



Welcome to Shabbat Services

January 19, 2007

This week's Torah portion is

Vaera 6:2 – 9:35

This portion begins on page 232 of the Hertz Bible. *Parashat Vaera* begins with God Saying to Moses: “*Vaera*. . . ‘And I appeared to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.’” We are told of the relationship between God and the Jewish people and of the promise to give the Land of Israel to the people. God tells Moses that the time has come to free the Israelites from Egyptian bondage. God sends Moses and his brother, Aaron, to plead with Pharaoh to allow the Israelites to depart from Egypt. The brothers appear before Pharaoh and he refuses their request. As a consequence, terrible plagues are set upon Egypt. These plagues are sent to punish Pharaoh and to force him to free the Israelites.

This week's services...

Friday, January 19, 2007

7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service – Brad Holway Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, January 20, 2007

10:30 a.m. Russell Friedman Bar Mitzvah

Upcoming Events in our B'nai Torah Community:

B'nai Torah Takes Action

Item of the Month for January and February – Non-expired canned goods for Moraine Township Food Pantry. B'nai Torah's school children will be taking a field trip and stocking the shelves there this winter. Donations are also greatly appreciated.

Explore the Rabbinic Mind with Rabbi Feinberg on Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. This class meets to examine Midrash on weekly Torah portions in English translation.

Have Breakfast with Rabbi Magidovitch while studying Talmud on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. The next class will be on January 21 in the Rabbi's Study.

"Contemporary Issues from a Jewish Perspective" with Dr. Audrey Gordon on Sundays at 10:45 a.m. The next class will meet on Sunday, January 28 in the Passis Center.

Rabbi Nesselson will again be leading **"An On-Going Exploration of Exodus"**, co-sponsored by The Dawn Schuman Institute. The class meets on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Library. It will start on February 8 and continue through April 26.

Adult Continuing Hebrew - Mondays 6:15-7:15 p.m. classroom #204
The **Adult Continuing Hebrew Class** is accepting new students who possess basic Hebrew reading skills. Students in this class will master the reading of Shabbat and holiday liturgy as well as concentrate on the meanings of these prayers. For more information or to register, please contact Judy Jury at 847-433-6900.

Shabbat Shira Come join us in singing and welcoming the Sabbath on Friday, February 2 at 7:30 p.m. The Torah Portion will be Beshalach. Shabbat Shira will feature piano, guitar/mandolin, flute/clarinet, d'jambe. Lainie Liebman and Julia Belsky will sing a duet, "There Can Be Miracles." Torah readers will chant Shirat Hayam (Song of the Sea).

Men's Club Event

All sports fans, young and old, are invited to meet Dan Bernstein, Chicago sports radio host of 670, The Score. He will share his thoughts and experiences with us. He'll be here Sunday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. Price is \$15 per adult and \$5 for those under eighteen. RSVP to Shana at 847-433-7100 by February 14.

Tallit Making Program

Come and create your own silk tallit. Students with their parents are invited to attend a three week tallit making program. Adults may also make their own tallit (with or without a child). The program will be held during February. To reserve a place or for more information, call the school office, 847-433-6900.

Arthur W. Brown Jr. Memorial Lecture

The Arthur W. Brown Jr. Memorial Lecture sponsored by Jewish Federation is being held on Sunday, February 11 at 2:00 p.m. at The North Shore Center for the Performing Arts in Skokie. The topic will be "**Whose Story? Exploring Jewish-American and Israeli Autobiography in Philip Roth and Amoz Oz**". Admission is free. To RSVP or for more information, contact 312-357-4675.

B'nai Torah Women's Seder

Join the B'nai Torah Sisterhood on Wednesday, March 14 at 6:15 for the annual **B'nai Torah Women's Seder**. Bring women friends, daughters and granddaughters age 12 and up. All non-member female guests are welcome. Rabbi Nesselson and Cantor Casden will lead the Seder and Passover dinner will be catered. The cost is \$44 per person and \$22 for women under 18. Look for invitations in the mail, grab a flier about the event out in the foyer, or call Shana at the B'nai Torah office 433-7100 to RSVP by March 1st. For menu information please see our website www.congregationbnaitorah.org. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Sisterhood is compiling a list of all members who will be named on the back of the Women's Seder invitation for Passover 2007. If you have not yet paid your dues --\$54.00-- please do so by January 20th so that we will have time to add your name to the invitation. Thank you very much for your consideration.

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W E L C O M E to B'nai Torah
A House of Prayer
The Study of Torah
The Performance of Good Deeds
Bless all who enter this Sanctuary
in search and in need,
all who bring to this place the offerings of their hearts.
May our worship here lead us
to fulfill our words and our hopes
with acts of kindness, peace and love.
Amen.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of:

Fannie Barasch, Marvin Fox,
Bernard Karlin, Julius Marcowitz, Dorothea Mirot & Harriet Sear

Please join us in the Social Hall for the Oneg Shabbat hosted by:
Diane & Bill Holway in honor of Bradley's bar mitzvah.

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