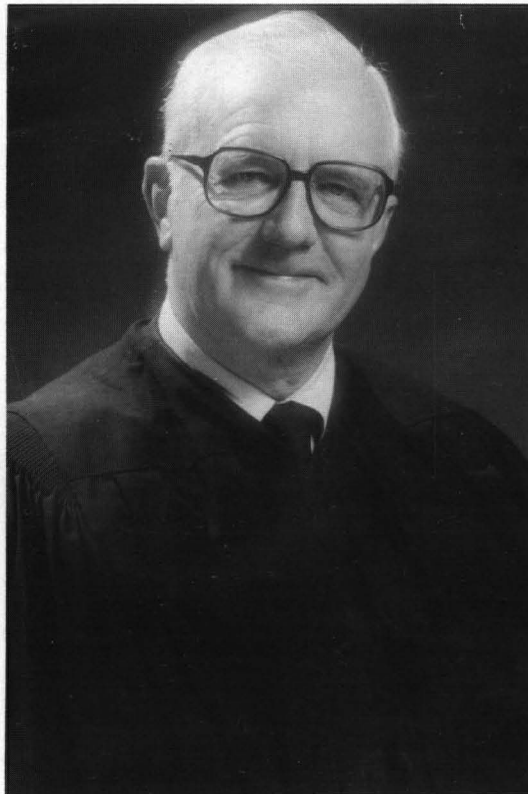


Bulletin

Lawyers' Shabbat Luncheon Speaker to be Honorable James L. Oakes



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On **Saturday, January 25th**, Central Synagogue's Jethro Committee to Honor the Legal Profession, Bernie Silverman, chair, will sponsor the second annual Lawyers' Shabbat Service and Luncheon. The Shabbat service begins, as usual, at 10:30 am, and the luncheon at 12:30 pm. The luncheon speaker will be the **Honorable James L. Oakes**, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals, Second Circuit.

The Lawyers' Shabbat Service and Luncheon is an annual event that acknowledges the vital function that the law profession plays in our community and is scheduled to take place each year on the Shabbat when the Torah portion known as *Jethro* is read. The judicial system we live by today is a direct descendent of the system proposed to Moses by his father-in-law Jethro, as described in the week's Torah portion. It has been pointed out that this was "how the Torah dealt with calendar congestion thousands of years ago."

Judge Oakes received an A.B. degree from Harvard College and an LL.B. degree from Harvard Law School. He was appointed U.S. Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit in 1971, and became Chief Judge in 1989.

Calendar of Events

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Sisterhood Sponsored Activities

Bridge

Tuesday & Thursday, 7:30 pm
1/2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30

Gift Shop

Monday - Friday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Seniors Club

Tuesday, 1/7, 14, 21, 28, 10:00 am

Board Meeting

Wednesday, 1/7, 6:00 pm

Brotherhood Sponsored Activities

Project Ezra

Sunday, 1/12, 11:00 am

Super Bowl Party

Sunday, 1/26, 5:30 pm on

Study

Institute of Jewish Studies:

Talmud

Friday, 1/3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 8:00 am

Chevre Torah

Saturday, 1/4, 11, 18, 25, 9:15 am

Prayer: How/Why Do We Pray?

Monday, 1/13, 27, 7:30 pm

Bible, Theater & the Arts

Monday, 1/13, 27, 7:30 pm

Choral Society

Mondays, 6:00 pm (See Choral Society schedule)

Intermediate Hebrew

Thursday, 1/9, 16, 23, 30, 6:00 pm

Advanced Hebrew

Thursday, 1/9, 16, 23, 30, 7:00 pm

Medical Ethics

Thursday, 1/30, 5:45 pm

Meetings

Central Women's FOCUS

Tuesday, 1/21, 8:00 am

Religious School

Monday, 1/6, 13, 27

Tuesday, 1/7, 21

Wednesday, 1/8, 15, 22, 29

Pre-Kindergarten Workshop

Sunday, 1/12, 9:30 am

Scouts

Girl Scouts

Monday, 1/6, 13, 27, 6:00 pm

Tuesday, 1/7, 14, 21, 28, 3:30 pm

Boy Scouts

Tuesday, 1/7, 14, 21, 28, 5:30 pm

Cub Scouts

Tuesday, 1/7, 14, 21, 28, 5:30 pm

Central Synagogue Brotherhood Temple Emanu-El Men's Club ANNUAL JOINT BREAKFAST Sunday, February 9, 1992



Featured speaker:

Rabbi Howard I. Bogot

Director, UAHC Department
for Religious Education

Responses by:

Rabbi Peter J. Rubinstein

Central Synagogue

Rabbi Ronald B. Sobel

Temple Emanu-El

Look for your invitation in the mail

Up Front with Brotherhood

Robert Kandel

What a year we've had! Remember last spring's concert with Cantor Richard Botton, Cantor Ellen Math and the Harlem Spiritual Ensemble, Thomas Dine's insightful comments on the Middle East, Rabbi Eric Yoffie's retreat, Steve Ross at the Gala, Tom Weiner's seminar on men's issues, and our testimonials to David Vogel and Barry Kugel? Great as 1991 has been, 1992 might be even greater!!

Brotherhood seeks to serve, educate, and entertain. Working with Rabbi Peter Rubinstein, we shall help keep the main sanctuary open during lunch hour a few days a week. We shall continue to work with Rabbi Tom Weiner to help our college students, and with the Youth Group and Perry Edelstein on Project Ezra. Ongoing service to the community includes our programs for the blind and projects with the Tenement Museum, and, of course, our support of the Jewish Chautauqua Society.

Our **February 9 Breakfast** with Temple Emanu-El, featuring **Rabbis Rubinstein and Sobel** and special guest **Rabbi Howard Bogot** should be intellectually and culinarily stimulating, as will be our retreat and our seminar with Sisterhood.

We look forward to a wonderful **Super Bowl Party**. The price is right, the screen

Notes from Sisterhood

Ruth Oliver

Top City Official to Discuss Tough City Issues



Manhattan Borough President **Ruth Messinger**, one of the best informed and most articulate members of our New York City government, will speak at Sisterhood's lunchtime program on **Monday, February 3rd at 12:00 noon**. This is a rare opportunity to learn at first hand about the issues that trouble New Yorkers each day, and to hear how Ms. Messinger seeks to improve the state of our city.

A member of the New York City Council for twelve years before becoming Borough President, Ms. Messinger is an expert on city finances who continues to leave her mark on New York's budget. Last year she helped maintain funding in such key areas

as health care, literacy, and economic development. A highly respected public official, Ruth Messinger's voice is clearly heard on civil and human rights issues at home and abroad. She has worked throughout her career against prejudice and for racial harmony, has mobilized support for anti-bias legislation, and has fought against discrimination on many levels.

In her talk Ms. Messinger will discuss some of the seemingly intractable issues such as crime, homelessness, and the never-ending crises in the city's hospitals, and will offer her thoughts on how they may be addressed. The event, chaired by **Elsie Shapiro**, is free of charge. Bring a "brown bag" lunch — Sisterhood will provide the dessert, coffee and tea. Please complete the reservation form mailed with this *Bulletin* so that we can accommodate all who plan to attend.

Duplicate Bridge

Sisterhood's duplicate bridge program, chaired by Pearl Zimmerman, is an enjoyable way to spend an evening and make new friends. It is also a major source of support for important Sisterhood projects. Therefore, if you, your friends, or members of your family play duplicate bridge, you

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Steinhardt Forum Focuses on Major Issues Facing Reform Jews

"Reform Judaism: The Path to the Twenty-first Century?" was the topic for the fifth annual Steinhardt Forum held on Sunday, December 8th, and moderated by **Rabbi Peter J. Rubinstein**. As Steinhardt Committee chair **Judith Hertz** expressed it, "Central Synagogue is an institution of strength and substance not afraid to ask the pressing or difficult questions," many of which were addressed by **Rabbi Avi Weiss** of the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale and **Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman** of Temple Emanu-El of Dallas, Texas. Rabbi Rubinstein welcomed our two guests with the statement that we "believe absolutely in the power of standing tall with the strength of honesty."

Rabbi Zimmerman began the discussion with the comment that there must be "an honest, open and blunt sharing of concerns." For the next hour and a half, that's exactly what took place. Rabbi Zimmerman, describing the Reform Jew as one who is "informed, intelligible, dynamic, adaptable and open to the world around him," said that in the nineteenth century, "Reform became a movement because we were charged with making the Jew modern." Reform Judaism, Rabbi Zimmerman stated, "saved Torah and Judaism for generations of Jews who wouldn't have remained Jews." But now, he felt, we have "permitted ourselves to become Know Nothing and Do Nothing Jews, too comfortable with our lack of knowledge. Our Jewishness has become Rabbi-dependent."

What about the future of Reform Judaism? Our task, he said, is no longer to reform

Judaism but "to become a reformer of Jews." It is time, he said for a revolution in Reform. "If that means more ritual, so be it. People need more ritual in their lives." We have been attracting record numbers of people through our *outreach* efforts, but, in our excitement, "we forgot about *inreach*." Reform must be "a liberal Jewishness grounded in a person's right to make choices. We need standards that emerge from the collective wisdom of our people. The only thing that will save us is to become a community whose freedom is anchored in knowledge."

When Rabbi Weiss, an orthodox rabbi, took the podium, he talked about the "positives" emerging in the Reform Movement. The first is the enormous growth in numbers — Reform Judaism is attracting the largest number of new members of any Jewish denomination. The second is the universal agenda. "Classical Reform," he said, "was always in the vanguard of the universalist quest." And the third is the new emphasis on "turning inward."

With all that, nevertheless, Rabbi Weiss was still concerned about the future of Reform Judaism. "Your success carries with it burdens," he said. "First, the numbers. They are deceptive. Unhalakhic conversions and patrilineal descent have brought into the fold tens of thousands of persons" who, for thousands of years of Jewish history, would not have been considered Jews. By these actions, Reform has "created an almost irrevocable barrier between Reform and Orthodox," he said, and "you may be creating a different

peoplehood. You have turned being Jewish from being involuntary into being solely and only voluntary. This will have a snowball effect."

Patrilineal descent, Rabbi Weiss asserted, "opens up the possibility that the status of being Jewish will never be established at birth. The concept that we choose and are not chosen is a perversion of the covenantal relationship. If the idea of patrilineal descent was to cut the loss of nonJewish spouses and children," he went on, "it's not working. Patrilineal descent has *decreased* conversions and the raising of children as Jews. . . Reform ought to shift its focus. Why do 60% of Reform Jews intermarry?



Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman and Michael Steinhardt (photo by Joyce Culver).

Speaking about the Reform Movement's universal agenda, he urged Reform Jews to "be careful that Reform Judaism not become a satellite of liberal causes. . . The Orthodox and Conservatives base their decisions on halakhah. . . Is the position of Reform Judaism on the tough issues a reflection of liberal western thought? Has Reform Judaism lost its anchor: halakhah?"

In discussing Reform's turning inward, Rabbi Weiss urged Reform Jews to become much more committed to Israel, to Jewish day schools, to ritual and to living Jewishly. "The Reform Movement has religiously and Jewishly touched the lives of thousands of Jews who would otherwise be lost." Yet, he continued, "I fear for its future unless it meets these challenges."

Rabbi Zimmerman, responding, said that "As Reform Jews, we will not limit ourselves to religious Jewish tradition. We are proud of our ordination of women. We believe this is in accordance with Jewish goals, not universal goals. . . For us as Reform Jews, nothing is alien to us. . . We are open to all, but are not limited to what was. Jewish law sometimes changes too

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(l-r) Rabbi Avraham Weiss, Judith Hertz, Rabbi Peter J. Rubinstein, Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman (photo by Joyce Culver).

About our Religious School

Dr. Jack L. Sparks, RJE
Director of Education

Education in our school is a cooperative venture. The parents make all the necessary provisions for the children to attend and the sacred task of teaching becomes our privilege. How do we achieve this? We do this formally and informally.

Weekly religious school classes provide a formal approach to teaching ten distinct areas: Jewish identity, spirituality, religious obligation, social responsibility, family unity, devotion to Shabbat and festivals, observance of life cycle ceremonies, knowledge of Hebrew, knowledge of and commitment to Israel, and kinship with world Jewry. Our task takes a full twelve years to accomplish. Our teachers, rabbis and support staff link formal education with informal education. Through retreats, with a theme as their cornerstone, we are able to incorporate so many of these goals in one special weekend. In one weekend, spent at the Reform Movement's summer camps, we are able to explore in depth a topical area and bring to life its application. One weekend is worth months of weekly religious school.

Another way is through our Honors Program. Some twenty children have committed themselves to the study of our tradition intensely. These children in the fifth and sixth grade have accepted the challenge of advanced study and are capable of intensive learning. They come to school an extra day each week and have advanced their knowledge two-fold. We are very proud of them, their commitment and achievements. They are: **David Adler, Daniel Berkman, Mark Blitzer, Tripp Blum, Samuel Charap, Charles Donefer, Jackson Eisenpresser, Robert Fenster, Rachel Forster, Aaron Jakes, Julie Jurist,**

Rebecca Koenig, Philip Kirschner, Jessica Lautin, Jonathan Lieberman, Joshua Matthews, David Skeist, Erica Staff, Emily Toder, Matthew Toder. These children honor us by their study of Torah.

Judaica Museum: New Acquisitions

Our Judaica Museum has been the recipient of several interesting gifts in recent weeks. A contemporary Hanukkah lamp of silver-color anodized aluminum was a gift of Dr. Malcolm and Alice Nanes. Eric and Evelyn Oppenheimer gave us some unpolished emeralds said to have come from the legendary King Solomon's mines, and Irene Weissman donated a large old woolen tallit with silver attarah band that had belonged to her father.

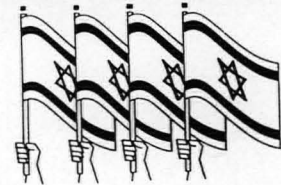
Nursery School Auction

The Nursery school will hold its fourth annual auction on **February 6th at 6:30 pm** to benefit the school's Scholarship and Enrichment Fund. For \$50 per person the auction committee has planned a gala evening with cocktails, sit-down dinner, raffles and a live auction. There is still time to make tax deductible donations of products and services for the auction. The committee looks forward to seeing everyone at the auction and appreciates the continued support of the congregation.

Hold the date!

Social Action Shabbat
Friday
March 6, 1992

High School Israel Trip



Rabbi Weiner will provide an orientation and slide presentation for all parents and students interested in the Summer '92 High School Israel Trip. The five-week trip is open to all 9th to 12th graders. Please come on **Wednesday, January 15 at 7:00 pm** to **Joslin Hall**, on the second floor of the Community House and ask your questions.

Grace Mirabella at Next FOCUS Breakfast

Grace Mirabella, founder and publication director of *Mirabella*, the magazine that bears her name, will provide an update on fashion and on items of interest to women at the Central Women's



Tuesday, January 21, at 8:00 am in Joslin Hall. The magazine's mission is to maintain a balance between fashion coverage and editorial features. After the first year, a percentage of the magazine's advertising revenues have been donated to organizations that deal with AIDS, illiteracy, and breast cancer.

Central Women's FOCUS is a networking organization associated with Central Synagogue. If you are planning to attend the breakfast, bring your business cards, and bring your friends. The charge is \$5.00 for FOCUS members and \$8.00 for non-members. To make a reservation, use the form on the enclosed flier or call 838-5122. Reservations should be received by Jan. 13.



Nursery School children enjoy Shabbat celebration every Friday.

Institute of Jewish Studies

WINTER COURSE REGISTRATION

- ☐ **Prayer: How do we pray, why do we pray?**
Rabbi Rubinstein, 7:30 pm, Monday evenings: Jan. 13, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 24, Mar. 2
- ☐ **The Bible, Theater and the Arts**
Rabbi Hiatt, 7:30 pm, Monday evenings: Jan. 13, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 24, Mar. 2
- ☐ **Talmud Study Group**
Rabbi Zlotowitz, 8:00 am, Fridays
- ☐ **Chebra Torah Study Group**
9:15 am, Saturdays

All courses free to Central Synagogue members.

For more information call
Dr. Sparks (838-5122).

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Address _____
Day phone _____

A Message from Rabbi Rubinstein

In last month's message I discussed the evolution of the Reform Movement. Within the institutions of Reform Judaism, the goal has been to gain greater control over our destiny and our definition. Too often we have been reactive and responsive. We have made decisions, defined policies, and passed resolutions in times of crisis and with the primary intention of solving problems.

The Steinhardt Forum provided us with the opportunity to gauge our course of development. It became clear from both Rabbis Zimmerman and Weiss that we are at a pivotal juncture in our development, a time when we should be more deliberate about the directions and policies we pursue.

Even in our own synagogue we are aware of how much better we do when we shape our program with clear intention. I have been meeting somewhat systematically with our members in small groups and have been taking advantage of those meetings to seek out members' impressions and ideas. I ask them what they want from the congregation and what they want their synagogue to be. Many areas of concern and interest have emerged. Among them are issues of the synagogue as a place of "community," as a center of spiritual search, and as a location for significant learning both for children and adults.

Our members are not unhappy with the synagogue in general. In fact, it is obvious

that our membership has an exceedingly strong connection to this wonderful congregation. It is also clear that we need to do whatever possible to enhance that connection, to make it more intimate, more personal, and deeper.

We need to lower the threshold to involvement. These questions become relevant: How can Central Synagogue foster community? How can it better serve the needs of an increasingly disenfranchised younger generation which may not be involved or trained as affiliated Jews? How can we connect individuals on a more intimate level, affording them the opportunity to enter the synagogue feeling part of a manageable whole? How do we redefine our mission to so that we are active in the lives of our members at times other than those of crisis?

These are significant issues which will be confronting our Board of Trustees and our senior staff. The discussion will gain from your ideas and comments. We hope to hear from you over the next few months.

People

Would you like to alert the congregation to some important event — an engagement, baby naming, graduation, special honor? We will be expanding the "People" section of the *Bulletin* to take note of these events, and we welcome your news. Please send the information to the synagogue to the attention of "Bulletin Editor."



Barry & Florence Kugel enjoy Barry's November 12th roast. Attended by 275 happy congregants, relatives and friends, the Brotherhood-sponsored event was a fit testimonial to a wonderful husband, parent, administrator, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and great good friend to one and all. Chief Roaster Cantor Richard Botton, as well as Sam Brodsky, J. Jacques Stone, Harry Price, Audrey Edelstein, Mitch Rabbino, Bob Eskin, Michael Weinberger, Richard Kandel, Nat Shapiro, Rabbi Peter Rubinstein, and Rabbi Tom Weiner recalled in unique ways what it has meant to know Barry well. Lester Breidenbach presented Barry with a plaque acknowledging the dedication of the Schwartz Auditorium sound system to him. John Ball presented Barry with a Frank Meisler sculpture. Steve Bayer and Lester Breidenbach co-chaired the event.

You, your family
and friends
are cordially invited
to attend the
fourth annual

NURSERY SCHOOL AUCTION

Thursday, February 6th
6:30 pm



Teddy is going. Are you?

Super Sunday Phone-a-thon

UJA-Federation needs volunteers to staff its phones on Sunday, February 9th. There will be eleven metropolitan area phone banks participating in this day-long nationwide effort to raise funds to benefit their annual campaign and Operation Exodus Phase II, its drive to rescue and resettle Soviet and Ethiopian Jews. Volunteers are asked to work a four hour shift. Please give your time and help UJA do its important work. Call 980-1000 to volunteer.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

Sunday, January 26

Giant TV screen

Open Buffet

All Welcome!



Reserve Now! Flier in Bulletin

Confronting Death

Rabbi Tom Weiner



trary, it makes it harder.

As a rabbi there are many traditions and customs that I would like each and every member of our synagogue to know and practice. But if I had to choose just one area in which I could magically assure that all our congregants would be well versed, it would be the laws and customs of death and mourning. This may sound morbid, but Judaism — rich in this area — helps us to confront death in a manner that is life affirming and emotionally healthy.

From a distance some may perceive Jewish traditions surrounding death and mourning as rigid and archaic laws, irrelevant to our modern lives. That misconception is far from the truth. These Jewish practices are extremely sensitive and supportive, well respected in the non-Jewish world for being so “modern” and psychologically sound. These traditions are the accumulated wisdom of many generations of real human beings, traditions that help us at a time when we are most helpless.

As mourners we need to know what to do at that moment when everything in our lives seems to fall apart. Who do we call? Who will be there for us? What do I do first? What should happen at the service? How can I bear this alone? What do I tell the children? We are filled with questions and concerns.

As friends of mourners we have our own questions: What do I say? Should I call or visit them or leave them alone? What should we talk about? Maybe it will be easier if I don't mention the deceased?

Almost all of these dilemmas are sensitively addressed in Jewish custom. Our practices of burial, *shivah*, *shloshim*, *yahrzeit*, *yizkor* and *kaddish* can bring enormous comfort both to the mourner and to those who want to help.

No one of us will make this journey through life without confronting the loss that death brings. In the coming months we will be presenting these practices and traditions through articles, sermons and adult education seminars. Let us find strength in each other and in the wisdom of our people's past.

Steinhardt Forum

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slowly, and sometimes we must go beyond the halakhic.”

Finally, Rabbi Weiss implored his rabbinic colleagues not to perform weddings for divorced women who have not acquired a *get* (Jewish divorce). “It could be morally correct, but it's halakhically wrong” and creates grave problems for the children who are the product of these marriages. Rabbi Zimmerman said that most Reform rabbis urged divorced women seeking remarriage to obtain a *get*, but “Perhaps it's time to change the halakhah.”

During the question and answer period, many pertinent questions were posed. One questioner wanted to know why the requirement to obtain a *get* prior to remarriage wasn't treating women as second class citizens. Another questioner asked if Reform became more demanding, would it then lose Jews? Should it lose them? Will there be a neo-Reform movement in response? A man who identified himself as “an Israeli Reform Jew” wanted to know if we should teach Jewishness as a religion or as a people.

The Steinhardt Forum was established through the generosity of congregants Judith and Michael Steinhardt so that its members might be informed of issues that have a bearing on their lives as concerned citizens. The fifth annual forum certainly fulfilled that mission as it sparked discussion on the most important issues confronting Reform Judaism today.

Thanks are Given

Central Synagogue extends special thanks to Sisterhood for their most recent contribution to our Elevator Fund. Their financial helpfulness toward all the projects of the congregation are legion.

Memorial Plaques to be Dedicated

Three new plaques will be installed on the north wall of the sanctuary, with a dedication ceremony to be held in the near future. **Edith Hershon** will dedicate a plaque in the memory of her husband **Harry Hershon**. **Fred Pressman** will dedicate plaques in memory of his parents **Barney Pressman** and **Bertha Pressman**. **Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Philip Tauchner** will dedicate a plaque in memory of their son **Gerald R. Tauchner**. We are grateful for these contributions in honor of loved ones.

Sisterhood

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are urged to look into Sisterhood's evening game, held twice weekly, on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Joslin Hall. Central's game is highly regarded by players who know. For more information call **Pearl Zimmerman** at 873-7255.

Annual Sisterhood Shabbat Set for May 29

The Sisterhood Shabbat Committee, with **Jan Stovin** as chair and **Barbara Grill** as facilitator, has started preparing for the annual service to be held this year on **Friday evening, May 29th**. The committee has the benefit of consultation with both Rabbinic Intern **Alice Goldfinger** and Cantorial Intern **Susan Dropkin** as they determine their theme, select readings and songs from the service, and create prayers. Each year new committee members learn what an extraordinary experience it is to participate in this service, which Sisterhood has prepared and conducted for the congregation for more than fifty years. It is interesting to note that the first participants in Sisterhood Shabbat were also the first women to conduct prayers from the bimah of our sanctuary. Be sure to save the date for the service, to be followed by dinner and installation of Sisterhood officers.

Interfaith Neighbors Luncheon & Card Party

On **Tuesday, February 4 at 12 noon** Interfaith Neighbors will hold its annual luncheon and card party at Brick Church, 62 East 92 Street. It is always a pleasant event and **Connie Littwitz** will be happy to give further information if you call her at 722-8446.

Brotherhood

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is huge, so bring family and friends! Finally, **Gala III** will be upon us sooner than you think!

We are proud to help the whole synagogue community in so many ways, and the New York community as well. Our annual raffle needs your support. Please help us with contributions of prizes, and, when you receive your raffle books, please be generous! Proceeds will benefit our synagogue library, and the ongoing Brotherhood programs. Brotherhood is an extremely important and relevant arm of the synagogue. With everyone's help, a wonderful tradition will continue.

We gratefully acknowledge the following contributions made during November:

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The birth of our grandson Jonathan Louis Cziner and his parents Dr. Leslie Blum & Dr. David Cziner

Dr. & Mrs. Manfred Blum

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In appreciation of:

Marion Graham

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In honor of:

Barry Kugel for his devotion to the congregation and to our family

Evelyn & Joe Godman

Dr. Jerome Zane's 70th birthday

Bernice & Haskell Lazere

Barry Kugel

Mildred & Matthew Ross

Central Synagogue Sisterhood

In memory of:

Zo Moradpour

Mrs. Zo Moradpour

My wife Florence Rosenberg

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My dear friend Dulcy Ganz

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David's Bar Mitzvah

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Joseph & Beth Mishkin

Rabbi Weiner's superb work with our teenagers

Daniel & Susan Pollack

Rabbi Weiner on the occasion of the naming of our son David

Lori & Michael Printz

In honor of:

Gary Podell passing the NYC Bar Exam

Mr. & Mrs. Harvey K. Daniels

The anniversary of our marriage performed by Rabbi Weiner

Lexann & Andrew Richter

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Vivian Cabasso

Shoshanna's Bat Mitzvah

Roberta & Robin Grossman

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Joyce & Alan Manheimer

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, January 21, 8:00 am

FOCUS Breakfast
Guest Speaker: Grace Mirabella

Saturday, January 25, 12:30 pm

Lawyers' Shabbat Service & Luncheon
Guest Speaker: Judge James L. Oakes

Sunday, January 26, 5:30 pm

Brotherhood Super Bowl Party
Food, fun & football on an 8 ft. TV screen

Monday, February 3, 12:00 noon

Sisterhood Program
Guest Speaker: Ruth Messinger

Thursday, February 6, 6:30 pm

Nursery School Auction
Gala evening with cocktails & dinner

Friday, February 7, 8:15 pm

Jonah B. Wise Memorial Lecture
Speaker: Arthur L. Liman

Sunday, February 9, 9:30 am

Brotherhood Joint Breakfast with Temple Emanu-El
Rabbis Bogot, Rubinstein, & Sobel

Worship Services in the Sanctuary

Friday, January 3

8:15 pm Shabbat Eve Service

Saturday, January 4

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Friday, January 10

5:30 pm Shabbat Eve Service

Saturday, January 11

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Friday, January 17

5:30 pm Shabbat Eve Service

7:00 pm Family Worship Service

Saturday, January 18

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Friday, January 24

5:30 pm Shabbat Eve Service

Saturday, January 25

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah: Julian Steinberg

Friday, January 31

5:30 pm Shabbat Eve Service

Saturday, February 1

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah: Joanna Stern

Daily Services:

Mon.-Thurs., 8:00 am, Blitzer Chapel

Friday, 7:45 am, followed by Talmud class

Upcoming Holiday

Tu B'Shvat: January 20

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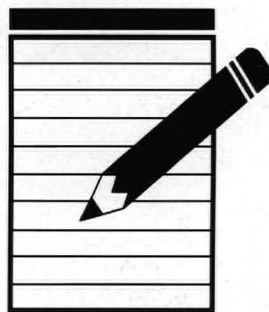
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Parents, take note:



PRE-KINDERGARTEN WORKSHOP
Sunday, January 12, 9:30 am

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE
Friday, January 17, 7:00 pm

GRADE 8 TRIP TO BOSTON
Friday - Sunday, Jan. 31 - Feb. 2

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