



Beth Israel - The West Temple

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, Jan. 6, 8 p.m.

Shabbat Evening Service

Bo; Ex. 10:1-13:16

Saturday, Jan. 7, 10:30 a.m.

Tot Shabbat

Friday, Jan. 13, 8 p.m.

Shared Shabbat Evening Service

Beshallah (Shabbat Shirah); Ex. 13:17-17:16

Saturday, Jan. 14, 10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Morning Learners' Minyan

Friday, Jan. 20, 8 p.m.

Shabbat Evening Service

Yitro; Ex. 18:1-20:23

Saturday, Jan. 21, 10 a.m.

Shabbaton, Grades 3/4

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES (cont.)

*Friday, Jan. 27, 8 p.m.

Shabbat Evening Service at Congregation
Am Shalom in Mentor. Mishpatim; Ex. 21:1-24:18

*Saturday, Jan. 28, 9:30 a.m.

Shabbat Morning Service at Temple Ner Tamid in
Euclid.

*No services to be held at our temple on these
dates.

School Notes

Last month we had many wonderful things happening and more are planned for the coming months. BITSY, our youth group, planned, organized and led a most enjoyable day of Chanukah shopping. Their creative talents (hand-made crafts and home-made baked goods) were a pleasure to all the senses and we honor and thank them.

From our oldest and now to our youngest--the families of our pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten class had a relaxing, delicious, and informative Shabbaton dinner and service. Enid Lader's rendition of the story of Joseph was original and entertaining. The children enjoyed viewing the Torah and lighting their families' menorahs at synagogue.

We're looking forward to the Shabbaton for Grades 3/4 on Jan. 21, starting at 10 a.m.

Linda Schwin and Charlotte Feldman

President's Message

Winter break is over, the children are back in school and during that interim many things have been going on behind the scenes at temple.

I want to thank Saragene Davis and her committee who made the Latke Luncheon a huge success. We must all remember how much work goes into preparing for these wonderful events.

I would also like to thank those responsible for our Congregational Directory which should have reached you by now—many thanks to Roger and Vicky Abady, Carola & David Bamberger, and all of you who helped along the way.

I want to remind everyone of the upcoming UAHC Small Congregations Conference. I encourage everyone to attend. Please use the enclosed registration form and send it in by Jan. 13. Rabbi Norman Kahan, Director of the Small Congregations Department, will speak and share with us his vast experience, and tell us how "The Future is in Our Hands." We're hoping for a good representation from our congregation. Please call me with any questions you may have regarding this weekend.

As of late, there has been much discussion about long range plans for our congregation. Of course, those discussions must, of necessity, include financial needs and other aspects of our temple life. We plan to meet, by communities, with all of you to talk about where we're at and where we would like to be. We will also be keeping you posted on our recent rabbinical position interviews.

We would like all of you to take an active part in keeping our temple thriving. We need more people involved and willing to help us to remain the success that we are.

Please watch your mail regarding a date for our semi-annual meeting and for our neighborhood group discussions.

Judy Friedman
899-7080

TEMPLE TIDBITS

Mazal Tov to Karen, daughter of Ken and Laurie Kranyak, on becoming a National Merit semi-finalist....and to Stephanie Gordon, our Ritual Chair, who was elected as a member to the Regional Board of the Northeast Lakes Council, UAHC, at the recent 25th Anniversary Biennial in Columbus.... Refuah Scheleimah to Julie Kassel, Dorothy Kassel's daughter, who is recuperating from surgery, in Boston. We wish her a speedy and complete healing.

SUPER-HIGHWAYS TO ISRAEL FOR TEENAGERS

Information programs for teenagers interested in educational/travel programs in Israel will be held at the following locations:

Akiva Hebrew High School, Tuesday, Jan. 10,
from 6-8 p.m.

B'nai Jeshurun, Sunday, Jan. 15, 9:30-
11:30 a.m.

Mandel Jewish Community Center, Sunday,
Feb. 26, 1-4 p.m.

For more information, contact Cindi Maggied,
at 831-0700, ext. 368.

STUDENT BIRTHDAYS

Ron Alterovitz 1/30	Jordan Rolleston 1/13
Andrew Brehm 1/12	Jessica Schecter 1/14
Daniel Chait 1/15	Mark Sudic 1/23
Sarah Levinson Kukura 1/2	

TOT SHABBAT



Our Tot Shabbat program got off to a great start last month, with lots of singing and dancing and smiling faces. This Shabbat experience is specially designed for families with infants and toddlers, not yet in our religious school (older brothers and sisters are welcome, too). Here is our schedule through June--please join us.

January 7

February 4

March 4

April 15

May 13

June 10

R.S.V.P. to the temple office (941-8882).

Enid Lader and Donna Sweet

COME HEAR THE KLEZMER AT BECK CENTER

Enjoy the spirit and music of the Yiddishe Cup Klezmer Band on Thursday, Feb. 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the Beck Center in Lakewood. All seats are \$8.00, but if we have a group of 20 or more, the seats will be only \$7.00. Please call me a.s.a.p. if you wish to order tickets.

Barbara Gordon
892-5516

JANUARY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

8 Robert & Eileen Kaplan
9 Cecil & Martha Bruckman
23 Max & Pearl Quatinetz

RITUAL COMMITTEE

Meditation 38 in **Gates of Prayer** speaks of every Jew having a part in the genius that gave religion to the world. We are part of "an arch spanning time to the furthest future." This "arch" of knowledge and love holds the truths to nourish our minds and hearts and to enrich our inner lives.

Come to services as Shosh Ault and Enid Lader lead us spiritually along this "arch." They make the Biblical wisdom of the week's portion alive and relevant to our daily lives. Marilyn and Don Bogart are donating table cloths for Shabbat services in honor of Shosh and Enid.

We continue the "arch" on Friday, Jan. 20, as we participate in celebrating the National Council of Jewish Women Centennial year.

On Friday, Jan. 27 at 8 p.m. we will worship at Congregation Am Shalom in Mentor, and on Saturday, Jan. 28 at 9:30 a.m. we worship at Temple Ner Tamid in Euclid, together with all those in attendance at the Conference for "Strengthening our Small Congregations."

A reminder and thank you to Oneg hosts for your \$5.00 donation for baking supplies. Write your check payable to Beth Israel--The West Temple and seal and place your envelope in the Ritual box or mail to the temple.

We honor these congregants for January.

Stephanie Gordon, Ritual Chair

SL=Service Leader; U=Usher; C=Candles; A=Aliyah;
H=Hagbah; G=Galilah; O=Oneg

1/6- SL: Shosh Ault; U: Kelly Sudik; C: Shellie Sedlak; A: Stanley Beekman; H: Larry Saidman; G: Paula Jacobson; O: Art & DeDe Gold and Charles & Elizabeth Hoffman.

1/7- SL: Enid Lader

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RITUAL (cont.)

1/13- SL: Enid Lader; U: David Kohn; C: Maryellen Kohn; A: Beryl Palnik; H: Stephen Bagstad; G: Lila Robinson; O: Lou & Linda Goldman and Cheryl & John Horvath.

1/14- SL: Enid Lader

1/20- SL: Shosh Ault; U: Eric Schwin; C: Ruth Schochet; A: Ruth Friedman; H: Barry Schoen; G: Lenore Singer; O: Bernard & Barbara Gordon and Tom and Ruth Hudson.

CHANUKAH THANKS AND PESACH ORDERS

I want to take this opportunity to thank Chester Gordon for his unfailing help in mixing and frying all the latkes at our Chanukah Luncheon. This is the first year we did not throw away any latkes. Everyone was clamoring for more—a true testament to how great they were. Thanks also to Lila (Schwartz) Robinson, Phil Mason, Monika Beekman, Maria Bloom, Neal Kaufman, Lolita Spiro, Roger Abady, Howie Girson, Gail Kerzner, Sylvia Cooper, BITSY for their wonderful cookies, and all the helpful hands I may have missed naming. Next year we'll even have enough tuna and egg salad and apple sauce!!

Here we are, fresh from the Chanukah Luncheon and I'm ready to remind everyone of Passover!!! I have order forms now at the temple for Passover goods from the Rego Stop and Shop in Berea or watch for one in your February Bulletin. We will use the same format as in previous years—you fill out the order which should reach me by March 1, and your orders will be delivered to the temple on Sunday, Apr. 9, one week before Passover begins on Apr. 14. This saves you a trip to the East side.

Saragene Davis

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Hebrew resumes Tuesday evening, Jan. 3, at 6:30 p.m.

No Torah Study during January.

Current Affairs Discussion Group meets on Jan. 8, at 10:30 a.m. in the front foyer, led by Herb Caron. The topic is "Welfare Entitlements and Child Support: Changing Concepts and Changing Programs." The discussion will draw on two recent magazine articles (copies are available in our library):

1. *Commentary*, Dec. '94, pp. 26-34, "What to do about Welfare," by Charles Murray.
2. *Newsweek*, Dec. 12, '94, p. 88, "About Those Orphanages," by George Will.

The Adult Study Series on "Finding God," continues on Sunday, Jan. 22, with Rob Spira, a recent graduate of CCJS, who will lead in exploring the philosopher Isaac Luria, and mysticism.

On Sunday, Jan. 29, Alan Levenson, a professor at CCJS will lead us in discussion of Baruch Spinoza. Bagels and coffee are provided.

The Winter Lehrhaus presents a series on "Imagining the Messiah: The Search, The Disappointment, The Hope," at congregation Shaarey Tikvah on Monday evenings, at 7:45—Jan. 16, 23, and 30.

The cost for the series is \$25 for our members, and \$36 for others.

Be sure to save your Monday nights in February for our annual CCJS Series at Beth Israel, beginning Feb. 6, with Professor Roger Klein on "Two Poets in Search of God," Part I: King David's Book of Psalms. Please call the office (941-8882) to let us know that you will be attending.

Myrna Pendery, Chair

THE JEWISH FAMILY - READ MORE ABOUT IT



"...And you shall teach them diligently unto your children..." This familiar passage from Deuteronomy (6:7) is our "proof-text"—the impetus for our responsibility as parents for the Jewish education of our children. We do this in partnership with the temple, the religious school, and community. but the basic vehicle is the family — where members gather to celebrate the rites of the individual life-cycles, to celebrate Shabbat and other holidays throughout the Jewish year, and, yes, to talk Torah, share stories, and pass on wisdom from generation to generation.

I would like to recommend some books to you which offer insights and ideas (both traditional and contemporary) to our roles as Jewish parents (and grandparents). These books are available in our temple library on a special book rack—just for you.

The Jewish Parents' Almanac, by Julie Danan. This guide to Jewish parenting is full of wisdom, hints, practical suggestions and sources for life cycle events and holidays.

To Raise a Jewish Child, by Rabbi Hayim H. Donin (1977). Follows a traditional path in child rearing; emphasizes the Jewish aspects of family life.

Raising Jewish Children in a Contemporary World: The Modern Parents Guide to Creating a Jewish Home, by Rabbi Steven C. Reuben (1992). A guide to raising children with a positive Jewish self-image.

40 Things You Can Do to Save the Jewish People Joel L. Grishaver (1993). "This book will make you laugh. You will be outraged. You will be inspired." "...a practical parenting tool filled with creative suggestions."

Enid Lader

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN CENTENNIAL

Beth Israel is participating in celebrating the NCJW Centennial Sabbath on Friday evening, Jan. 20. Established over 100 years ago, the 100,000 member NCJW is America's oldest Jewish Women's volunteer organization. NCJW's community service and advocacy efforts focus on child and elder care, reproductive rights, education and constitutional rights. These programs help women, children and families of all races, religions and economic backgrounds in the United States and Israel.

It is only fitting that NCJW join together with the community's synagogues in celebration at this special time. Please join us for the celebration of this major milestone on Jan. 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS

General Fund

Elaine Heeley in honor of Joseph Gerstein.

Charlotte Ballas in honor of Bar Mitzvah of David Kohn.

Library Fund

In memory of Ralph Forman from Sheila & Bernard Eckstein; from Dov & Rina Hazony.

Ann Holland

Mrs. Melvin Drimmer in memory of husband.

Lisa Feldman in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Lillian Davis.

The Eilberg Family

John Pendery in honor of Myrna's birthday.

Rabbinic Discretionary Fund

Ken & Sylvia Cooper in honor of Daniel's Bar Mitzvah.

Eugene J. David Memorial Fund

Bernice Davis in memory of husband Bernard.



YAHREZEITEN

Civil dates correspond to Hebrew calendar.

Friday, Jan. 6, 1995

Margarette Myers 1/9
Blanche Kuntz 1/11
Art Rosenberg 1/12
Rose Kantor 1/13

Friday, Jan. 13

Sarah Schwartzenfeld 1/15
Richard Smilgoff 1/16
Linda Smilgoff 1/16
Ed Heller 1/17
Jack Ackerman 1/19

Friday, Jan. 20

Abraham Clymer 1/23
Fannie Mesiboff 1/24

Friday, Jan. 20 (cont.)

Charles Rubin 1/26
Elias Schochet 1/26
Nita Zisser 1/26
Ruth Schoen 1/26
Jacquelynne Rubenstein

Friday, Jan. 27, 1995

Jean Mandel 1/28
Esther Rubin 1/28
Alfred Zisser 1/28
Sidney Berns 1/29
Morris Schwartzenfeld 1/30
Sarah Brecher 1/30
Esther Reingold 1/30
Shepsel Grinberg 1/31

JEWISH VIDEO VISIONS



A portion of Jewish Video Visions is coming to Beth Israel. The JECC's Ratner Media Center is lending us part of their collection for three months beginning in February.

We can select approximately 100 titles, including videos on Israel, Jewish history, holidays, culture and the Holocaust. Some full length films, both drama and comedy, are available and there are selections in Hebrew and Yiddish as well. A full listing can be found in our library next to our own video collection and on the Ratner Hall bulletin board.

Do you have any requests for a general topic or for specific videos? If you contact me by Jan. 15, we'll try to include them in our request list.

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*Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only
be achieved by understanding.*

A. Einstein

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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8 SCHOOL 9:55-12:15 pm Current Affairs Disc. Group 10:30 am	9	10 HEBREW Gr. 3/4, 5:30 pm Gr. 5/6, 6:35 pm ADULT HEB. 6:30 pm BULLETIN DEADLINE	11 BOARD MEETING 7:30 pm	12	13 SHARED SHABBAT SERVICE, 8 pm	14 SHABBAT LEARNERS' MINYAN 10:30 am
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29 SCHOOL 9:55-12:15 pm Ad Ed, 10:30 am	30	31 HEBREW Gr. 3/4, 5:30 pm Gr. 5/6, 6:35 pm ADULT HEB. 6:30 pm				



RECENT LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS

General

The Wit and Wisdom of the Talmud, by Rabbi Dr. Reuven P. Bulka.

Jews and Negro Slavery in the Old South, 1789-1865, by Bertram W. Korn.

Anne Frank in the World, published by the Anne Frank Foundation. The Foundation wants to stress that the rejection and prevention of discrimination must start at an early stage and that each of us has a personal responsibility toward achieving this goal. Had these convictions shaped the human consciousness in the 1930's, then the name of Hitler would be totally insignificant to us today.

Jewish Artists of the Twentieth Century. An exhibition organized by the Maurice Spertus Museum of Judaica of Chicago, with introductory remarks by Arthur M. Feldman and Joseph R. Shapiro.

Arthur Seipzig: Photographs of Jewish Life around the World. An exhibition at the Nassau County Museum of Fine Art in Roslyn, NY, 1982. During one of this photographer's travels around the world he felt the need to document Jewish communities scattered around the globe.

Light from Jewish Lamps: A Modern Treasury of Jewish Thoughts, compiled and edited by Sidney Greenberg, with an introduction by Charles Angoff. This book reaffirms the dynamic qualities of Judaism that have sustained its adherents through centuries of persecution and enriched all of humanity.

Jerusalem: Rebirth of a City, by Martin Gilbert. In this illustrated book the author reveals and explains, not only the rediscovery and revival of one of the most famous cities of the world, but also the way in which the seeds of twentieth-century dissension were sown.

Israel: A First View, by Anthony Armstrong-Jones. When this famous photographer visited Israel in the spring of 1985, he covered 3,000 kilometers from Beersheba in the South to the Golan Heights in the north in five days.

The Spirit of the Ghetto: Studies of the Jewish Quarter of New York, by Hutchins Hapgood. More than 50 drawings from life by Jacob Epstein, with preface and notes by Harry Golden.

Upon the Doorposts of Thy House: Jewish Life in East-Central Europe, Yesterday and Today, by Ruth E. Gruber. Illustrated with 52 evocative black and white photos, the result is a gift to be handed down through the generations, a book for those who lost so much, a poignant reconstruction of a people. It will enrich every reader who believes in the power of memory.

Rabbinic Wisdom and Jewish Values, by William B. Silverman. Here, in short, are Jewish values--the spiritual truths of a people's culture--brought to life through rabbinic story.

For Those Who Can't Believe: Overcoming Obstacles to Faith, by Harold M. Schulweis. This book addresses people searching for serious but non-fundamentalist answers to religious questions. Even those who disagree with particular answers will find new insights in every chapter to enrich their search for meaning in life.

Knowing the Unknowable God: Ibn-Sina, Maimonides, Aquinas, by David B. Burrell

World Religions in America: An Introduction, by Jacob Neusner, editor. Outstanding contributors present the major world religions and important discussions on religion and women, religion and politics, religion and society.

How We Die: Reflections on Life's Final Chapter, by Sherwin B. Nuland. In this book, the author, a surgeon and teacher of medicine, tells some stories of dying that reveal not only why someone dies but how. He offers a portrait of the experience of dying that makes clear the choices that can be made to allow each of us his or her own death.

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The Dreyfus Affair: Art, Truth, and Justice, edited by Norman L. Kleeblatt. Although hundreds of volumes have been devoted to the subject, there has never before been such a comprehensive collection of images relating to the Dreyfus Affair. This is the first time that many of these works of art have been analyzed within the context of the Affair. To complement the visual materials, the author has brought together original essays on many aspects of the Affair by noted scholars from a variety of fields. Social, political, legal, and cultural themes are explored along with literary and artistic questions. A very important historical book.

Blacks and Jews: Alliances and Arguments, edited by Paul Berman and others. From the editor of *Debating PC*, comes a stunning collection of nineteen essays by some of the foremost thinkers of our time—a groundbreaking volume on the subject, exploring myths and finding moral absolutes, baring souls and distilling ideas with logic, passion, and candor.

Summing Up: An Autobiography, by Itzhak Shamir. This is the story of one of the most important figures in the Middle East—in his own words.

Anti-Semitism in America, by Leonard Dinnerstein. Within this volume, the author not only chronicles the growth, demise and manifestations of anti-Semitism on the national scene but devotes individual chapters, as well, to the South and to African Americans, showing that prejudice among both whites and blacks below the Mason-Dixon line flowed from the same stream of Southern evangelical Christianity.

Israel Postage Stamps, 1948-1988: Catalog 11, edited by Yacov Tsachor. This book is published by the Israel Postal Authority.

The Timetables of Jewish History: A Chronology of the Most Important People and Events in Jewish History, by Judah Gribetz with Edward L. Greenstein and Regina S. Stein. A quintessential work for anyone interested in the remarkable history of the Jewish people, and the breadth and scope of Jewish contributions to world history.

Jewish Renewal: A Path to Healing and Transformation, by Michael Lerner, editor of *Tikkun* magazine. This book offers a major contribution to modern Jewish thought, a contribution that is a challenge to intellectuals even as it is accessible to a broad general audience. It is potentially one of the most important Jewish books of our times—an enduring contribution that could shape the Judaism of the twenty-first century.

Gates of Light: Sha'are Orah—The First English Translation of a Classic Introduction to Jewish Mysticism, by Rabbi Joseph Gikatilla; translated with an introduction by Avi Weinstein. Until now, few primary texts on the Kabbalah have been available in English. This book allows readers to enter the hidden world of the Kabbalah and its profound and beautiful Biblical interpretation.

Jewish Wisdom: Ethical, Spiritual, and Historical Lessons from the Great Works and Thinkers, by Rabbi Joseph Telushkin. With boldness, brilliance, and breath-taking comprehensiveness, this book provides readers with an entree to the wisdom of Judaism and the Jewish people. It contains the wisest thoughts of a civilization that transcends thousands of years.

The Jews in the Age of Rembrandt, by Susan W. Morgenstein and Ruth E. Levine, who organized it for the Judaic Museum of the Jewish Community Center of Washington, D.C.

The Jewish Parents' Almanac, by Julie H. Danan. Here is a complete guidebook to raising Jewish children from birth through the teen years. Appropriate for families of all backgrounds.

Recent Library Acquisitions (cont.)

Mourning and Mitzvah: A Guided Journal for Walking the Mourner's Path Through Grief to Healing, by Anne Brener, with over 60 guided exercises.

The New Jewish Baby Book, by Anita Diamant. A complete guide to the traditions and rituals for welcoming a new child to the world and into the Jewish community, and for commemorating this joyous event.

Adam's Soul: The Collected Tales of Howard Schwartz. This author is emerging as the leading American Jewish Folklorist and creative writer in a new generation that is proud of and versed in its Jewish tradition.

Reform Judaism in America: A Biographical Dictionary and Sourcebook, Kerry M. Olitzky, Lance J. Sussman, and Malcolm H. Stern, editors.

Jewish Voices, German Words—Growing up Jewish in postwar Germany and Austria, Elena Lappin, editor; translated from the German by Krishna Winston. What was it like to grow up Jewish in postwar Germany and Austria, in the nearly invisible shadow of the Holocaust? And what is it like to live there now? In this collection of stories, memoirs, and essays, fourteen German Jewish writers and journalists answer these questions in a variety of ways. It is the first collection through the eyes of the younger generation of writers. The common themes of Jewish-American writing take on new forms and have an impact that cannot be found elsewhere in the Diaspora.

The Jewish 100: A Ranking of the Most Influential Jews of All Time, by Michael Shapiro. Jewish men and women have been influential throughout history in the fields of religion, music, commerce, law, sports, diplomacy, philosophy, literature, art, and motion pictures. This historian selects the 100 most influential Jews from the Biblical, classical, medieval and modern eras and ranks them in order of importance to world history.

Spreading Poison: A Book about Racism and Prejudice, by John Langone. A thought provoking book with an extensive glossary of environmental terms. This work is a much needed primer on what's happening to poison or destroy our world and ourselves.

Fiction

Meshugah: A Novel, by Isaac B. Singer. While this story seems to develop like a comedy, it is a serious and extraordinary novel that the author wanted to write about a young woman simultaneously in love with an old and middle-aged man—in his own words, "a strange situation, with lots of promise." The bizarre twists and turns of the story, as well as the unusual characters, confirm once more the author's reputation as a master storyteller.

Children

Sammy Spider's First Hanukkah, by Sylvia A. Rouss, illus. After having watched the Shapiro family celebrate the different nights of Hanukkah, Sammy Spider finds that in the end he gets to share the holiday with them.

Hillel Builds a House, by Shoshana Lepon. With beautiful illustrations, this book is about a young boy who loves to build houses and how he learns that the perfect holiday for him is Sukkot.

Thank You, God! by Judyth Groner and Madeline Wikler. A Jewish child's book of prayers, with beautiful illustrations by Shelly O. Haas.

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Berchick, by Esther S. Blanc, with pictures by Tennessee Dixon. Homesteading in Wyoming in the early 1900's, a Jewish mother develops an unusual relationship with a colt she adopts named Berchick. A story of change, acceptance, and growth. This book won the Sydney Taylor Award Association of Jewish Libraries in 1990.

Matzah Ball: A Passover Story, by Mindy A. Portnoy, with illustrations by Katherine J. Kahn. Aaron can't pass up a chance to attend an Orioles game at Camden Yards, even though it's during Passover and he'll have to bring special food.

Audio Visual

Sing Me a Story, Rabbi Joe Black in concert. Words and music by Joe Black and Mark Bloom. Videocassette.

Aleph Bet Boogie. Rabbi Joe Black sings traditional and other songs.

Everybody's Got a Little Music. Rabbi Joe Black sings Hebrew and Yiddish songs.

Joseph the Tailor and other Jewish Tales as told by Syd Lieberman.

Yiddish Folksongs, played by the orchestra of the Jewish Theatre of Bucharest, conducted by Chajim Schwartzmann.

Reference

The Talmud - The Steinsaltz Edition - Volume X - Tractate Ketubot - Part IV, commentary by Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz (Even Yisrael).



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"The Future is in Our Hands"

Friday night sermon, Rabbi Norman Kahan

UAHC National Director of Small Congregations Department

Friday, Jan. 27, 1995 Congregation Am Shalom, 7599 Center Road, Mentor, Ohio

Shabbat Service, 8 p.m.

Oneg Shabbat following

Saturday, Jan. 28, 1995 Temple Ner Tamid, 24950 Lake Shore Blvd., Euclid, Ohio

Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 a.m.

Conference Kick-off Address: Rabbi Norman Kahan

MORNING SEMINARS:

- Outreach to the Unaffiliated
- Outreach to Interfaith Families & Parents of Intermarrieds
- Creating Caring Communities
- Concerns of Older Adults

Lunch 12:15-1:00 p.m. (included in \$10 conference registration)

AFTERNOON SEMINARS:

- Membership Retention—Slowing the Revolving Door
- Youth Issues
- Group Seminar on Financial Questions & Challenges

Havdalah Service & Concluding Session, 5:00 p.m.

Speakers will include Rabbi David Hachen, Regional Director, Northeast Lakes Council, UAHC; Terry Pollack, UAHC Regional Youth Director; Marcia Elbrand, UAHC Regional Outreach Coordinator, and clergy and lay leaders of Northeast Lakes Council congregations throughout the region.

**Plan to attend all or part of this exciting, informative event—
and return to your congregation inspired and energized.**

RETURN TO: Northeast Lakes Council UAHC, 25550 Chagrin Blvd., #108, Beachwood, OH 44122

____ I/We will attend the "Strengthening Our Small Congregations" conference
____ Fri. eve., Jan. 27 ____ Sat., Jan. 28 Registration enclosed (@ \$10 per person) \$ ____

____ Participant Name(s)

() _____
Daytime Phone

____ Congregation / City

____ Home Address

____ City/State/Zip

____ Home hospitality desired for Friday night