



Rabbi Steven Ballaban

President Paul Eisenberg

With the coming of Autumn, and the turning of the seasons, we have come once again to the beginning of the story of our people. Once again, we read of Abraham and Sarah, and their desire to start a family and establish an enduring people – our people.

Their story begins with two words: **Lech Lecha** – “Go for your sake.” As the tale of their life unfolds, they experience the hardships of the nomadic life, famine, warfare, and family battles. Finally, at the end of Sarah’s life, we hear these two words again, as Abraham is commanded to sacrifice Isaac – **Lech Lecha** – “Go, for your own sake.” The commentaries recount that these two commandments bracket a series of ten trials that Abraham and Sarah faced and met, and that earned them the merit that has sustained the Jewish people ever since.

It is impossible not to compare these ten trials of our forebears to the ten plagues suffered by the Egyptians. Like Abraham and Sarah, Pharaoh faced them – up to and including the death of his firstborn son. And yet, unlike Abraham and Sarah, Pharaoh does not pass the test.

Why were they so different? The commandment **Lech Lecha**. Each setback that we experience, each loss or failure, is an opportunity to “Go, for our own sake.” If we treat each failure as an opportunity to learn, and as a call to return to the person we were meant to be, then we earn the ability to share our knowledge and the wisdom we gain with those who come after us. May you find that each challenge that you face in life is a trial, and not a plague –

Lech Lecha!

There is a famous passage in “The Analects” of Confucius (551-479 B.C.E.) which, in one recent translation, runs in part thus: “The ancients who wished to illustrate illustrious virtue throughout the Kingdom, first ordered well their own states. Wishing to order well their states, they first regulated their families. Wishing to regulate their families, they first cultivated their persons. Wishing to cultivate their persons, they first rectified their hearts.” In a similar manner I would say of us modern American Jews in Bloomington who wish to have “illustrious virtue” in our country that there is need for us first to order well our state, and to accomplish that goal there is need for us to rectify our homes and even our hearts. What I am trying to suggest is that, although the various social justice goals to which we at Beth Shalom are committed may seem to be unrelated to one another, or even contradictory, there may be in fact deep connections among many of them. Let me here focus on two such goals: one is the goal of major energy reduction in our own homes and at Beth Shalom; the other is staffing the emergency winter shelter at which homeless people in Bloomington will be able to sleep on cold nights (from November 1 to March 31). Beth Shalom volunteers are expected to help staff the shelter at the First United Church on Tuesday evenings and nights during that period.

It is, of course, a work of tzedakah to help out at that shelter, no matter what else we do or fail to do. But there is, to my mind, something disturbing about our helping the homeless there, and then going back to our own very comfortable, very well-heated homes, taking a leisurely shower, and sitting down to a fine meal. I certainly do not mean that we should give away nearly all our worldly goods and join the homeless in their homelessness. But, it seems to me, we should do more than simply feel grateful for what we have—especially if, as is only too likely, we are in our own homes wasting natural resources. Thus, to take just a few examples (presented recently by Ben Brabson, an IU emeritus professor of physics and an expert on energy reduction), setting the thermostat in the 65-68 F. range during the day and the 55-58 F. range at night saves 1,400 pounds of carbon dioxide a year produced by natural gas; reducing a family of three’s showers to no more than five minutes per shower saves 900 pounds of carbon dioxide in a year; and eating one less meat-based meal a week saves 700 pounds of carbon dioxide in a year. These reductions—unlike replacing a pre-1993 dishwasher and refrigerator with Energy Star equipment or installing a geothermal heat pump (which, however, are excellent things to do!)—cost one nothing; on the contrary, they yield immediate savings.

Let us, then, who wish to help the homeless also rectify our homes (and

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Shabbat

Shabbat services begin at 7:30 on Friday evenings and at 9:30 on Saturday mornings, unless listed otherwise. Evening services are liberal; morning services, traditional. Shabbat ends on Saturday evening, one hour later than the listed time for lighting candles on Friday evening.

<u>November 6 & 7</u>	<u>November 13 & 14</u>	<u>November 20 & 21</u>	<u>November 27 & 28</u>
Vayera	Chayei Sara	Toldot	Vayetzei
<p>Candles: 5:22 pm Service 7:30 pm Service Leader: <i>Rabbi Ballaban with Carolyn Lipson-Walker</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Oneg: TBD</p> <p>Saturday service 9:30 am Tot Shabbat 11:30 - noon</p>	<p>Candles: 5:16 pm Service 7:30 pm Service Leader: <i>Rabbi Ballaban with Shir Simcha</i></p> <p>Oneg: Max & Marissa Exter, in honor the baby naming of <i>Ephrem Nachman Exter</i></p> <p>Saturday service 9:30 am</p> <p>Torah Study, following services and a pitch-in vegetarian lunch!</p>	<p>Candles: 5:11 pm Service 7:30 pm Service Leaders: <i>Rabbi Ballaban with Carolyn Lipson-Walker</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Oneg: TBD</p> <p>Saturday service 9:30 am - Bar Mitzvah of Adam Bollman</p>	<p>Candles: 5:07 pm</p> <p>Service Leader: <i>Rabbi Ballaban with Dan Melamed</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Oneg: TBD</p> <p>Saturday service 9:30 am</p> <p>Renewal service 9:45 am, Julie Bloom coordinating</p> <p>Torah Study, following services and a pitch-in vegetarian lunch!</p>



Sunday Night Forum November 8, 2009, 7:30 PM

Hadassah Katz on

Gender, Sex, and the Commandments: The Covenanting Body in Judaism

Hadassah (Haddie Katz) is a student at Indiana University, where she studies Gender and Human Sexuality. Katz has participated in sex-education courses and led discussion sections of IU's human sexuality course, which was pioneered by Alfred Kinsey. The third in a family of four girls, she firmly believes that any Seder reference to G-d should be put in either female or gender-neutral terms.



Open Book Club

Tuesday, November 17 at 12:30 pm
Location: Home of Elayne Ostrower

"Sarah's Key"
by Tatiana de Rosnay

Discussion Leader:
Elayne Ostrower

~ Havdalah Happening ~ **Pizza, Havdalah and a Film!**

Saturday, November 14th

- 5:00 pm:** pizza dinner
- 5:45 pm:** havdalah service
- 6:00 pm:** *An American Tail*



Animated story of Fievel, a courageous mouse who journeys from Russia to America at the turn of the century. Fievel is lost at sea, washes ashore in New York and begins a quest to find his family (produced by Steven Spielberg, 81 minutes).

Price: \$10/family



Gan Shalom, by Didi Kerler



Like every education center, we rely heavily on our families to work behind the scenes serving on advisory boards, fundraising and providing an array of services. This year we are especially fortunate to have many other volunteers who have contributed in enrichment activities.

On *Sukkot*, it is our custom to invite special guests to be with us and while the weather prevented us from actually sitting in the *sukkah*, Lennie and Lou Newman led the children in a wildly entertaining accordion and piano concert, playing a diverse selection of Jewish songs, marches, lullabies and children's nursery rhymes in the sanctuary. The children were thoroughly engrossed in the music, clapping, dancing, wiggling, and singing.



Also on *Sukkot*, Sara (aka Judith Jacobs) wandered in from the desert and did a dramatic reading of the classic, *Stone Soup*. Later that afternoon, the *parparim* (4-5 year olds) class cooked the most delicious soup – stones being the main ingredient!

Malke Rosenfeld (no relation to Alvin and Erna) is a parent in Gan Shalom, specializing in integrating math and dance. If you are a Saturday morning Farmer's Market regular, you may have seen her clogging to a fiddle and a bass. Malke comes in every week to work with our oldest class using movement to learn about math relationships.

Ayoung Jay, who comes to us from MCCSC's ESL adult program, spends two hours every day with the *parparim* helping in the classroom. Ayoung is a kindergarten teacher in Korea who is here for two years while her husband completes his law degree. We are thrilled that she wants to practice her English with our children!

Mary Ann Kopelov, a Beth Shalom member, comes every Wednesday to read stories to the *tzipporim* and *parparim* class. Mary Ann's notebook is brimming with Jewish stories and titles of books on every subject imaginable. The children very much look forward to Miss Mary Ann's visits and sit listening with rapt attention.

The staff and parents of Gan Shalom are so grateful to these wonderful people who have enriched our children's lives.

We want to take this opportunity to thank you all. The children, too, are aware of their good fortune but sometimes it is surprising to know what they are truly thinking. Natali Sarraf, her little brother Aviv and her mother, Ravit went to Israel for a few weeks to visit family. Their adventure will be to visit the Kotel (Western Wall) in Jerusalem. With them, they brought thank you letters from the *tzipporim* class (age 3-4). This is what they were thankful for:

Thank you God for cookies (Keira)
Thank you God for Dad (Lijah)
Thank you God for playing outside (Sam)
Thank you God for food (Ava)
Thank you God for lipstick, necklaces, and special things (Naomi)
Thank you God for all of our food (Ian)
Thank you God for my birthday (Sophia)
Thank you God for hippo (Natali)
Thank you God for making us (Theo)
Thank you God for my friends (Ben)
Thank you God for Natali (Trevor)
Thank you God for my family (Finn)
Thank you God for my Mommy giving me ice cream (Logan)
Thank you God for Gan Shalom (Shahar) [and no we didn't bribe him!!!]



Gan Shalom and the Religious School would like to thank

*Mike Rollands of BTOWNMENUS.COM,
Moe's Restaurant and Butch's Delicatessen
for the fantastic food on Sukkot!*

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Tikkun Olam/Social Justice Committee Update

I remember where I was when I first realized “it.” In June of 2000, I was at an international conference for anti-hunger and poverty advocates in Washington D.C. The keynote speaker was Frances Moore Lappé, a renowned advocate in the fight against hunger and poverty and for democracy. Ms. Moore Lappé told us about how people around the world were helping to fight poverty in their own communities with new and ingenious (and environmentally friendly!) ways, such as Wangari Maathai, who planted trees in Kenya, empowered women, and eventually won the Nobel Peace Prize for her efforts.

As I sat there listening to Ms. Moore Lappé speak, the proverbial light bulb went off. I was a poverty advocate, an anti-sweatshop advocate, an anti-IMF advocate. I fought for the right of individuals in my community, country, and world to live without hunger and the worst effects of poverty. Yet, all the while, my daily choices were having adverse effects on the very people I purported to fight for. Each time I drove a mile to work or to a restaurant instead of walking or biking, or when I turned up my heat just a little more, or when I ate a McDonalds hamburger instead of vegetables (or a locally raised, grass-fed hamburger), I was contributing unnecessary fossil fuels to the already overheating earth. I might not feel the effects, but certainly the poorest of the poor do. The poorest countries and the poorest people are less able to adapt to their changing environment, such as when their fields dry up in drought or when their islands disappear with rising waters. I realized that I could petition and pamphlet all I wanted, but my daily choices had greater effect.

I learned that I cannot advocate for hunger, poverty, and human rights in isolation. While I quickly learned that I did not want to become ascetic, I could be more conscious of the choices I made. And the choice to reduce my carbon “footprint” was easy to make. I didn’t need to join Greenpeace or expend my limited time advocating for green causes. I could walk. I could ride my bike. I could lower my thermostat (or leave the A.C. off in the summer). I could eat less meat and buy my foods at the farmer’s market (locally grown food doesn’t travel as far, thus, using less energy for transport).

It is a perpetual argument among social justice advocates whether we should waste our time worrying about climate change when there are so many other issues to worry about. My response is two-fold. First, we *must* worry about climate change because, otherwise, we will so damage the earth that our advocacy efforts elsewhere will be pointless. And, second, small changes in our own lives can make an enormous difference. We may not choose to lobby our representatives to pass a climate change bill. But, if each of us makes minor changes in our daily lives, then we can make a huge dent and still have time to fight for other issues.

The Shalom Center Christmas Brunch will be upon us sooner than we know! We will need volunteers to help prepare food and to help staff the brunch.

Please Give to the UJC Campaign – Matching Offer for New Contributors

In late October or November, Beth Shalom members will receive a letter and donation card for the 2009 campaign of the United Jewish Communities (UJC). UJC (formerly, UJA) raises funds to provide basic services to Jews in need from around the world, from the former Soviet Union to Morocco, from Israel to Argentina. Because of the global recession, the need is particularly great this year.

The Bloomington campaign is proud to announce that a generous anonymous donor has agreed to match the contributions of all first-time givers who donate \$25 or more. So, for example, your first-time gift of \$50 will result in a \$100 contribution to the campaign. Whether you’re a first-time giver or not, please read the materials sent you and please consider as generous a contribution as possible to UJC this year.

Mary Spechler

David Szonyi

Co-Chairs



Sing for Your Supper

Sunday, November 15th at 7pm at Beth Shalom

Featuring two local a cappella singing groups: Kaia and Hooshir. Dessert and wine reception immediately following.

Tickets: \$30 for Beth Shalom members, \$36 for non-members

Email office@bethshalom-bjc.org or call 334-2440 to reserve your seats. Space is limited!

A percentage of the proceeds will benefit the Hoosier Hills Food Bank. You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to this event.

We welcome underwriting sponsors!

Two tickets to the event included with your sponsorship of \$100 or more.



Kaia is a Bloomington, Indiana-based a cappella vocal ensemble performing world music, jazz, spirituals, original compositions, improvisation, and anything else that strikes their fancy. Founded in 2004, they have performed in wide variety of Bloomington-area venues. Their musical influences are very diverse, including Mel Torme, Tupac Shakur, Patsy Cline, Billie Holiday, classical composers, Libana, and various world music performers. www.kaiasing.com

Hooshir, a Jewish a cappella singing group, was formed in 2006 at IU in association with the Helene G. Simon Hillel Center. HooShir is advised by Judah Cohen, the Louis and Sybil Mervis Professor of Jewish Culture in the Borns Jewish Studies Program and assistant professor of folklore and ethnomusicology. HooShir provided musical entertainment at the 2006 White House Chanukah party with President George W. Bush and first lady Laura Bush in an audience of 200-300 guests.

The Gathering



The GATHERING meets next on **Thursday November 19 at noon, November 19**: Professor Martin Weinberg will speak on "Your Questions and My Answers from 41/2 Decades of research on Homosexuality, Bisexuality, Foot Fetishism, Zoophilia, and Other Sexualities." Professor Weinberg is Professor of Sociology. Judy Walcoff and Bobbie Weinberg will provide their fab *Brunch for lunch*.

RSVP and Cost: The cost per luncheon is \$8 for members of Beth Shalom and \$10 for non-members. Please send your checks as soon as possible to Phyllis Dumes and make it out to Beth Shalom. Please do not send checks to the office. Your check is your reservation.

What is the Gathering? A Beth Shalom group that has been going strong since 1998. We are the retirees plus anyone else who would like enjoy a nice lunch and program on a Thursday afternoon. We always have lively conversation, we're happy to greet old friends and make new ones, we have stimulating programs and fabulous food. The programs end by 2:00 pm. Everyone is welcome. Don't know anyone? Don't worry. We all wear name tags and are eager to get to know you. If you need a ride, ask Phyllis Dumes about it when you reserve.

Questions? Call Joan Hart.

Schedule for 2009-2010:

December 17: Hanukah Party at Meadowood during Hanukah, with the Newmans and Nancy Brand (latkes!) in charge of lunch and programming.

January 21: Filmmaker Pearl Gluck on Divan and Other Film Adventures. Pearl is a filmmaker from New York who is currently working on a film with Dov Ber Kerler and Jeffrey Veidlinger.

February 18: Program on "Jewish Journeys to the US". Congregants who would be interested in speaking on their journey to the US, please contact Joan Hart at joanhart12@aol.com.


March 11: Experiencing New Technology. Best Buy will provide gadgets and info for us to get to know the new technology.

April 15: Field trip to Indianapolis. Indiana History Museum and Archives for Jews of Indiana.

May 20: Rabbi Ballaban will speak on a topic of his interest. He's mentioned quite a few!

Todah Rabah to:

Annette Alpert, Victoria Bedford, Marge Belth, David & Hannah Bleecker, Judith Jacobs, Lia Kettenis and Judith Rose, who all put so much time and effort, over the last two months, into improving our gardens and grounds!
And thanks to all who have contributed plant material!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 14th of Cheshvan	2 15th of Cheshvan <i>Bucceto's Gan Shalom Night Out!</i>	3 16th of Cheshvan	4 17th of Cheshvan	5 18th of Cheshvan	6 19th of Cheshvan 5:22p Candle lighting	7 20th of Cheshvan Parashat Vayera Services: 9:30a Tot Shabbat 11:30a
8 21st of Cheshvan Mitzvah / Chevra Kadisha Cooking Day 1:00 pm Beth Shalom Kitchen SNF at 7:30 p	9 22nd of Cheshvan	10 23rd of Cheshvan	11 24th of Cheshvan	12 25th of Cheshvan	13 26th of Cheshvan 5:16p Candle lighting Baby Naming of Ephrem Nachman Exter	14 27th of Cheshvan Parashat Chayei Sara Services: 9:30a followed by vegetarian pitch-in lunch & Torah Study! 5:00p: Havdalah Happening! (see Page 2)
15 28th of Cheshvan 7:00 pm Sing for Your Supper (Beth Shalom Fundraiser) See Page 5	16 29th of Cheshvan	17 30th of Cheshvan Open Book Club 12:30 p Board Meeting 7:30 p	18 1st of Kislev	19 2nd of Kislev The Gathering ~ noon	20 3rd of Kislev 5:11p Candle lighting	21 4th of Kislev Parashat Toldot Services: 9:30a Bar Mitzvah of Adam Bollman 
22 5th of Kislev	23 6th of Kislev	24 7th of Kislev	25 8th of Kislev	26 9th of Kislev	27 10th of Kislev 5:07p Candle lighting	28 11th of Kislev Parashat Vayetzei Services: 9:30a Renewal Svc: 9:45a followed by vegetarian pitch-in lunch & Torah Study!
29 12th of Kislev	30 13th of Kislev					

SECOND ANNUAL BETH SHALOM

MULTI-CULTURAL ART FAIR

Export November 2009 calendar

When? Sunday, December 6, 2009

Where? Congregation Beth Shalom

What time? 11:00 am until 4:00 pm

Note: you may also download [all of 2009](#) or [Hebrew Year 5770](#) events.
What is it? It's an art fair with works by Beth Shalom artists and others from the Bloomington community. This is just in time for Hanukkah, so come buy your gifts and support artists AND Beth Shalom. Beth Shalom artists will contribute 18% of their sales to the congregation.

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Once again, **Fair Trade Bloomington**, supporting indigenous craftspeople from around the world, will display an array of arts and crafts for purchase. Also, we will have fabulous cookies to buy by the pound and stock up for the holidays.



What will be at the art fair? Jewelry, pottery, quilted gifts, paintings, photographs, fabric arts, Dove chocolates, wood carvings, and lots more.

If you are a craftsperson or artist, and would like to display and sell your work at the fair, please contact **Julie Bloom**.



November Birthdays

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Benjamin Haile	3	Sara Berke	15
Dr. Joan Hart	3	Bruce David	15
Alex Jacobs	4	Marcus Geduld	15
Amy Applegate	6	Regina Katz	15
Ilya Kaganovich	8	Judie Goldstein Flynn	16
Ethan Michelson	8	Raziel Streiff	16
Karen Baldner	9	Joel Baron	18
Alison Cohn	10	Stacey Berman	18
Lynn Hooker	10	Kerry Feigenbaum	19
David Franks	11	Joseph Bender	20
Elisabeth Franks	11	Josh Streiff	20
Dr. Michael Hoffman	12	Judy Walcoff	22
Benjamin Vidmar-McEwen	12	Karen Franks	23
Kyle Bailey	13	Judy Novit	24
Luise David	14	Sharon Wainshilbaum	24
Michael Greenberg	14	Dan Price	25
Melissa Hinkle	14	Anne Larsen	26
Judith Jacobs	14	Yoeli Kaufman	27
Melissa Hinkle	14	Susan Gubar	30
Meera Popkin-Tarack	14	Barbara Hoffman	30
Sue Swartz	14	Sara Moscovitz	30



November Anniversaries

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Lyle & Kerry Feigenbaum	2
Lia & Niels Kettenis	10
Livia & Joshua Hogan	20
Mimi & Marc Dollinger	25
David & Rita Wise	25
Bob & Karen Becker	27



Beth Shalom Gardening Group Formed

Several members and I have formed a Beth Shalom Gardening group. We all have different gardening interests and abilities. Our group was formed in order to upgrade the grounds of the temple and, in particular, the planting beds. We hope that, by beautifying the grounds of the temple, we can make the building more attractive to our members, potential congregants, and our church neighbors.

If you are interested in being part of this group, please call or e-mail me. We plan to work into the fall while the weather is still nice.

If you would like to make donations of plant materials (purchased or from your home landscapes), please let me know.

We are also accepting donations to the group for the purchase of plant materials, mulch, & growing and irrigation supplies.

Dan Nichols

Honor Jewish Book Month! Display at Wells Library



Sunday, November 3: Noa Wahrman, Jewish Studies Librarian and Bibliographer, is mounting her annual Jewish Book Month Display at Wells Library on November 3rd 2009. The display will be available from November 3rd - December 1st 2009 in the main lobby of Wells library, east display case.

This year's display, ***When the Gumshoe is Jewish: Jewish crime writing and writers***, is dedicated to Jewish crime and detective fiction genre and its notable authors. To name a few: Harry Kemelman, Faye Kellerman, Batya Gur, Michael Chabon, Sarah Paretsky, Rochelle Krich and Shulamit Lapid.

The display will also include a section on Anti-Semitic representations in world classic crime fiction, in the works of writers such as Arthur Conan-Doyle, Dorothy L. Sayers, John Buchan, G.K. Chesterton, and Dame Agatha Christie.

November Oneg Dates

Oneg Hosts for November! As we begin a new season of programming, do you have a special event to celebrate ~ an anniversary, birthday, or other simcha?

Thank you to our October hosts: Cynthia Moriarty and Tom Frohman, parents of Consecrants, parents of Religious School first graders, and Lana Ruegamer and Paul Eisenberg.

Please contact Martha Hilderbrand.

If you have difficulty contacting Martha, please contact the Beth Shalom office!

WHAT ARE YOU READING? – In honor of National Book Month

The above question seems to be a question often asked of me. Typically, a long discussion ensues of books on my table, books I have started, and books I need to make a list to buy or order from the library.

Through the magic of the Amazon referral system I purchased and read The History of Love: A Novel by Nicole Krauss. Nicole Krauss's novel within a novel touches on the themes of plagiarism, love and friendship, survival, and chance encounters. As the wife of Jonathan Safran Foer, Krauss has a similar contemporary style but incorporates a whole host of characters and stories based in pre-war Europe. Never a dull moment, the book brings together two key characters: Alma Singer, a contemporary 14 year old living in Manhattan who "can't wait to go to college and begin her life" and Leo Gursky, a lonely holocaust survivor who will do anything for attention – including posing naked for an art class. Full of humor, Nicole Krauss crafts a mystery, a love story, and above all, a story of the Jewish experience. Read it and you will be sure to recognize a character or two – either in your children or in your grandparents.

The Amazon system of "if you liked this book; you will like this book" recently led me to order A Seat At The Table: A novel of Forbidden Choices by Joshua Halberstam. Because the *lamed vovnik* appears in The History of Love and also in A Seat at the Table; Amazon took note and let me know. Set in New York, but this time in Borough Park among the Chassidim, A Seat At The Table is the story of the relationship between a father and a son; again both are writers, with the son translating Yiddish stories written by his father which he discovers after his father's death. As the son ventures outside of the Chassidic world, his father promises him that there will always be "a seat at the table" for him wherever or whatever he does. Since I haven't read this one yet, I can say no more than it gets 5 stars on Amazon with such reviews as the following: "Halberstam takes you deeply into the Chassidic community with a critical eye but a loving, understanding heart. This tender, compassionate coming-of-age story brims over with wisdom from the Jewish tradition. It's worth reading for the Chassidic tales alone." (David Grubin, Documentary Filmmaker, The Jewish Americans, LBJ)

And from customers providing reviews:

"A Seat at the Table is my idea of an ideal book in that it is both substantial and a great read. The main character's conflict between his love for his father and his straining at the confines of his community is portrayed with warm and charm."

"I think this book will be enjoyed by everyone. For the novel lover to the philosophy student; from the Talmudic scholar to the atheist; this book has something for everyone."



Mitzvah / Chevra-Kadisha Cooking Day



Sunday, Nov. 8th, Beth Shalom Kitchen, 1:00 PM

As a caring Beth Shalom community, we lovingly prepare meals for those of us who are unable to help themselves due to illness or other situations.

Please join us for a group cooking afternoon to make these yummy comfort meals.

We will prepare some of Nancy Brand's "delicious" recipes and YES you will receive copies to take home.

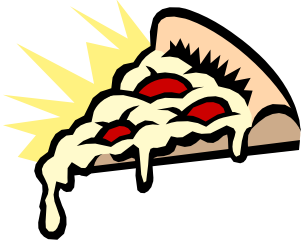
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- ✧ Chevra Kadisha (Burial society)
- ✧ Gan Shalom Pre-School
- ✧ Emanuel Gold Memorial Fund (Camp scholarship)

Leaf/Leaves on Tree of Life - \$180 to commemorate a joyous life cycle event,
Prayerbook dedication - \$36 (Mishkan T'filah, the new Reform prayerbook) please include inscription

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