



Shabbat & Holiday Services:

Wednesday October 8, 2008

8:15 PM Kol Nidre Service

Thursday October 9, 2008

10:00 AM Yom Kippur Morning Service

1:15 PM Children's Service

2:30 PM Study Session

3:30 PM Afternoon Service

Shabbat Ha'azinu

Friday October 10, 2008

8:15 PM Shabbat Evening Service

Rabbi Cosnowsky will discuss.

"The Definition of Success."

Oneg Host: Biel Family

Saturday October 11, 2008

9:00 AM Torah Study

10:30 AM Morning Service

Bar Mitzvah: Max Biel

Monday October 13, 2008

7:00 PM Erev Sukkot Service

Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot

Friday October 17, 2008

8:15 PM Shabbat Evening Service

Rabbi Bob will discuss, "Understanding Sukkot."

Oneg Host: Brecher Family

Saturday October 18, 2008

9:00 AM Torah Study

10:30 AM Morning Service

Bar Mitzvah: Daniel Brecher

Monday October 20, 2008

7:00 PM Erev Simchat Torah Service

** Childcare is available during Friday evening services in our Nursery.*

Calendar:

Wednesday October 8

9:00 Preschool

NO Hebrew School

Thursday October 9

Office Closed- Yom Kippur

NO Preschool

Friday October 10

9:00 AM Preschool

Sunday October 12

9:00 AM Religious School

Tumlar

Manna Orders Due

9:30 AM Sukkah Building

11:30 PM Jr. Choir

12:30 PM Conversational Hebrew Class

PADS

6:30 PM AA/Al-Anon Meeting

Tuesday October 14

Office Closed- Sukkot

7:00 PM Executive Committee

Wednesday October 15

9:00 AM Preschool

10:00 AM Book Club Meets

4:00 PM Hebrew School

7:00 PM School Committee

Thursday October 16

9:00 AM Preschool

7:00 PM Book Club Meets

Friday October 17

9:00 AM Preschool

Saturday October 18

SYG Event

Sunday October 19

9:00 AM Religious School

Tumlar

10:00 AM Sisterhood Meeting

12:00 PM JYG Meeting

12:30 PM Book Club Meets

12:30 Conversational Hebrew Class

1:00 PM CROP Walk

PADS

6:30 PM AA/Al-Anon Meeting

Tuesday October 21

Office Closed- Simchat Torah

Wednesday October 22

9:00 AM Preschool

4:00 PM Hebrew School

7:00 PM Adult Beginning Hebrew Class

7:00 PM Social Action Sub-Committee

PADS Benefit Concert Meeting

Services of Special Interest:

Friday October 24, 2008

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday November 7, 2008

8:15 PM Shabbat Service with the Life Tree Ramblers

Friday November 14, 2008

6:30 PM Tot Shabbat

Friday November 28, 2008

7:30 PM Family Service

Worship

Message From Rabbi Cosnowsky



Last year on Rosh Hashanah, I gave a sermon about the importance of becoming aware of the higher risk of cancer that Jews face for the BRCA gene mutation. Many of you took my words to heart and actually spoke with your doctors and some actually went and got tested. I am so grateful to hear that you listened to the words of the sermon and took action. Only through awareness and understanding do we have a chance to make different more informed choices and potentially save lives.

On Thursday, October 16th, our congregation will be hosting an event with NCJW- the National Council of Jewish Women's Western Chapter. The NCJW will be teaming up with FORCE (Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered) to show a preview of *In the Family*, a documentary by BRCA-positive filmmaker Joanna Rudnick.

In the Family chronicles the stories of families undergoing genetic testing, the decisions they make as a result, and the impact those decisions have on their lives.

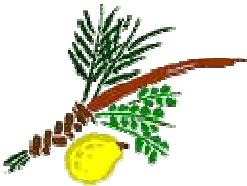
This event will take place on Thursday, October 16, 2008 beginning at 7:30 PM at Congregation Etz Chaim. We will be inviting other congregations in the Western Suburbs as well. If you are interested in attending, please reply to Rabbi Cosnowsky.

On Rosh Hashanah this year, my sermon was about creating and serving on an Outreach committee. Many of you came up to me after the service and told me you would be interested in serving, but only a few have emailed me to volunteer. If you are interested in being on this new and exciting committee, please email me and let me know! Thanks!

Message From Rabbi Bob

During my sermon on Rosh Hashanah morning I told my story of the moment that moved me to become more active in Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. In the sermon I invited you to share your stories with me. I really do want to hear your stories. Please write them down and send them to me. Or stop by and tell them to me. I want to know what moves you to act. The text of my sermon is posted on our website.

Sukkot



On Monday October 13th at 7:00 PM we will celebrate the beginning of Sukkot with a joyous service. The observance will include holiday songs, a special story and the shaking of the lulav. Each child should bring a gaily decorated basket of fruit. During the service, the children will be called to the bima to present their baskets. Following the service, the baskets of fruit will be distributed to the needy of our community. After the service, the congregation will gather in the Sukkah for Kiddush immediately followed by sweets in the Stoller-Soreff Social Hall.

Simchat Torah



The conclusion and renewal of the annual Torah reading cycle will be celebrated at services on Monday, October 20th at 7:00 PM. The service will include the traditional Hafakot with Torah scrolls, accompanied by singing, dancing and waving flags. During the service, new students in the religious school, kindergarten through second grade, will be consecrated. The consecrants will participate in the service and receive a certificate and a gift in honor of the occasion. Following the service, a special treat will be served.

Adult Activities

Beginning Hebrew and Conversational Hebrew

Beginning Hebrew - Beginning Hebrew Class will be taught by Cindy Michalassi. The classes will meet from 7:00 PM-8:00 PM on Wednesday evenings at Congregation Etz Chaim. The class will begin after Sukkot and will run according to the Religious school calendar. The dates are: October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 19, December 3, 10, 17. The cost is \$50 for the eight classes which includes the book, "Teach Yourself to Read Hebrew" from EKS. If you are still interested in participating, please email Rabbi Cosnowsky that you will be there in order to know how many books need to be ordered. If finances are an issue, please email Rabbi Cosnowsky and a special arrangement can be made.

Conversational Hebrew - Conversational Hebrew will be taught by Dina Soker. The classes will meet on Sundays after Religious School. The dates are: October 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23, December 7, 14. The cost for the class is \$60. If you are still interested in participating, please email Rabbi Cosnowsky.

CROP Walk- October 19th

Join us on Sunday, October 19th at 1:30 PM (registration starts at 12:30PM) for a meaningful way to spend a fall afternoon. All ages are welcome! Bring the family, start a team or walk individually or with a friend. The walk starts at Lombard Commons (corner of Grace and St. Charles), and you can choose to walk 8K, 5K or one mile.

CROP stands for **C**ommunities **R**esponding to **O**vercome **P**overty, and over 2000 communities are expected to participate in a CROP Hunger Walk this year. Funds go to support local food pantries and PADS sites (including ours at Etz Chaim) and other agencies that help people worldwide. **Why Walk? Because THEY Walk.**

They walk for food.

They walk for water.

They walk for firewood.

They walk to escape violence.

They walk to seek shelter.

They walk to go to school.

How can you help?

Pick up a donation envelope and walk! Envelopes are available at the office and will also be handed out on most Sunday mornings.

Register on-line as an individual or as a team and email family and friends for donations.

If you can't make the walk, please sponsor someone who is. Checks can be made out to CWS/CROP.

Volunteer the day of the walk to help make the walk safe and successful.

For walker envelopes or for information about any of the above, please contact Paul Heinz.

Sisterhood News

After the brief Sisterhood meeting on October 19th at 10:00 AM, we will dance our way to fun with a Zumba fitness class. Zumba combines high energy and motivating music with dance moves and unique combinations from merengue, salsa, tango, flamenco, and other international dance styles. Our instructor, Laurel Loftus, has been involved in the fitness industry for over 15 years and holds national certifications in group fitness, personal training, pilates, kickboxing and of course, Zumba! Comfortable clothing, gym shoes, towel and water bottle are recommended for participation. The class will last about 45 minutes. Flyers will be available at the gift shop counter.

Congregation Etz Chaim Blood Drive

FALL BLOOD DRIVE - When you donate blood, you give the gift of life. The Etz Chaim Fall blood drive will be November 2nd starting at 8:00 AM. For more information or to schedule an appointment please contact Kathy Shapiro or the synagogue office at cec.office@congetzchaim.org. We're asking if you are a regular donor to please not donate after September 14th so you'll be able to participate in our drive. Also, if you donate at other times during the year, please ask the donation center to credit Etz Chaim for your donation.

Library News

One of the perks of membership in Congregation Etz Chaim is having access to the Jeremy Bruder Library. This inviting room welcomes you to study, work, read, and relax amid its collection of approximately 4500 books, DVDs and other materials all connected to Judaism. While our community school and public libraries offer selections of Jewish-themed materials, our congregational library is dedicated to having nothing but Jewish holiday, history, cookbooks, other informational works, and recreational reading and music. Our collection also includes a lively and large selection of picture books for our youngest "people of the book." Perhaps you've been eyeing such recent bestsellers as Daniel Silva's Moscow Rules at the bookstore or maybe you're on a waiting list for the book at your public library. Try the Jeremy Bruder Library, and if this newest title is already checked out, you have time to check out Silva's previous adventures of the popular Israeli sleuth Gabriel Allon. The library is staffed during religious hours on Sundays and Wednesdays, but it is always open if the building is open. Come check it out!

All materials are purchased through donations to the Robert N. Glass Memorial Library Fund.

L'Chaim, Encore Concert Sat. Nov 1 at 8:00 PM

New Classic Singers
Lee R. Kesselman, Music Director
William Buhr, Accompanist

presents

L'Chaim, Encore
Saturday, Nov. 1, 8 PM
with Marguerite Lynn Williams, harp, and the NCS Klezmer Band

at the McAninch Arts Center
Fawell and Park Blvds.
Glen Ellyn, Illinois



To open its 27th season, the Chicago's Western Suburbs' premiere choral ensemble will present another in a series of concerts of Jewish music. The music will celebrate Jewish music of worship, of concert and of the people.

The centerpiece of the concert will be Sheeru Ladonye Sheer Chadash (Sing Unto the Lord a New Song) by Canadian composer Srul Irving Glick, for chorus and harp. Guest artist Marguerite Lynn Williams will accompany the singers in this work.

Psalm and liturgical settings by Elaine Broad Ginsberg, Andrew Bleckner, Robert Applebaum will show the sacred side of the Jewish choral tradition. Composer Kurt Weill, whose father was a cantor, will be represented by his setting of Kiddush. The Singers will also perform popular contemporary songwriter, Debbie Friedman's Mi Shebeirach and T'filat Haderech.

A portion of the program will provide a special remembrance of the Holocaust, with director Lee Kesselman's setting of the Yiddish song Tsvey Taybelekh and Mi y'maleil by Stanley Hoffman.

The program will close with a pot-pourri of Yiddish, Klezmer, and Sephardic music, accompanied by the NCS Klezmer Band.

Music Director Lee Kesselman founded the New Classic Singers as a professional chorus in 1982.

GUEST ARTIST MARGUERITE LYNN WILLIAMS

Harpist Marguerite Lynn Williams has concertized throughout the United States, Europe and Asia as a soloist, chamber musician and orchestra member in such venues as Carnegie Hall (New York), Shostakovich Hall (St. Petersburg, Russia) and Symphony Center (Chicago). Ms. Williams has won prizes in numerous competitions including First Prize of the Anne Adams National Competition sponsored by the American Harp Society in both 1998 and 1999; the National Endowment of the Arts Artist Recognition Talent Search (1997), the National Federation of Music Clubs (1997), the American Opera Society (2003) and Sigma Alpha Iota (2001). During the 2007-2008 season she was named runner-up for both the San Diego and Toronto Symphony's Principal Harp positions as well as a finalist for the Cleveland Orchestra's Principal Harp audition. Ms. Williams has been appointed substitute Principal Harp with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra for the 2008-2009 season.

Among other solo engagements, Marguerite Williams has been featured as soloist with the International Chamber Artists, New World Symphony, Roosevelt University Chamber Orchestra; has premiered numerous compositions including Augusta Read Thomas' ...The Soul is Light... ; and is under high demand for her performances of contemporary music including Berio's "Circles" for voice, harp and two percussionists. Recent performances have included collaborations with Yo-Yo Ma, Renee Fleming, Maxim Vengerov, Kanye West and appearances as royal entertainment for H.I.H. Princess Thi-Nga of Vietnam.

An experienced orchestra musician, Ms. Williams has appeared with the Chicago Symphony, Milwaukee Symphony, Ravinia Festival Orchestra, Toronto Symphony and the San Diego Symphony. She is currently substitute principal harpist for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and principal harpist of the Colorado Music Festival (Boulder, CO). Previously she was the principal harpist of the New World Symphony, Civic Orchestra of Chicago, New Philharmonic Orchestra (Glyn Ellen, IL), and DuPage Opera Orchestra. She is a founding member of the International Chamber Artists, Project Copernicus and Fifth House ensembles.

Marguerite Lynn Williams attended the Eastman School of Music where she received both a Bachelor of Music degree and Performer's Certificate studying with Kathleen Bride. She then attended Roosevelt University to study with Chicago Symphony Orchestra principal harpist Sarah Bullen, where she received a Master's Degree in Orchestral Studies. Ms. Williams is currently on faculty at the Frost School of Music, University of Miami and maintains a private harp studio.

School & Youth Activities

Message From Our Educator



Next Monday night will be the beginning of the week of Sukkot. There are three mitzvot associated with this harvest festival. We are commanded to rejoice during the holiday, gather the "four species" and dwell in the sukkah. We make all of these mitzvot come alive to our students at Etz Chaim. We are very good at rejoicing. Come to an assembly on either a Sunday morning or Wednesday afternoon and watch Rabbi Bob who is almost always joyful. He bursts forth with joy during Sukkot. Every child has an opportunity to shake the lulav, smell the etrog and have snack in the sukkah, therefore fulfilling the commandments.

In line with Sukkot's nickname as *zman simchatenu*, "the season of our joy," it is a custom, although not a requirement, to decorate the sukkah. During junior congregation on Yom Kippur morning, when they conclude their service, the children make decorations for the sukkah so that it will look very joyful. Next Sunday morning many of the children in the primary department will also make decorations and our confirmation class will hang everything so, on Monday night the sukkah looks very festive.

A sukkah custom developed by the kabbalists, or Jewish mystics, was to invite seven biblical ancestors, or "faithful shepherds" as sukkah guests. The traditional invitees are Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Aaron, and David; each night a different one of these seven guests, called the *ushpizin*, is considered the most honored guest. If you look carefully in the sukkah this year you will see who some of our students chose to invite to the sukkah. They were asked to "invite" the person from our history that they would most like to meet. It will be fun to read who they chose.

If you have your own sukkah, I hope you enjoy observing the mitzvot at home; if not I hope you will come to Etz Chaim and enjoy our sukkah.

ENROLL YOUR CHILD IN SKIP NOW

The SEND-A-KID-TO-ISRAEL PARTNERSHIP (SKIP) program is a special savings plan that helps Chicago-area youngsters visit Israel as an integral part of their Jewish education. Young people who participate in the program for the full seven years (grades 3 through 9) will have approximately \$2,000, including interest, saved to help meet the cost of an Israel Experience program. SKIP funds can be used after sophomore year through FIVE YEARS AFTER GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL (through age 26 for those who were high school graduates as of July 2003). Furthermore, SKIP contributions, plus interest, are FULLY RE FUNDABLE at any time should the youngster not participate in an Israel Experience program.

SKIP GOAL— an Israel Experience program as part of each child's Jewish education. SKIP funds can be used for your family's choice of a wide variety of approved high school or college Israel Experience programs.

SKIP PARTNERS- your family, your congregation, and the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago each contribute to the SKIP savings plan.

SKIP ENROLLMENT- enroll in public or day school grades 3-6 and continue to make contributions through 9th grade.

SKIP FACTS- 4,200 participants are currently enrolled in SKIP through more than 51 participating congregations and 1,625 teens and young adults have used their SKIP funds to help them participate in an Israel Experience program.

SKIP INFORMATION— For more information on the SKIP program or enrollment in SKIP, contact Rachel Wood at the congregation office at (630) 627-3912 or SKIP Headquarters at (312) 444-2895.

Wanted: College Student Addresses

Each year, the Youth Committee collects college student snail mail addresses and email addresses. Why? Because we want to keep our college students connected to the Etz Chaim community. How? We send them the E-Bulletin, "goodie" boxes at festive times of the year, and list them in the Keshet (URJ) directory of Jewish college students.

We need both regular mailing addresses and email addresses of freshmen as well as returning college students. Addresses are not saved from school year to school year, so we need addresses even if you sent them in past years. Please send address information to the synagogue office ASAP by email at cec.office2@congetzchaim.org or contact Susan Hurwitz or Mike Marion in the office at (630) 627-3912.

Past Events & Activities



High Holiday Ushering

Thank you to Ron Weininger for organizing all of the ushers for the High Holidays this year. Thank you's also go to Bruce Beiersdorf, Joel Bernstein, Loran Eatman, Bruce Faine, Paul Farber, Al Feinstein, Al Herbach, Rich Heisler, Phil Hurwitz, Beryl Jacobson, Bill Lavine, Mike Marion, Barry Mehrman, Bruce Miller, Don Roubitchek, Ted Rudman, Mike Samuels, Steve Samuels, Ed Silverstein, Norm Silverstein, Joel Spenadel, Harvey Stein, Howard Stoller, Jerry Wolin and David Wood.

Artist-In-Residence Recap

On September 13th Congregation Etz Chaim welcomed Artist in Residence chef Tina Wasserman. On Saturday afternoon, about 25 participants enjoyed a lunch that included Dulce de Manzana, Lubiya-Sephardic black-eyed peas, apples and honey cake bread pudding with butterscotch sauce and deluxe noodle kugel. Tina conducted demonstrations as to how to prepare these recipes. Saturday evening about 35 participants actually prepared recipes themselves. Among the dishes were carrot tzimmes with dumplings, koliva-sweetened wheatberry pudding, teiglach, spinaci con pinoli e passerine (spinach dish), and kreplach. Burners were set up and participants worked in groups to prepare a specific recipe. Once the dishes were finished everyone got to taste each of the recipes.

This was not just a program of cooking and demonstration but a lesson in Jewish history as well. Tina was very knowledgeable about the origins of different foods and how the Jewish people were responsible for bringing food items such as oranges and eggplant to different areas of the world. As Jews, food is very important to our culture and this program proved just that. For some participants, tasting certain recipes brought back wonderful memories of foods that their mothers had prepared when they were children. It was wonderful to see such a reaction and made one realize the role food plays in our history and our lives.

Tina has a website for anyone interested. On her website are recipes, cooking tips and beautiful cards for purchase. If you did not have an opportunity to attend this wonderful Artist in Residence program please take a look at Tina's website at www.cookingandmore.com

Did You Know

E-Bulletin Deadline Dates

E-Bulletin Article Deadline Dates

Mondays

October 20, 2008
November 3, 2008
November 17, 2008
December 1, 2008
December 15, 2008
December 29, 2008
January 12, 2009
January 26, 2009
February 9, 2009
February 23, 2009
March 9, 2009
March 23, 2009
April 6, 2009
April 20, 2009
May 4, 2009
May 18, 2009
June 1, 2009
June 15, 2009

E-Bulletin Publication Dates

Wednesdays

October 22, 2008
November 5, 2008
November 19, 2008
December 3, 2008
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December 31, 2008
January 14, 2009
January 28, 2009
February 11, 2009
February 25, 2009
March 11, 2009
March 25, 2009
April 9, 2009 (Thursday)
April 22, 2009
May 6, 2009
May 20, 2009
June 3, 2009
June 17, 2009

Announcements

DuPage PADS Soup's On for Local Organizations

Rotary Club of Naperville is hosting a new fundraiser called "Soup's On!" Proceeds from the event will benefit three local charities - DuPage PADS, Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry, and Hesed House.

The event will be held from 11:30 AM to 6:00 PM Sunday, October 19th, at the Tellabs Atrium, 1415 W. Diehl Road in Naperville. Twenty local restaurants will be serving soups, chili, stew and barbecue entrees. There also will be artisan breads and cheese, decadent desserts and a children's menu.

Tickets are \$40 for adults; \$10 for children 5-18 and children under 5 are free. Beverages are included in the ticket price; there will be a cash bar for beer and wine.

Musical entertainment will include national award-winning bluegrass bands Grasstowne and Wildfire, plus local high school musical groups. A silent auction is planned and there will be a special children's area, sponsored by the DuPage Children's Museum.

For more information about Soup's On!, visit www.soupsonrotary.com or contact Hunter Byington at (630) 357-6584.

DuPage PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter) is recognized in DuPage County for providing interim (overnight), transitional and permanent supportive housing for individuals and families who are homeless. Founded in 1985, DuPage PADS is committed to end and prevent homelessness in DuPage County. For more information visit www.dupagepads.org

Contact: Carol Simler 630-682-3846 x231 Jen Williams 630-682-3846 x242 jwilliams@dupagepads.org

Marilyn King 2-Time Olympian to Speak at DuPage PADS' 6th Annual Wake Up Your Spirit Breakfast

Get energized and inspired at the DuPage PADS annual Wake Up Your Spirit Breakfast on Wednesday, November 5, 2008 at 7:00-8:30 AM in the Krasa Center, Benedictine University, Lisle. Join business, congregation and civic leaders in the community for a breakfast of inspiration and motivation.

Marilyn King, keynote speaker, will share her message of peace, courage and passion. Marilyn is an internationally respected business consultant, inspirational speaker, corporate trainer, and Exceptional Human Performance Consultant. Marilyn was the University of California at Berkley's first women's track and field coach. Marilyn is the founder of Way Beyond Sports based in Oakland, California.

While preparing for her third Olympic Team in the grueling 5-event pentathlon, an auto accident rendered Marilyn unable to train physically. While bed-ridden for four months, she used imagery to train mentally. Miraculously, she placed second at the 1980 Olympic Trials. Her work focusing on education and peace has led her to two opportunities to speak at the United Nations as well as being honored as a torchbearer for the 2008 Olympics. She has transformed the thinking skills she used, that are common to all high achievers, into powerful tools that work for all of us.

Tickets are \$40 per person and tables of 8 are available for \$320. To register, please call DuPage PADS at (630) 682-3846 X 242 or register online at www.dupagepads.org.

We thank our sponsors Benedictine University, Sodexo, and Casey's Foods for generously supporting this special event. Du Page PADS is seeking individuals, companies or organizations who would like to sponsor the event or part of the event.

Proceeds will fund programs such as Life Skills counseling and Employment Readiness for people looking to transition back into the community, and provide Interim (Overnight), Transitional and Permanent Supportive housing for homeless men, women and children in DuPage County.

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URJ Olin-Sang-Ruby-Union-Institute 2008-2009 Special Programs

In addition to our popular summer camp, OSRUI offers a variety of special programs throughout the year.

Nov. 16 PROSPECTIVE CAMPER Visiting Day

If your child wants to join us next summer for the first time, spend the day at camp and learn all about OSRUI.

Dec. 11-14 CHALUTZIM for Adults

Chalutzim is OSRUI's fabulous summer Hebrew immersion program. Get a taste of what our campers experience.

Apr. 22-26 DEVORAH Quilting Kallah

OSRUI has pieced together this fabulous adult program for all levels of quilters, beginners through experienced.

May 15-17 FATHER & SON Kallah

Special time at Camp for dads, granddads, uncles, and the boys they love, age 5 to 12.

May 27-31 HAVA NASHIRA

This songleading workshop is for those who teach or lead music in camps, congregations, and community centers.

For more information or to register: www.osrui.org
847-239-6984 • osruiprograms@urj.org

Heschel Lecture for this academic year

Please hold and with great pleasure this year Nov. 13th 7:30pm

Dr. Byron L. Sherwin from the Spertus Institute of Jewish Studies in Chicago. An Internationally known recognized authority on Jewish Theology, ethics, and mystical studies and author of 24 books.

His topic will be: "Faith in Action: Heschel's Teachings on Social Justice"

JUF Book Buddies

Be a part of an exciting new program for young families. Once a month we will be reading stories about the Jewish holidays, singing songs, and creating art projects. Bring your friends, and meet new ones, too!

Who:

Families with children ages 0-5

Where:

Barnes & Noble Bookstore

47 East Chicago Avenue Naperville

Dates:

Sunday, October 26

Sunday, November 16

Sunday, December 14

Sunday, January 11

Sunday, February 15

Sunday, March 15

Sunday, April 5

Times:

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Register online

In the Family

The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) and Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered (FORCE) are proud to offer a FREE screening of In the Family , a documentary by BRCA* positive filmmaker Joanna Rudnick.

In the Family chronicles the stories of families undergoing genetic testing, the decisions they make as a result, and the impact those decisions have on their lives. Thursday, October 16, 2008, 7:30 p.m.
Congregation Etz Chaim 1710 S. Highland Ave., Lombard, IL 60148

Please RSVP to ncjwwestsuburban@yahoo.com by Friday, October 10, 2008 Join us after the film for a panel discussion with Dilijet K. Singh, MD, DrPH (Co-Director, Northwestern Ovarian Cancer Detection and Prevention Program), Kristen Vogel, Certified Genetic Counselor (Evanston Northwestern Healthcare Center for Medical Genetics) and meet members of the Chicago chapter of FORCE (Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered www.facingourrisk.org), a national organization dedicated to assisting individuals with BRCA mutations.

Directions Congregation Etz Chaim is conveniently located at 1710 S. Highland Ave. in Lombard near I-88 and I-355 between Roosevelt and Butterfield Roads. * BRCA 1 & 2 are associated with hereditary breast and ovarian cancer.

The Humanitarian Service Project

The Humanitarian Service Project (where we donate our mac & cheese groggers) is in desperate need of the following items for their food drive:

tuna, canned meats and meals, hot cereals, boxed pasta meals, canned fruits and vegetables, instant jello, noodles, powdered beverages, non-perishable condiments and snack foods.

The address is:

The Humanitarian Service Project
1425 Neltor Blvd. (Highway 59)
West Chicago, IL. 60185
(630) 231-1542

Social Action News

Bring your cell phones to the donation box in the lobby for the benefit of Family Shelter Services. This effort has raised hundreds of dollars for this worthy cause already. Thank you all

Ulpan in the Northwest Suburbs

GREAT NEWS for you, your fellow congregants and the entire community! The Community Foundation for Jewish Education of Metropolitan Chicago's Merkaz Ivrit (Hebrew Ulpan Center), Chicago 's largest and most popular Hebrew language learning program, is coming to your area this coming fall!

The CFJE is very pleased to respond to the many requests made by members of the community, including congregational members, to bring this highly acclaimed program to the northwest region. We are thrilled to partner with you in this important way.

Classes will take place at the JCYS building in Buffalo Grove (1700 Weiland Road / (847) 279-0900). Some of you may know that the CFJE's Hebrew Ulpan Center has been running very successfully for six years in other communities, including the North Shore , Skokie and Lakeview.

The program was developed with the adult learner in mind. Classes are stimulating, varied and filled with many ways to learn language: through speaking, reading, writing, exposure to Israeli culture, listening and singing. We have students who return to us every year because they feel the program meets their high quality standards and is therefore well worth their time and energy. We are proud to have earned their trust.

As always, please contact me with questions at 847.410.3900 x30

Support DuPage PADS- Clean Your Closets!

DuPage PADS has recently partnered with Fundraise & Recycle Clothes Now! Drop off donations of clothing and soft goods at our green Donation Bin located at 703 West Liberty. F&RCN (Fundraise & Recycle Clothes Now) will reimburse DuPage PADS for donations collected, which helps raise funds for programs that assist people who are homeless in our communities. In addition, if you are having a clothing collection drive and have surplus items at the end of your event, our partner Fundraise & Recycle Clothes Now! will pick-up that surplus for you. Think of us when you are cleaning out your closets. And, since none of the donations will go into landfills, you are helping keep our community green! For more information, please call DuPage PADS at 630-682-3846 X 222.

Helping to Make Shiva an Easier Time for All of Us

Unfortunately, the time will come when we will lose a loved one, and for most of us this will be a very stressful time. There will be so many things to take care of and do. But now, thanks to Karen Burstein and Judy Mindel, one part of sitting shiva will be less stressful. Karen and Judy have created and donated "shiva boxes." They contain everything one might need for setting up a shiva house. There are paper goods, including plates, cups, forks, knives and spoons. There are coffee pots and coffee. There is a water pitcher and bowl to use when returning from the cemetery. The boxes contain much more, all organized to make it easy to find what you need. Anyone in our congregation may use these items; we only ask that you replace any supplies you use when you return the boxes. Our Ritual and Religious committee is currently putting together a booklet on common shiva rituals and observances for inclusion in the box. If at any time you have a need to set up a shiva house, just call the temple office.

Thank you, Karen and Judy, for this special mitzvah. These boxes were made in memory of Karen's mother-in-law, Gert Burstein and Judy's mother-in-law, Ruth Mindel.

Jewish Employment Network

Job Seekers experience many hopes and challenges in the job market. If you have recently been downsized or are thinking of changing careers, the Jewish Employment Network offers numerous options to assist you with your career goals: career counseling, job search strategies, networking opportunities, and access to monthly round tables and support groups. For more information go to www.jvschicago.org or call Joyce Bogolub, JVS Career Counselor, at 630-889-0548.

A note from the Library Committee: Where to donate books

Etz Chaim is fortunate to have a vibrant and vital library. Thanks to the efforts of a dedicated corps of volunteers and the generous contributions of the congregation to the Robert Glass Memorial Library Fund, the library collection grows and is kept up-to-date.

If you have books that you no longer wish to keep as part of your library, please consider donating them to your public library or to SCARCE - School and Community Assistance for Recycling & Composting Education (www.bookrescue.org), located at 799 Roosevelt Rd., Bldg. 2, Suite 108, Glen Ellyn.

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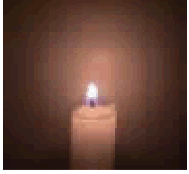
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Deena Frewen and her family
on the death of her sister-in-law,
Terry Frankel.

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on the death of his sister,
Rhoda Jaffe.

Ron Hason and his family
on the death of his mother,
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Eleanor Saliamonas and Michael Church
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on their marriage.



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Kaddish October 10-11

10/5 Mary Farkas
10/5 David Sack
10/6 Phil Bass
10/6 Juliette Hortick
10/6 Jacob Rovell
10/7 Sidney Bernstein
10/7 Jane Block
10/7 Rivtche Goldfarb
10/8 Benjamin Glass
10/8 Samuel Safer
10/9 Ernest Aron
10/9 Alice Dern
10/9 Dorothy Paskind
10/10 Isadore Goldberg
10/11 H. Robert Siegel
10/11 Helen Stamm

Kaddish October 17-18

10/12 Marvin Badner
10/12 Serene Holzman
10/12 Anna Ruby
10/13 Floye Hoyt
10/13 Lesser Levin
10/13 Lena Palais
10/13 John Segal
10/14 Jay Daskal
10/14 Harvey Estrin
10/15 Albert Denoff
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10/15 Marvin Foler
10/15 Jeannette Gordon
10/15 Sonia Karon
10/15 Kenneth Messina
10/16 Leon Prinz
10/16 Morris Stein
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10/17 Gertrude Burstein
10/17 Ruven Feist
10/17 Joselyn Knitter
10/17 Julian Perlstein
10/17 Hugh Scott
10/17 Sam Turner
10/18 Judy Maroney

Kaddish October 24 - 25

10/19 Hyman Friedman
10/20 Pinchas Winograd
10/21 Dolly Blacher
10/21 Alex Sterling
10/22 Hazel MacLennan
10/22 Sidney Schwartz
10/23 Kurt Ericson
10/23 Milton Stoll
10/24 Morris Grubstein
10/24 Lillian Kramer
10/24 Janet Levy
10/24 Anna Lucks

Kaddish October 31 – November 1

10/26 Dorothy Ardell
10/26 Bernard Berman
10/26 Dorothy Hunter
10/27 Doree Schwartz
10/28 Joyce Gubbay
10/28 John Gubbay
10/28 Mary Jo Szarzynski
10/29 Bernice Gintzler
10/29 Stanley Holzman
10/30 Sidney Feiss
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