

85th Year

March 2013

Adar/Nisan 5773

No. 7

REGULAR SERVICE SCHEDULE

*Please Note - Saturday Shabbat Services have been cancelled until we find a new spiritual leader, but Temple members are welcome to attend services with Adas Israel members in the Temple Beth El Board Room at 9 am, at the Fall River Jewish Home at 9:45 am.

PASSOVER CUSTOMS

OBSERVANCE

The ceremony of removing leaven (Bedikat hametz) is to take place Sunday, March 24th, in the evening. The Passover home atmosphere is created each year by the traditional practice of thoroughly cleaning the home in all its parts and by the removal of all chametz prior to Passover, both at home and when away.

FOODS DURING PESACH FORBIDDEN FOR USE:

Leavened bread, cakes, biscuits and crackers, cereals, wheat, barley, oats, rice, peas and all liquids which contain ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

PERMITTED FOODS:

a) Requiring no "Kosher l'Pesach" label: The following foods are permitted in unopened packages or containers: natural coffee, sugar, vegetables (except peas and beans), string beans being permitted.

b) Fruits and those vegetables normally permitted for Passover use are permitted in their frozen state.

c) If certified for Passover use by a Rabbinical authority: Matzot, matzot flour, Passover noodles, candies, cakes, beverages, canned and processed foods, milk, butter, cheese, jams, jellies, vinegar, wines and liquors, gelatin, relishes, salad oils, dried fruits, shortening – are permitted if Rabbinical authority indicates that these items of food have been manufactured and wrapped free from contact with chametz. (Labels and tags marked "kosher l'Pesach" are of no value unless they bear Rabbinical signature.)

<u>UTENSILS</u>: Only dishes and utensils especially reserved for Passover should be used with the following exceptions:

a) The silverware, knives, forks and spoons made wholly of metal, if used during the year, may be used on Passover if thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water. All table glassware is permitted after thorough scouring. Fine translucent chinaware, if not used for a year, is permitted.

b) Metal pots and pans used for cooking purposes only (but not for baking) if made wholly of metal, though used during the year, may be used on Passover if first thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water.

c) Utensils used for baking during the year cannot be used during Passover. (A dishwasher machine may be used for Passover after thoroughly scouring with boiling water and the use of a new tray.)

SALE OF CHAMETZ

This year Rabbi Aaron Benjaminson has kindly offered to act as agent in regard to the sale of chametz for both Temple Beth El and Adas Israel members. If you would like to appoint Rabbi Benjaminson as your agent, please complete the form below and return it as soon as possible to Temple Beth El, as responsibility cannot be accepted for forms received after Thursday, March 21, 2013.

I (We) hereby authorize Rabbi Aaron A. Benjaminson to dispose of all chametz that may be in my (our) possession wherever it may be - at home, at my (our) place of business, or elsewhere - in accordance with the requirement of Jewish law as incorporated in the special contract for the sale of chametz.

Name(s): _____

Address: _

Signature(s):_

Date:

President's Message

Dear Members,

When I look back at February all I can think of is snow, snow, and more snow. While the blizzard was a huge challenge, we were fortunate to have the city remove the snow from some of the streets around the Temple. If not for that, it would probably still be impossible to park. Kudos to Tom and George for all their hard work keeping our walkways clear and safe - it was a BIG job.

Our latest building project is replacing the three large windows in the choir loft. After having been covered over for many years, the windows were becoming unsafe, so one by one we are replacing them with custom-made, energy-saving windows that will bring in both light and fresh air. Next time you walk up the ramp to the office, look up and to the left and you will see them.

As I write we are wrapping up the final contract details with Rabbi Mark Elber and Cantor Shoshana Brown. If all goes as planned, next month I will officially be welcoming them to our Temple and introducing them as our new spiritual leaders. We are excited about the future, and the energy the Elbers will bring.

Over the past six months several people have stepped up to help cover services while we search for a new spiritual leader, including Tilden Bogus, Jeff Entin, Bill Chebot and Scott Tepper. Scott, aka Reb Zisha, who also teaches the Adult Ed class on Mondays, has agreed to once again come to our aid and lead us in our two Passover services, on the First Day (Tuesday, March 26th) and the Eighth Day (Tuesday, April 2nd) at 10 am. Please plan to join us. I am sorry to say that this year the Second Night Seder has been canceled due to a number of unfortunate circumstances. We hope you enjoy your own Passover seder, and we look forward to resuming our long-standing tradition next year.

Please note that our members have been invited along with those of Adas Israel to a Model Seder at Word of Life Community Church, the recent purchasers of the syngague building. Please see page 3 for more details.

I would like to congratulate Dr. Irving Fradkin for his latest honor. The Congressional Medal of Honor Society has presented him with the Citizen Honors Certificate of Commendation for all of his work with Scholarship America. A copy of the commendation is on the bulletin board downstairs. Dr. Fradkin was nominated for this honor by former Senator John Kerry, now the US Secretary of State. There is also a party in honor of his retirement, as well as his and Charlotte's birthday, at the Venus De Milo on April 28th at 1 pm. Please call or e-mail the office as soon as possible to RSVP. Congratulations on your commendation, happy birthday to you both, and enjoy your well-deserved retirment!

> Stephen D. Silverman President

Fall River Jewish Home538 Robeson St.(508) 679-6172Saturday Shabbat Service:9:45 amCongregation Adas IsraelTemple Beth El Board RoomSaturday Shabbat Service:9:00 am

Sisterhood President's Message

Dear Members,

I can't believe March has arrived. I didn't think we were ever going to turn that corner. We experienced inclement weather every weekend in February. Well, it can only get better.

You may have wondered why I haven't been around, but I've been battling pneumonia. I thought I was on the road to recovery when "bam" I found myself suffering a relapse. Now you can understand my urgent desire for spring, and with spring comes Passover. This means a major shopping and kitchen cleaning. We have to have our matzos and horseradish just to name a few items. I hope everyone has a very happy holiday.

The next meeting of the Book Club is slated for Wednesday, March 13th at 10:30 am in the Temple library. We will be discussing <u>My Beloved World</u> by Sonia Sotomayor. So pick it up, and come add your voice and opinion to the group.

So until next month, Shalom.

Libby Cohen, Sisterhood President

Camp Ramah Camperships



A limited amount of scholarship funds are available for Jewish children and grandchildren of Temple members. If you are interested, a letter of application for a scholarship must be received in the Temple office by March 15, 2013.

For more information about Camp Ramah New England, check out their website at campramahne.org.



| William E. Kaufman | Rabbi Emeritus |
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| Steve Silverman | President |
| Tilden Bogus | Vice President |
| Libby Cohen | Secretary |
| William Chebot | Treasurer |
| Libby Cohen | Sisterhood Pres. |

SERVICE SCHEDULE March 2013: Adar/Nisan 5773

| <u>Friday, March 1 (19 Adar)</u> Candle Lighting Shabbat Service | 5:17 pm 5:30 pm |
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| <u>Friday, March 8 (26 Adar)</u> Candle Lighting Shabbat Service | 5:25 pm 5:30 pm |
| <u>Tuesday, March 12 (1 Nisan)</u> Rosh Chodesh Nisan | |
| Friday, March 15 (4 Nisan) Shabbat Service Candle Lighting | 5:30 pm 6:33 pm |
| Friday, March 22 (11 Nisan) Shabbat Service Candle Lighting | 5:30 pm 6:33 pm |
| Sunday, March 24 (13 Nisan) Search for Chametz (evening) | |
| Monday, March 25 (14 Nisan) Fast of the First Born First Seder (evening) | |
| <u>Tuesday, March 26 (15 Nisan)</u> Services Passover – First Day Second Seder (evening) Start counting of the Omer | 10:00 am |
| <u>Wednesday, March 27 (16 Nisan)</u> Passover – Second Day | |
| <u>Thursday, March 28 (17 Nisan)</u> Chol Hamoed | |
| Friday, March 29 (18 Nisan) Shabbat Service Candle Lighting Chol Hamoed | 5:30 pm 6:49 pm |
| Saturday, March 30 (19 Nisan) Shabbat Chol Hamoed Passover | |
| Sunday, March 31 (20 Nisan) Chol Hamoed | |
| <u>Monday, April 1 (21 Nisan)</u> Passover - Seventh Day | |
| <u>Tuesday, April 2 (22 Nisan)</u> Services Yizkor Passover - Eighth Day | 10:00 am |

TEMPLE OFFICE

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Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - Noon

Office Closed:

Tuesday, March 26th - Passover First Day Wednesday, March 27th - Passover Second Day Friday, March 29th - School Closed

Model Seder at Word of Life Temple Beth El Members Invited!

The congregations of Adas Israel and Temple Beth El are invited to a Model Seder sponsored by the Word of Life Community Church, recent purchasers of the synagogue building. The Seder will be conducted by Rabbi Elliot Hurwitz who has in the past conducted many Model Seders. He has an expertise in recapturing the essence of the Seder and retelling the story with vitality and a passion, whereby not only Christians, but the Jewish people can learn, in depth, with a new understanding and appreciation, the spiritual meaning of the re-enactment of the "Story of the Passover."

The Model Seder will be held at 1647 Robeson St., Wednesday, March 20th, 7:00-8:15 pm. There is no charge and both congregations are encouraged to attend. They will have an opportunity to engage in a new learning experience and will have gained a new insight into their home Passover Seder.



The bulletin of Temple Beth El (USPS-075-340) is published monthly from September to June for \$1.00 per year by Temple Beth El, 385 High St., Fall River, MA. Periodicals postage paid at Fall River, MA. POSTMASTERS, send address changes to Temple Beth El, 385 High St., Fall River, MA 02720-3348.

FALL RIVER JEWISH HOME UPDATE

Times have changed and so have we! Our mission is caring for residents/clients of all faiths in a safe, compassionate atmosphere that reflects Jewish social, cultural, and spiritual values. To accomplish this, we have changed to ensure you have access to the only Medicare rated "Five Star" facility in your area that provides a range of services tailored to meet your needs.

• Short term Rehabilitation – Recover in a private room complete with individual climate control, flat screen T.V., and telephone. Television and phone services are provided at no charge. Short-term stays include recovery from knee or hip replacement surgery, fractures, or medical conditions that require skilled services to increase strength and endurance. Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapies are available 7 days a week per doctor's orders.

• Respite Stays – If you are caring for a loved one and need a break, call us to book a room, and we take care of them so you don't have to worry. Typically these stays are less than two weeks.

• Long Term Residence – If someone can no longer remain safely at home and needs 24 hours care, they can live here.

• Insurances – We are approved providers for Medicare, Medicaid, Senior Whole Health, Tufts, United Healthcare, Harvard Pilgrim, Network Health, and BMC HealthNet.

• Amenities – Hairdresser/Barber services, Manicurist, room service menu, free WiFi, Activities programs, religious services, kosher meal service, and more.

If you are planning elective surgery, please let us know as soon as possible so we can work with you to accommodate your plans and have a bed available. If you have any questions about how we can help you, or what services we provide, please call Regina Bankes, LSW, Director of Social Services at 508-679-6172 or visit our website at www.fallriverjewishhome.org.

FALL RIVER JEWISH HOME

AND RECOVERY SERVICES

Let us help you return home safely! Kosher dining services provided.

Also offering Respite Care and Long-term Stays.

For more information please call (508) 679-6172 538 Robeson St., Fall River, MA 02720 www.fallriverjewishhome.org

Fall River United Jewish Appeal, Inc.

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Office Hours: Monday & Thursday, 9 am to Noon

Senior Center: (at the Fall River Jewish Home) Open 5 days a week for lunch...Kosher and delicious. For reservations/cancellations call the Nutrition Office at (508) 324-4619 or (800) 293-8943 before 1:30 pm on the previous business day before you want to reserve or cancel. A taxi will be provided if needed.

Social Worker: We have a social service program for our community. If you are in need of the services of a social worker, call (508) 673-7791. Confidentiality will be respected.

Friendly Visitor: Jackie Gedacht is ready, willing and able to visit the sick or shut-ins. Call the UJA office at (508) 673-7791 to schedule a visit.

Temple Family

- Welcome back to our newest member, Irene Feldman Zwetchkenbaum. Although she lives in Florida, she hopes to visit us during the summer.
- Our deepest condolences to the family of Harry Greenberg.

Reminders:

- Scott Tepper's Adult Ed Class Mondays at 10:30 am
- ♦ Book Club, March 13th at 10:30 am
- ✤ Bulletin Deadline, March 15th

Sisterhood Gift Shop

Passover begins on March 25. We have wonderful gifts for you to bring to a seder:

- ✤ Lucite matzo boxes (crumbs stay in the box and not on your table)
- \Rightarrow A new and different seder and/or matzo plate
- ✿ A beautiful silk matzo cover
- ✤ Beautiful hand-blown vases made in Israel

Generally, I am at the Temple for Monday morning classes. Please feel free to call or email me. Happy Passover.

Hannah R. Evans Phone: 508-674-2505 Email: hannahbecky@comcast.net

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For the yahrzeit of my beloved...

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For the yahrzeit of my beloved father, Henry Miller Ruth Shand

SAVE THE DATE

A Birthday Party/Retirement Celebration for Dr. & Mrs. Irving Fradkin will be held on Sunday, April 28th at 1:00 pm at the Venus De Milo Restaurant.

Both Irving and Charlotte will soon be celebrating their birthdays, and Irv is retiring from active participation in Scholarship America and its Fall River chapter. The party is being organized by a group of friends and supporters from Scholarship America.

The ticket price for the event is \$40 per person, with all proceeds after expenses going to Scholarship America.

Please call or e-mail the Temple office to RSVP as soon as possible, and no later than April 15th.



David Reiser

nt Son of Hilda and the late Milton Reiser



Morgan Stanley has recently announced that David Reiser has been promoted to Executive Director.

Reiser has been a member of the financial services industry for 26 years. As a financial advisor and family wealth director with Morgan Stanley, he offers a full suite of financial planning and investment services to indi-

vidual clients, institutions, foundations and endowments. He has appeared on CNBC, CNN, FOX, NBC, ABC, Bloomberg TV and PBS, and is the author of two books.

Reiser holds a bachelor's degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, an MBA from the Lally School of Management and Technology, and an MS degree from the College of Financial Planning.

Reiser lives in Connecticut with his wife, Andrea, and their four teenage boys. Many of you may remember David blowing the shofar when he himself was a teenager, right here at Temple Beth El!

Second Night Seder Canceled

Due to a number of unfortunate circumstances, Temple Beth El will not be hosting a Passover Seder this year, but we look forward to continuing our long-standing tradition of a Second Night Seder next year. We apologize for any inconvenience, and wish you and your families a very happy Passover.

YAHRZEITS

Adar 28, 5773

3/1/2013

Adar 19, 5773

William Feinberg Ruth Levine William Lurie Israel Waksler

3/3/2013

Adar 21, 5773 William Meyerson Elsie Pollock Abraham Trieff

3/4/2013 Adar 22, 5773

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3/5/2013

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3/8/2013

Adar 26, 5773

Adar 23, 5773

Adar 24, 5773

Minnie Entin Virginia Granovsky Frederick Kaplan **Doris Rotenberg**

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Alice Sandler

3/10/2013

Miriam Reiser Barry Schwartz Samuel Stampler Dr. Sanford Udis

Adar 29, 5773 3/11/2013

William Felder Rose Oscar Robert Zwetchkenbaum

3/12/2013

Nissan 1, 5773 Milton Fielding David Freedman

3/15/2013 Nissan 4, 5773 Dr. Maynard Burt Pauline Radovsky Max Victor Silverman

3/16/2013 Nissan 5, 5773 Rose Dashoff Milton Lifrak David Sacknoff

Nissan 6, 5773

3/17/2013

Nathan Brush Barbara Shore Martha Saxe Sobel

3/18/2013 Nissan 7, 5773 Ethel Kravitz

3/20/2013 Nissan 9, 5773 Ray Epstein

Nissan 10, 5773 3/21/2013 Murray Klein Harry Meretsky Philip Rubinstein

3/22/2013 Nissan 11, 5773 Frank Futoransky

Nissan 12, 5773 3/23/2013 Bernard Goodman Maury Kusinitz

3/24/2013 Nissan 13, 5773 Dr. S. Benjamin Kaufmann Foster Lowenthal

3/25/2013 Nissan 14, 5773 Jerry Gold David L. Gourse

3/26/2013 Nissan 15, 5773 Simon L. Dubitsky

3/28/2013 Nissan 17, 5773 Esther R. Lakin

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