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To: Rabbis, Presidents, Adult Education Chairpeople
From: USCJ Department of Congregational Programming

USCJ NETWORKING AND SCHOLARS-IN-RESIDENCE

Our congregations have enjoyed the presence of guest speakers on popular *Shabbaton/Kallah* weekends.

Rabbi Moshe Edelman has “collected” the publicity from scores of congregations who have recently hosted a scholar-in-residence. This was done by simply reading the front page of a bulletin. The scholars did NOT submit the publicity.

- The USCJ does not endorse one scholar over another
- The USCJ has no financial relationship with these scholars
- The USCJ does not recommend a scholar

We just want to share.

In most cases, the publicity cites the location of the scholar’s appearance. By all means, call and find out how these speakers did directly from the synagogue.

The overwhelming majority of the speakers are associated with Conservative/Masorti Judaism. We are honored to encourage your synagogue to consider these individuals.

Each packet of about 10 speakers is marked “S.I.R.” and numbered to make it easier for presentation and your preview.

If your synagogue has hosted a scholar-in-residence in the past 3 years, please send us the publicity so we can make more packets.

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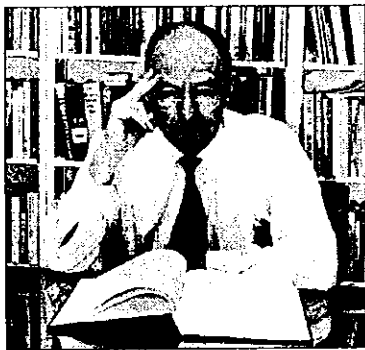
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Chancellor Ismar Schorsch

Ismar Schorsch is the sixth Chancellor of The Jewish Theological Seminary and is the Rabbi Herman Abramovitz Professor of Jewish History. He was ordained by JTS in 1962, holds master's degrees from JTS and Columbia University and was awarded a PhD in Jewish history from Columbia in 1969. Throughout his nineteen years as Chancellor, Dr. Schorsch has worked to convey his vision of Conservative Judaism as the most authentic contemporary expression of rabbinic Judaism.



“CONVERSION AND COMMUNITY IN JUDAISM”

Thursday, March 31, 2005 at 8:00 P.M.

(following Ma'ariv services in the Field Family Sanctuary)

A reception will follow

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Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at 12:00 P.M.

Solomon Schechter Day School, 3210 Dundee Rd, Northbrook

Couvert: \$ 15.00 Dietary laws observed

Karen and Jay Kaufman, Sandy Starkman, Chairs

Please respond by March 8, 2005

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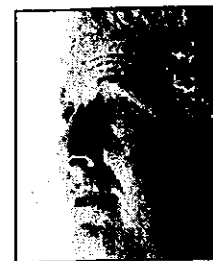
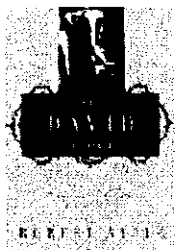
ADULT EDUCATION

5765 Alfred & Tillie Shemanski Scholar-in-Residence Shabbaton

Featuring Dr. Robert Alter

Class of 1937 Professor of Hebrew and Comparative Literature
University of California, Berkeley

Bringing the Bible Alive in the Modern Age



Erev Shabbat: Friday, February 11

6:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service

7:15 PM Dinner for pre-registered participants (see costs below)*

8:30 PM Dr. Alter speaks: **"When Politics and Morality Clash: Problematic Choices in the David Story"**

9:30 PM Oneg Shabbat

***Shabbat Dinner: Adults \$20 / Children (under 18) \$15 / Seniors (65+) \$15**
Presentation is free of charge and open to the community

Shabbat: February 12

9:15 AM Shabbat Morning service (Dr. Alter will deliver the D'var Torah)

12:15 PM Congregational Kiddush and Luncheon

1:15 PM Dr. Alter speaks: **"Beyond Bible Tales: How to Read and Appreciate the Narrative Stories of the Bible"**

Meals and Program free of charge and open to the community

Sunday: February 13

8:30 AM Morning Minyan Services in the chapel

9:15 AM Continental Breakfast

9:30 AM Dr. Alter presents **"From God's Mouth to English: Why Most Modern Translations of the Bible Are No Good"**

This Shabbaton is made possible through the generous support of the HNT Endowment Committee and the Alfred and Tillie Shemanski Foundation

Except for Friday night dinner, the Scholar-in-Residence weekend is free of charge and open to the community, thanks to the generous support of our Shabbaton sponsors and the HNT Endowment Committee. For confidential financial assistance, please contact Melanie Berman, 206-232-8555, ext. 220.

Please Detach and Return by February 4

HNT Scholar-In-Residence Shabbaton: 3700 East Mercer Way, Mercer Island, WA 98040

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Indicate in each applicable space the # of people attending: Fri. night _____ Sat. afternoon _____ Sun. morning _____

For Friday night dinner, please reserve spaces for # Adults _____ # Children _____ # Vegetarian _____

Ages of children needing child care: _____ Child care needed: Friday eve _____ / Saturday afternoon _____

Complimentary Tickets available for Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum member households

Please attach your check payable to HNT or provide credit card information

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THE DIX HILLS JEWISH CENTER

Are pleased to sponsor
Sisterhood and Men's Club Shabbat
on
The Morris Weiss
Scholar-in-Residence Weekend

Friday, February 12th @ 8:00 pm
Saturday, February 13th @ 9:15 am



Our Guest Scholar
Professor Marc Brettler
Department Chair of
Near Eastern & Judaic
Studies at Brandeis
University

Weekend Topic:

**"THE BIBLE AND TRUTH??!!
FACTS, MYTHS AND
MODERN REALITIES..."**

Friday, FEBRUARY 12TH
6:30 pm: Shabbat Dinner
8:00 pm: Services & Speaker

Saturday, FEBRUARY 13TH
9:15 am: Services & Speaker
Noon: Luncheon & Speaker

The Magic of Shabbat @ DHJC

Catch the joyous prayers, friendship and celebrations each Shabbat morning. Our lavish weekly Shabbat kiddushes are wonderful times to catch up with your friends and neighbors and share in sweet Shabbat conversations.

To enhance our Shabbat celebrations @ DHJC one Shabbat each month the Hazzan will lead us in songs at the end of the kiddush and the Rabbi will continue the well received Shabbat Book Club which commenced last year.

Shabbat Songs after Kiddush on February 19
Shabbat Book Club after Kiddush on March 12

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Shabbat: A day for the Rest of your Life!!!

Our Friday evening Services
begin each week at 8:00 p.m.

Join us for joyous prayers,
informative discussions,
and shared time with friends
and fellow congregants

A delightful collation to follow!

AROUND THE BELTWAY

Hold the Date

Sunday, April 3, 2005

"A Day of Spirituality"

B'nai Israel Congregation
6301 Montrose Road
Rockville, MD

10:00am– 3:00pm

Featuring

Rabbi Nina Beth Cardin

discussing

"The Many Faces Of Jewish Spirituality"

Breakout sessions include:

- "Tefilin and The Rap"
- "A Misheberach and A Pill: Healing Services"
- "Creating Personal Prayer"
- "The Soul of a Man: Speaking with Men about Holiness in their Lives"
- "The History of Kaddish"
- "Virtual Schnapps: Intensive Text Study"
- "Shiru Shir Hadash: Spirituality and the Artistic Process"

This event is co-sponsored by the following organizations in Seaboard Region:

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Women's League for Conservative Judaism
Jewish Educators Assembly
North American Association of Synagogue Executives

JEWISH SINGLES EVENT

By LOUISE KLEIN HODIN

I have arranged two singles events for 35-45-year-old Jewish singles. I am planning another one for Sunday, March 9 in Potomac, Maryland. There will be a speaker. The topic will be the current situation in Israel. Those interested should contact me by e-mail for more information, Lhodin@aol.com.

FJS EVENTS

Northern Virginia "Lunch & Learn"

*Meets Tuesdays, 12:00-1:30pm, in the library at JCCNV,
8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax.*

Tuesdays, February 8, 15 & 22 (snow date, March 1), Norman Shore, Open Academy for Jewish Studies, will teach "Villains of the Bible: Biblical Characters Whom the Jewish Tradition Considers Evil."

Lunch is scheduled 12:00-12:30pm (hot beverages provided), and study 12:30-1:30pm. Bring a brown-bag pareve lunch and a Bible. No previous Bible study required. Fee \$20.

Advance registration required. Call (301) 770-4787, or visit our website, www.foundationjewishstudies.org. Send check, marked with name of course and made payable to Foundation for Jewish Studies, to 6101 Montrose Road, Suite 206, Rockville, MD 20852-4816.

FJS Study Evening

Co-sponsored by the Foundation for Jewish Studies, Adas Israel Sisterhood and the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies. No fee.

*Monday, February 7, 7:30-9:30pm, Adas Israel
Congregation, 2850 Quebec Street, NW, Washington, DC
(202) 362-4433*

"Women in Judaism Yesterday and Today"

◆ **Nine Approaches to Women in Jewish Law**

Professor David Golinkin,
President, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

◆ **Women in the Cairo Genizah**

Professor Renee Levine Melammed,
Asst. Dean, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

FJS Presidents Day Retreat

*Sunday, February 20–Monday, February 21,
Holiday Inn at Carradoc Hall in Leesburg, Virginia
"The Jewish-Islamic Confrontation"*

With Professor Richard Rubenstein, President Emeritus and Distinguished Professor of Religion, University of Bridgeport

Cost: \$335 double/ \$235 single occupancy, including one night's lodging, four dairy/vegetarian meals and all gratuities. Boxed Kosher meals under supervision available upon request. Pay by check to The Foundation for Jewish Studies, 6101 Montrose Road, Suite 206, Rockville, MD 20852. Information, call (301) 770-4787, or check our website: www.foundationjewishstudies.org



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Celebrate 350 years of Jews in America



Scholar-In-Residence
 Weekend with
 Dr. Jack Wertheimer
 Provost/Chief Academic
 Officer of the JTS
 February 11th, 12th & 13th

Scholar in Residence



Please Join
 Temple Emanuel, Congregation Ahavas Israel
 and Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids
 For the Annual
 Scholar in Residence Weekend
 As we welcome
 Sylvia Barack Fishman
 February 12 -13, 2005

Sylvia Barack Fishman is Professor of Contemporary Jewish Life in the Near Eastern and Judaic Studies Department at Brandeis University, and also co-director of the Hadassah-Brandeis Institute. Professor Fishman is the author of numerous articles on Jewish education, the American Jewish family, changing roles of Jewish women and American Jewish literature, film and popular culture. Professor Fishman has written three books: *Follow My Footprints: Changing Images of Women in American Jewish Fiction*; *A Breath of Life: Feminism in the American Jewish Community*; and *Jewish Life and American Culture*.

Saturday, February 12th

Join Congregation Ahavas Israel for morning services at 9:30 a.m. Following Kiddush a catered luncheon will be served. 1:15 p.m. Dr. Barack Fishman speaks on "American Jewish Literature"
She will examine the spectrum of American and Israeli Jews and the very different ways in which people think about their Jewish identity and Jewish connections.

Saturday, February 12th

Join the Jewish Federation Young Adult Division (20's, 30's, 40's) at 7:30 p.m. for martinis and hors d'oeuvres at Temple Emanuel - \$10.00 per person.
 Dr. Barack Fishman speaks on "Reinventing the Cinematic Jew: A Century of American Jewish Fiction and Film"

Sunday, February 13th

10:15 a.m. at Congregation Ahavas Israel, bagels and coffee will be served.
 Dr. Barack Fishman speaks on "Family Ties-The Changing American Jewish Family"

Scholar In Residence RSVP Form

Name _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Lunch \$8.00 per adult / \$5.00 for children 12 and under
 (Family maximum \$25.00)

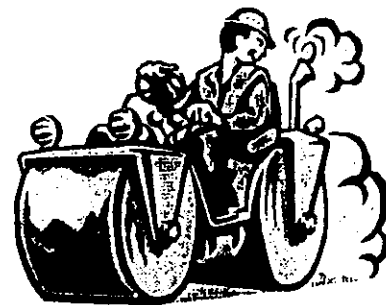
Adults _____ @ \$8.00 per adult = _____ YAD _____ @ \$10.00 per adult = _____

Children _____ @ \$5.00 per child = _____

Your check is your reservation - Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids,
 4127 Embassy Dr., Grand Rapids, MI 49546

RSVP deadline February 4th

Temple Beth El Bulletin



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Temple Beth El Welcomes Hasia Diner, Scholar-in-Residence

Service Schedule

- Friday, February 4, 7:30 p.m.
Light Candles 5:05 p.m.
- Saturday, February 5, 9:00 a.m.
Sisterhood Shabbat
Youth Services 10:30 a.m.
Torah Portion MISHPATIM
- Friday, February 11, 7:30 p.m.
Ganim Service
Light Candles 5:14 p.m.
- Saturday, February 12, 9:00 a.m.
Torah Portion T'RUMAH
- Friday, February 18, 7:30 p.m.
Light Candles 5:22 p.m.
- Saturday, February 19, 9:00 a.m.
Family Havdalah
Torah Portion T'TZAWVEH
- Friday, February 25, 7:30 p.m.
Scholar-in-Residence Program
Light Candles 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday, February 26, 9:00 a.m.
Scholar-in-Residence Program
Youth Services 10:30 a.m.
Torah Portion KI TISSA

February 25-26, 2004

This year's Scholar-in-Residence program will feature renowned author and history professor, Hasia Diner. A specialist in American Jewish history, Professor Diner will be joining us for Friday evening and Saturday morning services as part of our focus on the celebration of 350 years of Jewish life in America.

Her topic will be "Jewish Women in the United States."

Hasia Diner is the Paul and Sylvia Steinberg Professor of American Jewish History at New York University, with a joint appointment in the departments of history and the Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies and is the Director of the Goldstein Goren Center for American Jewish History..

A specialist in immigration and ethnic history, American Jewish history and the history of American women, she is the author of numerous published books, In December 2001, Hungering for America: Italian, Irish, and Jewish Foodways in the Age of Migration was published by Harvard University Press. In the spring of 2002, Basic Books released a history of American Jewish women, entitled Her Works Praise Her, co-authored by Dr. Diner and Beryl Leif Benderly.

The University of California Press will release in the fall of 2004 The Jews of the United States, a synthetic history of American Jewry in a series on the histories of modern Jewish communities.

This Scholar-in-Residence program is being made possible through the generosity of the Lehigh Valley Celebrate 350 Committee, Temple Beth El, the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, and the Men's Club of Temple Beth El.

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SHARE THE SHABBAT EXPERIENCE

29th Annual Shabbaton
at South Baldwin Jewish Center
Friday Night, March 18 - Saturday, March 19, 2005
Shabbat Zachor



This year's Scholar-in-Residence:

RABBI REUVEN HAMMER

Professor of Rabbinic Studies, Jewish Theological Seminary, Jerusalem
Immediate Past president, International Rabbinical Assembly

**"God, Israel and Us:
New Thoughts and Challenges"**

Rabbi Hammer will be speaking Friday night (after dinner), Shabbat morning (after Torah Service) and Shabbat afternoon (after lunch). Please join us for as much of Shabbaton as your neshama can handle!

SOME SHABBATON FACTS...

DID YOU KNOW???

- You are invited at no charge to attend all presentations at the Shabbaton.
- You are invited at no charge to attend the Shabbaton lunch on Saturday, March 19th.
- You are invited at no charge to attend Lunch-and-Learn sessions at SBJC throughout the year.
- You are invited to join the generous people whose contributions to the SHABBATON FUND (separate from other Synagogue funds) allow the "open door policy" at the above events.

RESERVATION FORM FOR SHABBATON MEALS · MARCH 18 - 19, 2005 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER (6:30pm) · (Kabbalat Shabbat & Maariv @ 8:00pm)

___ LAMED-VAVNIK CONTRIBUTION (\$50.00 PER PERSON - INCLUDES DINNER)

___ Adults (\$22.00 per person - same as last year)

___ Students (13 - 18 @ \$15.00)

___ Children (under 13 @ \$10.00)

___ Please indicate if any vegetarian meals are required

___ Amount enclosed; make checks payable to "SBJC SHABBATON"

Maximum Family Price:
\$65.00 per immediate family
(parents/students/children)

I request to be seated with: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

SHABBAT LUNCH, MARCH 19:

___ Number of Adults ___ Number of Children



ALL ARE WELCOME TO LUNCH
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• PLEASE RESERVE FOR ALL MEALS BY THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2005 •

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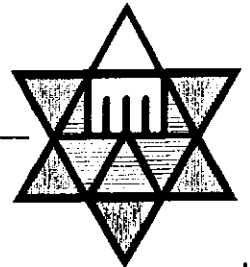
Alexander Schapira
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Purim Carnival
Sunday, March 20
12pm @ CBI
Bring your friends!

The Three Doors Bulletin

Congregation Beth Israel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin



THE SHABBATON WAS A GREAT SHABBAT FOR CBI



The Shabbaton was truly a huge success. The weather was great, our CBI families made new connections with other members, and the warmth (not from the outside temperature) generated throughout the weekend. Being part of this educational weekend gave everyone a true sense of being part of the CBI family.

Dr. Burton Visotzky was our guest scholar. He provided us with excellent insight. His topic, "The Road to Redemption," gave each and every one of us a new prospective. (His book is in the CBI Library.) On Saturday night after Shabbat, several parents went to "Treasure Island" with their children, while others stayed and "schmoozed."

Many people worked hard to make this weekend a success. We would like to acknowledge them. Rabbi Herber, for working with Dr. Visotzky and inviting him to the Shabbaton (great choice Rabbi); Diane Boland, for preparing the children's story hour; Melinda Swartz, for making phone calls, letter writing and most of all for being a "great sounding board;" Judy Werlin, for handling all the religious service honors and assignments; and most of all Suzy Peltz who spent many hours seeing to all the details and to insure the weekend would be a success.

We also want to acknowledge our "Gemilut Chasidim" sitters, who came with their families, and graciously offered to watch the children and planned fun activities with them.

"Todah Rabah" to: Alyssa Denny, Lani Denny, Hilary Friedman, Michelle Langer, and Natanya Russek. Also, we had additional helpers: Galya Fedderly, Leah Gardenier, Michael Ish-Shalom, Uri Ish-Shalom, Erin Miller, Alex Schapira, and Mikaela Zetley. These young people were truly an asset for the Shabbaton and did a remarkable job. We all thank you!

We are looking forward to next year.

Please remember to sign up early and be part of this CBI experience.

Sharon Siegel Langer
Co-Chair

Felicia Miller
Co-Chair

(We apologize in advance, if we left any names out)

TAKE NOTE

March 8

Tuesday With Torah
With Rabbi Herber
12pm Schlitz River Center



March 13

Sisterhood Program
Wills: Ethical, Legal & Living
9:30am

Men's Club
Texas Hold'Em Poker
11:30 check in 12:30 begins



March 17

The Jewish Week That Was
With Rabbi Herber
10am @ CBI



March 20

Purim Carnival 12pm



March 24

Purim Service & Megillah Reading
& Masquerade 7pm



March 25

Purim Morning Service 7am

Commemorating the 950th Yahrzeit of Rabbi Shlomo Ben Isaac Rashi

An Evening of Interactive Study

*Sunday Evening, April 3, 2005
7:00 pm at Beth El*



Rashi

Please join us as we honor the life of Rashi, the greatest Bible commentator in Jewish history. Dr. Robert Harris, professor of Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will be our honored guest to discuss the teachings and life of Rashi.

Please RSVP to Rabbi Stephen Grundfast, 330-864-2105 ext.114, or e-mail sgrundfast@yahoo.com if you would like to attend.

Rashi Wine and light refreshments will be served.

Wine Tasting and Live Jazz



Eat, Drink, Dance, Mingle, and Enjoy

Stock up for Passover!

*Jazz Music by Primitive Groove
With Tony Sterns*

Saturday, April 2nd

8pm-10pm

\$20 – Entrance at the Door



Wine tasting coordinated with
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