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HIGH HOLY DAYS 5783 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah

Saturday, Sept. 17

Havdalah & Wine and Cheese Gathering followed by an informal Selihot Service 7:45 PM

Leyl Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, Sept. 25

Maariv Service 6:00 PM

First Day Rosh Hashanah

Monday, Sept. 26

Shacharit 8:30 AM

Youth High Holy Day

Congregation 10:15 AM

Family Service 9:00 AM

Tashlich 1:15 PM & 5:30 PM

Maariv 6:00 PM

Second Day Rosh Hashanah

Tuesday, Sept. 27

Shacharit 8:30 AM

Youth High Holy Day Congregation 10:15 AM

Maariv 7:00 PM

Shabbat Shuvah

Friday, Sept. 30

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 PM

Saturday, Oct. 1

Shabbat Morning 9:30 AM

Yom Kippur

Tuesday, Oct. 4

Kol Nidre 6:15 PM

Wednesday, Oct. 5

Shacharit 8:30 AM

Youth High Holy Day Congregation 10:15 AM

Family Service 9:00 AM

Yizkor 1:15 PM

Mincha 4:45 PM

Ne'ilah 6:00 PM

Ohev Shalom celebrates the uniqueness of each individual and family and welcomes diversity within our sacred community



Rabbi Elliott Perlstein

Coming Together

As I was leaving the synagogue one day recently, I had a flashback of the Kol Nidre service two years ago.

That year, 2020, we opened the service with the music of the Kol Nidre played on a cello. This is something I had wanted to do for some years but never found a way to make it happen. Through the magic of YouTube, I was able to find a list of cellists playing this sacred music by the composer Max Bruch. I chose one that I felt would set the right tone for our service. Two years later, as I had that flashback, I felt a definite sense of sadness. It was kind of a dream come true so why the sadness.

We put a great deal of time and energy into making those services work for our entire community and from the feedback I heard we more than succeeded. The sadness today is that it was a made for TV High Holy Days. We could not possibly safely come together. It was still pre-vaccine, and we were all somewhere between scared and afraid and rightly so. So, the Cantor and I were on the Bimah with about four or five guys sitting behind the last pew with all of their broadcast equipment along with Hilary who was hosting on Zoom. One of the guys with the least amount to do kept dozing off and moving around in his seat. After the service we chatted a bit and he told me “Where I come from, it only takes an hour.” I couldn’t blame him for being so bored.

We did what we needed to do and then some, but I look back at it with sadness. On the other hand, I look to the future with joy. This is now a time of coming together. As we begin a new season, a new year on the Hebrew calendar this is indeed a time of coming together. And that brings me great happiness. I don’t think we can yet say we’re done with Covid. As soon as the new booster designed especially for the Omicron variant comes out, I’m in line.

During the worst Covid months, there was so much loneliness and loneliness. We didn’t see loved ones or friends. It was hardest on the elderly living in a facility where they couldn’t have any contact with the outside world. During the salvaged baseball season of 2020, they put cardboard fans in the stands and made pretend. We all hunkered down at home during the holidays perhaps pretending we came together by the magic of Zoom. Truth is, we were all in our own separate spaces.

This year, more and more, we can truly come together. I look forward to more and more of us making a Rosh Hashanah resolution to attend Shabbat services Friday night or Saturday or a Shabbat service here and there. The act of coming together as part of a community has a definite positive impact on one’s happiness quotient. The act of singing together has an added benefit for the psyche and the soul. The main operative word here is together. Together and not alone. Together and not lonely. This is a time of coming together.

We normally, have some type of program preceding our Selihot service which ushers in the high Holy Day season. We have had movies, speakers, Klezmer and classical concerts. This year We are the program, Us, You and I coming together to bring in the new year. Oh, we’ll have great Kosher Wines and Kosher Cheeses and noshes to enjoy but the real enjoyment is coming together and being together in celebrating a new year.

Our policy for the High Holy Days this year is all who attend are expected to be vaccinated and boosted. The Sanctuary and Social Hall will be set up to accommodate social distance seating. Masks, at this point, are optional. We also respect those who have been especially careful all along and are not yet ready to enter a space with a considerable gathering.

My best wishes to you and your loved ones for a healthy and sweet New Year. I hope you will join me in making this new year spiritually even more healthy and much sweeter in our coming and being together.

Shanah Tovah!

Rabbi



Michael Goldstein

President’s Message

I am truly humbled and honored to address you for the first time in our September/October publication of the Dove Tale. As the new president of our congregation, I have the privilege to walk on a road paved by my predecessors, who have made our place of worship open and inclusive.

Summer is for relaxing, reviewing the previous year, and preparing for the new one. To that point, everyone at Ohev is focused on preparations for the High Holy Days and the return of religious school students and teachers. A huge thank you to Rabbi, Cantor, Barbara and Hilary for all they do to keep the synagogue running smoothly, both inside and out, all year long.

We have navigated the pandemic in a thoughtful and diligent manner. We’ve managed risk, adjusted and continued forward with religious services, Hebrew school and related programming. Ohev’s message this year is clear; the synagogue is open. There are some amazing programs planned for the year. If you have any questions about upcoming events and programming or would like to get involved, please feel free to contact me. Of course, ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

It is important to also mention our continued focus on the safety and security of our building and congregants. Michael Zimet continues to work closely with our local police and security company as we plan to further improve security, include upgrades to our alarm and FOB systems. We are also providing security training to our clergy, staff, and teachers, and will offer similar training opportunities for congregants in the coming months. This is all made possible by the grants that we’ve received, as well as the security fees paid by our congregants.

Stay cool in these hot days and enjoy the remainder of your summer. It won’t be long before we celebrate the High Holidays together. I look forward to seeing you soon.

My wife, Courtney, our family and I would like to wish you a healthy and happy New Year.

L’Shana Tovah,

Michael

I want to know!

Question:

During the first part of the Amidah, there is a choice of 2 words- גואל and גאולה. Why the choice and why is one preferred?

Answer from Rabbi Perlstein:

חֲסִדִּים טוֹבִים, וְקִנְיָה הַכֹּל, וְיוֹכֵר חֲסִדֵי אֲבוֹת, וּמְבִיא גּוֹאֵל
(גאולה) לַבְּנֵי בְנֵיהֶם, לַמַּעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה.

Goel or Geulah. גואל or גאולה

What is the difference?

Though I don't know exactly who in our synagogue asked this excellent question, it comes from someone who reads the text of the Amidah carefully.

Goel גואל means a redeemer. Geulah גאולה means redemption. In the Amidah, the traditional text uses Goel in saying G-d brings a redeemer out of love. We could have a rich discussion on who this Goel is to be. Messiah would surely be a front runner.

Many, in our movement, have taken a theological position that brings them to speak about redemption rather than a redeemer. This is similar to speaking about a Messianic era rather than a Messiah in particular. In a particular blessing, we thank G-d for the State of Israel as the beginning of the flowering of our redemption.

A close look at the Amidah in our Siddur shows the word Goel גואל redeemer in the same size print as the rest of the text. That is what I grew up with. Next to that in brackets is Geulah גאולה redemption as a choice for the worshipper. That is what I say in my own prayers and you will hear it in Cantor Annelise's davening as well.

Now, if you look at the Israeli Siddur of the Masorti/Conservative movement, which understandably is all in Hebrew, you will find only one term used and that is Geulah גאולה redemption. Our small print alternative has been elevated as the standard text in the Israeli Masorti synagogue. You find גאולה ומביא One Who brings redemption.

Most important perhaps is the difference between a passiveness or an assertiveness. We can sit back and pray for a Messiah or a redeemer or we can mobilize ourselves to make the world a better place and take responsibility in bringing redemption. Interesting that while the traditional text has always used Goel גואל a Redeemer, there is much in rabbinic literature that points to an assertive position. As the rabbis envision G-d speaking to Moses when Moses stands between the deep sea in front of him and the Egyptians chasing from behind "Don't just stand there and pray, do something!"

What Do You Want to Know but Were Afraid to Ask?

How many times has a question crossed your mind, and Google didn't provide a satisfying answer? Have you forgotten the question you had when you were in Shul, only to remember after you arrived home? Well, fret no more.

This is your chance to have your thoughts heard, your questions answered. Do you have questions about Conservative Judaism? or what is Kosher? or how our security system is protecting us? or anything at all that can be answered by our clergy, board members, officers, or anyone else?

Address your questions to "I Want to Know" and email to sharongoldstein@earthlink.net. Be sure to include your full name. Let me know if you want your name published, or your initials, or Curious Congregant. I'll forward your question to the appropriate people under my name.

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Cantor Annelise Ocanto-Romo



Devotion by the Ocean

On Friday, August 12, 2022, congregations from around the area joined together in Ventnor, NJ to bring in Shabbat with the annual Devotion by the Ocean Shabbat evening service.

Pictured here are Cantor Harvey Wolbransky and Rabbi Jonathan Kremer of Shirat Hayam in Ventnor, Hazzan Ralph Goren of Beth El Margate, and our own Cantor Ocanto-Romo. A wonderful evening was had by all!



Barbara Glickman



As many of you know, I spent the month of July in Jerusalem as part of my professional development with Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies. Being in Israel was the culmination of a 13-month senior educators fellowship, better known as SELF. My appreciation and thanks to Pardes and to Legacy Heritage, for supporting and funding this program. I was selected to participate along with 20 other colleagues as members of the first and inaugural cohort. For the past year an amazing cohort of supplementary school education directors met over Zoom with our Pardes facilitators, Legacy Heritage staff, prominent Jewish leaders, educators and scholars. We took a deep dive into Pardes' Mahloket matters curriculum, which focuses on how to disagree constructively. We also spent time reviewing trends in Jewish education and learned about new pedagogies and how we may apply them to our schools. As part of the fellowship, we were gifted funds to create specialized projects for our school community. For my project, I led Tichon in several text studies from the Mahloket Matters curriculum and this past May I brought Rabbi Mike Uram from Pardes North America to facilitate a parallel adult Mahloket Matters program. Attendees received a small glimpse into what our teens were studying over the year.

My cohort and I also prepared for our Israel experience throughout the year. At 54 years old, never in my dreams would I have imagined up and leaving my family for a month to immerse myself in studying and living life in Jerusalem. This adventure would be something completely new for me. When I was in college I commuted and then moved from my parents home to living with Haim. I had serious doubts and trepidation about leaving for a month, more than I care to share. Haim encouraged and guided me and at one point chastised me into seizing this once in a lifetime opportunity. I am so glad that I listened. For twenty-seven days, I studied, toured, and lived in Israel with colleagues whom I now consider special friends. To say the experience was amazing is a bit of an understatement. The breathtaking views, full cultural immersion, the delicious food, the people, the shopping - (including my new beautiful tallit, my very first one, which I purchased on Ben Yehuda Street AND tied the tzitzit myself), - the atmosphere and yes, the streets that are truly made of gold. Waking up daily, knowing that I was in the holy land is a feeling I will always remember and cherish. The adventure was like no other, especially studying from 8:45 in the morning until 5:00 at night, and even later some nights. I'll spare you the details of how I learned to adapt to living and sharing an apartment with colleagues, navigating my way around the area, and taking the bus - yes, I took the bus AND even the train! I am happy to report that I can now cross "living in Israel for a month" off my bucket list.

I am fortunate to be able to share with my Ohev family the unique learning experience at Pardes. As SELF participants, we enrolled in the summer program taking multi-level Talmud and Jewish studies classes. Summer program and class participants were truly representational of a demographic melting pot. Colleagues, SELF cohort 2 participants, and day school educators, Rabbis and Cantors, college students studying in Israel, seniors wanting to learn. I think that the draw to Pardes is that they employ a unique learning structure through the use of Hevruta, or paired learning. The formula for all the classes is the same. The instructor introduces the topic with a group text study, followed by Hevruta learning and then we culminate the topic or text study with a whole group discussion, sharing thoughts, questions and ideas, all without judgment. We are encouraged to be critical thinkers throughout the process which is engaging and at times intense and grueling.

The bonus for me as a SELF participant was how well Pardes and Legacy Heritage treated the two cohorts. Sprinkled throughout the three weeks of intense learning, we had the opportunity to participate in classes featuring amazing guest speakers and instructors from elite institutions including Yad Vashem and Rosnov Consulting. We experienced special tiyulim or trips to Israel's National Library, Beit Avi Chai and Migdal David in the Old City. Hands on, behind the scenes and interactive learning was necessary and something we know the importance of as educators. Our toolkits are now overflowing with all the new information these institutions provided.

Being a SELF participant also came with special perks including some great swag. We had a special Shabbat retreat in the secluded and beautiful hills of Jerusalem at Yearim hotel. Relationship building, relaxation and living in the moment was the theme of the retreat. We davened together, learned together, sang together, ate together emerging not just as colleagues, but as friends. I'm so thankful that I had the opportunity to reinforce and build relationships and friendships. My most favorite part of the retreat was our Shabbat Tish, which was a new and invigorating experience for me. After Shabbat dinner we sat around a table, led by

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Scott Roseman, September 17, 2022

Hello, My name is Scott Roseman and I am a 7th grader at Newtown Middle School. My Bar-Mitzvah is on September 17th. I live in Newtown with my mom, dad, and my sister Samantha. I started attending Ohev Shalom preschool at 2 years old and I am currently in 7th grade Tichon.

I love to play video games. My favorites are Mario and Zelda games. I also like to play the drums. I began playing the drums in 4th grade and I hope to continue in middle school. I also love watching superhero movies with my dad. Spiderman is my favorite superhero.

For my Bar-Mitzvah project I collected items for Royce’s Pet Rescue in Richboro. I collected cat food and other cat supplies to help the cats staying at the rescue. I did this project because I love animals and hope to be a vet one day. I wanted my project to be something that helped animals since I have always loved animals.

I would like to thank my parents for their support and for driving me to Hebrew school, my lessons, and services. I would like to thank my sister Samantha for always encouraging me. I would like to thank all my family members for always being there for me, I would like to thank Rabbi Perlstein, Cantor Annelise and Morah Suzanne for all their help in getting me this far. Lastly, thank you to Barbara and my Hebrew school teachers for my Jewish education. I have enjoyed my time here at Ohev Shalom.



Ben Murray, October 29, 2022

Shalom! My name is Ben Murray and I am 12 years old. I live in Langhorne and am a 7th grader at Maple Point Middle School. I live with my mom, dad and brother Charlie. I am looking forward to becoming a Bar Mitzvah on October 29th.

In school, my favorite subject is math. In my spare time, I am involved in all things sports. I play football, basketball and baseball for Langhorne AA. I hope to play all of those sports at Maple Point this school year. When I am home, I am watching sporting events with my friends, looking at sports stats, or playing sports video games.

For my Bar Mitzvah project, I am going to be volunteering with the Bucks County Challengers. It is a program that buddies middle school and high school students with kids with special needs for a flag football season. This is a perfect project because I am passionate about sports and I love to be helpful. My mom’s job as a special education supervisor has made me compassionate about kids with disabilities.



Eli Raskin, October 15, 2022

Hi, my name is Eli Raskin. I was born on September 21, 2009, in Abington Hospital. I live in Newtown, PA, and am a 7th grade student at Newtown Middle School. I live with my parents, Robin and Eric Raskin, and my sister, Olivia Raskin, who is a 10th grade student at Council Rock North. Additionally, I live with my dog, Otis Raskin, who had a Bark Mitzvah when he turned 13 in dog years. No, seriously, it happened.

I started at Ohev Shalom after my third birthday and continued until pre-K. I returned to Ohev when I started Hebrew school in 1st grade and I’ve been here ever since. As far as hobbies go, I have many. The main two are baseball and guitar. When I was four I began playing tee ball and a few years later I was old enough to play actual baseball. Now, I play on a travel team, and I am going to try out for the middle school team. On the other hand, I have only been playing guitar for 2½ years. I go to School of Rock for music lessons and I perform in shows three times a year. That leads right into my Bar Mitzvah project. I am working with an organization called Hungry for Music to raise funds and collect instruments for kids less fortunate than myself.

One of the most important things in my life is an overnight camp, Camp Green Lane. It’s important to me because it is the place where I feel I can really be myself. That is the why I go back every year. I also love the fact that I get to spend the summer with my best friends instead of sitting around on my phone all day. In my mind, there is no better place in the entire world.

I would like to cap off my bio by giving thanks to the people who have helped me along my journey to my Bar Mitzvah. I would like to say thanks to Rabbi Perlstein and Cantor Annelise for helping me prepare for my big day on October 15th. Finally, I would like to give a huge thank you to my parents for always being there for me and helping me whenever I needed it.



Please join us in welcoming Melissa Caplan,
Assistant to Rabbi Perlstein and Cantor Ocanto-Romo



Melissa attended the University of Arizona with a degree in Marketing and worked many years in the corporate event planning field before taking some time off to be at home with her children. Melissa is married almost 18 years to her husband Stu and together they have two boys, Drew (12) and Blake (8), who attended the Ohev early learning center. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her family and friends, baking (challah and rugelach are her specialties), Peloton workouts and traveling. She is excited about entering the working world again and being a part of the Ohev Shalom

community!

Melissa can be reached at mcaplan@ohev.org

What a memorable experience

by Marla Gelfont *Gimel 5th Grade Jewish Educator*

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our Pardes facilitators, shared stories, songs, snacks and drinks. I learned so much about my colleagues through the Tish and I'm excited to hopefully bring one to our Ohev community. You have not experienced Havdalah unless you do so with a group of 40+ educators. The culmination of that Shabbat was priceless and one of the most beautiful and moving Jewish experiences in my fifteen-year career. It will forever hold a special place in my Jerusalem memories.

From the robust Pardes summer program, I chose three classes in addition to the ones I took that were related to SELF. My introductory Talmud class, "what to wear to a meeting with G-d", focused on getting ready to pray, the Amidah and its brachot. Our teacher, the son of British Jews who made Aliyah, taught us Mishnah and Gemara, while incorporating music into each and every class. To warm up, we sang a niggun, to wind down, we sang a niggun. Lots of beautiful niggunim. The main theme of this 2 ½ hour daily class was koved rosh, or how to get ready and into the mindset to pray. We did a deep dive to determine what exactly koved rosh looks like, what it is, what it isn't. Is it the equivalent of Hannah as she prayed desperately for a child or is it more like David as he poured out his heart and soul writing the psalms praying to Hashem for guidance and support.

One of two Jewish studies classes I selected incorporated the spiritual teachings of the Rebbe Piaceszer from Poland, who is thought to be a forerunner for Kabbalah. This class was taught by Yiscah Smith, a well known teacher and scholar, who has her own amazing backstory. I encourage you to research her and read her teachings. This class employed meditation and the spirituality of prayer, which was a wonderful companion to my Talmud class.

My favorite Jewish Studies class focused on gender and the female role in Judaism. The class was taught by scholar and educator Nachama Barash Goldman, who is originally from the Bala Cynwyd area. Through this class we learned specifics and text indicating how the Torah views women and how gender influences a woman's role within Judaism. As a class we listened intently, dialogued fiercely, shared, cried and discussed how the role of women as well as opportunities for women have changed tremendously in both the orthodox and non-orthodox worlds. We studied the words literally, without emotion, something each and every one of us found challenging.

We did our best to read the text literally and ask questions without involving our emotions. I learned in depth about how women are revered yet stifled, put on a pedestal yet shunned at times. Throughout the three weeks we discussed the differences between the obligations and requirements to participate in rituals; how the reward could be greater when you're obligated to do something; whereas taking part as a volunteer gives you an out; that you can stop when you want. We read and reviewed modern writings and interpretations of the obligations and expectations, we rejoiced in the pushback on how both non-orthodox and orthodox communities are learning to let women be and not just be the other.

Being the other means that women's obligations are categorized and we must adhere to specific obligations, mitzvot and commandments. To learn and attempt to understand specifics, we first analyzed text indicating observances that women are not permitted to do, some of which I knew, others which came as a surprise. I learned that women have certain positive timebound and non-timebound obligations as well as exemptions. To clarify, *timebound* means something that these obligations can only be fulfilled on specific days of the year while *non-timebound* means something that can be done every day. Some examples of women's obligations and exemptions include participating in Kiddush, fasting, rejoicing and hearing the Megillah on Purim, which are examples of what's considered timebound obligations. Conversely, non-timebound exemptions are wearing Tefillin, studying Torah, wearing tzitzit. While hearing the shofar and sitting in a Sukkah are considered timebound exemptions. After an in depth text study of the various obligations and exemptions, what disappointed me the most was learning that reciting the Shema is considered a timebound exemption, and women are not required to recite it.

So much to take in, I know! If you are interested, I invite you to reach out to me so I can share more details of my classes, my trip and living life in Jerusalem. Feel free to email me to set up a time. From my family to yours, wishing you a happy and healthy sweet New Year!

From July 25, 2022 to August 3, I had the pleasure of being one of twenty-one participants in a Supplementary School Conference on the Holocaust for Jewish Educators at Yad Vashem. We had two amazing mentors, Rabbi Moshe Cohn and Lori Gerson.

From 8 AM to 5 PM, we studied the Holocaust, heard lectures about the history, learned about the latest books, videos, and other artifacts that can be used for varying ages. We were an eclectic group: some Orthodox, some Conservative, and some Reform Jews. Some of us were teachers, some directors. We learned from one another, discussed, shared, reflected, and we cried a lot.

The theme emphasized to us over and over was SAFELY IN, SAFELY OUT. The new approach to the Holocaust, we learned, was not to show piles of dead bodies. We learned to NOT TRAUMATIZE our students. We learned to share survivor stories, and focus on the living, while absolutely paying respect to those who perished.

At Yad Vashem, we had a tour of the Holocaust Art Museum. I never knew there was one. We also had a tour of the outside artwork on the Yad Vashem grounds. We saw artwork from the streets of the Ghetto; we heard fantastic lectures from scholars. We heard several amazing stories of survivors within our cohort, which included a daughter of a KINDERTRANSPORT child who never knew her mom was a Jew until recently; a son of a Hungarian Jew that was part of the AUSCHWITZ ALBUM; a granddaughter of someone that was liberated from Buchenwald, whose mom also came on the trip and saw, for the first time, a photo of her dad on the wall of the museum.

For myself, my grandmother came to America with my grandfather in 1933. Her family was all still in Krakow, Poland. My grandmother's sister, husband and two children were all saved by Oskar Schindler. My cousin Rena Birnhack is 95 and lives in Haifa. I was lucky enough to visit her before the conference on July 24. I had other cousins that were hidden by gentiles and survived the war. I also have a number of family members who perished, as my grandparents had several siblings.

We went as a group to the Machaneh Yehudah market in Jerusalem to experience the hustle and bustle of Shabbat preparation and we celebrated Shabbat together at our hotel ending with Havdalah out on our balcony. You could hear people everywhere as groups shouting SHAVUAH TOV.

I was fortunate also to take my husband Ronnie with me on this trip. We met up with Minahellet Barbara, old friends and educators, and I got to celebrate my 1st wedding anniversary in Jerusalem with Ronnie.

We also heard from Rena Quint, a survivor of Bergen Belson, living in Jerusalem. I am pictured with her. She is one of the two survivors to meet with President Biden when he visited Israel in July..



Simchat Torah Honorees 2022

One of the most cherished customs of celebrating Simchat Torah is designating a Chatan Torah, Groom of the Torah, to read the last section of D'varim, Deuteronomy, which tells of the death and legacy of Moses, the prophet and leader of the Jewish people. This is followed by the Kallat Breishit, Bride of Genesis, who reads the opening section of B'reishit. The very first words of the Torah recount the story of G-d's creation of the world. Please meet Ohev Shalom's Honorees for 5783.

Sharon Goldstein was pleasantly surprised upon hearing of her selection as Chatan Torah, and in true Sharon fashion, she graciously accepted the honor, even though, as she commented, this honor more often went to a man. She grew up in a Conservative synagogue, but egalitarianism was still decades away. She did not go to Hebrew School, nor was she a Bat Mitzvah, although she did learn to read and write Hebrew at age 14. But she was very close to her Zaydeh Willie (z"l) and often discussed religion, rites, and rituals with him. He encouraged her to keep learning, and to ask questions. And she did! Every Shabbat she read the Hertz Bible, the commentaries, and the explanations. She always felt that she learned some new nuance with each reading.



As the years passed, Sharon became active at Ohev Shalom in many ways, including her present responsibility as Editor of the Dove Tale, but her dream of reading Torah one day was yet to be. So much did she identify with Yentl, that it became one her most-watched movies. Her first chance to fulfill her dream came at her granddaughter Stevie's Bat Mitzvah in 2016. How long did it take her to learn to chant those four lines? Forever, it seemed, but the joy it produced was well worth the effort. In July of that same year, she was able to chant six lines for grandson Zac's Bar Mitzvah. And, in her own words, she was hooked! Taking advantage of a class offered by Cantor Annelise Ocanto-Romo, she was able to learn trope and is now one of those to be counted on to read Torah for Shabbat and other holidays. Standing on the bimah and reading from an open Torah gives her joy beyond words. She thanks the Ritual Committee for her selection, and she cannot wait for Simchat Torah 5783.



Our Kallat B'reishit, Eileen Schein, was lucky enough to go to Hebrew School in the late fifties and prepare for a Bat Mitzvah, but only to chant a Haftarah. Reading from the Torah was still not an option for women. Retirement in 2014 from a rewarding career teaching Spanish and Italian afforded her the opportunity to spend more time at Ohev Shalom. She has served on the Board, attends Shabbat morning services and Sunday morning minyan, and is now one of Ohev's vice-presidents. But it was listening to the beautiful voices of many women in the congregation who read Torah which compelled her to think, "Now I can do that!" Eileen will forever be grateful to Idelle Wood and Liz Nover, who recorded tapes for her and encouraged her to expand her readings. Taking Cantor Annelise's class on trope and Torah reading was also a huge part of her preparation. She has been chosen

to read a lengthy passage on Sukkot, learned a special trope to read from the Megillat Esther on Purim, and was extremely honored to be selected to read Torah on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, specifically some of the well-known verses of the Akedah, the Binding of Isaac. Reading Torah, also fulfilling the mitzvah of allowing the congregation to hear the Torah chanted, is one of the ways she connects with G-d on a more personal level and represents her family. How proud her parents, Esther & Sam Hoffman (z"l), would have been!

Eileen is thrilled to share this honor with Sharon Goldstein (They share the same birthday!) and looks forward to an especially meaningful Simchat Torah 5783.

Congregant of the Month September-October 2022 Barbara Ponczek

by Eileen Schein

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel reminds us that, "The test of a people is how it behaves towards the old. It is easy to love children...But the affection and care for the old, the incurable, the helpless, are the true gold mines of a culture." Here at Ohev Shalom, our September/October Congregant of the Month, Barbara Ponczek, has made a career of doing just that. We all bask in the golden glow of her mitzvot.



Barbara is originally from Philadelphia and also lived in Willingboro, New Jersey with her family. Education defined the Kaufman family; her mother, Edith, whom we came to know and love at Ohev, was a high school English teacher. Her father, Jerry, was superintendent of several school districts in the Bucks County and south Jersey areas. Barbara graduated from Rutgers University and began her life's work in Social Services. A loving marriage to Kirk Ponczek for nineteen years ended all too soon with his terminal illness. They were blessed with two beautiful children, Dana and Joseph, who went to Hebrew School at Ohev and became B'nai Mitzvah here as well. Dana continued on to Confirmation Class and was a member of the first Confirmation Band! Joseph is pursuing his passion to be a chef. Dana is now one of the vice-presidents at Walmart's home base in Arkansas. She and her team recently won Walmart's Enterprise Award of the Year after developing affordable insulin for diabetics. Helping people obviously runs in this family!

There are many aspects of Social Services, and Barbara, as a social worker, chose one of the most challenging and crucial of them all; that of providing services for adults diagnosed with mental illness. From 1990-2007 she worked for P.A.T.H. (People Acting To Help). Individuals and their families were treated with respect and dignity, received quality behavioral health services, and intellectual disabilities support.

At the Klein Life Center, Barbara has helped provide in-home services to keep older adults – don't call them seniors!- in their own homes for as long as possible, ensuring that food, home improvements, transportation, and socialization are readily available.

Barbara has also been the Program Manager of the Jewish Federation's Northeast NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community), and while there she both represented that agency and participated as an active member of two partner organizations of NORC. One of those was the City of Philadelphia's 7th Police District Advisory Council, and the other was the Rotary Club of Northeast Philadelphia, facilitating the support for older adults aging in place and joining the Board as co-chair of the membership committee.

It should come as no surprise that Barbara devoted so much of her free time to Ohev Shalom. You could find her Cooking for a Friend, working at our beautiful Sisterhood Simcha Boutique, including traveling to the trade shows to choose the loveliest items. She and her mother Edith, to whom Barbara was devoted in her last years, were familiar faces as part of Bubby Gourmet.

Whether it be Trivia Night, an Art Show, or even a New Member Bar-B-Q, you could count on Barbara to volunteer for the program. Of course, she also picked up several older members of our congregation and brought them to the Hazak meetings. Her connection to Ohev was made even stronger on one of the trips to Israel, which she still considers as a highlight of her life.

As a partial retiree, Barbara went full circle and became an After Day Care specialist, taking care of babies in the afternoon, serving as a nanny, and working at a camp. But her expertise in caring for older adults will soon be bringing her to TIKVAH as Program Manager. Founded in 1991 as Advocates for the Jewish Mentally Ill, it supports Philadelphia area adults living with a mental illness in their social, educational, employment, and spiritual development.

It is not hard to see that Barbara's passion is to make people happy, comfortable, safe, and to alleviate their struggles. We at Ohev Shalom are extremely fortunate to count her as a vital part of our congregation. Mazal Tov to Barbara Ponczek, our September/October 2022 Congregant of the Month!

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Schedule of Services

Sukkot-Simchat Torah

Sukkot

Sunday, Oct. 9
 Ma'ariv 6:00 PM

Monday, Oct.10
 Shacharit 9:30 AM

Tuesday, Oct. 11
 Shacharit 9:30 AM
 Ma'ariv 7:00 PM

Sh'mini Atzeret

Monday, Oct. 17
 Shacharit 9:30 AM
 Yiskor 11:00 AM

Simchat Torah

Monday, Oct. 17
 Ma'ariv 6:00 PM

Tuesday, Oct. 18
 Shacharit 9:30 AM

Jewish Heritage Night at the Phillies



Pictured Left to right:
 Al Wiesner creator of Shaloman comic book series.
 Ohev Shalom members:
 Jerry Kaplan, Danny Weiner, Jerry Weiner, & Allan Silverberg
 Jewish War Veterans Post 697 members.

The Phillies ran away with the home runs!

Social Action Team

*“The world stands on three things:
on Torah, on service to G-d, and on acts of human-kindness.”*
Pirke Avot 1:2

The Social Action Team invites you to join us in our continuing effort to “repair the world,” one of the most important ways to lead a Jewish life. Together, we engage in projects and activities that address human needs, such as food, shelter, and health security, as well as welcoming the stranger and building community connections. Whether by joining our committee or signing up for just one project, please share your talents, energies, and interests with us.

Ohev Shalom’s mission affirms that our congregation will

Our Tikkun Olam programs for 2022-2023 will address:

Food Insecurity

High Holiday Food Drive - Pennadel Food Pantry - Tue 10/4/22 to Sun 10/9/22
Hametz Collection - Mitzvah Pantry - Wed 3/29/23 to Sun 4/2/23
Meal Donation - Advocates for the Homeless & Those in Need - 5th Monday of the Month - Mon 8/29/22, Mon 10/31/22, Mon 1/30/23, Mon 5/29/23

Economic Insecurity

School and Toddler Supplies Collection - United Way of Bucks County Stuff the Bus - Tue 8/2/22 to Sun 8/7/22
Book Collection - Project Home’s Gloria Casarez Home for LGBTQ+ Young Adults - Tue 10/25/22 to Sun 10/30/22
Coat, Hat & Glove Drive for Adults - Rescue Mission of Trenton - Tue 12/6/22 to Sun 12/11/22
Purim Collection of Health Items - A Woman’s Place - Sun 3/5/23 to Wed 3/8/23
Program with Hebrew School for JRA - Jewish Relief Agency - March 2023

Welcoming the Stranger

Household Goods Collection - HIAS PA - Tue 1/10/23 to Sun 1/15/23

Health

Blood Drive - Red Cross - Tue 12/13/22
Blood Drive - Red Cross - Tue 5/9/23

Go Green Task Force

A joint effort of the Social Action team and the Building committee, Ohev Shalom’s **Go Green** Task Force helps us fulfill Tikkun Olam by making Ohev’s campus more energy efficient and by inspiring congregants to do the same in their own homes. The task force has obtained a subsidy to replace several hundred incandescent bulbs with energy efficient LED bulbs; installed programmable thermostats to reduce HVAC waste; obtained reusable plates and compostable cups for onegets; repurposed existing containers for recycling in all classrooms and key locations; and hosted a speaker to address our congregants on energy efficiency in our homes. We are in the process of an HVAC energy audit to ensure that we are heating and cooling our campus efficiently.

We hope you will get involved in one of our many projects. New ideas are always welcome. If you are interested in joining our committee, participating in our activities, or if you have any suggestions for our programs, please contact us at ohav@ohav.org.

“The opposite of good is not evil; the opposite of good is indifference. In a free society, some are guilty, but all are responsible.”
Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel

Ohev Shalom’s **Go Green** Task Force
Invites you to

Set Your Environment-Friendly New Year’s Goals for 5783

While one individual’s behavior change alone can’t improve the climate, we can each do our part by following the central tenants of Judaism which instruct us to care for creation.

Ohev’s **Go Green** Task Force invites you to join us and select one or more behavior changes that make an impact. Be gentle with yourself, pick a realistic resolution or two - but at the same time, challenge yourself and your family to make an impactful change.

Reduce Energy Used for Heating and Cooling

Heating and cooling account for more than half of the energy use in a typical U.S. home. Every degree that you lower your room temperature in the winter or raise the temperature in summer will cut your energy use by 3% - and reduce your bills. If you usually keep your home at 70 degrees in the winter and your reduce the temperature to 67 degrees in the winter or increase it to 73 in the summer, you will reduce your fuel use by 9%. That’s a very big impact on your wallet and on your carbon footprint.

Smart thermostats, equipped with Wi-Fi, remote control from your phone, and app based scheduling, learn your family’s behavior in your home through motion detectors and learning algorithms and set the temperature accordingly. Households using a Smart thermostat often see a reduction of 10% of heating costs and 15% of air conditioning costs. The next best thing to a Smart thermostat is a programmable thermostat which allows you to program temperature levels for when you will be home and when you are away.

While minimizing your air conditioning use conserves electricity, you will also produce less pollution and require less repair and replacement for your AC. Air conditioners cause carbon pollution, but can also release hydrofluorocarbons (HCFs) - chemical compounds that trap thousands of times as much heat in the atmosphere as carbon dioxide - if they are broken or when they are thrown away.

Sign up for a Low Cost Home Energy Assessment

Do you think energy is being wasted in your home? Are your heating and cooling energy bills higher than you’d like?

A PECO Energy Assessment can help. During your assessment, the auditor will provide LED light bulbs to replace incandescent bulbs and a smart power strip; identify opportunities to air-seal, insulate, reduce drafts, repair and/or upgrade heating and cooling systems; and offer financial incentives for which you might be eligible. Go to [PECO.com](https://www.pECO.com) for more information.

Improve Your Home Lighting

Replace your home light bulbs with LEDs. Using efficient LEDs instead of conventional lightbulbs is a helpful step to reducing carbon pollution.

Time to Replace That Old Freezer or Refrigerator?

You may be able to save money with the PECO Appliance Recycling program. PECO will pick up your old working full-size fridge or freezer for free and give you \$75. You can also get a \$10 check when PECO picks up a working air conditioner or mini-fridge. In addition, they will give you a rebate from ten dollars to a few hundred dollars when you purchase an Energy Star appliance, including clothes washers, dryers, water heaters, etc. And your new energy efficient appliance will provide monthly savings on your electric bill.

Get Rid of Energy Vampires

Gaming consoles, phone chargers, computer cords, DVRs, TVs, and even coffee pots may draw a small amount of power even when they are off. They can add up to 5-10% of your monthly usage in this standby mode. Unplug these devices when not in use, or use smart power strips or surge protectors to really turn them off.

During this period before the High Holy Days, we reflect on our moral and religious obligation to help Tikkun Olam. Together, we will do what we can to protect and preserve the environment for ourselves and our children.




With thanks to JCAN (Jewish Climate Action Network) Boston, JCAN NY, Jewish Boston.

ADULT EDUCATION


Adult Education Calendar, 2022-2023. Leslie Kreithen-Chair

Mark your calendars now for this year's exciting Adult Ed programs, all on Zoom. The first program is at 7:30 PM; the balance are on Thursday afternoons at 2 PM.

1. **Thurs, Nov 3, 2022. *Stephen Sondheim Tribute*. Lee Slobodkin. 7:30PM.** Enjoy a live musical presentation, featuring highlights from some of Steven Sondheim's works including *Company*, *Sweeney Todd*, and *Into the Woods*.
2. **Thurs, Dec 8, 2022. *Jewish Photographers You Should Know*. Marvin Kreithen. 2PM.** The Jewish imprint on photography is remarkable. From fine art, reportage, portraiture, fashion and street photography, a staggering number of influential photographers have been Jewish. In *TIME Magazine's 100 Most Influential Photos*, Jewish photographers account for over 35% of the works.
3. **Thurs, Jan 12, 2023. *The Jewish Mafia*. Herb Kauffman. 2PM.** Learn about the myths, stories and events of the perilous period of Jewish American history, from prohibition through World War II, when Jewish mobsters ruled New York and much of the country. Who were the Jewish toughs, from mob bosses through enforcers, gunmen, and bootleggers?
4. **Thurs, Feb 9, 2023. *Marc Chagall in NYC*. Sylvia Laudein-Meo. 2 PM.** Like other leading exiled artists of his time, when Marc Chagall came to New York City during WWII, he worked, exhibited, and created major public works like the monumental paintings for the Metropolitan Opera, the glass windows for the UN, and for the Rockefeller family.
5. **Thurs, March 23, 2023. *Jews In Victorian Literature*. Rabbi Carol Harris-Shapiro. 2PM.** Victorian British literature offers clues to the attitudes towards Jews in the 19th century--the good, the bad and the ugly. Masterworks of literature from Charles Dickens, George Elliot and Anthony Trollope demonstrate how and why certain Jewish stereotypes became part of Victorian society.
6. **Thurs, May 11, 2023. *Restoration of Jewish Historic Sites in the Czech Republic*, Rebecca Landau. 2PM.** A European Union Grant and the Czech Culture Ministry's 10 Star Project has helped reconstruct and restore many Czech synagogues, cemeteries, rabbinical houses and Jewish study houses that were damaged or destroyed during World War II and the next 40 years when the country was under Communist rule.


Ohev Shalom Adult Education presents





Lee Slobotkin
Thursday, November 3, 2022
7:30 PM
Stephen Sondheim Tribute

Click on the Virtual Daily Minyan link found in OH-Events, #O-Happenings, Shabbat-O-Gram, or www.ohev.org
Presentation is on Zoom and begins at 7:30 PM after minyan.

Lee Slobotkin will delight us with *A Stephen Sondheim Tribute!* Sondheim (1930-2021), whose career spanned five decades, is considered the titan composer of American Musical Theatre. You do not want to miss this musical presentation, featuring highlights from some of Sondheim's most famous works including *Company*, *Sweeney Todd*, and *Into the Woods*.






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Marvin Kreithen
Thursday, December 8, 2022 2PM
Jewish Photographers You Should Know

Zoom link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81845746407?pwd=Uj9nL0t4bWluQnVEbHBsVUNHcndhZz09>

The Jewish imprint on photography is remarkable. In no other visual art form except cinema over the last 100 years were Jews such a shaping force. From Alfred Stieglitz to Annie Leibowitz in fine art, reportage, portraiture, fashion and especially street photography, a staggering number of influential photographers have been Jewish. This talk will highlight the collection of TIME's 100 Most Influential Photos in which Jewish photographers are responsible for over 35% of the works.

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SISTERHOOD

As Sisterhood begins the new programming year of 2022-2023, we are looking forward to having in-person programs. Hopefully you will have the interest and the desire to participate in one, or several, of them. Thank you all for your support of Sisterhood as we emerge from the “pandemic life”.

We are very busy finishing our New Year greeting to the Congregation and planning events for the fall.

Please save the following dates:

Tuesday, October 13, 2022 **Sweet in the Sukkah**

Tuesday, October 25, 2022 **Sisterhood Opening Event**

Thursday, November 10, 2022 **Rabbi Book Review**

This is the time of year we are planning. Do you have a passion, or some ideas for programs? Give me a shout-out, be a part of our planning team, get involved! Email me: ivy.graff@gmail.com, share your ideas with us.

Would you like to come to one of our Board Meetings? Contact me- we would love to have you attend. Our board meetings are via Zoom from the comfort of your own home.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy, Healthy, Sweet New Year - L'Shana Tova!

We are all in this together. If you need help with anything, reach out, we are always here to listen or lend a hand. That is what Sisterhood is all about!

Looking forward to seeing you

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Sweet in the Sukkah



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Questions email:
sisterhood@ohev.org



Sisterhood
Mah Jongg is BACK at
Ohev Shalom!

Tuesday from 12:00-3:30 pm

at Ohev Shalom

Sept. 6, 13, 20

Oct. 25

Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Dec. 6, 13, 20

Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

\$3.00 a Session - Total \$51.00

Money will be collected at the beginning
of each session.

Experienced players only

Please bring the current Mah Jongg card
and your Mah Jongg set

We play 12 games, on a point system

Cash prizes are awarded at the end
of each session.

This is not a high pressure tournament.

We are looking to have a fun afternoon.

Contact Linda Shapiro: 215-317-4600

email: lrshapiro@comcast.net



**If it's Thursday Sisterhood
is playing CANASTA
at Ohev Shalom**

Play Canasta -Thursdays

1:00 - 3:00 PM

PAY \$4.00 to play

Lessons also available the following

Thursdays : 1:00 - 3:00 PM

September 8, 15, 22, 29

4 Lessons PAY \$36.00

To Register for lessons or QUESTIONS?

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**Inclusion B'Kavod invites you to join
us at Ohev for these exciting
programs and events!
Save These Dates!**

- **October 22nd: Celebrations! @ Ohev Reunion Shabbat and extended kiddush**
- **November 6th: Breakfast program featuring Rabbi Lauren Tuchman**
- **January, 2023: Super Bowl Kosher Hoagie Sale; pick up February 5th**
- **February 11th: Inclusion B'Kavod Shabbat and lunch and learn with Sam Sittenfeld**
- **March 7th: "Hello Darkness My Old Friend" with Dr. Sanford D. Greenberg**

Look for more information to follow in upcoming
communications and on Ohev.org

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MEN'S CLUB

Greetings to everyone. We hope that you and your families stayed safe and healthy and had a great and fun summer.

Men's Club programs are back and in person. We are excited that our famous Men's Club Breakfast Programs will be back, and we have two stimulating breakfast programs for you in September and October. On September 11, 2022, we will welcome Richard Goldsmith, RN who will be presenting a hands-on program on how to use an AED (Automated External Defibrillator). These devices are the best way to save a heart attack victim and it is important to know how they work. The second program is scheduled for October 30, 2022. It is your opportunity to Meet the Candidates for Congress, Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick and Ashley Ehasz. Come for breakfast and make sure to bring your questions for both of our candidates.

We have other programs and plans in progress. Look for information soon on our upcoming Eagles Night at one of our member's homes. In addition, we will be having a trip to the Mutter Museum on November 13th, which is sure to be a great day out. More information will follow soon

As a reminder, you can now make donations to the Ohev Shalom Men's Club in honor or memory of loved ones and special occasions. We are listed on the Ohev website and on the donation form. Make your checks payable to the Men's Club of Ohev Shalom.

We always encourage all to attend Men's Club programs. They are open to both men and women! If you have not already done so, make sure to fill out the Men's Club membership application for 2022-2023. Please let us know if you experience any problems with joining. Spread the word that membership in the Ohev Men's Club is rewarding and is made better by those who take part in it! If you have not been receiving emails from the Men's Club, please email Steve at smdr18@hotmail.com and let us know so we can add you to our distribution list.

Again, stay safe and have a happy and healthy New Year.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in person.

Your Men's Club Co-Presidents,

Steve Miller and Dave Zeitzer



The Men's Club of Ohev Shalom Presents



Sunday, October 30, 2022

8:45 AM

**Join us at Ohev Shalom for our famous
Men's Club Breakfast at 8:45 AM then
Meet Your**

Congressional Candidates!

**Ashley Ehasz and Brian Fitzpatrick
\$18.00 per person**

Register by October 24th

See communications and website for registration link

All are welcome and encouraged to attend

Questions? Email Steve at SMDR18@hotmail.com

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Ohev Shalom Men's Club Invites you to



A Hands-On Demonstration of "How to use an AED (Automated External Defibrillator)"

with

Richard Goldsmith, RN

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

8:45 a m

**Join us at Ohev Shalom for the return of our famous
Men's Club Breakfast, then participate and learn**

How To Save A Life!

\$18.00 per person



Register by September 6th

See communicationsa and www.Ohev.org for registration link

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

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Ohev Shalom's Social Action Team

High Holy Days Food Drive

**Tuesday, October 4 to Sunday, October 9, 2022
10 am - 3 pm**

The plight of the homeless and hungry is constantly with us. On Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, especially, we are reminded of our responsibility to help relieve our neighbors' suffering.

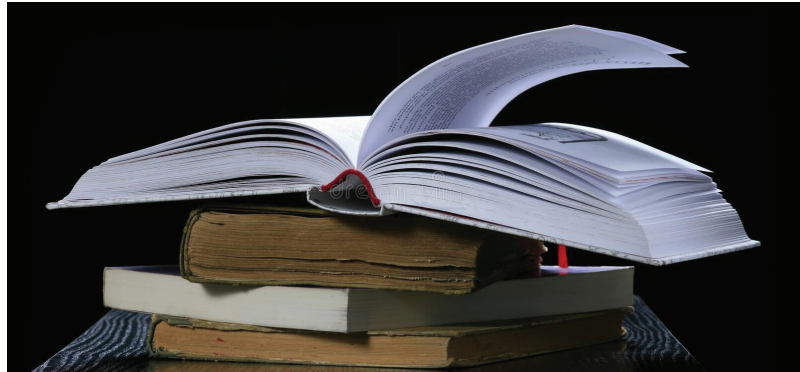
*This is my chosen fast...
Share your bread with the hungry. Take the homeless into your home.
Clothe the naked when you see them. Do not turn away from people in need.
(Isaiah 58:6-7 - Haftarah for Yom Kippur)*

With Isaiah's words serving as an ideal, Ohev Shalom members join together in the joy of giving.

Please drop off your donations of non-perishable foods (cans, unopened cartons) in bags or boxes on the dock by the kitchen from October 4 through October 9 from 10 AM to 3 PM.

For more information, please call the Ohev Shalom office at 215-322-9595.

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Ohev Shalom's Social Action Team

Book Collection

Tuesday, October 25 through Sunday, October 30, 2022
10 AM to 3 PM

to support
Project Home's
Gloria Casarez Residence for LGBTQ+ Young Adults

As we gather together on Shabbat Noah to celebrate all things LGBTQ+, we honor the struggles and support the rights of everyone in this community and open our hearts to create a more inclusive congregation.

We will be collecting books to support Project Home, specifically for the Gloria Casarez Residence for LGBTQ+ Young Adults. Project Home Books is a social enterprise in which people who have experienced homelessness sell used books online to help end homelessness. It helps lift our community by providing a path to sustainable life without poverty.

Please drop off your gently used books to Ohev's kitchen dock on Tuesday, October 25 through Sunday, October 30 daily between 10 AM to 3 PM. The best books are art and design, philosophy and religion, and recent technical and academic books, but Project Home Books takes all books in good condition. Sorry, we cannot accept encyclopedias, periodicals, or outdated textbooks.

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In Honor of

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The birth of **Luna Jade Price**, beautiful daughter of Jamie & Roger Price, by proud grandparents Marlene & Ira Litman

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Idelle Wood, for the beautiful and sensitive service led in memory of Leslie's sister Beth Bondel Rosenthal, by
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In Memory of
The yahrtzeit of **Sylvia Kolber**, Mark's beloved mother, by Denise & Mark Kolber

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In Honor of
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Beth Bondel Rosenthal, beloved sister of Leslie Kreithen, by Florrie Fisher

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In Memory of
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In Memory of
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