

CONGREGATION AGUDATH JACOB

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From the Rabbi.

Even though this is only November, our holiday of Chanukah has the first light on December 1st, so I'm already thinking about this next Jewish holiday of ours. As you may recall from the story, one of the major themes is "putting our house back in order", since the Temple had to be cleansed and rededicated after its defilement by the Syrian Greeks under Antiochus.

That theme is very timely for us, as we have been doing a number of things to get our Agudath Jacob house in order, too. As was announced at the last board meeting, CAJ was awarded a grant of just over \$20,000 from ONCOR toward replacement of our almost forty year old air conditioning system!! That grant represents close to half of the total cost of the project, which is a huge savings for us. The work, most of which will take place on the roof, should have begun by the time you receive this newsletter, and may even be completed by then. Of course, we still have to raise the other half of the cost, so any donations will be most welcome.

We are also indebted to Steven Schwarz for all the work he has been doing for the congregation. He has been a tough negotiator for us in signing the air conditioning contract with Lockridge Priest. Steve has also initiated and implemented a replacement of all the light bulbs in our main sanctuary. This will have the combined benefit of being much more energy efficient, since we now use only the compact fluorescent bulbs, and yet much brighter. But the new bulbs also produce

less heat than normal lights, and so actually help lower the cost of air conditioning the space, too. As you may recall, from the Jewish *mitzvah* called *bal taschit*, which means "do not destroy" (Deuteronomy 20:19 – 20), we get the entire set of Jewish values of ecology. So by absorbing some of these smaller expenditures now, we are following Jewish law as well as saving money in the long run. Steve also arranged for a contractor to take care of the windows of the main sanctuary, which had leaked badly during the last big rainstorm. Steve and his family have also become regulars at our Friday night services.

Lastly, what you may or may not know is that Faye has finally decided to retire. After more than 9 years in service to our congregation, we will be bidding her goodbye, and welcoming Amanda Henson as her replacement, who will begin training November 1 and start full time November 8. At our Food for Thought lunch on Nov. 11, Faye will be our special guest of honor, and we'll bid our formal goodbyes. Please make sure you r.s.v.p. if you will be able to join us for this special event. More details are inside.

Shalom uv'rachah – peace and blessings,
Rabbi Gordon Fuller

NOVEMBER SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday, November 5

Candle Lighting 6:18 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 6

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 7:21 p.m.

Friday, November 12

Candle Lighting 5:13 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 13

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 6:16 p.m.

Friday, November 19

Candle Lighting 5:10 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 20

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 6:13 p.m.

Friday, November 26

Candle Lighting 5:08 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 27

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 6:11 p.m.

NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING

CAJ Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 10 - 7:30 p.m.

Thank you to Lilia & Steve Schwarz for providing the funds to purchase the new lights in the sanctuary.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

11/13 Mr. & Mrs. Jay Rogers
11/22 Dr. & Mrs. Bill Burge
11/25 Mr. & Mrs. Elliot Wolpo

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

11/1 Benjy Bauer
11/5 Harold Kamenetsky
11/13 Tracey Hall
11/16 Harriet Stupak
11/18 Jean Adelman
11/19 Blake Hargrove
11/22 Dylan Rogers
11/25 Halyn Bauer
11/26 Joel Weissman

Mitzvah of the Month

**Food For Families Community
Wide Food Drive At Thanksgiving.
Friday, all day, November 19**

In conjunction with our

On - Going Mitzvah

Food from the Faithful

CAJ has made a commitment to Caritas to participate in the program, "Food from the Faithful". We will supply dried and canned beans on an on-going basis. Please bring packages throughout the year and Rabbi Fuller will see that they are delivered to Caritas.

Please add the following contact information to your directory:

Glick, Diane & Robert H: 666-0793
113 Hillside
Hewitt TX 76643

Ida Harris - 214-239-7551
The Legacy at Preston Hollow
11409 Central Expressway Rm: 329
Dallas TX 75243

IN MEMORY OF:

Ann Frindell

Deana Stupak & Family

Julius Genecov

Deana Stupak & Family

Lois Goldberg

Drs Lea & Jeff Levin

Calvin Goldberg

Drs Lea & Jeff Levin

Estelle Goldfeder

Drs Lea & Jeff Levin

Harvey Goldfeder

Drs Lea & Jeff Levin

Esther Hoffman

Bobbye Starnes

Deana Stupak & Family

Joe Rubel

Hanna & Barry Phillips

Max Schwartz

Hilda Ruttenberg

Edythe Siegel

Judy Hersh

Lorraine & David Hoppenstein

MAZEL TOV

Katie Hargrove

Margie & Morris Marcus

Pearl Jacobson

On the engagement of her 2 grandsons

Hilda Ruttenberg

Colleen & Jeff Wolf on the birth of their grandson

Debra & Blake Hargrove

Hilda Ruttenberg

Bobbye Brickman

Judy Hersh

RABBI'S DESCRETIONARY FUND:

Steve & Lilia Schwarz

SHABBAT DONATIONS

09/25/10

Simone & Jake Bauer

Florence & Stanley Hersh

Lorraine & David Hoppenstein

Pearl Jacobson

Esther & Naman Lipinsky

Barbara & Elliot Wolpo

10/02/10

Tracey & Bill Burge

Florence & Stanley Hersh

Judy Hersh

Lorraine & David Hoppenstein

Pearl Jacobson

Esther & Naman Lipinsky

10/16/10

Simone & Jake Bauer

Florence & Stanley Hersh

Pearl Jacobson

Esther & Naman Lipinsky

HAPPY ARE WE WHOSE SYNAGOGUE IS SMALL

By Danny Siegel

*Happy are we whose synagogue is small
because we love each Jew
because we have to
because we do.*

*Happy are our children
who sit in sixes and fours
learning Torah
with the Rabbi
for he knows them well enough
to know them.*

*Happy are our homemade caterings
our hospitality on Pesach
our own-washed floors.*

*Happy the man who walks right in
day or night
through the unlocked doors
to meditate and sit in peace.*

*Happy are we whose house is a shul
and whose temple is a home.*

Blake, Debra, Katie and Alice Hargrove would like to thank all those at our own "small" synagogue who made Katie's Bat Mitzvah so wonderful! We couldn't have imagined a more meaningful celebration. Thanks to Rabbi Gordy for being a great teacher and knowing our children well. Thank you to the sisterhood, not only for the better-than-catered luncheon, but for all the needed advice along the way! We appreciate having CAJ as a shul we can call home.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - 7:00 PM
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 1100 AUSTIN AVENUE

Join us for an Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration with a program that will include songs, readings and prayers, offered by various religious traditions.

Please bring a non-perishable food item to offer to the "Food for Families" Food Bank Drive.

The Greater Waco Interfaith Conference (GWIC) is sponsoring this Thanksgiving Celebration. The GWIC is committed to dialogue and understanding among the Baha'i, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim and Unitarian Universalist traditions. Let us share our faiths, in a spirit of thanksgiving.

As Israel's International Red Cross organization, *Magen David Adom* has launched a series of initiatives worldwide in order to gain Red Cross access to Gilad Shalit. Magen David Adom UK has set up an online petition to highlight Shalit's plight and demand the basic human right, as set out in the Geneva Convention, for Shalit to be visited immediately by the International Red Cross. To sign their petition just visit the website below and please forward it to as many people as possible.

http://www.mdavisitshalit.org/?utm_source=MDA+Newsletter&utm_campaign=d72440

Food for Thought Lunch/Study

Thursday, November 11, 2010 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Make your reservations by calling 772-1451 or email cajassistant@grandecom.net

Faye will be our special guest of honor, and we'll bid our formal goodbye.

ANNUAL CHANUKAH BAZAAR LUNCH - NOVEMBER 21

OPEN TO ENTIRE JEWISH COMMUNITY



10:00 – 12:15 Open House for Religious School

12:15 – 12:45 p.m. Lunch

12:45 - 1:00 p.m. Religious School Chanukah Play

1:00 Bingo, games

Gift Shop open all day

Latkes, Games, Gift Shop Sale, Bingo



Claire Solomon our ISJL Fellow will be here November 19 – 21

Claire will speak at the Friday night service and on

Sunday Morning will present a program to the Religious School on

CHANUKAH AROUND THE WORLD!!

SAVE THE DATE, DECEMBER 8, ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.

November 2010

24 Heshvan 5771 - 23 Kislev 5771

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 7:45AM/6:40PM 24 Heshvan Horayos 4	2 7:46AM/6:39PM 25 Heshvan Horayos 5	3 7:47AM/6:38PM 26 Heshvan Horayos 6	4 7:47AM/6:37PM 27 Heshvan Horayos 7	5 7:48AM/6:36PM ij6:18PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. 28 Heshvan Horayos 8	6 7:49AM/6:36PM §7:21PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 29 Heshvan Horayos 9
7 7:50AM/6:35PM ROSH HODESH I 30 Heshvan Horayos 10	8 7:51AM/6:34PM ROSH HODESH II 1 Kislev Horayos 11	9 7:52AM/6:33PM 2 Kislev Horayos 12	10 7:53AM/6:33PM CAJ Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. 3 Kislev Horayos 13	11 7:53AM/6:32PM Food For Thought 11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. 4 Kislev Horayos 14	12 7:54AM/6:31PM ij6:13PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. Baylor Students will be visiting services. 5 Kislev Zevachim 2	13 7:55AM/6:31PM §7:16PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 6 Kislev Zevachim 3
14 7:56AM/6:30PM 7 Kislev Zevachim 4	15 7:57AM/6:30PM 8 Kislev Zevachim 5	16 7:58AM/6:29PM 9 Kislev Zevachim 6	17 7:59AM/6:29PM 10 Kislev Zevachim 7	18 7:59AM/6:28PM GWIC - Interfaith Thanksgiving Service 7:00 PM First Presbyterian Church 1100 Austin Avenue 11 Kislev Zevachim 8	19 8:00AM/6:28PM ij6:10PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. 12 Kislev Zevachim 9	20 8:01AM/6:28PM §7:13PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 13 Kislev Zevachim 10
21 8:02AM/6:27PM RS School - Chanukah around the world Chanukah Bazaar lunch & games 12:15 14 Kislev Zevachim 11	22 8:03AM/6:27PM 15 Kislev Zevachim 12	23 8:04AM/6:27PM 16 Kislev Zevachim 13	24 8:05AM/6:26PM 17 Kislev Zevachim 14	25 8:06AM/6:26PM Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday 18 Kislev Zevachim 15	26 8:06AM/6:26PM ij6:08PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday 19 Kislev Zevachim 16	27 8:07AM/6:26PM §7:11PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 20 Kislev Zevachim 17
28 8:08AM/6:25PM NO Religious School 21 Kislev Zevachim 18	29 8:09AM/6:25PM 22 Kislev Zevachim 19	30 8:10AM/6:25PM 23 Kislev Zevachim 20				

HOW TO OBSERVE THE YAHRZEIT

It is traditional to kindle a Yahrzeit Candle in the home on the evening Yahrzeit begins. It should remain lighted until sunset the next day. Possible prayer before lighting a Yahrzeit candle: Eternal God, I/we light this candle in memory of (name) _____, my/our beloved (relationship) _____. The light of the flame rekindles all the warm memories of the moment we shared together, and reassures me /us that a piece of his/her soul dwells in my/our heart(s) forever. May his/her soul be bound up with the bonds of eternal life. Amen. Candles are available at the Gift Shop. Every effort should be made to say Kaddish at congregational services. It is meritorious to perform some Mitzvah or to contribute to the Synagogue in commemoration of the deceased.

Kaddish will be said November 5

Cheshvan 29 Hyman Wolf Fink

Sara Smolensky

A.L. Torchin

Kislev 1

Max Ellis

Mrs. J. Kuttner

Frank Lipinsky

Sam Raphael

Sarah Rubel

Kislev 2

George Cohen

Kislev 3

B. Kaplan

Rachel Lachman

Charles Handelman

Minnie Meinstein

Kislev 4

Eva Adler

Secil Chazanow

Cecilia Fleischman

Geraldine Harelik

Ethel Koppman

Kislev 5

Esther Blinderman

A.M. Bierman

Morris Giniger

A.J. Goldberg

M. Roman

Elmer Smith

Kaddish will be said November 12

Kislev 6

Pauline Koss

Mrs. Toby Novich

Kislev 7

Arthur Schwartz

Kislev 8

F. Jennie Chazanow

A.D. Goldfine

Isaac Goldstein

Kislev 9

Sophie Blank

Mrs. Isaac Feldt

Sarah Holste

I. Israel

Wm. Petchesky

Dora Sackett

Beatrice Siegel

Minnie Wise

Kislev 10

Joe L. Reed

Sol Siegel

David Sornin

Hannah Udashen

Kislev 12

Sam Gelber

Mina Parven

Mrs. Goldye Solomon

Kaddish will be said November 19

Kislev 13

Miriam Berkman

Philip Stupak

Kislev 14

Stanley Marmelzadt

Lilian Mendelsohn

Kislev 15

Pauline Bartz

Moses W. Cinnamon

Elihugh Frankfort

Kislev 16

B. Roddy

Emma Wizig

Kislev 17

Mary Friedman

Moze Novich

Max Reed

Kislev 18

William Goldblatt

Warren Israel

H. Novich

Rachel Rosenthal

Kislev 19

Max Corman

Mose Harris

Jack Silver

Kaddish will be said November 26

Kislev 20

Sidney Fleischman

Kislev 21

Flora Epstein

Toby Schwartz

Kislev 22

Yetta Cohen

Kislev 23

Amanda Goldstein

Sarah Leah Markusfeld

Kislev 24

Carrie Loewenstein

Samuel H. Robinson

Sarah Schaevitz

Kislev 25

Edith Koss

Leon Rouvant

Kislev 26

Sadie Berman

Chaim H. Green

Diana Green Rosner