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Mazel Tov to



United Synagogue Youth INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER OF THE YEAR, 2007-2008

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday Evenings: 7:30 p.m.
Saturday Mornings: 9:00 a.m.
Daily Minyan:
Mon-Fri at HDS Chapel: 7:45 a.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Call for weeknight schedule.

CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

February 6..... 5:50 p.m.
February 13..... 5:56 p.m.
February 20..... 6:01 p.m.
February 27..... 6:06 p.m.

CANDLE LIGHTING PRAYER

Baruch ata Adonai elohainu melech
ha-olam asher kidshanu bemitzvotav,
vitzieevanu l'hadlik ner shel shabbat.

Praised are you, Lord our God, King
of the universe, who has made us
holy by your commandments and
commanded us to light the Sabbath
candles.

RABBI AARON D. RUBINGER'S MESSAGE



Dear Friends,

Not long ago I was speaking in my office to a congregant who had recently lost her mother. The funeral and *shivah* were held out of town. I assumed she had come to see me for counseling, or, perhaps, to ask me some questions about Jewish beliefs regarding the afterlife. But the real reason she came to see me took me by surprise.

She came to express her anger and great hurt that other than a condolence letter that she had received from me as the rabbi of the synagogue, not one single congregant had sent her a note or card expressing his or her sympathy over her loss. Mind you, this woman has been a member of this synagogue for over ten years. Her kids have gone through Bar and Bat Mitzvah training. She helps out and volunteers when she is able as a single parent.

“But where was everyone?,” she asked me. “Not one single card?”

I felt surprised, embarrassed and ashamed. One needn't have to be the most popular individual in the *shul*, for others to respond appropriately.

Every time there is a death in our synagogue that we learn of we inform the congregation. I know a few congregants find it a bit “morbid” to receive these weekly death announcements and have asked us not to send those notices to them. But please realize why we do.

First, it's a way for our synagogue, as a congregation, to formally express our condolences. Secondly, it is to inform our members of the death so that people may know; perhaps, attend the funeral if they know the deceased; maybe help make a *shivah* minyan; and... act appropriately to comfort the mourner, be it by sending a card or note, or by a small contribution in memory of the deceased.

I do not know how many other congregants have experienced this same phenomenon. I have no idea. But I thought it a good opportunity to remind all of us, myself included, that little expressions of compassion and kindness mean so much to others. It doesn't really require much on our part, but it is so deeply meaningful for the recipient. I know. I have been there with the deaths of my parents. I know how I treasured and savored each and every note or card that I received when they passed away.

We are becoming a larger congregational “family.” As such, we face some challenges as to how to let our members know that they are not just a number or a dues payer, but, rather, members of a caring community. In certain areas we have been doing that exceptionally well. And I am very proud of our Sisterhood's *Community Care Team*. But in others areas we may need to try a bit harder.

Certainly our staff, again myself included, needs to make that extra effort. As do the members of our Board of Directors. But the staff and Board just on our own cannot build a community of caring, it requires the participation of all of us. Next time, lets all try a little harder. Thank you.

With Affection,
Aaron D. Rubinger
Senior Rabbi

P.S. By the time you are reading this I may well be in Israel for the Rabbinical Assembly's Annual Convention, this year being held in Jerusalem. When I get back I will be happy to share with you information about the situation in Israel and also about the convention itself. That talk will take place on Friday, Feb. 20, at our Shabbat evening service.

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...that you can reach
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Having walked “a mile in their shoes,” I have a newfound appreciation for Ohev’s past presidents. They deserve to be remembered and thanked for all they have done for this congregation. Their loyalty and devotion to Ohev Shalom is inspiring. Many of them continue to be actively involved in the welfare of our synagogue. On Sunday, March 8 we will pay tribute to them. It is my hope that you will join us in honoring the men and women whose leadership brought us to where we are today.

Janise Klaiman and Sharan Schwartz are our Tribute co-chairs. Their committee is busy planning an evening that will be fun, meaningful and provide the necessary funds for our operating budget. Please join us as we celebrate the history of Ohev Shalom and pay tribute to our past presidents.

*B'Shalom,
Sara Nathan Stern
President*



COS JUDAICA SHOP

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New merchandise arriving all the time!

Now available: New Gary Rosenthal items.
Kiddush cups, Mezuzahs, Candleholders.

Support Sisterhood and your synagogue, do
your gift shopping here!

A NOTE FROM YOUR CANTOR



Every year our Sisterhood leads us in services on Sisterhood Shabbat. Every year, it falls on Shabbat *Shirah*, the Sabbath of song. What is it about this particular Shabbat that makes it so fitting for sisterhood? Are you curious just what song it is they are referring to?

This portion, *Beshallah*, includes the famous “Song of the Sea” that the freed Israelite slaves sang after they made their miraculous crossing of the sea. They were celebrating God’s victory over Pharaoh as they escaped from Egypt. From this song come the famous words of the “*Mi Chamocha*” prayer. This particular part of the Torah is one of the few parts that, no matter which cycle of the triennial reading we may be in, is always recited. Yet it is after this passage that the women have their great moment.

Moses leads the people in a song – a long liturgical poem that lasts some 19 verses. Keep in mind that the entire 6 days of creation are recorded in 31 verses. A song that is 19 verses long in the Torah is a long song. After this magnificent poem is finished, the next two verses are where the women come to the forefront. We are told that Miriam and the women took their timbrels and danced. This song is only two verses. Still, it is fascinating that after all the people have heard and sung this long song in praise of God that Miriam and the women have their special moment. It seems to me that this is just one more final example of the outstanding women who are so very important to the Exodus story. Over and over it is women who save the day during the ordeal of leaving Egypt. From Pharaoh’s daughter who pulls Moses from the river, to his brave sister and mother who watch over him as a child, to the midwives who refuse to drown the newborn Israelite male children, we see example after example of how much women mean to our very existence as a people.

So let’s not *kvetch* about the members of Sisterhood not always having the best voices. No complaining about the up and down of the various members and the few extra moments it takes. Instead let us take pride in the fact that our sisterhood is a such a vibrant and knowledgeable group with so many members who are willing and able to lead parts of the service. In the tradition of Miriam, they are raising their voices in praise of God.

*L'shalom,
Cantor Allan Robuck*



COS HONORS ITS PRESIDENTS

March 8 will be a special evening with past and current Presidents – that is, of Congregation Ohev Shalom. While history will have already been made in Washington, COS is celebrating its 92 year history by honoring the 50 men and women who have dedicated their time and effort and served as President. This Spring's fundraiser, "An Evening with the Presidents," promises to be an All-American evening beginning with a tribute to the honorees, including presentations by Senior Rabbi Aaron Rubinger, Rabbi David Kay and a musical tribute by Cantor Allan Robuck. A casual BBQ dinner and dancing will follow the tribute. To express the appreciation of all the congregants, a permanent commemoration to all the Presidents will be on display at the synagogue after the event. The Presidential Procession is something you will want to experience, and March 8 at 5:00 p.m. is your once in a lifetime opportunity for that. Please join with us for this memorable tribute. For more information on the evening, please contact Phil Wolgel, Executive Director at COS at ExecDir@OhevShalom.org or 407-298-4650.

A. STETNER, 1917-1918
 PERRY WEINBERG, 1918-1919
 HARRY WEINSTEIN, 1919-1920
 HARRY KANNER, 1920-1924
 ALBERT RAFFELD, 1924-1925
 SOL WITTENSTEIN, 1925-1928
 HARRY STAHLBERG, 1928-1935
 BARNEY COHEN, 1936-1937
 JOSEPH K. WOLF, 1937-1940
 HY ROTH, 1940-1942
 I.J. JIMMY BECKER, 1942-1944
 LOU JACOB, 1944-1945
 MORRIS LEFKOWITZ, 1945-1946
 SIDNEY GLUCKMAN, 1946-1948
 A.J. ABE HAIMOWITZ, 1948-1949
 FRANK STEIN, 1949-1950
 RALPH MEITIN, 1950-1951

SAM SULMAN, 1951-1952
 BEN GLASER, 1952-1953
 ABE BORNSTEIN, 1953-1954
 I.B. BUBBA LIPPTON, 1954-1955
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 MEL HESS, 1957-1958
 BARNEY COHEN, 1958-1959
 MEREDITH COHEN, 1959-1961
 ALBERT RUTBERG, 1961-1965
 NATHAN LOEB, 1965-1967
 SAM BRESNICK, 1967-1968
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 MAURICE SHAMS, 1969-1972
 JULIUS HABERMAN, 1972-1974
 BARRY WOODS, 1974-1976
 ART MOSKOWITZ, 1976-1978

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 BOB GAMSON, 1979-1981
 BURT CHASNOV, 1981-1983
 TOM WOLFE, 1983-1985
 ARNOLD SAGER, 1985-1987
 STUART KIMBALL, 1987-1989
 EDWARD ROSENBLATT, 1989-1991
 MARK STONE, 1991-1993
 SANDRA SAFT, 1993-1995
 JAMES GRODIN, 1995-1997
 BILL SHOLK, 1997-1999
 MELODY APTER, 1999-2001
 MARC FEUERMAN, 2001-2002
 BURT CHASNOV, 2002-2004
 JEFFREY BORNSTEIN, 2004-2006
 STEVEN NEWMAN, 2006-2008
 SARA NATHAN STERN, 2008-Present

COS PRESIDENTS



Some of us didn't start out knowing how to be Jewish, so we are still coming out of our shells. I guess you could call us a little **Newish Jewish!**

Newish Jewish is an organization dedicated to supporting converts, interfaith families, and anyone with a desire to learn about Judaism in the Orlando area. Knowing how intimidating and overwhelming it can be for someone new to Judaism, we provide a non-threatening environment to ask questions, share personal stories, and build a social network for people with the same interests. Come and give us a try! It's never too late to come out of your shell!

Please contact: Monique Eyal at newishjewish@gmail.com for more information and to get on our mailing list for upcoming events. Save the dates... March 1, March 29, April 26, and May 24.

FEBRUARY SCHEDULE

Instead of In Search of God
Friday, Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Rabbi Rubinger will talk about his Israel visit

Friday Night Chai Musical Service
Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Minyan Yashar
Saturday, Feb. 28 at 9:30 a.m.

MARCH SCHEDULE

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**ALTERNATIVE
SHABBAT SERVICES**

**COS ADULT PROGRAM
COMMITTEE *presents***

Dr. Fran Friedman

Well known clinical psychologist
and COS member

Topic:

*“Wow, the kids are out of the house,
now what?”*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

10:15 a.m.

Realtor Building on Lee Road

\$5.00 for Breakfast



RABBI DAVID KAY'S MESSAGE

Haveirim y'karim –

Dear friends –

You certainly can't miss the news of what's happening in the world: it's delivered to our front door, on the airwaves, waiting for us when we log onto the internet, even popping up on our cell phones. It was exactly for these sorts of reasons that our Sages, of blessed memory, taught: *Mi'sh'nikh'nas Adar marbin b'simhah* – "When Adar arrives, happiness increases."

No, the Rabbis of the Mishnah and Talmud didn't have cable TV or satellite radio or web-enabled cell phones. But they, too, lived in a complicated and often dangerous world—a world in which it was frequently life-threatening to be too outspoken or too strong in your Jewish identity. And they realized that a little comic relief can work wonders in difficult times.

Think about it – one of the most inevitable results of trying times is topical humor. The long history of oppression, prejudice, and discrimination which the Jewish people have experienced has had the unexpected and delightful result of creating a rich mother lode of humor and wit. Two millennia ago, in the time of the ancient Rabbis, this concept was already fully developed. From the Marx Brothers to Woody Allen to Jerry Seinfeld, Jewish angst has fueled Jewish humor in a way which, as the saying goes, you don't have to be Jewish to find funny – but it helps.

In fact, Judaism may be the only faith tradition going which has a religious obligation to be happy – for an entire month, no less. What's more, it's not just a "cheerful countenance" – it's an obligation for serious, constructive, and creative silliness. We tend to think of that one day of Purim as the focus of silliness and irreverent humor. But, in fact, the two week leading up to it – and following it – are also under the edict of *Mi'sh'nikh'nas Adar marbin b'simhah*.

That verb, "*marbin*," literally means "we cause [it] to increase." The tense of the verb means that it is an ongoing process we are currently engaged in. Why would the Sages of the Mishnah and Talmud – who so often warn against and criticize a lack of seriousness and the pursuit of mundane distractions as squandering precious opportunities for learning and performance

of *mitzvot* – place such emphasis on wit and humor during Adar?

If you've ever received an e-mail from me, you might have noticed a quote from Rabbi Simchah Bunim of Parsischa, an 18th-century Hasidic master: "The Lord's kindness is attracted to gayety. A joyful person is usually blessed with plenty, even though he may be impious. A sad person is usually in want, even though he be God-fearing."

As we usher in Adar later this month, we won't – and can't and shouldn't – forget the serious things going on in our lives, our community, and our world. But we'll take the opportunity to remind ourselves that God, too, enjoys a good joke, a clever turn of a phrase, even a little bit of witty irreverence. And we'll be better equipped to face the challenges of our times as a result.

*L'shalom,
David Kay*

With great joy and pride,

Rabbi David and
Joanne Goldman Kay
invite our Ohev Shalom family
to share in the
simhah of celebrating
our son, Jonah,
becoming Bar Mitzvah.
Shabbat Parshat Ki Tisa

March 13-14, 2009


 The logo features the words "ask the" in a blue, rounded font inside a blue cloud-like shape. Below this, the word "Rabbi" is written in a large, bold, white font with a blue outline, set against a light blue oval background.

by Rabbi David Kay

Dear Rabbi-

At a Jewish funeral, I know it's traditional to participate in the burial by placing a few shovelfuls of earth into the grave. At a recent funeral, many of the people present turned the shovel over and used the back to lift the first bit of earth. Is there a source for this custom?

– Wondering

Dear Wondering –

The *mitzvah* (in its traditional meaning of “commandment”) of *k’vurat ha-meit* (burial of the dead) is the responsibility of the entire community. If there is no one to fulfill this obligation for the deceased, it must be done by the community. The Talmud teaches us that even the *Kohein Gadol* – the High Priest – *must* break his ritual purity to bury a person who has no one else to do it.

It is therefore considered appropriate and praiseworthy for any Jew present at a burial to participate in *k’vurat ha-meit*. This participation is represented by placing three shovelfuls of earth into the grave, as the Sages of the Talmud understand repeating an action, statement, or legal formula three times as indisputable evidence of intention.

Our Sages, of blessed memory, also teach that one should “run to perform a *mitzvah*” and “be zealous in the performance of a commandment.” However, the *mitzvah* of *k’vurat ha-meit* is one we are naturally reluctant to have to fulfill. We would rather not have to say good-bye to a loved one or community member.

Yet, we are obligated to do so. So, one explanation for the custom of turning the shovel is that, by making the task more difficult, we are expressing our reluctance while simultaneously fulfilling our religious obligation.

A variation of this explanation has it that the shovel is only inverted for the first shovelful, then turned right-side up for the next two. This indicates that, despite our reluctance, we also know we must move on with the obligations of life and the living.

A third explanation draws on the principle of *al derekh shinu’I* – using something in a manner noticeably different than usual, making its use stand out from the ordinary. The spade or shovel used for burial is an ordinary tool being used for a sacred purpose. Turning it over – at least for the first shovelful – reminds both the user and those present that they are not engaged in mundane physical labor, but fulfilling a divinely-mandated responsibility.

However, there are no Biblical or Rabbinic sources from which the custom is directly drawn. It is one of those things which appears to have developed anonymously over the centuries, persisted in certain communities, and has now spread throughout the Jewish world to become more or less the norm. Still, although it is not *halakhah* (Jewish law) *per se*, it is a time-honored *minhag* (custom) which has beauty and purpose, and which obviously is meaningful to many.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

From Amy Geboff, Director of Youth and Family Education



2009 has gotten off to a tremendous start for our youth and families.

It began by COSUSY being awarded the International USY Chapter of the year at the international Convention in Washington D.C. This is a great honor for our entire synagogue. COSUSY was chosen from 17 chapters.

We then learned that we were awarded four program grants from the Joseph and Frieda Ross Foundation. This is incredible especially in light of the economic climate. The grants were for \$15000 for MACHAR, \$13000 for MACHANEH OHEV, \$4500 Fiddler on the Roof Junior, and \$7500 for Family Shabbaton. These grants have been a lifeline for our programs and a key to the success of what we do. We are grateful to the trustees of the Foundation for their support and generosity.

On Saturday, January 10, our teaching staff held

the second Teacher Chavurah. The Chavurah is an ongoing program for our teachers to come together to increase their own Jewish knowledge and to further develop their own teaching. Janet Friedman, 6th and 7th grade teacher in the school led a text study about teaching. The text study took place after the teachers attended Minyan Yashar. A mentoring program is being created where the teachers will be able to observe each others' teaching to learn about their own and have the opportunity to reflect on their teaching.

On Sunday, January 11 the Religious school held its first Tzedakah Fair. Community organizations came to the Hebrew school to give our students a concrete understanding of what they do. Participating organizations included: Magen David Adom, Jewish Pavilion Outreach and Jewish Family Services, both constituent agencies of the Jewish Federation of Greater Orlando, Books for Vets, Coalition for the Homeless, Give Kids the World, Books for Vets, Mustard Seed, Freedom Ride, Boys and Girls Clubs, Canine Companions,

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February 1	3 rd grade Family Siddur Cover making program 11 a.m.	February 20	Sweet Tomatoes
February 2	Pizza before Beit Hamidrash 6:15 p.m. at the JCC	February 22	10:30 a.m. Coffee, a Schmear and Conversation Ronald McDonald House cooking 4:30 p.m. Alden Ave.
February 8	Gesher Pre K class 9:15 K'ton ton class 11 a.m. 3 rd grade Siddur Dedication ceremony 11 a.m.	February 27 through 28 th	4 th and 5 th grade Shabbaton at Camp Ithiel
February 13	6 th grade Family learning 11 a.m. Family Tu B'Sh'vat Program 12:30	February 28	Kindergarten Family Pajama Havdallah 6:30 p.m.
February 15	Sunday 15, USY subregional convention	March 1	Gesher and K'tonton First grade/Kitah Alef family Wimpel making program 11 a.m.
February 15	Yom Disney for Kadima and USY No School		

february events

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Camp Thunderbird, Camp Kessem, Harbor House and A Gift for Teaching. Special thanks to Lisa Levin for helping to make many of the contacts for us.

The afternoon brought our second Family Mitzvah Day. Twenty families went to 5 different organizations to volunteer their time. After a pizza lunch and a game to learn about different organizations in the community, the families went to either Camp Thunderbird, Kelly Park or Freedom Ride to do landscaping and weeding, Kinneret to help organize their library or Winter Park Day Nursery to do organizing and cleaning. Special thanks to Ela Crespin, Beth Gruber, and the Family Committee for their hard work on this successful event. As we look ahead to February, we focus on hosting the Mercaz Subregional convention February 13-15. 125-175 USYers from Gainesville, Jacksonville, Daytona Beach, Sarasota, Tampa, St. Pete, Clearwater as well as Orlando including members from SOJC will come together. The weekend will feature services, learning sessions, lots of ruach and schmoozing. A veteran of the Iraqi war will speak about his experience and USYers will be bringing books to donate to the Books for Vets organization. On Saturday evening, we will be bringing in SAK comedy theatre. We welcome all members of COS to enjoy services and if you would like to help bake and cook prior to the convention, let us know!

Next month I will talk about the much anticipated "Coffee, a Schmear and Conversation that was held on January 25. It was a book discussion with COS member and family therapist, Wendy Darrow on the book "Blessings of a Skinned Knee." All COS religious school families were given the book as well as participants who do not have children in school. This was made possible by the Joseph and Frieda Ross Foundation. The Foundation also underwrites our Teacher Chavurah.

L'Hitraot, Amy Geboff

Ana and Moises Feldman for hosting the USY Kabbalat and Kibbitz

Rachel and Rob Gebaide for hosting our Young Family Kabbalat and Kibbitz

Lynn and Steven Resnick of "Signs Now" for creating and donating the USY Award Banner

TODAH
RABAH

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changes!



Eric Schwartz



Mike Wheeler

COS MEN'S CLUB UPDATE



Men's Club Swings Into Spring

PLAY BALL!

It's off to the Atlanta Braves vs. Philadelphia Phillies Spring Training Baseball Game on Sunday March 1, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. The game will be played at the Disney Sports Complex at Walt Disney World. The ticket price is \$28 (regular price) for lower grandstand seats. Tickets are limited and going fast, so please contact Eric Schwartz 407-645-2777 or Bart Neuman 312-215-7004 or send an email to mensclub@ohvshalom.org to join us for the game.

STRIKING OUR SPIRITUAL SIDE!

The Men's Club, in keeping with "Tradition", will sponsor Men's Club Shabbat on Saturday, March 21st. We invite all of you to participate. There are so many parts, both in English and Hebrew that you should have no difficulty participating within your own comfort level. Let's "Bat 1000" with 100% participation insuring a Memorable Shabbat. For more information and to select your part contact: Howard Kaplan (scouting641@yahoo.com), Bart Neuman (bneuman@aol.com) or Ken Klein (klklein1@msn.com)

THE BUSINESS ALLIANCE NETWORKING CLUB PITCH

Not quite spring, but the Business Alliance Networking Club will meet on Thursday evening, February 12th at the

Winderly Cafe, 500 Winderly Boulevard in Maitland. Please note that this will be an evening meeting, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with a light bite available, introductions and presentations concluding at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Lou Lazarus at flafurnman@gmail.com

SUPERBOWL FUNDRAISER AND WORLDWIDE WRAP SCORES TOUCHDOWNS!!

Through your generosity and participation in this year's Men's Club Super Bowl Fundraiser it has been an outstanding success. The money raised will be providing much needed youth scholarship support for COS. We would like to especially acknowledge the "driving" force behind this year's campaign, chairmen Robert Fenster and Richard Schwartz along with their team.

What happens prior to Kick Off? PRAYER!! Special thanks to Rabbi David Kay for coaching the team during the Worldwide Wrap and for making the experience of wrapping T'filin such a meaningful one.

MEN'S CLUB GATHERED FOR BREAKFAST

A special thanks to Dr. Matt Apter and Dr Allan Klaiman for their important and timely talk on Men's Health Issues at our recent breakfast. What would a Men's Club Breakfast be without the talents of our Master chef, Arnie Sager and his crew! Special thanks to all of you as well.

*Respectfully submitted,
Mike Wheeler
Eric Schwartz
Co-presidents*



Berny Raff,
President

COS SENIORS MESSAGE

and we sure are having plenty of fun at all of our meetings.

They say history repeats itself, and as far as the COS Seniors are concerned, this is certainly true. It seems that we just get finished with one bulletin and it is time to write another column for the next one. Time flies when you are having fun

On the 1st Sunday of every month, we manage to bring in an average of 75 people looking forward to spending another Sunday afternoon being entertained by professional paid entertainers, plus enjoying the delicious refreshments we have.

Sunday, February 1st at 2 p.m., we are having our "Day at the Races" in the Social Hall run by Ralph Sheffler,

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Lisa Schwartz



Helene Schauder



In light of the economic situation in which we are living, life has gotten more stressful and complicated for everyone on many different levels. There are things we have control over and many others that are completely out of our control. One thing that can help us all is to have a sense of belonging; a “family” which is always there for us. Ohev Shalom is such a “family”; a cohesive group of people who truly care about one another. In these uncertain times, call upon your Sisterhood family to help support you. Join us for a social get together, an informative speaker or a social action program to give back to those in greater need. We do not have a choice of what life throws at us, however, we do have a choice in how we react to these various situations which arise. Make a positive choice; one which carries a very minimal monetary price tag, but has great potential for a high rate of personal satisfaction

By the time you receive this, Sisterhood Shabbat will be only days away. We are so fortunate to have such an amazing group of women with such diverse interests and talents. In addition to leading services, we are baking all of the desserts that will be served at the Oneg Friday night. Please join us as we celebrate Shabbat with the women of COS on Friday February 6th and Saturday February 7th.

*Fondly,
Lisa and Helene*



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

A Presidential Celebration
Sweeping across our grand nation
Have you received your invitation?
A memorable night of “JEW” bilation!

March 8, the night of celebration
Leaders of our congregation
In an organized formation
A presidential delegation

Two speeches and some “musication”
Not a lengthy presentation
It is a night of relaxation
Dinner, Dancing, Good Vibration

Our leaders had determination
Strength, energy, dedication
Humility, no coronation,
Respect, hard work, no limitation

‘Tis a night of appreciation
For more than just one generation
Please support with your donation
And Sponsorship and reservation.

A tribute night of fascination
Excitement breeds anticipation
Honorees beam with elation
Let’s show our appreciation

Please join with our congregation
For this timely celebration
Show your respect and admiration
Thank you for your participation

*B’Shalom
Phil Wolgel*



COSUSY wins International Chapter of the Year!

How did we do that?

December 24, 2008, 20:00. All the delegates at the USY International Convention sit in the general session, anxiously awaiting the announcement of the coveted “International Chapter of the Year” award. Hearts beat a thousand times a minute and lungs stop working as USY International President, Adam Berman, steps up to the podium. He smiles. “This year’s International Chapter of Year award goes to . . . Congregation Ohev Shalom from Orlando, Florida!” What happened next is a blur. Current COSUSY president Ariel Brent and immediate past-president Alana Geboff sprint to the stage to receive this award. Laughing, smiling, and in shock, they shake Adam Berman’s hand, completely in disbelief of the plaque they now held in their hands. The cheers of the COSUSY members present at the convention are audible throughout the hotel, and nobody can believe what just happened. But what did just happen?

International Chapter of the Year is an award given to one USY chapter at International Convention to recognize their excellence in programming, membership, and representing all that USY has to offer. In order to be qualified to win *International* Chapter of the Year, a chapter must first win their respective region’s Chapter of Excellence awards. This honor is rewarded based off the same merits as International Chapter of the Year. COSUSY won the Chapter of Excellence award for the Hanegev region back in April 2008 at Regional Convention, and the excitement was only topped by that at IC, at International

Convention. After this exhilaration of winning this prize had subsided, COSUSY members were hard at work preparing for the international version of that award. There were forms to fill out, letters of recommendation to be written, and signatures to be signed. After the expansive amount of paperwork was completed, it was sent off to the international USY office. There, all members of the International USY Board read the applications, and voted for who they believed most deserved Chapter of the Year. The winner was kept top-secret, and only the head of USY, director Jules Gutin, knew who won. Everybody else would just have to wait until IC to find out, and sit anxiously at the edge of their seats with the rest of us. Once the rest of USY knew the winner, however, the exhilaration was palpable, exemplified in the joy in the faces of not only COSUSY members, but in those of every single member of the Hanegev region.

No one person exists that can take credit for this outstanding achievement. From our amazing Youth Director Amy Geboff, to our dedicated advisors Ali White and Barbra Resnick, to our hard-working COSUSY boards and members, both past and present, to every single member of Congregation Ohev Shalom, all have assisted in this wondrous accomplishment. Out of seventeen chapters from across North America, our chapters, our USYers are the best. And that is something to celebrate.

Jamie Schwartz
COSUSY SATO VP

February 2009

Shevat—Adar 5769

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 7 <i>Shevat</i> 9:00 am Hebrew School 9:00 am Minyan 9:00 am Super Bowl XLIII 10:30 am 3rd Grade Siddur Making Family Program 11:00 am Family Comm Meet 12:30 am Play Rehearsal 2:00 pm Senior Event	2 8 <i>Shevat</i>	3 9 <i>Shevat</i> 10:30 am Hadassah Luncheon 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting	4 10 <i>Shevat</i> 4:00 pm Hebrew School	5 11 <i>Shevat</i> 7:00 pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah	6 12 <i>Shevat</i> 7:30 pm Shabbat Services Sisterhood Shabbat	7 13 <i>Shevat</i> 9:00 am Shabbat Services 10:00 am Babysitting 10:00 am Jr. Congregation 5:30 pm Bat Mitzvah of Elizabeth Geison
8 14 <i>Shevat</i> 9:00 am Hebrew SchMinyan 9:00 am Geshet 9:30 am K'lon Ion 10:15 am Adult Program 10:30 am 3rd Gr Siddur Dedicat 10:00 am Adult Program Brunch 12:30 pm Play Rehearsal 12:30 pm Fam Tu B'Shevat	9 15 <i>Shevat</i>	10 16 <i>Shevat</i> 7:00 pm Ritual Committee Meeting	11 17 <i>Shevat</i> 4:00 pm Hebrew School 7:00 pm Men's Club Board Meeting	12 18 <i>Shevat</i> 7:00 pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah	13 19 <i>Shevat</i> 7:30 pm Shabbat Services USY Mercas Subregional Convention	14 20 <i>Shevat</i> 9:00 am Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah of Katie Miller 10:00 am Babysitting
15 21 <i>Shevat</i> NO Hebrew School 9:00 am Minyan 9:00 am USY/Kadima Yom Disney	16 22 <i>Shevat</i>	17 23 <i>Shevat</i> 7:00 pm Youth Committee Meeting	18 24 <i>Shevat</i> 4:00 pm Hebrew School	19 25 <i>Shevat</i> 7:00 pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah	20 26 <i>Shevat</i> 7:30 pm Shabbat Services Israel Update by Rabbi Rubinger	21 27 <i>Shevat</i> 9:00 am Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah of Marlee Berman 10:00 am Babysitting 10:00 am Jr. Congregation
22 28 <i>Shevat</i> 9:00 am Hebrew School 9:00 am Minyan 12:30 pm Play Rehearsal 4:30 pm Ronald McDonald House	23 29 <i>Shevat</i>	24 30 <i>Shevat</i> 7:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting	25 1 <i>Adar</i> 4:00 pm Hebrew School	26 2 <i>Adar</i> 7:00 pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah	27 3 <i>Adar</i> 7:30 pm Friday Night Chai "Musical" Service 7:30 pm Shabbat Services 4th/5th Grade Shabbaton—Camp Ithiel	28 4 <i>Adar</i> 9:00 am Shabbat Services 9:30 am Minyan Yashar 10:00 am Babysitting 10:00 am Jr. Congregation 6:30 pm Kindergarten Pajama Havdalah

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who has promised us a day of great fun with everything running smoothly. There will be prizes, refreshments, plus plenty of betting money. So come socialize with all of your friends for only \$2.50 for COS Senior members and \$5.00 for all others. Don't forget, we are starting the game at **2 p.m. SHARP!**

Then on March 1st at 2 p.m. in the Social Hall, we are featuring the **"Company Players"** at **"Theatre Day at Ohev."** They will be presenting a sensational two-hour performance with the tunes from "My Fair Lady." The cost is only \$5.00 for COS Senior members and \$7.50 for all others. So mark your calendar and come early to get a good seat, enjoy the entertainment and delicious

refreshments. Reservations are not required. You won't want to miss this show!

We will then be looking forward to April, May and June to complete an outstanding season. We will of course keep you posted as time gets closer. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 407-657-8215.

I look forward to greeting you all on the above dates.

*Regards,
Berny Raff, President
COS Seniors*




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TO OUR FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

happy birthday! happy birthday!

1 Debra Israel	8 Carl Gaterbaum	16 Peter Schreiber	22 Ofer Ben Tov
1 Cameron Aidif	8 Mia Arace	16 Jenni Sujka	22 Elyse Berger
1 David Amar	8 Barbara Grodin	16 Ethan Levin	22 Asher Lazarus
1 Robert Silio	8 Jamie Shujman	16 Michael Robuck	23 Terry Weiss
1 Lee Kosstrin	9 Jessie Greenberg	16 Linda Kalter	23 Cynthia Rubin
1 Sarah Goldberg	9 Bat Sheva Bushman	17 Jodi Weinstock	23 David Brent
1 Lou Tauber	9 Myrna Ossin	17 Leah Sandler	23 Bruce Breit
1 Alli Schwartz	10 Sharon Sernik	17 Brea Polejes	23 Mayah Silio
1 Debra Bornstein	10 Lisa Kaplan	17 Talia Osteen	24 Leslie Halpern
1 Joel Fraifeld	10 Michael Levy	18 Sloane Mosrie	25 Rita Feldman
2 Sally Izzo	10 Keron Pollock	18 Hal Jacobson	25 Benjamin Rosenblum
2 Brad Ackerman	10 Michal Osteen	18 Wendi Moses	25 Ari Lanxner
2 Matthew Rosenthal	11 Andrew Levin	18 Scott Friedman	25 Sidney Pressler
2 Lisa Babitt	11 Paradise Kafri	18 Jordan Jacobs	25 Craig Polejes
2 Grace Field	11 Paul Gentles	18 Aviel Yashar	25 Samantha Greenberg
3 Gabriel Bornstein	11 Joann Garfinkel	18 Joel Harbor	25 Benjamin Bornstein
3 Eric Schwartz	11 Marc Katzen	18 Larry Bach	25 Jordan Schneir
3 Jamie Schwartz	12 Glenn Rivkees	18 Sally Salamy	25 Phyllis Zissman
3 Arielle Green	12 Cheryl Ben Tov	18 Wayne Bilsky	26 Aaron Huberfield
4 Harriet Wallsh	12 Lauren Gendzier	18 David Friedberg	26 Robby Etzkin
4 Rita Adler	12 Diane Rieger	18 Alan Moss	26 Alvin Michael
4 Marissa Block	12 Jordan Jacobs	19 Deborah Weinstein	26 Elizabeth Gorovitz
4 Rebecca Lazarus	12 Russell Nusynowitz	20 Andrew Moses	26 Jamie Levy
5 Geff Myers	13 Michelle Feldman	20 Jodi Rubin	26 Isaac Cohen
5 Victoria Countess	13 Ariel Osteen	20 Gary Reilly	27 Peyman Roozrokh
5 Diane Rosenbaum	13 Joseph Baisuck	20 Albert Goldwasser	27 Alan Bilsky
5 Bari Sholk	13 Zachary Watson	20 Melvin Field	27 Florence Dees
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7 Ruth Wolff	15 Thomas Huse	22 Janice Close	28 Erica Roberts
7 Dana Kaplan	15 Irving Kolin	22 Michael Kast	28 Mark Klafter
7 Gil Pollak	15 Isabelle Laub	22 Matthew Levy	29 Marisa Gorovitz
8 Vicki Freed	15 Marion Brechner	22 Batel Einhorn	

If we missed your birthday, please call the office and we'll add you to the list...and please accept our apologies.

love

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

love

2	Mark & Dyan Goodman	18	Michael Stern & Kathy Rosenbluh
2	Steven & Marilyn Salzman	18	Stuart & Shula Levy
2	William & Melanie Litwin	18	Scott & Fran Friedman
2	Alan & Susanna Berns	19	Ehren & Frank McMichael
2	Drew & Amy Samelson	19	Sheldon & Sindi Ackman
3	Eloise & Jimmy Kandel	19	Jeffrey & Ellen Stein
6	Stanley & Renee Roberts	20	Christopher & Michelle Tauber
6	Corey & Sharon Gerson	20	Michael & Celia Graham
7	Max & Ruth Mogul	21	Michael & Karen Green
8	James & Wanda Stanek	22	Joseph & Anita Hara
8	Jeffrey & Rita Adler	24	Rudolph & Rose Adler
9	Lester & Sonia Mandel	24	Joseph Sanabria & Elizabeth Cintron
14	Ronald & Mardena Shader	25	Michael & Francine Levy
16	Bruce & Donna Breit	29	Steven & Staci Golden
18	Farzin & Azita Yashar		

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Saturday, February 7 at 9:00 a.m. we will celebrate the Bat Mitzvah of Elizabeth Gerson, daughter of Sharon & Corey Gerson of Lake Mary.



Saturday, February 14 at 9:00 a.m. we will celebrate the Bat Mitzvah of Katie Miller, daughter of Lynda & Bob Miller of Longwood.



Saturday, February 21 at 9:00 a.m. we will celebrate the Bat Mitzvah of Marlee Berman, daughter of Andrea & Joseph Berman of Longwood.

B'nai Mitzvah
FEBRUARY

*Yahrzeit Plaque

YAHARZEITS

*Yahrzeit Plaque

The names listed below will be recalled at the indicated Friday evening services for Yahrzeit observance during the following week (Saturday through Friday).

February 7-13

Fannie Bogash *
 Leo Chaitow *
 Jack Chick *
 Nathan Edelman *
 Reuben Esner
 Jonathan Floyd
 L.S. Frankel *
 Sam Fuchs
 David Fuchs
 David Furman *
 Sophia Gingold
 Jack Greenspan *
 Solomon Grober
 Gerald Kalmanson *
 Lily Kerman *
 Joseph Klaiman *
 Earl Kopf
 Lazar Korzinneck
 Louis Lieberman *
 Rose Mandell
 Mitzi Mayer *
 Ida Moczan
 William Rosenfeld
 Richard Rosenman
 Kate Rubin *
 Charlotte Rubinger
 Maurice Scherr *
 Benjamin Schwartz *
 Henry Spiegel
 Morris Stotsky *
 David Suissa
 Juliet Traeger *
 Joseph Webman
 Ernest Weiss
 Charles White
 Milton White
 Edward Wolfe
 Sandra Zelony *

February 14-20

Ronald Ackerbaum
 Nancy Ackerbaum *
 Morris Ackman *
 Sandord Amdur
 Estelle Balog
 Isadore Becker *
 Nathan Bialostock *
 Nathan Blaher
 Jennie Blattner *

Jean Booth
 Benjamin Bornstein
 Paul Brickman
 Milton Briskman
 Anna Brown
 Hal Chesler
 Irene Heyman
 Max Hochstadt
 Benjamin Klein
 Philip Klein
 Morris Krublit *
 Sylvia Labell *
 Sam Letvin *
 Anna Levine
 Hyman Lewis-Epstein *
 Morris Lieber *
 Betty Lippman *
 Mischa Lustok *
 Ann Marcus *
 David Nuchow *
 Gumercindo Olea
 Mitchell Peltz
 Rebecca Pincus
 Lynn Postal
 Herbert Rieger
 Joseph Ross *
 Lena Rubinstein
 Martin Salkin *
 Albert Salomon *
 Rodolphe Schalom *
 Eva Silverstone *
 Henry Steinfeld *
 Joseph Steisel *
 Alvin Zalla *

February 21-27

June Berman
 Lillian Berman *
 Joseph Brechner *
 Howard Brodsky
 Tillie Brody *
 Jack Broudy
 Morris Cohen
 Rhona Davison
 Anna Dosti *
 Sadie Esner
 Mary Freedman Rubin *
 Harry Friedman *
 Evelyn Giteck
 Ida Goldstein *
 Sarah Green

Solomon Green
 Phyllis Greenfield *
 Max Haber
 Isidoro Hajdenberg
 Louis Harris *
 Edith Herman
 Abraham Hyman
 Rosalyn Jones
 Irving Kaplan *
 Jean Kolin
 Kate Krieger
 Joseph Kwasman
 Naomi Lehman *
 Bessie Lepow *
 Roma Mafдали
 Jerry Mandell
 Yetta Matlin
 Nathan Moss
 Robert Neuhaus
 Joseph Ottenberg *
 Samuel Rand
 Donald Reilly
 Beulah Schefen *
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 Pola Sniad *
 Lynda Stein
 Pauline "Peppy" Treger *
 Gayle Tucker
 Gertrude Wiesenfeld
 Clara Wildfeuer *
 Lynn Wolfson *
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 Rose Youdelman
 Harry Zuckerberg *

February 28- March 6

Edward Ackerman *
 Hyman Alpert *
 Simon Applebaum
 Esther Asher *
 Anna Basch
 Bernard Chick *
 Anna Chinitz
 Jeffrey Cohen *
 Abraham Cohen *
 Morris Cohen
 Louis Davidson *
 Barbara Diamant *

David Factor
 Shirley Fain *
 Elaine Farb
 Isadore Finkelstein
 Bee Friedman *
 Miriam Fuhr
 Abraham Geller
 Helene Gewolb
 William Ginburg
 Norman Glucksman
 Jacob Goldfarb
 Rose Golding *
 Philip Gordon *
 Julius Graff
 Bessie Greenfield *
 Benjamin Halper *
 Sarah Heller *
 Murray Heller *
 Ray Hennig *
 Alyce Hurvitz *
 Rose Itzkowitz *
 Betty Jacobson
 Nettie Katz *
 Harry Kaufman *
 Laura Kravetsky *
 Gertrude Kurtz
 Louis Lefkowitz *
 David Lehner
 Carl Liebeskind *
 Morris Meister *
 Rosalind Nathanson
 Mollie Peckler
 Frances Plissner *
 Gloria Resman
 Yetta Schreiber
 Sadie Schulman
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 Marilyn Margil in honor of my grandchildren, Robert & Rachel Gebaide & Alaina Andino and my great grandchildren, Jordan & Jonathan Gebaide & Alexander Andino
 Genie, Neal, Ben & Noah Blaher in honor of our father, Oscar Goldfarb's 90th birthday
 Lillian Plaez in memory of my beloved husband Angel Plaez
 Lillian Plaez in memory of my beloved mother, Betty Blumberg
 Beth & Isaac Berger in honor of our new grandson, David Shlomo Greenberg
 Marc & Henrietta Katzen in memory of Harry Katzen, father of Marc
 Shirley & Alvin Michael in memory of Benjamin Michael, father of Alvin
 Rietta Gebaide as a token of my love for this synagogue which has been an important part of my family's life for over 24 years
 Justin Faiber in memory of my grandmother, Ruth Faiber
 Laurie, Marc, Jason & Jake Smith in memory of Ceil Smith, grandmother of Marc
 Laurie, Marc, Jason & Jake Smith in memory of Phyllis Greene, mother of Susan Drazen
 Laurie, Marc, Jason & Jake Smith to the Nebel family on the occasion of Alexandra's Bat Mitzvah
 Barbara & Burt Chasnov in loving memory of Dr. Murray Follender

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 Charles Schwartz & Amy Kurland in memory of Barbara Brady, daughter of Tybe & Wolf Kahn
 Pat & Carl Lepon in memory of Guillermo Sernik, father of Enrique Sernik and Fanny Sernik
 Roz Fuchs in memory of Barbara Brady, daughter of Tybe & Wolf Kahn
 Martin Jacoby in memory of Barbara Brady, daughter of Tybe & Wolf Kahn

Sarilee Grossman in memory of my husband, Joel Grossman
 Judith & Melvin Cohen in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Alexandra Nebel
 Judith & Melvin Cohen in memory of Ethel Cohen, mother of Melvin
 Judith & Melvin Cohen in memory of Dr Seymour Cohen, brother of Melvin
 Charles Schwartz & Dr. Amy Kurland in memory of Victoria Pustay
 Charles Schwartz & Dr. Amy Kurland in honor of Steve Stein's 60th birthday
 Ina & Eli Porth in memory of David Brenner, father of Ina
 Ellen Mae & Elliott Kaye in honor of Adam Webman's Bar Mitzvah, son of Eddie & Marcia Webman

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 Melvin & Gloria Seldin in honor of Brooke Seldin's Bat Mitzvah
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 Naomi, Wesley & Spencer Cutler in celebration of Victoria Pustay's life

The Nebel family
 Beulah Higley Happy Chanukah to all
 Robert & Elaine Gamson
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 Deborah Moskowitz in memory of my grandmother,
 Leonora Moskowitz

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Carole Heller
 The Nebel family
 Maxine Silverman Rosenthal with thanks for officiating at
 my mother's shiva call-it was special to have a friend there

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 father of Enrique Sernik and Fanny Sernik
 Bill & Lisa Sholk & family in memory of Olga Hochman,
 mother of Karen Arace
 Bill & Lisa Sholk & family in memory of Barbara Brady,
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 Neal Crasnow & Susan Drukman in honor of COSUSY being
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 Shelley Fleet in memory of my beloved husband, Edward S.
 Ackerman
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 beloved aunt of Shelley

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Arnie & Barbara Sager in memory of Bessie Sager, mother of Arnie

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Peter & Ellen Zollman in honor of COSUSY becoming the
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 Diane & Alan Bloom



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