



# PATHFINDER

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## Seeing God in the Snow

I try to look on the bright side of things, even in this frigid world. I came across the following insight from Rabbi Harold Kusher, who wrote *When Bad Things Happen to Good People*. It describes the combination of fear and awe, exemplified in the weather, that may well come from a power greater than ourselves.

When I have to walk or drive in a snowstorm or rain, I hate it. I find it uncomfortable, even dangerous. But when I am safe and warm inside my home, looking out at the thunderstorm or the falling snow, I respond very differently. I suspect we all do.

For reasons my rational mind can't fully comprehend, it feels good to feel small and overwhelmed, but at the same time to be safe and protected, during the storm. It is a



welcome comfort to know that there is a Power in the world which far exceeds my own.

May this be truth for each of us as well.

- Rabbi Evan Moffic



# Cantor Glikin's Desk — Why is This Night Different from All the Other Nights?

"I really don't think that the Women's Seder is relevant to my experience. Our family seders have always been really great. I've never felt left out in any way during my family celebrations." These words were the beginning of a conversation that I recently had with a Solel woman after I asked her if she was planning to attend this year's Women's Seder on March 22. As I considered this comment, I reflected on the fact that I, too, have never felt left out at my family celebrations. So, why do I find the Women's Seder to be so incredibly powerful and moving? As I was thinking about this question, I realized that it comes down to at least three factors: experiencing the Exodus narrative through a feminine lens, considering modern-day issues that affect women in our time, and having the opportunity to do all of this in a group of amazing women.

## Considering Modern-Day Women's Issues

Two years ago the Women's Seder served as the launch pad for the introduction of the "Women Should Be Seen and Heard" campaign at Solel. Attendees learned about the struggle for gender equality in public spaces in Israel and contributed our own voices to this important issue by taking pictures in support of gender equality and signing petitions to Israeli officials. At last year's Seder, we learned about sex trafficking and heard stories of victims, survivors, and heroes. Not only did we learn about the issue, but we also signed petitions that were mailed to Mayors and Chiefs of Police in surrounding towns, encouraging them to address the issue from the demand side.

At this year's Women's Seder, we will learn about the Domestic Workers Bill of Rights, which is scheduled to be introduced in the Illinois House of Delegates in the coming weeks. We will hear from Wendy Pollack, Director of the Women's Law and Policy Project at the Shiver Poverty Law Center in Chicago. Ms. Pollack is the attorney heading up the writing of and lobbying for legislation in Illinois. Domestic workers play a critical role in the Illinois economy, working to ensure the health and prosperity of Illinois families and freeing others to participate in the workforce. Despite the value of their work, domestic workers have historically been excluded from the protections under state law extended to workers in other industries. This has led to a workforce, predominantly composed of women supporting their own families, that is isolated and vulnerable, oftentimes earning less than the minimum wage, without paid time off, or rest periods.

## Seeing the Exodus Narrative through a Feminine Lens

"Who are the heroes of the Exodus story?" If we were to ask our Religious School students this question, there is little doubt in my mind that they would think of God, Moses, and, possibly, Nachshon (you know, the guy who stepped into the sea, thereby causing it to split open.) Some might mention Miriam. But, I truly doubt that many of our students, or even adults, would think of Yocheved, Batya, Shifra, or Puah. Yet, each of these four women was instrumental in bringing about the Exodus and the redemption of the Jewish people from slavery. Each of these women risked her life to ensure the future of the people Israel.

At the Women's Seder, the story of the Exodus, our formative communal narrative, is told in a different way, a way that highlights the heroic women of our Biblical narrative, alongside the heroic men and God. Additionally, the language of the *hagaddah* (the "telling" read during the Passover seder) draws on our tradition's rich treasure-chest of ways to understand and refer to the Divine. Written for the women of Solel by the women of Solel, the *hagaddah* we read at the Women's Seder experiments with alternative names for God, such as "Source of Life," "Fountain of Blessings," or "Shechinah." How might your experience of the Exodus story be different with the inclusion of female heroes and non-traditional names for the Divine? Might such exploration invite new understandings and ways to connect to our formative narrative?

## Getting to Know the Women of Solel

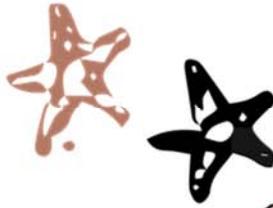
Our congregation is blessed with truly incredible women: women who are passionate, care about the people around them and making the world a better place, and love to have fun! The Seder is accompanied by beautiful music, great company, delicious food, and stimulating conversation. Whether you come by yourself, with a friend, or with a family member, you are certain to leave with new friends. If you come with your daughter(s), you will have the opportunity to discuss issues of importance, which you may not otherwise have the opportunity to explore. You will sing and laugh. You might even cry. Most importantly, you will have an experience that will not be quickly forgotten and which will bring you back to the Women's Seder year after year.

I look forward to seeing you at this year's Women's Seder. It will be an evening to remember!

- Cantor Vicky Glikin

# A Women's Seder to celebrate

*Join us for dinner, with song, wine, friendship and freedom.*



Date: Sunday March 22  
 Time: 4:00 pm  
 Cost: \$36/person, or \$360 to reserve a table of 10

Bring: A Passover-friendly side dish or a dessert to serve 8-10 people

Submit: The recipe for your side dish

- CELEBRATE TOGETHER AS WOMEN
- TELL AND HEAR OUR STORY OF FREEDOM IN A DIFFERENT WAY
- LEARN ABOUT THE WOMEN WHO MADE THE EXODUS HAPPEN AND WHO CONTINUE TO DO SO EVERY DAY
- SING WITH CANTOR GLIKIN AND YOUR FELLOW CONGREGANTS



Mothers, grandmothers, sisters, aunts and friends are welcome. Daughters in 5th grade or older are welcome to attend. Please register at [www.solel.org](http://www.solel.org), or return this form to the Solel office. Tables will be assigned. **If you would like to be seated with someone else, please register your ENTIRE party on this form.**



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Name	Email address and/or phone number	Chicken	Vegetarian
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Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ x\$36 per person (10 people per table)

My side dish I will bring: \_\_\_\_\_ (optional)

Added donation to help offset cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit card (Visa, MC, Discover) \_\_\_\_\_ Exp.: \_\_\_/\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_



## From Our President —

I am picking up a thread that I started stitching last summer. You may recall that I cited David Brooks, columnist for the *New York Times*, who occasionally writes about books which inspire him. Reading his occasional columns on this theme prompted me to think about my own lifetime as a reader – fiction and non-fiction – of books about Jews and lots of other topics.

So, dear pathfinders, let us resume our journey into the world of Jewish literature, broadly imagined.

I begin with Joseph Epstein's delicious – if amusingly dark – *Fabulous Small Jews* (2003). The author – surely known to some of you – was a longtime professor at Northwestern University and the distinguished editor of *The American Scholar*. I have gladly consumed his beautifully formed essays over several decades. Although I regard Epstein as occasionally cranky as well as perverse, I heartily commend this book. *Fabulous* is geographically fixed – masterfully – in late twentieth century Chicago. Epstein is an astute observer of cultural geography as well as the unshakable human foibles that each and everyone of us carry in our day-to-day baggage. Frequently I have returned to the opening chapter of *Fabulous* with its withering title of “Felix Emeritus.” YES, the shoe fits! The wise reader might best read this superb book, surely lightly fictionalized, with a hand mirror within easy reach.

Prompted by conversations with Rabbi Dov Taylor, I turned my attention in 2012 to David Grossman's acclaimed novel *To the End of the Land* (2010). The internationally acclaimed author stands in the company of Amos Oz among contemporary Israeli authors of fiction as well as nonfiction. Infused with allegory, the author's contemporary experiences provide a tragic compass for this book. Quickly I discovered *not* to read it just before going to sleep. But I should assure you that *To the End of the Land* proved stirring as well as illuminating. One note of caution. Its narrative entails multiple layers and numerous characters as well as cultural landscapes. Eventually, about two-thirds of the way into the book, I found myself compelled to search the World Wide Web for a handy one-page guide to the cast of characters that eased my burden. If I were to rank all of the fiction I have read during my lifetime, *To the End of the Land* would stand close to the top. Thomas Hardy's *Jude the Obscure* securely occupies first place.

Preparing for Congregation Solel's visit to Israel in April of 2013 led me to Melvin I. Urofsky's *Louis D. Brandeis, A Life* (2009). Massive in its physical scale and beautifully written, it begins with the Brandeis family in Germany in the nineteenth century but laying

plans to emigrate to America. I knew something of Louis Brandeis, especially his highly controversial but influential treatise *Other People's Money* (1912). President Woodrow Wilson nominated Brandeis for a seat on the Supreme Court in 1916; this is the beginning of the so-called *Jewish seat* on the high court. But I wanted to know more about Brandeis as an impassioned American Zionist, including a momentous trip – his one and only – to Palestine in 1919. As well, I wished to learn about his role as a justice of the Supreme Court, especially during the New Deal. I carried this volume with me to Israel, and I found the confluence inspiring as well as rewarding. Some congregants might recall that Professor Urofsky spoke at Congregation Solel in 1987 during the bicentennial of the United States Constitution.

Rabbi Moffic – renowned as a voracious reader – has praised a biography by Shimon Peres in conversation with David Landau entitled *Ben-Gurion, A Political Life* (2011). That sounded just right for my taste. I first encountered David Ben-Gurion, perhaps in 1950, while reading the Zionist youth magazine *World Over* distributed at Hebrew School. I must confess that until I read this book what I knew of Ben-Gurion mostly entailed his service as the first prime minister of the newly created State of Israel. The Peres volume furnished me with a nuanced overview. It took me back to David Gruen's shtetl life in Plonsk, Poland. I also learned much about Jewish settlement of Palestine and the epic political struggles that immersed the youthful Ben-Gurion. Another virtue of this book is that its length consumes little more than two-hundred pages. I should also report that the Israeli scholar Anita Shapira recently published *Ben-Gurion: Father of Modern Israel* (Yale University Press, 2014), which I intend to read imminently.

Indulge me, if you please, with a discussion of the wonderful book by Peter Levine entitled *Ellis Island to Ebbet's Field, Sport and the American Jewish Experience* (Oxford University Press, 1992). Among the topics covered are basketball and boxing as paths for Americanization. As well, Hank Greenberg (baseball), Sid Luckman (football), and Dolph Schayes (basketball) gain their deserved rewards as outstanding Jewish athletes during the middle third of the last century. But so does Cal Abrams – Cub, Dodger, and Pirate – a journeyman outfielder and great favorite of mine. The same for outfielder Sid Gordon. Aside from Gordon's respectable numbers – 202 home runs – during the 1940s and 1950s, he stood up forthrightly to anti-Jewish harassment from fans and occasionally ballplayers. Reveal-

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Congregation Solel Presents...

# Little Orphan



# Anna Esther

## Sunday, March 8, 2015

**10:30 am - 11:30 am Megillah Reading & Shpiel**

**11:30 am - 1:15 pm Purim Carnival**

Games &  
Prizes

Moon  
bounce

Don't forget a box of  
rice, mac 'n' cheese  
or noodles to shake  
at Haman and  
donate afterwards.



PURIM  
2015/5775

COME IN  
COSTUME!!!

Costume  
Parade

Don't Forget  
money to buy lunch  
and other fun stuff!



Questions?

Contact the Religious School Office

At 847.433.3417 OR Religious\_School@solel.org

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015

*Join us for a celebration in honor of Rabbi Evan Moffic's  
five years of service to Congregation Solel*



Shabbat Service  
7:00 PM

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY:

The Solel Choir and Cantor Vicky Glikin  
Original musical composition by Phil Orem  
Past presidents of Solel  
Recent graduates of Solel's Religious School



*Join us for a celebratory Oneg Shabbat*

# MITZVAH DAY 2015 A SUCCESS!

*"The good we secure for ourselves is precarious and uncertain until it is secured for all of us and incorporated into our common life." — Jane Addams*

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Mitzvah Day. Lots of fun and good work was done by our congregation as many participated in hands-on activities that directly benefited many local organizations. Students and parents helped with projects for Jewish War Veterans, North Elementary School and the Libenu Foundation, to name a few. Among the speakers for Mitzvah Day were two of our own congregants, Keith Brin and Scott Drury sharing their perspectives of their life in public service. As always, the true spirit of Tikkun Olam is alive and well at Congregation Solel.

- Cynthia R. Plouché  
VP Social Justice Committee



Principal Figueroa, North Elementary School in Waukegan and Cynthia Plouché with the multiplication cards volunteers made for students.

**Hava Nashira**

AN ENGAGING AND SPIRITED SERVICE  
FEATURING FRESH AND FAMILIAR MELODIES.

JOIN US ON MARCH 6 AT 7:30 PM FOR AN  
EVENING OF SONG AND INSPIRATION,  
ACCOMPANIED BY SOLEL'S OWN  
INSTRUMENTALISTS AND SINGERS.

*It's Shabbat....Let's Sing!*

Future Dates:  
May 8

*Joyce Schrager's Short Stories class will resume on March 25, 2015 & her Current Events class will resume on March 16, 2015.*

## Artist of the Month: Cindy Robin

Cindy Robin is our featured artist for the months of March and April. Cindy is a mosaic artist who describes herself as, “a collector, a gatherer, and a teller of stories. I use materials in unusual ways...I may want to turn glass on its side, or find a new purpose for grandma’s jello mold. I love found objects, am an avid recycler, and have been known to stop on the side of the road for a treasure.”

“Seeing the colors of the seasons, tasting the current fruits of the harvests, absorbing the sounds and smells around me...feeling the earth and my relation to it became a passion. A tree swaying in the breeze, the colors of the ocean meeting the shore and horizon, a rock containing a fossil of an era gone by...the world has become my palette of inspiration.”

After studying art in high school and college, Cindy became an elementary and special education art teacher. For many years, she found her calling in fostering and developing creative minds in challenging and often-times impoverished communities.

Today, she expresses her spirituality and vision through mosaic art. Cindy feels that mosaic art allows her the freedom to use an abundance of found materials from sources around the world, both natural and discarded. She strives to create unique expressions of nature, based on either the physical or spiritual world.

Cindy has studied under world-renowned mosaic masters liana Shafir, Laurie Mika, Sophia Drouin, and Laura Rendlen, micro mosaic artist Wendy Gray Raven and metalist Suzanne Maris Santos. Cindy worked with Sedona Story to create exclusive mosaic art pieces from aura photography and was associated with Ancient Healings in Glencoe, IL. She has exhibited at The Art Center of Highland Park, IL, Sedona Story, Sedona, AZ, Spertus Institute for Learning and Leadership, Chicago, IL, and Creative Cakes Café, Tinley Park, IL. Cindy is a member of CMA, Contemporary Mosaic Art, and SAMA, the Society of American Mosaic Artists.

More artwork and information about Cindy can be found on her website [www.robinsnestmosaics.com](http://www.robinsnestmosaics.com).

Please join us for a wine and cheese reception introducing our guest artist Cindy Robin from 6:30-7:30 pm on Friday, March 6 immediately preceding our Hava Nashira service.



### Jewish Parenting 101 with Cantor Vicky Glikin & the Religious School Committee

**Sunday, March 15**  
**9:45-10:45 am**

Topic: *Discipline and Our Goals in Raising our Children*

Suggested reading:  
Chapters 8-10 of *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee*

RSVP with the office at  
[soleoffice@solel.org](mailto:soleoffice@solel.org) or (847) 433-3555.

*This workshop series draws on the bestselling phenomenon among parents and educators, **The Blessing of a Skinned Knee**, an essential guide that offers an inspiring roadmap for raising children.*

# VOTE IN THE WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS ELECTIONS

If you care about the Reform Movement in Israel, if you support egalitarian prayer, believe in freedom of religion, the right of Reform rabbis to conduct marriage, divorce, burial and conversion, that women should have equal status, here is your chance to make a difference. Vote for [ARZA: Representing Reform Judaism](#) in the ongoing World Zionist Congress elections. This is the best way for you to directly influence and impact the future of the Reform Movement, both in Israel and around the world. Our goal is to increase our representation in the Congress and to be successful, we need your help with your congregations, your networks and your friends.

Here are 7 important things that we are asking you to do:

1. First – please VOTE!
2. Encourage your friends, family and fellow congregants to VOTE.
3. [If your congregation hasn't yet appointed a Congregation Election Team lead, encourage them to do so today.](#)
4. Follow the campaign on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).
5. Go to the [ARZA toolkit](#) to download flyers, videos, a digital "I Voted" sticker and much more.
6. Post pictures, stories and videos of yourself and your community voting in the campaign to Social Media (be sure to tag @ARZAUS so they can share your content).
7. If you are a member of the #ARZASlate, promote this election as if you were running for public office. Because you are! Ask your community to vote for ARZA, because every vote for ARZA is a vote for you.

## Who can vote?

Anyone who is Jewish, at least 18 years old and self-identifies as a member of the Jewish people is eligible to vote. (Note: one does NOT need to be a member of a synagogue to participate, so share this your unaffiliated friends and family members.)

## How do I vote?

Voting is easy and straightforward. Follow the simple instructions to register and vote by going to <https://www.reformjews4israel.org/>. There is a cost of \$10 for voters over 30 years of age and \$5 for voters ages 18-29. (100% goes to costs of this election.)

## What is the World Zionist Organization?

Established in 1897, the [World Zionist Organization](#) (WZO) is often called the "Parliament of the Jewish

people." It was convened by Theodor Herzl in Basel and since its inception its goal was to unite the Jewish people and bring about the establishment of the Jewish state. Every five years the WZO convenes a Congress whose representation is determined by democratic elections among international Zionist political parties.

## Representation in the World Zionist Congress elections:

Elections for the next World Zionist Congress are taking place right now. Voting has already begun, and will continue through April. The Reform Movement has constituent organizations in 14 countries, including through ARZA in the US.

## Why is this election important?

As with the Knesset elections in Israel, whoever wins the most votes controls the budgets and receives the right to appoint the most important positions. These elections will determine the direction, policies, priorities and resource allocation of the vast NGO networks of the Jewish National Fund and the Jewish Agency for Israel. We had great success in the last election and as a result the faction associated with ARZA was the largest faction in the WZO. We were able to direct significant funds to support Reform institutions in Israel.

The bottom line – what can I do? In a few words, **VOTE AND GET OTHERS TO VOTE!!!!** THANK YOU ALL for your interest, involvement, engagement and support!



# ONEBOOK SOLEL

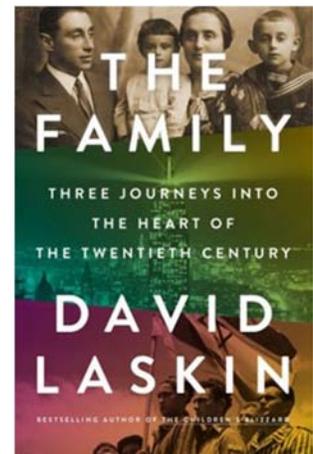


Our OneBook Solel selection for this Spring is David Laskin's

## The Family

*Three Journeys into the Heart of the Twentieth Century.*

In tracing the roots of his family, Laskin captures the epic sweep of the twentieth century. A century and a half ago, a Torah scribe and his wife raised six children in a Jewish enclave at the western fringe of the Russian empire. The torrent of history took the scribe's family down three very different roads. One branch immigrated to America and founded the fabulously successful Maidenform Bra Company; another went to Palestine in the 1920s as pioneers and participated in the contentious birth of the state of Israel; the third branch remained in Europe and suffered the onslaught of the Nazi occupation.



*We heartily recommend that you read this book before David Laskin's visit.*

### Save the dates!

OneBook Solel is particularly excited that Mr. Laskin will be with us on **Thursday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m.** to offer insights into his and his family's Journeys.

On **Sunday, April 26 at 1:00 p.m.** Rachel Kamin, a highly regarded North Shore book facilitator, will lead the book discussion



Congregation Solel . 1301 Clavey Rd, Highland Park, IL 60035 . 847-433-3555 .

## Pray 'n Play

Saturday, March 14

10:30 am

*This isn't your  
ordinary Tot Shabbat!*

Join other families with children 0-5 years of age for a fun, interactive "Gymboree-style" Shabbat program, featuring music, maracas, puppets, & parachutes.

Followed by a complimentary bagel brunch and playtime.

Older siblings are welcome to attend!

**Come, sing, play, make friends!!**



**Saturday Mornings  
10:30 am**

**April 11**

**May 9**



## UPDATE: Director of Congregational Learning Search Committee

The committee is pleased to report that the search process for a Director of Congregational Learning has advanced on its timeline since our last update.

Multiple promising candidates are under review.

Please watch the April issue of the *Pathfinder* for a further update.

Director of Congregational Learning Search Committee:

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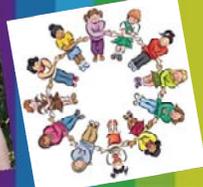
Allan Litwack

Josh Lowitz

Laura Frisch

## Shabbat Shalom! A Service for the Whole Family

**Friday, March 27**



With its high energy and casual atmosphere Shabbat Shalom! is the perfect way for families and Solelites of all ages to celebrate Shabbat.

### Future Dates:

April 24

May 29

5:30 pm - Pizza dinner  
6:15 pm - Enjoy a warm and meaningful service led by Cantor Glikin and Rabbi Moffic, with participation by Solel's Youth Choir "Rimonim"

Shabbat. Friendship.  
Community. Family. Song.

**SAVE THE DATE!!  
Solel Blood Drive  
Sunday, May 10  
8:30 am - 12:30 pm**

 **LIFE SOURCE**  
Chicago's Blood Center

# Announcing Hands of Peace 2015

*Hands of Peace opened my eyes (and my heart) to a conflict that I didn't really know that much about, and taught me that no matter what side you believe in, we have to all work together to create a chance for peace."*

*-Seth Frankel, age 16*

*American Hands of Peace Participant*

**Hands of Peace (HOP)**, a unique interfaith program developing peace-building and leadership skills in Israeli, Palestinian, and American teens through the power of dialogue and personal relationships, is now accepting applications for new summer program participants and enthusiastic host families.

The program will take place from **July 7 - 28, 2015**, at the Glenview Community Church.

If you would like to learn more about Hands of Peace, please consult our website at **[www.handsofpeace.org](http://www.handsofpeace.org)**. Applications can be found on the website. To learn more about becoming a program participant, contact Site Director Ruth Woodruff ([rwoodruff@handsofpeace.org](mailto:rwoodruff@handsofpeace.org)).

For more information about becoming a host family, contact Host Family Coordinator Vera Ginburg ([veraginburg@att.net](mailto:veraginburg@att.net)).



## Mazel Tov to Jane Frank on her Bat Mitzvah!



Jane Frank, daughter of Paul and Mandi, will become a Bat Mitzvah on March 7, 2015. She is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Northwood Junior High in Highland Park. Jane enjoys performing theater and dance. Jane's Torah Portion is *Ki Tisa*, from the book of Exodus. The most important thing Jane learned from her Torah portion is that we all must learn to practice forgiveness and give each other second chances. Jane learned from her experience in becoming a Bat Mitzvah that she was able to find meaning in her Torah studies. The greatest challenge she faced in preparing for her ceremony was balancing her time as a busy 7<sup>th</sup> grader!

## Mazel Tov to Edie Schwartz on her Bat Mitzvah!



Edie Schwartz, daughter of Scott and Joellyn, will become a Bat Mitzvah on March 21, 2015. She is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Shepard Middle School in Deerfield. Edie's favorite hobbies are running, biking and swimming. For her Mitzvah project Edie raised money for "Saving the Snow Leopard," an organization that works to secure the future of the snow leopards. She talked about the snow leopards' plight and sold Hershey's Chocolate Kisses and erasers at the Mitzvah fair at Solel. From her Mitzvah project, Edie learned that no matter how many big cats species are endangered, they still need our help to exist. Edie's Torah portion is *Vayikrah*, from the Book of Leviticus. The most important thing Edie learned from her Torah portion is that we must make sacrifices to help others. One of the most important lessons Edie learned from her experience in becoming a Bat Mitzvah is setting a goal, working through the challenges, and finding the necessary help to achieve her goal. The greatest challenge she faced when preparing for her ceremony was learning to chant Torah and Haftarah.

## From Our President

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ingly, Levine tells us the story of Andy Cohen. Blackballed from major league baseball for reasons that Levine unravels, he played for the New York Giants late in the 1920s. Among its endless virtues, *Ellis Island to Ebbet's Field* stands out as eminently readable.

I return to David Brooks: "The only way to stay fully alive is to dive down to your obsessions six fathoms deep." Amid the multitude of our diversions in the twenty-first century, devotedly reading a wide range of books – whether classics or contemporary -- offers great rewards to all who indulge in this centuries-old passion.

- Michael Ebner  
(847) 275-7441  
president@solel.org

**Lunch & Learn with at Solel**  
**March 10 & 24 at noon**

**Downtown Lunch & Learn with**  
**Rabbi Moffic**  
**March 4 at noon**

Join Rabbi Evan Moffic for these special classes as he reflects on events of both Jewish and broader public interest.

**Future Downtown L&L Dates:**

**April 8**

**May 6**

**June 3**

# Thank You For Your Contributions

## Education Fund

**Gail and Lew Segal**, in memory of Linda Chizewer's aunt

## Human Needs Fund

**Natalie Belrose**, in memory of Alex Hilkevich

**Gail and Lew Segal**, with best wishes to Dennis Kessler for a recovery

## Music Fund

**Michael and Darryl Ebner**, in memory of Jules Ebner and in honor of Sammi Krakow's Bat Mitzvah

**Wendy and Wayne Rhodes**, in memory of Alisa Barskaya

**Robert Matanky**, in memory of Harry Bernbaum

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

**Eugene and Karen Finerman**, in memory of Ralph Eiseman, Laurel Kaplan, Dr. Monte Meldman, and Bertha Sonshine

**Laura and Michael Gold**, in memory of Laurel Kaplan

**Suzanne Meldman**, in memory of Anna Superfon

**Toddy Richman**

**Laura Zuckerman**, in memory of Sylvia Zuckerman

## Tribute Fund

**Oscar and Norma Adler**, in memory of Rosel Adler and Edith Kolisch

**Richard and Andrea Amend**, in memory of Deborah Naiditch

**Natalie Caplin**, in memory of Mark VanGelder

**David Eichengreen**, in memory of Claudia Eichengreen

**Coleen and Marc Friedman**, in memory of Rose Schwartz

**Alan and Nancy Goodman**, in memory of Fran Hepner

**Carol and Alan Greene**, in memory of Sam Lake

**Bruce and Lauren Kaden**, in memory of Ruth Klein

**Louis Kahnweiler**, in memory of Laura Kahnweiler

**Sheila and Jack Marks**, in memory of Harry Yaffe

**Evelyn Padorr**, in memory of Marshall Padorr

**Toddy Richman**, in memory of Alex Hilkevich

**Toddy Richman**, in memory of William Richman and Mollye Kaplan

**Wendy and Wayne Rhodes**, in honor of Ariana Goldstein's Bat Mitzvah, in honor of Samantha Krakow's Bat Mitzvah, and in honor of Edie Schwartz's Bat Mitzvah

**Lynn and Gary Salit**, in memory of Ethel Salit and Alvin Schecter

**David and Maxine Unger**, in memory of Peaches Simon

**Barbara Volin**, in memory of Ruth Karzen

**Joan Weinberg**, in honor of Michael Weinberg's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday

**Jan and Jerry Wolf**, in honor of Harold Chizewer's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday

*As of February 24, 2015*

## Condolences to...

**Laura and Michael Gold**, on the passing of their cousin, Laurel Kaplan

## Stock Transfers to Congregation Solel

In order to make stock transfers from your accounts to Congregation Solel, the congregation works with Mesirow Financial, Inc.

**Please Note:** This is a NEW location for gifting stocks to Congregation Solel:

**Mesirow Financial, Inc.**

**DTC# 0226**

**F/B/O NFS Account#WMP-002738**

**Congregation Solel**

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**Rabbi Moffic, Cantor Glikin, and your Solel community want to support you in times when you or someone close to you is in need of physical, spiritual, or emotional healing.**

**Your congregation cares about you! Please help us to know when you are in need of extra care at [clergy@solel.org](mailto:clergy@solel.org).**

# March 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9:00 am Youth Choir Rehearsal 9:45 am Religious School 10:30 am Family Group	<b>2</b> 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 4:15 pm Religious School 6:30 pm Confirmation	<b>4</b> 12:00 pm Downtown Lunch & Learn 7:30 pm Religious School Committee Meeting	<b>5 Purim</b>	<b>6</b> 6:30 pm Guest Artist Reception: Cindy Robin 7:30 pm Hava Nashira Service	<b>7</b> 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Jane Frank Bat Mitzvah 10:35 am Morning Minyan
<b>8</b> 9:00 am Youth Choir Rehearsal 9:45 am Religious School 10:30 am Purim Megillah Reading, Shpiel, & Carnival 12:30 pm Goodman Theatre Program	<b>9</b> 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn 4:15 pm Religious School 6:30 pm Confirmation 7:00 pm Just Congregations Meeting	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:15 pm 4th Grade Dinner 7:30 pm 4th Grade Led Shabbat Service	<b>14</b> 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Pray 'n Play 10:35 am Morning Minyan
<b>15</b> 9:00 am Youth Choir Rehearsal 9:45 am Religious School 9:45 am Jewish Parenting 101	<b>16</b> 9:30 am Current Events 11:00 am Current Events 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>17</b> 4:15 pm Religious School 6:30 pm Confirmation 7:00 pm Jewish War Veterans Meeting	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 7:30 pm Choir & Torah Reading Shabbat Service	<b>21</b> 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Edie Schwartz Bat Mitzvah 10:35 am Morning Minyan
<b>22</b> 9:15 am Executive Committee Meeting 9:45 am Religious School 10:15 am Board Meeting 4:00 pm Women's Seder	<b>23</b> 9:30 am Current Events 11:00 am Current Events 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>24</b> 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn 4:15 pm Religious School 6:30 pm Confirmation	<b>25</b> 10:00 am Joyce Schragar's Short Stories Class	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 5:30 pm Pizza Dinner 6:15 pm Shabbat Shalom	<b>28</b> 9:15 am Torah Study 10:35 am Morning Minyan
<b>29</b> No Religious School	<b>30</b> 9:30 am Current Events 11:00 am Current Events 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>31</b> No Religious School			Kindle Shabbat Candles at dinner or at the following times (CDT): 6.....5:28 pm 13.....6:36 pm 20.....6:44 pm 27.....6:52 pm	

# Shabbat Services Schedule

## Friday, March 6

Hava Nashira Service .....7:30 pm

*Ki Tisa, Exod. 30:11-34:35*

## Saturday, March 7

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Jane Frank Bat Mitzvah .....10:30 am

Morning Minyan .....10:35 am

## Friday, March 13

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Led Shabbat Service .....7:30 pm

*Vayak'heil-P'kudei, Exod. 35:1-40:38*

## Saturday, March 14

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Pray 'n Play .....10:30 am

Morning Minyan.....10:35 am

## Friday, March 20

Choir & Torah Reading Shabbat Service .....7:30 pm

*Vayikra, Lev. 1:1-5:26*

## Saturday, March 21

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Edie Schwartz Bat Mitzvah .....10:30 am

Morning Minyan .....10:35 am

## Friday, March 27

Pizza Dinner .....5:30 pm

Shabbat Shalom .....6:15 pm

*Tzav, Lev. 6:1-8:36*

## Saturday, March 28

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Morning Minyan .....10:35 am

### Updating Your Solel Calendar with Future Events in 2015

**Sunday, March 22 at 4:00 pm:** Women's Seder

**Friday, April 10 at 7:00 pm:** Celebration for Rabbi Evan Moffic's Five Years in Solel's Pulpit

**Thursday, April 23 at 7:30 pm:** Guest speaker David Laskin, author of *The Family: Three Journeys into the Heart of the Twentieth Century* will discuss his book

**Sunday, April 26 at 1:00 pm:** Book discussion with Rachel Kamin of David Laskin's *The Family: Three Journeys into the Heart of the Twentieth Century*

Want to inquire more deeply into a passage after the Shabbat service? Find the weekly parashot and commentaries at these links:



Weekly D'var: <http://urj.org/learning/torah/>  
or  
<http://www.reformjudaism.org/>

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