We practice radical hospitality!

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Matisyahu

June 2 at CSH

Save the Date
Rabbi Michael Ragozin

The Future of Shirat Hayam

Vision without action is a dream; action without vision is a nightmare.
— Japanese Proverb

In its first 10 years Shirat Hayam brought a new vitality and spirit to Jewish life on the North Shore. Here is my vision for our next chapter.

3 Profound Changes in American Synagogues

Over the past ½ century, there have been profound changes in 1) who joins synagogues, 2) why people join synagogues and 3) how we experience Judaism. First, in terms of synagogue membership, in 1960 sixty percent of Jewish adults belonged to a synagogue. By 2013, the affiliation rate had dropped to thirty-one percent. Rather than lament declining synagogue membership, I see the unaffiliated, but proudly Jewish, sixty-nine percent as an enormous opportunity. Successful 21st Century synagogues will be relevant to the unaffiliated, engage them and garner their support.

Second, in the 1960s people joined synagogues out of a sense of belonging, to affirm their place among the Jewish people. Participation in Shabbat and programs mattered less than simply demonstrating one’s affiliation. While a significant percentage of our membership retains this motivation for membership, new members are seeking meaning. They want their spirit to be touched. They join because they find blessing and joy, purpose and cadence at Shirat Hayam.

Third, in the past Judaism emphasized an all-powerful G-d who lived in the heavens, and the community was bound by its mutual pursuit of G-d’s will (mitzvot) whose observance determined the fate of the community. This translated to awe-inspiring synagogue architecture with towering rabbinic authorities at the center of the community. Today, we find G-d in the “hello” from a stranger, a caring call from a friend, or an invitation to eat Kiddush lunch with strangers. G-d is found in human relationships and our Jewish lives revolve around interpersonal connections.

How do we respond to these three profound changes in American Jewish life?

The Next Chapter – Part 1: Strengthening our Strengths

The two core components that make Shirat Hayam a special community and should be strengthened are 1) Radical Hospitality and 2) Shabbat Synaplex. First, we practice Radical Hospitality. On one level, we greet strangers warmly, inviting them into our experiences and making sure they have a seat with us for lunch. On another level, Radical Hospitality is a non-judgmental Judaism that says: rather than leave your neshama (soul), the fullness of your being at the door and fit into a prescribed Jewish box, we invite you, with your whole self, to enter our doors, believing that your unique neshama will enrich our community. Radical Hospitality 2.0 will launch with an inclusion initiative headed by Amanda Clayman.

Second, one way we actualize Radical Hospitality is through the Shabbat Synaplex experience. By giving people choices – Renewal or Traditional, Torah Service, Nosh & Drash, or Yoga, and the Shabbat Café for coffee, donuts and schmooze throughout the morning, all capped by an exquisite spread for Kiddush lunch – we honor the diversity of Jewish expression and recognize that Shabbat should offer us spiritual fulfillment. While continuous modifications will keep Synaplex fresh, our next phase is primarily operational: finding ways to attract new participants and deepen the experience of current participants.

The Next Chapter – Part 2: New Directions for Spiritual Engagement

I believe in leading through partnership. From my arrival in July through the first week of December, congregants graciously hosted 14 Meet and Greets, attended by 199 people. At these Meet and Greets I asked: Imagine Shirat Hayam in three years. What do you want to see? What are your hopes and dreams for our

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As you may or may not know, running a synagogue costs a great deal of money. From paying employees and taking care of the building to running programs that engage our members and those beyond the walls of our congregation.

For the past few years, the board and the staff of CSH have been working to develop methods to raise funds so that we can keep doing the inspiring work we do. We have attempted various methods for building a recurring revenue stream, none of which have proven fruitful, but there is one that we have not yet tried and are certain will be a success.

When the board, clergy and staff examined our synagogue programming in conjunction with several highly regarded consultants, we realized that our most successful program is Farm Day. In the words of Olympic gold medalist Mia Hamm, “Success breeds success.” Therefore, in order to focus on our successes, we are going to turn our entire grounds into a working farm!

On the Congregation Shirat Hayam farm, we will grow our own vegetables, and we will raise chickens, cows and llamas. The farm is expected to lower our costs greatly. For example, our Shabbat Café expenditures will decrease from approximately $2,000 per Shabbat to $150. What a savings! How do we calculate this new low price? Well, I won’t bore you with all of the details, but let’s say that we will not have to purchase any vegetables, as they will all come from the garden. We will also not have to purchase eggs for our egg salad; our projection is that the chickens will lay approximately 100 eggs per week.

Finally, our other major expense for our Shabbat Café is the yogurt, and that will also be free, thanks to our cows. We will have to hire two more employees to make the yogurt, but I assure you, it will be worth the investment.

What does this farm idea have to do with music? After doing extensive research, we discovered that while a regular farm brings in approximately $3,000 each month, a musical farm brings in almost double that amount. Studies show that plants and animals that are sung to, produce twice as much as they would under normal circumstances. So in order to ensure that our CSH farm will be as fruitful as possible, I will be in the farm from 9am-noon daily, rain or shine. Come join me!

Did I mention it’s Adar? You know what that means... it’s PURIM time!! Have some fun with us on March 23rd as we laugh and celebrate Purim and all its silliness together!

Cantor Elana

Purim!
March 23rd at CSH!

See Page 27!
When I first became involved in the leadership of CSH, it was not always clear how things got done, who was responsible for what, and especially who had the final say when it came to sensitive or difficult issues. The image of the famous Abbott and Costello baseball sketch where the two of them talk in similar but frustratingly and hysterically funny ways about the same thing, but without a common language, came to mind more than once during those times and many of us realized that we needed to take steps to address this.

One of our board priorities for this year has been to address board process in order to make some changes in this area. As I see it, only by empowering and strengthening the Board can we be assured of a strong organization that has staying power and the ability to develop a strategic vision to direct our future. We have put in place ground rules for our board meetings, plans for strategic discussions at each meeting, invite committee chairs and clergy to present their perspectives to us and try (not always successfully) to start and end on time. I am pleased to say that overall we have made good progress with this initiative.

Another key area has been to recruit and put in place an Executive Director to serve as the Board’s operational arm. With an organization as large, complex and ambitious as ours (when all full- and part-time employees are taken into account, we have a staff of 77!) there is no way our lay leadership could adequately or efficiently manage things and support our wonderful and hard-working staff in the way they deserve. I was told once that there is no conservative synagogue of our size in the country that does not have an Executive Director in place.

I am more than pleased to welcome Diane Levin as our new Executive Director. She has already jumped into the position with her usual level of energy, passion and expertise, and I look forward to her helping us stabilize and grow our special congregation.

I can hardly wait to see what’s on second….

*L’shalom,

Howie
As I write this, a snowstorm blusters outside my window. As you read this, I hope that the snows of February will have yielded to the promise of spring March holds. Transitioning from my role as congregant and synagogue board member into my new role as Executive Director, I feel particularly mindful of the passage of seasons and the hoped-for changes that time and human hands can create.

Each Shabbat we read a prayer from Siddur Sim Shalom, “A prayer for those who serve the community”. The English translation asks for a blessing for the whole congregation. It blesses synagogue founders and blesses the work of the many hands that contribute in so many ways, whether by funds or their talents and energy. The prayer invites us to consider our congregation and all it means to be a congregation – not simply the congregants themselves who are of course important and beloved, but our congregants’ children and families; and not simply our congregation, but all holy congregations throughout the world. It spurs us to think beyond our own North Shore town, past the eastern horizon, and to bless those who work on behalf of our spiritual home, Eretz Yisrael. Like a tallit on the artist’s loom, the prayer weaves us together, Jews everywhere together with those we love. “May all their worthy endeavors prosper”, the prayer concludes.

Serving in this succession of roles has allowed me to see first-hand the hands, large and small, that have built and sustained our congregation – the congregants, lay leaders, inspiring clergy and dedicated staff – who have created something unique and uplifting, an exemplar for other congregations to emulate and aspire to. Indeed, your own examples of passion, commitment and creativity have inspired and moved me from the first day my husband and I walked through the doors (which today are beautiful, transparent, inviting glass, thanks to the Groipens!). It is an honor to continue to work alongside you.

I look forward in the days and weeks ahead to working in sacred partnership with you all, and to have conversations with you, fellow members of the Congregation Shirat Hayam family. My email address is diane@shirathayam.org. Please let me know what’s on your mind, or whether there is a way for us to engage your hands – and hearts. As the prayer says, “May all your worthy endeavors prosper”, and may you and all you love be blessed.

Kol tov,
Diane
The snow has arrived and although the groundhog has predicted an early spring, it appears we have some winter to get through first. The time is flying by and we are having fun at the newly-named Shirat Hayam Center for Early Education.

It has been amazing watching infants turn into toddlers and toddlers move into preschool classes. There is so much growth in our little corner of CSH. There is joy as children celebrate Shabbat each week singing with Rabbi Michael, Cantor Elana and Marcy. Walking down the hallways at snack time you can hear the children sing hamotzi. They are reading their names, singing the alphabet, counting teddy bears and painting snow. There is creative play with dress-up and food preparations in our play kitchens that would rival any 5 star restaurants in their complexity and uniqueness. This is a Leap Year and we will be celebrating the leap day with gusto. We are planning long jumps and high jumps for the children and parents to try. We will all be wearing green, the color of the leaping lizards and frogs. Festivities like this will probably not be seen again for another 4 years.

Registration for the next school year is in full swing and we are planning a fun and very different summer camp. We are revamping our website, so take a look at what is happening at the Center for Early Education.

Hillary

Preschool and Daycare Program

- **INFANTS** ~ from 3 months and up.
- **MAGIC MOMENTS** ~ a group for children 6 months to 2 years, 9 months, and their “favorite” adult. An “introduction” to Preschool.
- **TODDLER MOMENTS** ~ a program for toddlers 17 months and up.
- **PRESCHOOL** ~ classes for 3-, 4-, and 5-year-olds and Pre-K.
- **EXTENDED PRESCHOOL DAY** with specialized themed activities, including science, baking, music, dance and languages.

*Congregation membership is not required to enroll your child in the Preschool/Daycare.*

*For more information about CSH Center for Early Education, call: 781.598.3311 or email: Hillary@ShiratHayam.org*
Center for Jewish Education

Cheryl Schwartz and Beth Tassinari, Co-Directors
B'ruchim HaBaim ~ 

Welcome to the newest members of the Shirat Hayam family:

Aimee Stashak-Moore and David Moore
Lucian and Harlan

Ma Nish’mah? What’s Happening?

Where are you? I’m writing this following Rabbi Michael’s Town Hall Meeting. I heard many comments that Chesed needs to do more to reach out to people. I’d like you all to know that Chesed Committee members stand by ready, willing and able to help – but they need your help to get help where it’s needed most. We want to help - that’s what your synagogue is here for. Let us know if you’re ill or injured or in need of some help, so Chesed can give you the support you and your family need. I know that it can be hard to ask for help - sometimes, we find out that someone needs help but when we call we’re told they’re all set, as if people are fearful of inconveniencing others. You’re depriving us of the joy of doing a mitzvah for a member of our Shirat Hayam family!

We do want to offer reassurance about privacy. First and foremost, confidentiality is an absolute priority for us. Besides the obvious HIPAA laws, we as a staff would never betray your trust. If you give us permission to contact Chesed on your behalf, we will be delighted to assist. If we don’t even know you’re in need, please don’t assume that because you told someone who is a member here, that they relayed the information to us.

Help us help you! Nancy Sarles, our Chesed Chairperson, has generously shared her contact information. It is published in every Wave (see page 14) and in the weekly Shabbat handout. If Nancy is away, she lines up a backup plan... just in case Chesed is needed. And you can always contact the clergy, Barri or me.

What does Chesed do? Here’s the short list of what they can try to make happen for you:

Provide a meal, visit in the hospital or at home, stay at a family home during a funeral and help set up a shiva meal, check in on senior members who live alone, run an errand... the list goes on.

We WANT to help. We NEED YOUR HELP!! If someone tells you about an illness, injury or need, let them know that you would like to contact Shirat Hayam to put them on the misheberach list at the very least. Then, the clergy can call or visit, we can offer Chesed, in short - WE CAN HELP.

The committee is called Chesed. It could be called Mitzvah. Do a mitzvah. Help us help you and our congregational family.

And by the way - we love to hear the good news too so we can share your joy. Let us post it in Family Announcements to spread the news.

When Philip and I were married, Rabbi Shanblatt z”l told us that joy shared is twice the joy and sorrow shared is half the sorrow. We’ve carried his words with us for 29 years. Please share with your CSH family. We’re here for you.

L’hitraot,

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L’hitraot,

Marla
The Wave

Events & Facility

Barri Stein, Director

One of my greatest joys in working here at CSH is getting to know our families when helping them create wonderful memories. I wish I could bottle the joy and exhilaration that is palatable at the end of the Shabbat service that their simcha was part of. Their overwhelming sense of pride and satisfaction of experiencing closure of so many months of planning and anticipation. Sometimes, people can’t envision the end result and understand the joy they and their family will experience no matter how many times others try to explain it. The trend I’m seeing lately while working with b’nei mitzvah families is the stress, burden or even displeasure at having to plan this milestone event. I’m not really sure where this displeasure originates from, although it can be a multitude of areas: fighting with their child to study, juggling tutoring lessons with an already busy schedule, anticipating their child writing a D’var Torah, spending money they don’t have, having to keep up with the “Jones-bergs,” who to invite or who thinks they should be invited, and/or all the little details that go into creating this “simcha”. The “simcha” part seems to have disappeared.

Please remember we are here to help you and guide you. Try to stay focused on what’s really important, your family. Try not to get bogged down with the details - that’s what we’re here for. We ALL want whatever simcha (or life cycle event) you are planning to be a memorable one where you can look back and say, “Wow, that was amazing. I don’t know why I let myself worry/stress so much.” All of us at CSH look forward to getting to know you and making your time here an enjoyable one as you plan your event.

Barri

Kvelling... Family Announcements

Phyllis Sagan was named the Business Woman of the Year by the Lynn Area Chamber of Commerce
Gail and Jerry Gerson’s grandson, Bailey Gerson, became a bar mitzvah
Liam Conley, son of Toby Lew Conley and Sean Conley, became a bar mitzvah
Marilyn and Sonny Stoll celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary
Ruth and Eric Kahn celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary
Bowen Kerins won the State Pinball Championship
Susan and Larry Goldberg’s son, Benjamin, is engaged to Robin Soule
Lois and Jerry Ogan’s grandson, Brian Fendell, is engaged to Naomi Smith
Lynette and Joe Simons have a new son, Daniel. Big siblings are Lily, Hannah and Isaac!

Send us your simchas! We can publish your pictures. New baby, new home, engagement, marriage, anniversary, special birthday, new dog, cat, fish.... you get the idea! Share your joy with your CSH family... let’s kvell together!

Send your information (photo optional) to: Marla@shirathayam.org.

If you would like to have a card sent to any of the families listed above in honor of their life cycle events, you may make donations online at: www.shirathayam.org or mail your check (minimum $10) payable to CSH, 55 Atlantic Avenue, Swampscott, MA 01907, listing the occasion you are honoring and how you prefer to have the card signed.
**Shabbat Experience @ CSH**

**Babysitting**
Ages up to 4  
*Downstairs Playroom*
An adult must remain in the building.  
**9:00 -11:50 am, weekly**
*Babysitting is provided at no charge so that parents may attend services.*

**Limud Shabbat**
*Kids’ CJE Experience*
**Center for Jewish Education**  
*Ages 4* and up  
**9:00 - noon weekly**
*Preschool Limud Shabbat is free and open to the community. Registration required.*

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**Traditional and Alternative Service Schedule for Synaplex™**

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Concluding prayers and Kiddush/Motzi

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**Community Shabbat Café at noon**
Attire is casual.
*We practice radical hospitality.*
The Wave

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Alternative Service Information

**Early Mystic Minyan - 8:45 am weekly**

As it says in the Mishnah, the early mystics would gather together and sit for an hour before even attempting to formally engage in prayer. So too at CSH we offer the Early Mystic Minyan as an option for practitioners of meditation to come and sit as we begin to open up the space of our Sanctuary on Shabbat and of our hearts in the early quiet hours before the crowds arrive. It is a time to gather one’s self and one’s thoughts together through individual prayer without words, while Native American flute music is played.

**Renewal Minyan - 8:45 - 9:50 am weekly**

The Renewal Minyan is an attempted synthesis of keva – the traditional structure of tefillah (Jewish prayers) with kavanah – spiritual depth within the prayer itself. During the Renewal Minyan we are committed to traversing the Shabbat morning tefillot structure (Birkot HaShachar, P’sukei D’Zimrah, Shachrit), but not necessarily davening (praying) each and every prayer along the way. Our aim, again, is to strike a balance between breadth and depth, and within a one-hour period that is a fine balance, to be sure.

**Traditional Minyan: Traditional Prayers 9:00 am weekly**

The great thing about being Jewish is to be part of a tradition that is thousands of years old! But if you can’t read Hebrew, don’t know the words, or maybe can’t carry a tune, tradition can feel a little daunting. Come and join us in a safe, welcoming space to discover the beauty of traditional Jewish liturgy, prayer and song in a user-friendly format.

**Yoga Minyan - 10:00 am weekly**

A full-body Shabbat experience. Yoga Minyan incorporates yoga practice with a Shabbat theme.

**Nosh & Drash - 10:00 am weekly**

Grab a cup of coffee and a nosh at the Boker Tov Café, and join the guest scholar for a Torah-based Shabbat learning experience.

**Magic Minyan - 10:45 - 11:30 am**

Musical Shabbat programs for the littlest ones and their grown-ups. Magic Minyan with Marcy (Preschool age and under) - April 2 and May 14

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**Alternative Service Information**

**Nosh & Drash**

Pick up your “nosh” at the Boker Tov Café and enjoy a Torah study session in the Social Hall

March
5, 12, 26 - Noam Sender;
19 - Dr. Harvey Zarren

**Service Schedule**

**Daily Minyan**

Monday - Friday mornings: 7:30 am
Monday - Thursday evenings: 7:00 pm
Sundays - 9:00 am and 6:00 pm

**Shabbat**

Friday evenings: 6:00 pm
Saturday mornings begin at 8:45 am (see Synaplex schedule)

**Candle Lighting**

March
4 - 5:20
11 - 5:28
18 - 6:36
25 - 6:44
Temple Israel and Temple Beth El Sections for Jewish families
Temple Israel and Temple Beth El Interfaith* Sections

*One person must be of Jewish faith

CSH members and their immediate family members - $800 per grave
Non-member - $2,000 per grave

Includes perpetual care (installation of shrubs and stone maintenance additional)
Reseeding/maintenance fee of $250 is waived when deceased is a member in good standing of CSH

Single (limited), two, four, six, and eight grave plots available

For more information or for additional help in making this very important decision, please contact Barri Stein at barri@shirathayam.org or 781.599.8005 ext. 11

Don’t leave this decision to your loved ones to make during a difficult time.
Map and site visits are available.
Shabbat Café Sponsors

Thank you to the following for co-sponsoring the Shabbat Café:

Tobi Lew Conley and Sean Conley in honor of their son, Liam, becoming a bar mitzvah
The Lev Initiative and generous donations to the Kiddush/Shabbat Café Fund

The Congregation Shirat Hayam Shabbat Café Fund helps support our Shabbat luncheons and commemorate a yahrzeit. For information about sponsoring or co-sponsoring a Shabbat Café, please contact Barri Stein at: Barri@ShiratHayam.org or 781.599.8005, Ext. 11.

Todah Rabah

Thank you to the following for participating in services

Torah Readers: Diane Levin, Liam Conley, Natalie White, Shelley Sackett
Haftarah Chanters: Diane Levin, Liam Conley, Howie Abrams, Andrea Katz

CALLING ALL TORAH AND HAFTORAH READERS

Alan Sidman, Spiritual Life Chair

One of the great strengths of Shirat Hayam is the strong participation of members in the various services. We are blessed to have lay leaders during the weekly minyanim. We also have a group of people who read Torah and chant Haftarot during the Shabbat morning service, and special holiday services. All of these folks, consider it an honor to perform these services. Happily, we lose some of these readers in the winter as many are snowbirds. Sadly, we lost some readers who have passed away. Joel Cohen z”l and Bob Milamed z”l were always available to chant Haftarah and read Torah. They will be missed.

I am looking for new people to join this cadre of Torah readers and Haftarah chanters. The Cantor and Rabbi would be happy to help you learn these wonderful skills. There are many in the group who would also help. I was asked many years ago to learn to chant Haftarah, and it has been a great joy of my life to be able to do so on a regular basis at Shirat Hayam.

Please do not hesitate to call the Rabbi, Cantor or me if you would like to discuss your interest in learning these skills. I guarantee you will not regret it.

Shalom,
Alan
Chesed Committee
Nancy Sarles, Chair

Shalom,

Please join our Chesed Committee to assist our congregation members at times, both urgent and ongoing, with the generous energy of our congregation.

Chesed is our opportunity to give and receive a helping hand. Please volunteer for as little as a few hours a year to care for the needs of our members.

Chesed “Reach Out” program is to assist in emergency situations with meals, rides, child care or Shiva. Chesed “Reach In” program is to address our members’ more ongoing needs such as a phone call, a visit, a meal, a ride to services, a new member buddy, new parent outreach, or simply being in touch and lending a helping hand.

I invite you to email me with your name, email address, and phone number where you can be called on to help.

As a Chesed Committee volunteer, there are no meetings. All communications are by email and phone, when needed.

Please call CSH if you have any needs we can help with.

With lovingkindness,

Nancy Sheena Sarles

nlsarles1@gmail.com - 781.631.6416

We need your help!

Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped with the Restock the Shelves program in February!

We need help packing and delivering food for our monthly food distributions. The North Shore distributions occur monthly on Sundays at Temple Sinai. This is a wonderful opportunity for you and your family to perform a true mitzvah. For further information, contact JF&CS’s Family Table Volunteer Coordinator, Lisa Katz, at: lkatz@jfcsboston.org

Our next food distribution is on Sunday, March 13th

- Set up 8:45-9:30 am
- Pack for Home Deliveries 9:30-10:00 am
- Clean up and Restock 10:15-11:30 am

Thank you for your continued support.

Bette Shoreman
The CSH clothing drive has become a steady source of income for Shirat Hayam while it benefits the community - local and globally. CSH is paid by the weight of the load, so those heavy shoes and drapes you want to get rid of... bring them over! (In addition to clothing and shoes in any condition, you may include decorative pillows, backpacks, purses, belts, hats, bed linens and stuffed animals... it’s not just clothing.

The clothing collection bin is the beginning of a journey into the world of Textile Recycling. The vast majority goes to the used clothing market that supplies affordable clothing, shoes, accessories and household linens to both domestic and developing nations. What cannot be used as wearable clothing is turned into industrial wiping rags. If the material is unsuitable for wiping rags, it gets ground up into tiny fibers that are used for insulation, soundproofing and stuffing. The clothing, shoes and accessories are going to the very same markets that all other charities and clothing collectors go to. The Massachusetts Secretary of Environmental Protection announced a public relations campaign to encourage people of Massachusetts to donate or recycle their clothing, shoes, household textiles and accessories.

So you see, none of it goes to waste. This program has a multi-tier benefit to us, our neighbors, and our global community. Thank you for contributing to its success. Please tell your friends that our bins are always open. Hopefully, spring cleaning is just around the corner. Remember CSH when cleaning out your closets!!

Thank you.
Condolences, Well Wishes & Donations

We mourn the passing of our member

Hyman Sogoloff
and extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends

Donations

RABBI MICHAEL’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
In memory of George Linsky
Wishes for a speedy recovery to Susan Goldberg
  by Marc and Beth Andler
In appreciation of Rabbi Ragozin’s help with Noah’s Bar Mitzvah
  by Melissa and Scott Kaplowitch
In honor of Marla and Phillip Gay’s daughter, Allison’s engagement
  by Leslie and Bob Ogan
In appreciation of Rabbi Ragozin
  by Marla Ariella Parisi
In memory of:
Father, Israel Arnold
  by Mark Arnold
CANTOR ELANA’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
In memory of Joel Cohen
  by the Stark Family; Laurel Dolan; Sara Ganz; Beverly A. Kahn
Get well wishes to Ann Segal
  by Marilyn and Sonny Stoll
In honor of my children and granddaughter
  by Madeline Stark
Get well wishes to Murray Goodman
  by the Stark family
In memory of Bob Milamed
  by the Stark family; Larry and Susan Goldberg; Beverly A. Kahn; Rhonda and David Preman
In memory of Ronnie Glick’s mother, Leona Klein Glick
  by Steve and Ethel Harris
In appreciation of Cantor Elana
  by Terry Berenson
In memory of George Linsky
  by Beverly, Larry, Risa Kahn
In memory of:
Grandmother, Fannie Siskind
Grandfather, Abraham Siskind
  by Beverly A. Kahn
CENTER FOR EARLY EDUCATION FUND
In honor of the birth of Mr. & Mrs. James Firestone’s grandson
  by Valerie and Alan Gilbert
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In memory of George Linsky
  by Jeffrey and Beth Kasten
In memory of Karen Ponchner’s father, Mario Ponchner
  by Vicki, Dan and Sam Klein
In honor of Esther Salinsky’s special birthday
  by Susan Wels and Irwin Rome
CHESED FUND
In appreciation of CSH
  by Elaine Millen

Condolences to:

Dorothy Forman on the loss of her son, Matthew Forman

Greg and Ilana Mogolesko on the loss of Greg’s grandmother, Etty Sender

Janet Weinstein-Zanger and Matt Zanger on the loss of Janet’s father, Sheldon Weinstein

Marion Garfinkel on the loss of her brother, Sumner Germain
GENERAL FUND

In memory of Joel Cohen
   by Diane and Bob Hart;
   Richard and Ellen Yorks; Kenneth
   and Deborah Hamberg; Rosalyn
   Kaplan; Nanci Rosenkrantz;
   Terry Glass; Robert and Juana
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   and David Jacobson; Barbara and
   Mark Glazer; Jeffrey Warhaft;
   Naomi and Seth Elkins; IP Team
   from New Albany, Ohio; Connie
   Kramer; Wendy Warren; Lori and
   Larry Groipen; Michele Sheerin;
   Marjie and Lou Surden; Ben and
   Jenn Silverman

In memory of George Linsky
   by Lois and Bobby Kaplan;
   Ellen and Barry Turkanis; Elise
   and Richard Rothbard; Ilana and
   Greg Mogolesko; Gerry and Gail
   Gerson; Howard and Phyllis
   Kaplan; Susan and William
   Lloyd; Joan and Michael Finn;
   Margie Shapiro

In honor of my mother, Frances
Mendelsohn’s, birthday
   by Alvah Parker

In memory of Bob Milamed
   by Anita and Bob Wellen;
   Alvah Parker and Frances
   Mendelsohn; Ann and Harvey
   Deerfield

In memory of Richard Wolff

In memory of Terry Berenson’s
mother, Dorothy Corben
   by Lori and Larry Groipen; the
   Andropoulos family

In appreciation of Congregation
 Shirat Hayam
   by Gitte Kushner; Alan Temkin

In honor of the naming of
Judi and Steve Simmons’
grandchildren
   by Julian and Meryl Rich

In memory of Richard Wolff
   by Howard and Phyllis Kaplan

In memory of Mindy McMahon’s
mother, Paula Iris Berk
   by Elise and Richard Rothbard

An anonymous donation has
been made to the General Fund

In memory of George and
Matthew Forman
   by Alice Shactman

In memory of Matthew Forman
   by Susan Conner

In memory of:
Mother-in-law, Dora Beletz
Mother, Anna Lillian
   by Melvin Lillian

SAMUEL BRODY MINYAN FUND

In memory of Joel Cohen
   by Barbara Vinick; Paul and
   Neal Cohen; Barbara and Jeff
   Newman; Miriam Yorks; Andrea
   Kline; Samuel and Carol Denbo;
   Alice and Charles Leidner; Edith
   Yorks; Anita Petak; Millie and
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   Grace Lam; David Duchesneau
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   and Lenny Lieberson; Marilyn
   and Sonny Stoll; Kevin and
   Nancy Miner; Reggie and Lew
   Weinstein; Donna and Archie
   Cohan; Melvin Mael; Wilma
   and Jerry Freedman; Lee and
   Joe Henson; Robert and Roberta
   Soltz; Toby and Larry Bondy;
   Phyllis and Jack Karas; Pauline
   Spirito; Diane Salinsky; Harvey
   and Susan Fritz; Libby and Marty
   Cohen; Marc and Beth Andler;
   Jay and Dori Green; Mr. and Mrs.
   Lowell Blitt

A speedy recovery to Sandy Levy
   by Natalie White; Jack and
   Phyllis Karas; Brenda and Sheldon
   Cohen; Eli and Muriel Talkov

In memory of Robert Milamed
   by Mark and Judy Arnold; Eli
   and Muriel Talkov; Charles and
   Alice Leidner; Robert and Roberta
   Soltz

In honor of Natalie White and her
efforts on behalf of Minyan
   by Laurel Dolan

In memory of Richard Wolff
   by Muriel and Eli Talkov

In memory of George Linsky
   by Muriel and Eli Talkov;
   Rhonda and David Preman;
   Robin and Bob Cooper

Get Well Wishes, Stanley
Goldberg
   by Steve, Ethel, and Erik Harris

In honor of Marilyn and Sonny
Stoll’s 70th wedding anniversary,
   by Harvey and Helaine Cotton

In memory of:
Grandmother, Lena Brodsky
   by Robert Cooper

Sister, Bella Grad
   by Eleanor Grad

Husband, Henry Bershad
   by Helaine Bershad

Husband, Robert Shulman
   by Shirley Shulman

Father, George Cashman
   by Marvin Cashman

Uncle, Saul Bornstein

Mother, Anne Bornstein
   by Ruth Kahn

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  by Sally Hooker
Mother, Shirley Goldberg
  by Herbert Goldberg
Mother, Esther Talkov
  by Eli Talkov
Father, Lawrence Abrams
  by Howard Abrams
Father, Henry Poster
  by Cynthia Poster
Mother, Edith Cohen
  by Wendy Dubinsky
Uncle, Albert Lewis
Mother, Florence Lewis
  by Constance Lewis
Mother-in-law, Rose Tenenbaum
  by Joann Tenenbaum
Mother, Tillie Handis
  by Bernard Handis
Mother-in-law, Mindel Greenbaum
  by Golda Greenbaum
Mother, Sally Tattlebaum
  by Toby Sloane
Mother, Esther Barton
  by Enid Gold
Brother, Allen Rudolph
  by Louis Rudolph
Wife, Harriet Diamond
  by Alan Diamond
Sister, Eva Stone
  by Anne Volovick

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  by Samuel Denbo
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  by Mildred Harris
Father, Melvin Polsky
  by Bernice Mitchell
Sister, Betty Levine
  by Frances Mendelsohn
Father, Leo Cohen
  by Barry Cohen
Father, Louis Fuchs
  by Roberta Soltz
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  and relatives
  by the Dodyk Family
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  by Myles Glazer
Mother, Eva Hurst
  by Phyllis Dinerman
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  by Natalie White
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  by Rosanne Jepsy
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  by Florence Pressman
Grandmother, Ida Patt
Mother, Sarah Brenner
  by Beverly Shapiro
Father, Samuel Brooks
Mother-in-law, Robert Kline
  by Andrea Kline
Aunt, Rose Kohn
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Grandfather, Harry Goldstein
  by Marsha Feffer
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  by David Levy
Mother, Ada Greenbaum
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  by Jane Weiss
Father, David Grover
Mother, Rose Grover
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Grandmother, Anne Nadler
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  by Jodie Barnett
Mother, Miriam Kaplan
  by Ethel Harris
Aunt, Matilda Skolnick
  by Rosalyn Shapiro

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In memory of Joel Cohen
  by Murry and Joan Rich; Larry
  and Susan Goldberg; Barbara and
  Ron Gilefsky
In honor of Albert and Gila
  Namias’s new grandchild
In honor of our granddaughter,
  Chantal’s, engagement
  by Bob and Bery Sanford
In memory of George Linsky
  by Dan and Bette Shoreman;
  Roz and Sandy Levy; Jerry
  and Lois Ogan; Alice and Charles
  Leidner; Jerry Rosen; Arlene and
  David Addis; Terry and Mark
  Berenson
In memory of Richard Wolff
   by Phyllis Sagan
In memory of Robert Milamed
In memory of Terry Berenson’s mother, Dorothy Corben
   by Arlene and Herb Leventhal
A speedy recovery to Sandy Levy
   by Steve and Ethel Harris; Phyllis Sagan
In memory of Eleanor Schultz
   by Beatrice Strome
In memory of Bob Milamed
   by Harold and Judy Kramer; Reggie and Lew Weinstein; Harold and Marilyn Epstein; Bob and Bery Sanford
In memory of Revelle Gerson
A speedy recovery to Charlotte Fine
A speedy recovery to Ed Caplan
   by Marilyn and Harry Epstein
A speedy recovery to Martin Goldberg
   by Arlene and David Addis
In honor of Marilyn and Sonny Stoll’s 70th Wedding Anniversary
   by Jerry and Lois Ogan
A speedy recovery to Susan Goldberg
In honor of Diane Levin’s new position as Executive Director of Congregation Shirat Hayam
   by Jerry Rosen

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   by Nonnie Rubin
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   by Ronald Gilefsky
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   by Abraham Babbitt
Mother, Mollie Schulte
   by Marvin Schulte
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   by Wayne Trebbin
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   by Janice Levine
Father, William Cohen
   by Bunny Gorfinkel
Mother, Edna Bornstein
   by Helaine Cotton
Mother, Erma Schneiderman
   by Nancy Klayman
Aunt, Marion Gass
   by Robert Alpert
Father, Samuel Breitman
   by Evelyn Ginsburg
Father, Jacob Pearl
   by Golda Greenbaum
Grandfather, George Cashman
   by Robert Cashman
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   by Abraham Babbitt
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   by Joan Rich
Father-in-law, Samuel Beletz
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Father, Myer Lillian
   by Melvin Lillian

Mother, Ida Gruzen
   by Phyllis Kaplan
Father, Irving “Sully” Goldstein
   by Sandra Goldstein
Mother, Marion Freedman
   by June Salny
Grandmother, Marion Freedman
   by Stephen Salny
Mother, Belle Rosenkranz
   by Alice Leidner
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   by Deborah McWade
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   by Bob Sanford
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   by Bery Sanford
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Mother, Anna Titchell Gilman
   by Arlene Leventhal
Mother, Rose Bluestein
   by Janice Kelley
Brother, Leon Berlow
   by Bette Ann Weisman
Aunt, Zelda Rotman
Father, Myer Rubin
   by Rhonda and David Preman and family
Father, Bert Korson  
by Mark Korson

Father, Nathan Ogan  
by Jerome Ogan

Mother, Pauline Schneiderman  
by Elaine Volk

Stepfather, Ben Pike  
by Ellen and Richard Alexander

Wife, Arlene Rosen  
by Jerrold Rosen

TORAH FUND
In memory of Robert Milamed  
by Charlotte and Donald Fine

In honor of Rabbi Kosovske  
by Marilyn and Sonny Stoll

FLOWER FUND
In memory of:  
Grandmother, Malia Osattin  
by Marion Garfinkel and family

FAMILY PROGRAM FUND
In honor of Marla and Philip Gay’s daughter, Allison’s, engagement  
by Gail and Jerry Gerson

In memory of George Linsky  
by Dawn Ehrlich

HENRY MERKEN TALLIT MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of George Linsky  
In memory of Joel Cohen

In memory of Robert Milamed  
by Elaine Merken

TREE FUND
In memory of Joel Cohen  
by Beatrice Strome; Natalie White

In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George Lehner  
by Bette and Dan Shoreman

In memory of George Linsky  
by Robert and Roberta Soltz

In memory of:  
Grandfather and great-grandfather, Harry Soltz  
by Jeffrey, Beth, Daniel and Jared Kasten

BURT SHEPARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In memory of Joel Cohen  
by Eli and Muriel Talkov; Ruth and Shea Rood; Michael and Susan Cohen; Herb Goldberg; Arlene and Herb Leventhal; Gloria Sax; Eddie and Diane Knopf

In memory of Bob Milamed  
by Herb Goldberg; Eddie and Diane Knopf

In memory of George Linsky  
by Gloria Sax; Eddie and Diane Knopf

Get well wishes to Susan Goldberg  
by Bette and Daniel Shoreman; Natalie White

In honor of Judy and Ira Rosenberg for hosting the Rabbi-snowbird get-together at their home  
by Ruth and Shea Rood

In memory of:  
Father, Leo Cohen  
by Michael Cohen

Sister, Harriet Mack  
by Bette Shoreman

Friend, Becky Shepard  
by Natalie White and Family

PRAYERBOOK FUND
In memory of Joel Cohen  
by Roz and Sandy Levy

In honor of Herb Kupersmith’s special birthday  
by Steve and Ethel Harris

In memory of Robert Milamed  
by Sylvia and Marshall Engell

In memory of Robert Soltz’s sister, Elaine Epstein

In memory of Cantor Berkovits’s father, Cantor Gabriel Berkovits  
by the Dodyk Family

CHESED FUND
In memory of Joel Cohen  
In memory of Bob Milamed  
by Ruth and Eric Kahn

HOWARD STEVEN FEFFER SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In memory of:  
Grandfather, Joseph Feffer  
by Lawrence Feffer

SHABBAT OLAM FUND
Sponsorship of the March Musicians  
by Lois and Ken Cohen

SHARE-A-SHABBAT
Sponsorships by Alex Kurtovic; Jessica and Jonathan Heller; Ilan Tiagai and Ellie Gilead-Tiagai
LEV INITIATIVE

by Diane and Eddie Knopf
by Randall and Marjorie Patkin
by The Weinstein-Zanger Family
by Karen Ponchner and Michael Bourne
In memory of Joel Cohen
by Rhonda and David Preman
In honor of Rabbi Ragozin
by Harold and Janice Cohen Family Foundation

If you would like to sponsor a Shabbat Olam musician or a Share-a-Shabbat, please contact Marla Gay at 781.599.8005, Ext. 27 or marla@shirathayam.org.

These sponsorships help enhance our wonderful family Kabbalat Shabbat experiences.

Join us.

Please join the Shirat Hayam family at the Fifth Annual Second Night Alternative* Passover Seder
led by Rabbi Michael, Cantor Elana and the Ruach Band
Saturday evening, April 23 at 5:30 pm

*nothing like your Zaydie’s seder.

(Pricing and RSVP information were not available at time of printing and will be ready soon!)

Mahjong for Beginners

Have you ever wanted to learn how to play Mahjong or need to brush up on your skills? Come join this new CSH group on Mondays, March 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 7:30 pm.

RSVP to Sarah Ragozin at: srplymate@gmail.com
2016 AIPAC  
NORTH SHORE ANNUAL EVENT

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Featuring  
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Senior Vice President, Shalem College

Sunday, March 6, 2016  
6:00 p.m. Club Member* Reception  
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Register online at  
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Advance registration requested • Reply by February 29 • Dietary laws observed

* AIPAC Club Members generously contribute a minimum of $1,800 to the Annual Campaign

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

DR. DANIEL GORDIS is senior vice president and the Koret Distinguished Fellow at Shalem College in Jerusalem. He writes a regular column — "A Dose of Nuance" — for the Jerusalem Post, and is a regular contributor to the New York Times, in print and online. The author of numerous books on Jewish thought and current events in Israel, and a winner of the National Jewish Book Award, Dr. Gordis was the founding dean of the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies at the University of Judaism, the first rabbinical college on the West Coast of the United States. Dr. Gordis joined Shalem in 2007 to help found Israel's first liberal arts college, after spending nine years as vice president of the Mandel Foundation in Israel and director of its Leadership Institute.

Since moving to Israel in 1998, Dr. Gordis has written and lectured throughout the world on Israeli society and the challenges facing the Jewish state. His writing has appeared in magazines and newspapers including the New York Times, the New Republic, the New York Times Magazine, Moment, Tikkun, Azure, Commentary Magazine, Foreign Affairs and Conservative Judaism.

Dr. Gordis’ books won the National Jewish Book Award for Saving Israel, and Becoming a Jewish Parent. His book (co-authored with Dr. David Ellenson of the Hebrew Union College), Pledges of Jewish Allegiance: Conversion, Law, and Policy-Making in 19th and 20th Century Orthodox Responsa (published by Stanford University Press in 2011) was a finalist for the National Jewish Book Award. The Promise of Israel: Why Its Seemingly Greatest Weakness is Actually Its Greatest Strength, was published by Wiley in August 2012 and was named by Jewish Ideas Daily as one of the “best Jewish books of 2012.”
Why attend daily Minyan?

Barbara Tobin-Forbush and Natalie White, Minyan Leaders

The main reason for attending daily minyan is when there is a loss. Jewish tradition tells us that when there is a death of a parent, spouse, sibling or child, the Kaddish Shalem (mourners’ kaddish) should be said daily in community for a specified period of time depending on the relationship. This has a dual purpose. For the deceased it is to ease their journey. For the mourner it is to have the support of others. It is a safe place to be. Jewish law requires that it be said “in community” which means that a minimum of 10 Jewish adults be present.

Then we come every year to observe the yahrzeit (anniversary) of the death of our loved one.

For those who attend regularly it is to support the mourners – to be that community.

We have all been “the mourner” at one time or another.

As minyan leaders, congregants often come to us after the service to say thank you and tell us how they feel. Recently one member who came for his mother’s yahrzeit said: “When my mother died I came here every day. This is the only shul on the North Shore that maintains a daily minyan.” Another gentleman who came partway through the service said: “You saved me – I went to another synagogue first and they didn’t have a minyan, so I came running here.”

Unfortunately there are many times, both morning and evening, when we do not have a community of 10 and the Mourners’ Kaddish cannot be said. It is very disappointing for the mourner when this happens.

Please become a member of the community to be there for those who are in mourning or observing a yahrzeit. Come once a week or once a month – come when you can. If you are coming to a meeting or event that starts at 7:30 pm, please make an effort to come in time to help create community. If you are coming for a yahrzeit, please ask a friend or two to come as well.

This is a mitzvah that can be easily accomplished – just show up!

B’Shalom,
Barbara and Natalie

CSH Minyanaires

Thank you to the following members for supporting daily services:


*denotes service leaders

We are very fortunate to have the above minyanaires attend regularly. However, please know that making a minyan twice a day is a challenge.

Please consider helping to make a minyan - once a week, once a month or whenever you can. Those needing a minyan to say kaddish would greatly appreciate it.

Weekday Minyan Schedule:
Monday - Friday mornings, 7:30 am
Monday - Thursday evenings, 7:00 pm
Friday evening, 6:00 pm
Sundays, 9:00 am, 6:00 pm
Adult Ed

Wayne Trebbin, Chairperson

Bar Kokhbah: False Messiah, Brilliant Commander, Totally Defeated and Yet Still Influencing the Destiny of the Jews with Dr. Wayne Trebbin
Tuesday, March 8, 7:30 pm

This class reviews the life, death and legacy of Bar Kokhbah, who led the Jews into ultimate total defeat at the hands of the Romans. A brutal yet brilliant leader and a false messiah, he nonetheless breathed hope into his people and became the stuff of legends. Despite his total failure, this enigmatic man has left a dynamic legacy that actively affects the Jewish people today.

Class will follow 7:00 pm minyan at 7:30 pm. If you are able to attend minyan before class, your attendance will be appreciated.

Speaking the Holy Tongue

Understanding the Hebrew of the Renewal Service

Join Rabbi Michael on Shabbat morning, March 5 from 8:30 - 8:50 am to explore the deeper meaning of the Renewal Service prayers.

Please join us at Shabbat Olam on March 11 (details on page 3). Acclaimed speaker Katka Reszke will be joining us following dinner. The service is no charge; however dinner and speaker is $30.00 a person (children $10) or if you’d like to join us following dinner, speaker only is $10.00. All payable in advance. Walk-ins or payment at the door cannot be accepted.

Thank you.

Becky’s Book Club at CSH

Everyone’s welcome!

7:30 pm on the following Monday evenings:

March 21    Nine Parts Desire by Geraldine Brooks
April 18    Ten Green Bottles by Vivian Jeanette Kaplan*
May 16      Americanah by Chimamda Ngozi Adichie
June 20     The Prime Ministers by Yehuda Avner

The CSH Book Club is open to the community - please join us.

For more information, email CSH@ShiratHayam.org

*Please note corrected listing for author.
Limmud Learning with Rabbi Michael

Wednesday mornings:
March 9 and March 16, April 13 and 20, at 9:00 - 10:30 am

Wednesday evenings:
March 2 and March 16, April 13 and 20, at 7:30 - 9:00 pm

Please note: Evening sessions are repeated as morning sessions to accommodate schedules. Please try to attend minyan prior to class.

Join Rabbi Michael for an in-depth look at the following topics:

March - The Book of Esther

April - Laws of Pesach

Please let us know if you will be attending, so we can prepare appropriately: csh@shirathayam.org

Watch for more information about the rabbi’s May and June classes:

Bible’s Buried Treasures!
#SHARE-A-SHABBAT @ SHIRAT HAYAM

Friday, March 4
Kabbalat Shabbat for families with young children

5:30 pm kid-friendly Shabbat supper
6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat
6:30 pm Dessert!

RSVP TO: FamilyLife@ShiratHayam.org

#SHARE-A-PAIR OF PJs
Please bring a new pair of children’s pajamas for those in need.

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Purim!
March 23rd at CSH!

5:30 pm Join us for a yummy supper and...

DONDO THE CLOWN
AND SOME PURIM FUN!

6:00 pm Ma’ariv and then...

Let’s go to the movies!
The Reading of the Megilah with The Ruach Band and songs from the movies like you’ve never heard before!

Bring your kids! Bring your parents!
Prizes for costumes - especially movie themed costumes!!
Celebrate Purim with your Shirat Hayam family

Mishloach Manot

Have you placed your order yet?!

New options this year:

For those out of the delivery area, for $10.00 we will send a personalized card stating that a basket was sent to a local nursing home in honor of the recipient.

Beautiful Mishloach Manot baskets will be sent to local nursing homes from the Shirat Hayam family. For $5.00, your name will be signed to the card accompanying the basket.
Katka Reszke (born in 1978 in Wroclaw, Poland) is a Polish-born, U.S.-based writer, documentary filmmaker, photographer and researcher in Jewish history, culture, and identity. She holds a Doctorate in Jewish Education from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, a Diploma in Jewish Studies from the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, and a Masters in Cultural Studies from the University of Wroclaw, Poland.


As a writer and filmmaker, Reszke specializes in Polish-Jewish history and relations, as well as human rights, social justice, minority and gender issues. Her film director credits include Shimon’s Returns, Coming Out Polish Style, This is Not a Fairy Tale, and Magda. She also served as Second Director & Editor of HBO’s Trans-Action and as Editor of The Peretzniks and the award-winning Castaways.

Katka Reszke lectures on different aspects of the Polish-Jewish experience at educational and cultural institutions in North America, Europe and Israel. Recipient of fellowships from the Memorial Foundation of Jewish Culture and the Mandel Foundation, Katka is a member of the ROI Community – A Schusterman Initiative, and a contributor to the core exhibition of POLIN – The Museum of the History of Polish Jews.

During the Fall Semester of 2015, Katka served as Helen Gartner Hammer Scholar-in-Residence at the Hadassah-Brandeis Institute. Her upcoming research-creation project is The Meshugene Effect – a book and an experimental documentary featuring personal narratives of several Polish women who embark on a pursuit of Jewish identity following an irrational feeling, a hunch about having Jewish ancestry. The project explores cultural and discursive contingencies surrounding religion, gender and authenticity, and how they affect the way we make sense of experiences of memory and transition. All of this set against the landscape of troubled Polish-Jewish history and a new curious Polish-Jewish present.
Mayyim Hayyim is a 21st century creation, a mikveh rooted in ancient tradition, reinvented to serve the Jewish community of today.

A TWO-PART PROGRAM FOR WOMEN

**March 17 at 7:30 pm** - an evening with Sarah Ragozin at her home

“Becoming Mindful of Passover Preparations”

a preliminary discussion to prepare for our visit to Mayyim Hayyim

**Sunday, March 27 at noon, at Mayyim Hayyim**

(carpools depart CSH at 11:00 am)

A 90 minute educational program followed by immersions for those who wish.

This two-part program is $40 in advance.

Your payment is your reservation.

Space is limited. RSVP by Monday, March 14 to CSH@ShiratHayam.org
Rabbi Ragozin’s vision, continued from page 2 -
congregation? This generated 277 suggestions. Here are the results.

![Hopes & Dreams Chart]

There were more than three times as many concerns about the experience of children (including teens) and their families than any other issue. Surprisingly, twenty-one of these kid-centric concerns came from empty nesters. For many of us, we are nourished by a living Judaism in which we are a link in a chain of tradition; we do not want to be the last link in the chain.

Initiative #1 – CJE, Teens, and Families

As the Meet and Greet results show, this is the greatest concern within the Shirat Hayam community. With kudos to our departing CJE co-directors for stepping into the breach and doing all that was asked of them, we have embarked on a search for a new CJE director and will begin next year with a new Hebrew school director. Additionally, I am working with Adam Smith, Executive Director of the North Shore Teen Initiative, to launch a teen engagement experience at Shirat Hayam. Finally, we will need to think holistically about families with children and organize compelling Shabbat, learning and service experiences.

Initiative #2 – Torah University

Second in importance to kid concerns was adult learning. Torah University aims to deepen the culture of adult learning at Shirat Hayam. Participants will self-report their Jewish learning. Those achieving 100 hours of learning will be crowned “sages” at an annual congregational celebration. Not only does this provide an incentive and goal for adult learning, but it also compels Shirat Hayam to offer regular, meaningful adult learning, while collecting and publicizing all Jewish adult learning opportunities on the North Shore.

Initiative #3 – Care for the Elderly

One of the special characteristics of the North Shore is the multi-generational families. As we age, our children have an important impact on the care and quality of our life. My parents are in Seattle and I worry about them. What can we do to improve the quality of life for the elderly within this Shirat Hayam and North Shore community? How can we care for the caretakers?

Eighty percent of Shirat Hayam is age 50 and over. Therefore, whether we are caring for aging parents or experiencing our own challenges of aging, this issue has unique breadth with which it touches our community. Moreover, this initiative aims to have a positive impact on the broader community, outside the walls of our synagogue, thereby raising the profile of Shirat Hayam among the unaffiliated. Successful 21st Century synagogues will attract funding from outside their membership base.

Conclusion – Investment

Implementing this vision will require investment, both money and time. In the coming months, implementation budgets will be drafted and calls for volunteers will go out. I hope you’ll partner with me in writing the next sacred chapter of Shirat Hayam.

Rabbi Michael Ragozin
Memorial Alcove

We Remember Them
To memorialize your loved one with a listing including English and Hebrew name and date of death, a photograph, a biography and link to other family members on the Electronic Yahrzeit Board the cost is $360.00 for each listing.

If you had a memorial plaque at Temple Beth El, Temple Israel or Anshai Sfard, those names have already been listed on the board. You may add a photograph, biography, and family link to the existing names at no charge.

If you would like more information, a demonstration or if you would like to participate with a memorial tribute for your loved ones, contact Marla Gay, Director of Congregational Life, at 781.599.8005 Ext. 27 or email: Marla@ShiratHayam.org
SAVE THE DATE

ISRAEL BONDS

NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY RECEPTION

IN HONOR OF

ARTHUR AND ESTHER GOLDBERG

MAY 24, 2016 - 5:30 PM

KERNWOOD COUNTRY CLUB
SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS

GUEST SPEAKER: DANNY DANON
ISRAELI AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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Holidays 5776

Erev Purim - March 23
Passover, First Seder - April 22
Yom Hashoah - May 5
Yom Ha’atzma’ut - May 12
Shavuot - June 12
Tisha B’Av - August 14
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- Kimberly Manley
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- Hope Murdoch
- Lindsay O’Brien
- Claire O’Donnell
- Kelly Porter
- Rachel Rosenbaum
- Gretchen Row
- Rachel Stark
- Nancy Terranova
- Lindsay Welch

### CSH Board

**Leadership@ShiratHayam.org**

- *Howard Abrams, President*

- Brian Cohen
- Michael Cohen
- *Sheldon Frisch, Congregational Home*
- Larry Goldberg
- Larry Groipen
- Jessica Heller
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- *Jason Levine, Budget Chair*
- Karynn Needel
- Jerry Rosen
- Hal Schwartz
- Janna Schwartz
- *Alexandra Shube, Clerk*
- *Renee Sidman, Financial Clerk*
- Wayne Trebbin
- *Executive Committee*

### Maintenence

- Gus Ventura
- Eridania Vicioso
- Yanira Romero
## March 2016

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| 1 Tuesday | 3:15 pm iShir  
4:00 pm CJE  
7:30 pm Scotch & Shmooze at Rabbi Ragozin’s RSVP |
| 2 Wednesday | 4:00 pm CJE lab  
7:30 pm The Book of Esther with Rabbi Ragozin in Chapel* |
| 4 Friday   | 5:30 pm Share-a-Shabbat  
6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat |
| 5 Saturday | Full Synaplex  
CJE Limud  
Bat Mitzvah of Katie Tassinari |
| 6 Sunday   | 6:00 pm AIPAC Event at CSH |
| 7 Monday   | 7:20 pm Mahjong* |
| 8 Tuesday  | 3:15 pm iShir  
4:00 pm CJE  
7:30 pm Adult Ed with Wayne Trebbin* |
| 9 Wednesday| 9:00 am The Book of Esther with Rabbi Ragozin (repeat of 3/2 class)  
4:00 pm CJE lab |
| 11 Friday  | 6:00 pm Shabbat Olam RSVP |
| 12 Saturday| Full Synaplex  
CJE Limud |
| 14 Monday  | 7:20 pm Mahjong |
| 15 Tuesday | 3:15 pm iShir  
4:00 pm CJE  
7:30 pm CSH Board Meeting* |
| 16 Wednesday | 4:00 pm CJE Lab  
7:30 pm Book of Esther with Rabbi Ragozin* |
| 17 Thursday| 9:00 am Book of Esther with Rabbi Ragozin (repeat of 3/16)  
7:30 pm Mikveh Program with Sarah Ragozin for those who registered |
| 18 Friday  | 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat |
| 19 Saturday| Full Synaplex  
CJE Limud  
Bar Mitzvah of Nathan Stern |
| 20 Sunday  | 2:00 pm CJE Bowling grades 2-5 |
| 21 Monday  | 7:20 pm Mahjong  
7:30 pm Becky’s Book Club* |
| 22 Tuesday | 3:15 pm iShir  
4:00 pm CJE |
| 23 Wednesday| 4:00 pm CJE Lab  
5:30 pm Purim Celebration  
6:00 pm Service (no 7 pm) |
| 24 Thursday| PURIM |
| 25 Friday  | 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat |
| 26 Saturday| Full Synaplex  
CJE Limud  
Hipsh Baby Naming |
| 27 Sunday  | 12:00 pm Mayyim Hayyim Event for those who registered |
| 28 Monday  | 7:20 pm Mahjong* |
| 29 Tuesday | 3:15 pm iShir  
4:00 pm CJE |
| 30 Wednesday| 4:00 pm CJE Lab |

*When attending a 7:30 pm program, please make every effort to arrive at 7:00 pm to help make a minyan. Thank you.

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**CSH SNOW POLICY**

If Swampscott schools are cancelled or delayed, morning minyan is cancelled.

If Salem State cancels evening classes, weekday evening minyan is cancelled.

For a snow emergency on Shabbat (Friday night or Saturday morning) we will make every attempt to send a congregational email. There will also be a designated extension (#29) with updated information.

We encourage safety first. If your safety is in question, we encourage you to stay home and be safe and warm.

*Preschool and CJE will notify parents of policies/cancellations
Scotch & Shmooze

Gentlemen!

Join Rabbi Michael for an evening of Scotch, Shmoozing, some learning and maybe... a little more Scotch. Save these Tuesday evenings at 7:30 pm: March 1, April 5, May 3 and June 7

SAVE THE DATE

Brotherhood’s Texas Hold ’Em
Sunday evening April 10