

Temple Beth El^{Electronic} News

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January-February 2008

Thank You!!

- To Ruthie Silverberg for hosting the delicious and amazing Hanukkah dinner.
- To the Dyrkes for the shadow boxes, and to the Garfields for artfully arranging the old Torah covers in the shadow boxes and displaying them on the walls.
- To Sheila Rudin and Kate Scheinman for their numerous elementary school Hanukkah presentations.
- To Fern & Jesse Reinstein, Jeff Rolwes, Phyllis Garfield, Barb & Dick Alexander, Ellie & Lou Landau, Matt Katzman & Nicole Alexander, and Lisa Dyrke & Terry for their enormous help on December 24 when Beth El volunteers to collect money for Hillcrest Family Services' "Reflections in the Park." They collected over \$4,300, which represents more than 500 cars and our biggest total ever! Special thanks to Rebecca Gottlieb for organizing our participation in this mitzvah and always being there!!

Alexander Levi Celebration

Karin and Barb have been busy working on the upcoming Alexander Levi anniversary! They have submitted a grant application to the City of Dubuque. For the latest updates, visit the blog at

<http://levicelebration.blogspot.com/>



New Prayer Books

The new Mishkan Tfillah prayer books have finally arrived. Rabbi Stephanie used them for our January service!!!

Upcoming Visitors' Night Service

Our annual Visitors' Night is on February 29. We are honored to have Rabbi Lane Steinger, the Regional Director of the Midwest Council of the URJ, leading that service. (Visitor's lecture begins at 6:30pm; our service begins at 7:30pm.) Let's have a great showing from our members as we open our doors to the community. We will need everyone's help with the oneg—please bring your contribution already cut up and on trays, ready to eat without silverware. Remember to allow extra time for parking so that our service can start on time. Locust Street will probably be crowded with our visitors' vehicles.

Temple Gift Shop

Karin Pritikin will continue to be the purchaser for the Temple Gift Shop (and is happy to take orders or requests), Randy Sirk will be the "in town" contact if you need to pick up something from the Gift Shop.

Service and Mitzvah Schedule for 5768

(Updated 1-27-08)

NOTES:

- Rabbi Stephanie has brought a new dimension to our temple by offering a slew of activities on the weekends she is here. The schedule below does NOT include those specific activities (such as conversational Hebrew class, book discussion). Refer to each newsletter for the specifics of an upcoming weekend.
- Shabbat Services start at 7:00 PM, unless otherwise indicated.

Friday, February 1...7:00pm Lay Shabbat service oneg: Mikel
Saturday, February 2...7:30pm... Informal Group Dinner & Get Together (if interested, contact Sheila)

Friday, February 29... Visitor's Night Service with Rabbi Lane Steinger Group oneg
Lecture starts at 6:30pm; service starts at 7:30pm

Saturday, March 1...7:00pm adult study at the Rudin's

Sunday, March 16 : We are serving a meal at the Dubuque Rescue Mission in cooperation with the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Details to follow closer to the date.

Friday, March 21...**6:00pm** Purim Service (dinner hosted by Faye Wrubel and Karin Pritikin to follow)

April 11 SPECIAL MUSICAL SHABBAT IN CEDAR RAPIDS with visiting artist Dan Nichols

April 13 Spring Congregational Meeting, 10:00 AM at the Temple

Saturday, April 26... A Saturday Morning Service (maybe with a Seder to follow) during Passover.
Time TBD.

Friday, May 16...7:00pm Shabbat service dinner: Dyrke, oneg: Silverberg
Saturday, May 17...7:00pm adult study dinner: TBD, study: TBD

Friday, June 6...7:00pm Shabbat service dinner: Alexander, oneg: Alexander
Saturday, June 7...7:00pm End-of-Year Adult Social hosted by the Sirk's