attend the Friday Night Lights event is \$25 per family of 5 (including 2 adults) or \$8 per adult and \$5 per child older than eighteen months. For more information and to RSVP, contact Deah Rubin in the preschool office at drubin@bethshalomkc.org or call (913) 647-7285.

Shabbat Kids Club



Join us March 1 at 11 am!

If you have kids ages birth-Pre-K, please join us with your children for TOT SHABBAT with MISS BRIDEY.

If you have kids in grades K-3, please join us for SHABBAT KID'S CLUB: A learning service with tefillot led by HAZZAN BEN-YEHUDA and Parshah of the week and story time led by LEE ALBEE. Parents are welcome!

Both services will begin at 11 am with breakfast and will conclude with a special Kiddush sponsored by Katie and Ryan Zeldin and Gina and Yoni Cohen.



CELEBRATING LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

[Submit your B'nei Mitzvah announcements to be published.](#)

Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

Natalie Caitlin Bell

March 22 / 20 Adar II



Natalie's parents are Sheri and Brian Bell, and her grandparents are Judy Bell and the late Martin Bell, Ralph Horowitz, Connecticut and Janice Levy of Texas. She attends Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy. Her siblings are Jacob and Madeline Bell. Natalie's activities include

basketball, cross-country, soccer, reading and taking care of her dogs, fish and turtle. Her Bat Mitzvah project is the Food Pantry gleaning with the YMCA.

Friends and family are invited to worship with the family and attend the Kiddush luncheon following services.

Alina Miriam Bell

March 22 / 20 Adar II



Alina's mother is Stacey Bell. Her grandmother is Judy Bell and the late Martin Bell. She attends Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy. Alina likes sports including basketball, cross-country, volleyball and dance. Her Bat Mitzvah project included gleaning produce at nearby farms for local food pantries, delivering food for the JFS Food pantry, visiting Village Shalom residents and through Ma'asim Tovim, going to elementary schools to read to underprivileged children.

Friends and family are invited to worship with the family and attend the Kiddush luncheon following services.

Hunter Jackson Langer

April 5 / 5 Nisan



Hunter's parents are Linda and Stewart Langer. Grandparents are Herbert and Shirley Langer of Florida and James and Patricia Rahija. His siblings are Greyson and Claire. Hunter attends

Lakeview Middle School and enjoys chess, swimming and Boy Scouts. For his Bar Mitzvah project, he volunteers at Parkville Animal Shelter walking dogs and cleaning animal habitats.

Friends and family are invited to worship with the family and attend the Kiddush luncheon following services.

USY March Programs:

March 5, 26—Wednesday Night Programs

March 8—KCUSY and Kadima Purim Carnival Set-up

March 9—Purim Carnival

March 14—KCUSY Kabbalat Shabbat at Village Shalom

CELEBRATING LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

Ecclesiastes 3:1



March Anniversaries

March Anniversaries will be honored during services on Shabbat morning, March 15. April Anniversaries will be honored on April 19. To sponsor a Kiddush, contact Jill, 913-647-7286.

Day	Years
6 Alan & Allison Myers	31
6 Allen & Linda Schick	48
11 Norman & Alison Heisler	30
11 Harold & Linda House	41
13 Sol & Nora Dubin	38
14 Josh & Laura Galler	10
15 Geoff & Ann Holmes	12
18 Mike & Gay Handler	25
19 Steve & Jennifer Paul	20
21 Don & Betty Kopin	63
23 Alan & Eleanor Hoffmann	45
23 Neal & Dana Schwartz	18
24 Jerry & Sandra Fogel	13
24 Maury & Ellen Soltz	46
25 Bruce & Devra Lerner	36
26 John Goldberg & Marla Brockman	25
26 Ted & Pamela Glickman	14
27 Bradley & Jennifer Jerwick	10
28 Jeff & Jamie Wordsworth	21
29 Craig & Amy Both	22
31 Dee & Joyce Pack	29

Mazal Tov to...

[Submit your Mazal Tov to be published](#)

Melvin and Elaine Glazer upon the birth of their granddaughter, Harper Mackenzie Glazer. Harper's parents are Ruben and Stacey Glazer of Potomac, MD. The maternal grandparents are Tom and Claire Vandewart of Roslyn, NY. Harper's siblings are Tye and Cooper Glazer.

Emily and Andrew Kerstein, upon the birth of their daughter, Beatrice. Siblings are Jonathan and Samuel.

Dr. Meredith Levine upon the birth of her son, Cory Spencer Levine. Grandparents are **Elaine and Terry Levine**.

Howard and Gayle Ranen upon the birth of their twin grandchildren, Wesley and Vivienne Ranen, on December 9. Parents are Dr. Richard and Lauren Ranen, Dallas, Texas.

Julye Rose, upon receiving the Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy's John Weil Uhlmann Young Leadership Award.

Grant Sander, son of **Linda and Jeff Sander**, who has been named a National Merit Scholarship Finalist.

Bernard and Ella Ullman upon the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Chloe Isabella Ullman in Tucson, Arizona.

The Kiddush in honor of Bill Kaiser has been postponed.

Sponsor a Kiddush



A wonderful and significant way to commemorate a simchah, honor a friend or relative or memorialize a loved one is to sponsor a Kiddush Luncheon. Contact Martha Hoffman, 913-647-7283, or email mhoffman@bethshalomkc.org to sponsor a Kiddush.

Of Blessed Memory

We express condolences to our Beth Shalom Members, their Families and Friends.

Harry Gallas, z"l, February 10/10 Adar
Solomon Burstein, z"l, February 14/14 Adar

Dorothy Tonkens, z"l, February 18/18 Adar
Shirley E. Steinberg, z"l, February 18/18 Adar

Yahrtzeits

Join us for morning or evening minyan to say Kaddish for your loved one. See service schedule, page 11.

29 Adar I-Mar 1

Jack Brams
Harry Chaikin
Sophie Fein
Dora Fox
Rea L. Fried
Esther Galitzky
Sidney Ryweck
Ethel Silberman
Jacob Singer
Anne Singer
Fannie Sloan
William Sosnow
Rose B. Weiss

30 Adar I-Mar 2

Rose Broudy
Maynard Gordon
Minnie Markowitz
Simons

1 Adar II-Mar 3

Minnie Skoler
Harry Lewis Small

2 Adar II-Mar 4

Louis Peltzman
3 Adar II-Mar 5
Slava Kantor
Joseph Kopin
Ben Mays
Ann Radetsky Toltz
4 Adar II-Mar 6
Edna Fisher
Sophie Gordon

5 Adar II-Mar 7

Solomon S. Chambers
Rose Frohlichman
Minnie Harris
Charles Lewin
Isadore Nathanson

6 Adar II-Mar 8

David M. Ginsberg
Hershel Goodman
Anna Pelzerman

7 Adar II-Mar 9

Robert L. Hoffman
Sheldon Sandler
Samuel Tranin

8 Adar II-Mar 10

Sophie S. Levin
Hannah Markowitz
Mollie Samuelson
Morris Shlensky

9 Adar II-Mar 11

Esther Litman

10 Adar II-Mar 12

Rudy Baruch
Marga Joseph
Annie Levin
Frieda Potashner

11 Adar II-Mar 13

Rose Agron
David Stanley
Hochberg

Jacob H. Levine

Henrietta Navran

12 Adar II-Mar 14

Sol Blum
Marilyn Bressel
Benjamin Deitchman
Sam Goldberg
Alice Goldsmith
Avrohom Laib
Kuzecki
Rachel Lieberman

13 Adar II-Mar 15

Fannie Epstein

14 Adar II-Mar 16

Leo Blonsky
David Litwack
Myer C. Shapiro

15 Adar II-Mar 17

Sol Fox

16 Adar II-Mar 18

Samuel Baron
Sidney Berman
Annie Bobrecker
Morris Dobrowski
Anna Glazer
Alexander Mallon
Nancy Lynn Singer
Stanley Yukon

17 Adar II-Mar 19

Louis Horowitz

18 Adar II-Mar 20

Bess Kopin
Isadore Shafton

19 Adar II-Mar 21

Morris P Gordon
Tillie Schneider

20 Adar II-Mar 22

Emanuel Copeland
Sol Junsberg
Mollie Shapiro

Harry Shefrin

Morley Steinberg

21 Adar II-Mar 23

Issie Bernbaum
Mary Brenner

22 Adar II-Mar 24

Yetta L. Ginsberg

23 Adar II-Mar 25

Ben Bloustine
Harry Krantz
Adolph Loeffler

24 Adar II-Mar 26

Mary Goller
Melvin Z. Hoffman
Max Morris
Harry Ritmaster
Will Swerdloff

25 Adar II-Mar 27

Albert Bernard Lipsey
Rosa Pfeffer
Chiel White

26 Adar II-Mar 28

Nathan Becker
Arthur Brand
Henry Greenbaum
Nathan Gumowitz
Gertrude Killmnick
Morris Lerner
Lena Lichtiger
Eugene L Novorr
Edythe Trillin

27 Adar II-Mar 29

Ella Bassin
Ezra Kowalsky

28 Adar II-Mar 30

Max Stein

29 Adar II-Mar 31

Anna Rose Peltzman
Helen Rudner
Marie Traxler

CyberBullying Presentation



A Banishing Bullying Behavior Workshop will be held on March 19 from 10 to 11:30 am in the Conference Room. Randy Wiler, of the Leawood Police Department and Director of the Kansas Bullying Prevention Project, will give a presentation with a specific focus on Cyber-Bullying. All who are interested are invited.

Confirmation Trip

The 10th grade Confirmation class is gearing up for our big trip to New York City from March 20 through 23! We plan to experience New York on several levels. We'll be staying at a Youth Hostel on the Upper West Side, not far from Columbia and The Jewish Theological Seminary, and we'll be touring both schools with alumni as well as current students. We'll sample the amazing kosher food on the Upper West Side and spend a Shabbat at B'nai Jeshurun and Sha'are Tzedek, two historic and beautiful Conservative congregations on the Upper West Side. During the days we are in New York, we will also take in a Broadway show, tour the Lower East Side and the Tenement Museum, cruise the Hudson River to see the

Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, visit the memorial at Ground Zero and spend a little time in Times Square and on Fifth Avenue. We will visit the Museum of Modern Art and possibly also the American Museum of Natural History. This will be a memorable trip for both the Jewish and the purely New York experiences, sharing highlights at the Confirmation service on Shabbat morning, April 26.

If your child is in ninth grade this year, Hazzan Ben-Yehuda will be contacting you before the end of the school year to begin to plan YOUR child's Confirmation class trip! This trip is for ALL of Beth Shalom's 10th graders, regardless of where they attend school.



Welcome the spring by planting the seeds of Jewish Learning!

Do you want to learn about Kabbalah from Jewish mystical texts? Rabbi Elchanan Shulgasser will teach this ten-week course. *Mysticism and Kaballah: Secret Knowledge in Judaism* is for students who have completed the Melton Core Curriculum or comparable material. The class begins March 17th at the JCC on Monday evenings. Registration is \$180.

Melton's Foundations of Jewish Family Living can help you reinforce Jewish values with your little ones. You'll learn about meaningful books and videos and share experiences. Part One of this 20-week course will be in two settings: Tuesday mornings at The New Reform Temple with Rabbi Alan Londy, beginning March 18th; and Wednesday evenings at the JCC with HBHA School Psychologist Ayala Rockoff, beginning March 19th. (Part Two is set for next fall.) Registration is \$250. For information or to enroll, contact Henri Goettel at hgoettel@publicnetworking.org.

Congregations feed the hungry for Passover

Jewish Family Services, in partnership with the Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City, is teaming up with area congregations in response to the ever-growing need for food assistance in Kansas City. In preparation for Passover, our Congregation has chosen to collect donations of baking ingredients such as cake mixes, cake meal, potato starch, etc. Packaged items should be labeled "Kosher for Passover". These items will provide food for Pesach to more than 140 households in our community.

Please drop off your food donations in the specially labeled collection barrels in our building through March 30; items will be picked up and distributed through the JFS Holiday Project prior to the start of Passover (which begins Monday evening, April 14). If you have any questions, please contact elvine@bethshalomkc.org.

For information regarding the JFS Food Pantry, or to become a JFS Food Pantry recipient, volunteer, or donor, call 913-327-8250.



Community Second Night of Passover Seder

A contemporary community second night of Passover Seder experience will be offered on Tuesday, April 15 at CBS at 6:30 p.m. The Seder is an opportunity for family and friends to come together as a community for the telling of the Passover story.

This year's Seder experience will focus on modern day slavery and include traditions and customs of the Passover Seder using a special Haggadah from the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism. Through engaging stories, song and interactive discussion, we will retell the story of our people's journey from slavery to freedom and remember those around the world who struggle with injustice every day.

The Seder will be led by Rabbis David Glickman, Arthur Nemitoff, Scott White and Cantors Tahl Ben-Yehuda and Sharon Kohn. A traditional kosher-for-Passover Seder meal will be prepared under supervision of the Vaad Hakashrut of Kansas City and served under the supervision of Rabbi David Glickman.

The community Seder is sponsored by the Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City, Jewish Family Services, and the Community Legacy Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City and supported by congregations.

Advance reservations are mandatory and must be received by Monday, April 7; fees increase after that date.

Registration is available online at www.kcrabbis.org. For information or to inquire about confidential financial assistance, contact Annette Fish, Administrator/Program Director, Rabbinical Association by email, afprogram@aol.com or call 913-327-4622.



Congregational-Wide Events - See each department for their activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Tot Shabbat Shabbat Kid's Club 5:54 Shabbat Shalom 6:54 Havdalah ShavuaH Tov! 29 Adar I
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Candle Lighting Blessing

ברוך אתה ה' אלקינו מלך העולם אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו להדליק נר של שבת.

Barukh ata Adonai Eloheinu melekh ha'olam, asher kiddeshanu b'mitzvotav vetzivanu lehadlik ner shel Shabbat.

March Service Schedule

Weekdays

Village Shalom

Minchah:

Sunday-Thursday
6 pm

Shacharit:

Monday-Friday
7 am

Shabbat CBS

Kabbalat Shabbat: **Friday 6:00 pm**

Main Service: **Saturday 9:30 am**

Library Minyan: **Saturday 9:30 am**

Minchah: **Mar. 1 5:54 pm**

Minchah: **Mar. 8 6:01 pm**

Minchah: **Mar. 15 7:08 pm**

Minchah: **Mar. 22 7:15 pm**

Minchah: **Mar. 29 7:22 pm**

Shacharit: **Sunday 8:30 am**



Shabbat Services and Sunday morning Shacharit will be held at CBS, 14200 Lamar. Weekday Minyan will be held at Appleman Synagogue, Village Shalom, 5500 W. 123rd St.



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Looking Ahead:

Scroll Deadline:
April 4 for May
May 5 for June

Pesach
April 14-22

Confirmation
April 26

Congregational Celebration
 Installation Brunch June 22

Office Hours:
 Monday - Thursday 8:30 am-5 pm
 Friday 8:30 am-3 pm
Closed on Federal Holidays

Mt. Carmel Cemetery Hours:
 Monday, Wednesday 8 am-4 pm
 Tuesday, Thursday Closed
 Saturday Closed
 Friday & Sunday 8 am-4 pm
 National Holidays 9 am-4 pm
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 Sunday 10 am-noon
 Mon., Tues., Thurs.: 10 am-2:30 pm
 Wed. 10 am-6 pm
 Friday 10 am-noon
913-647-7298

Adult Ed Ops

Locavort—March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
 Peltzman—March 6, 27
 Downtown Talmud Jam—March 12
 Learning in Leawood—March 12, 19, 26
 Munch and Melton—March 13, 20, 27
 Parashat Hashavua—March 15, details, see page 2.



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