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Congregational Meeting

The CHI Congregational Board Meeting will be held Sunday, February 2, 2014, at noon in Burgauer Hall. The meeting is for congregation members only, and please make every effort to attend so that you can be part of the decision making process of your temple. There will be a pot-luck luncheon prior to the meeting.

Thank You

We would like to thank the following donors (as of December 20, 2013)

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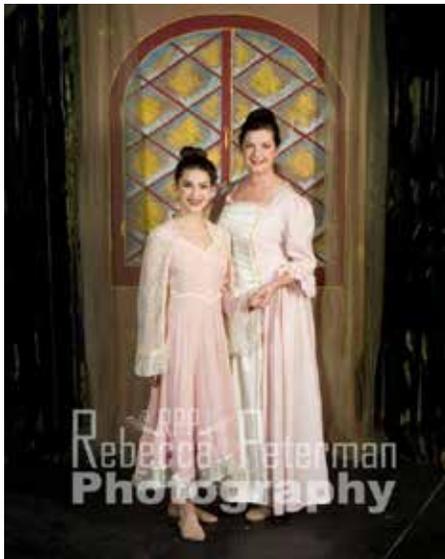
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Submissions due the 15th of the prior month.
Distributed free to members, prospective members,
local clergy and other interested parties.



Bravo for a job well done.

Kay and Sophie Fleischner during the recent performance of The Nutcracker. These beautiful ladies did a wonderful job.

Ordination Ceremony of Shelly Kleinman

On Friday, January 31 at 6:30 p.m., Rabbi Chapin will be officiating at an ordination ceremony ushering Shelly Kleinman into the rabbinical community. The congregation and friends are invited to share in this service.

There will be a special oneg hosted by the congregation prior to services

Davar

“A Matter for Discussion”



Recently my mother and I went to see the movie *Philomena*. It tells the story of an elderly Irish woman (played by the incomparable Judi Dench), who tries to find her long-lost son. It turns out that after becoming pregnant as a teenager she

had been placed in a convent, and her son was adopted there by an American couple. Fifty years have passed. A reporter, an avowed Roman Catholic alumnus and unrepentant materialist, journeys with her to America to observe her predicament and to write her story. Along the way, he learns more about life and religion than he ever could have imagined.

Indeed, *Philomena's* faith, despite the barbaric way she had been treated as a youth, is an inspiration for all of us. Never does she stop practicing her Catholicism, never does she succumb to bitterness, never does she lose her interest in the human being across from her. There are tears we shed at the end of the movie, not just because of the revelation *Philomena* receives, but because of the certainty of faith that allows her to “cross the valley of the shadow of death,” knowing that God is with her, in bad times as well as good. This is the true message of religion -- and it is one her journalist friend finally acknowledges. We all have sadness, we all have unresolved anger, but tradition tells us to hearken to the words of the Psalmist: “Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.”

With many good wishes for a healthy and fulfilling start to 2014,

Richard Chapin

Sisterhood



Latke Party

Well, we **Finally** had our latke dinner and it was a wonderful gathering (around 60 people) filled with great food, good conversations and most of all, the feeling that we are **one congregational family** joined together in caring, love and respect. How very fortunate we all are to be part of CHI.

Thank you to **Sharon Waxler** and **Sue Koppel** for the delicious luncheon served at the December meeting. And, a special thank you to **Soozi Waxman**, Area Director of Women of Reform Judaism, SW Region, who joined us and helped explain some of the areas we can work together.

This month our hostesses will be **Millie Baron** and **Patti Fleischner**. While we will not be having any sort of “formal” program, it will be a great chance to just sit and visit,

Carol

Hooray For Mary!

On Saturday, February 1, the Jewish Federation of Arkansas will be honoring Mary Klompus with the Tikkun Olam Award for all of her hard work on behalf of CHI. Invitations to this gala will sent out soon by Federation. The event will be held at the Clinton Center. Mary has woked tirelessly for our congregation and this honor is very well deserved

ARZA - World Union

The 70 Year Declaration

By Jerry Tanenbaum

The World Union for Progressive Judaism representing its 2 million members spread across 47 countries, fully endorses the Seventy Years Declaration. This Declaration, endorsed by 70 European Union parliamentarians who represent all sides of politics, is an attempt to distinguish between the horrors of the Shoah and other crimes against humanity. This has taken on a greater importance since the Prague Declaration of 2008 which attempts to equate the era of Nazism to that of Communist tyranny.

The 70 year Declaration "robustly condemns Stalinist tyranny, calls for distinct and separate recognition of the many European tragedies of the 20th century and totally opposes East European attempts to glorify Nazi collaborators and the honouring of Waffen SS in Latvia and the Lithuanian Activist Front in Lithuania. The declaration goes on to acknowledge the need to honour Jewish partisans and opposes attempts in Lithuania to prosecute Holocaust survivors who joined the resistance. It also opposes attempts to inflate the definition of genocide to encompass sundry crimes of totalitarian regimes.

The Declaration also calls for the remembrance of the millions of non-Jews who suffered under various tyrannies and for the need to memorialise the horrific crimes of Stalinism."

The 70 year Declaration aims to recognise the uniqueness of Nazism and the Holocaust and to protect history from the numerous revisionist attempts to equate the Shoah with the horrors of the Stalin period.

The WUPJ supports the declaration and calls on its members to draw attention of their governments and communal bodies to this matter and to recognise the uniqueness of the Shoah and the attempts to re-write history.

For more information, visit the website at <http://www.seventyyearsdeclaration.org/>

CHI Cookbook

Thank you so much to all the people who have submitted recipes for the CHI cookbook.

If you have not sent in your recipes yet, we would appreciate having them turned in by the January Sisterhood meeting – January 6th. Feel free to send in as many recipes as you would like.

Submission Instructions

- No abbreviations
- Include your name on the recipe
- Give category (main dish, appetizer, dessert, etc.)
- Make sure all directions are clear and easy to follow
- One recipe per page if you are printing the recipe
- Please add anything interesting or historic about the recipe

Please submit your recipes to Patti Fleischner at her email address fleischnerp@gmail.com

Latke Ladies

Thank You to our Latke Committee for making all those wonderful latkes. Karen Reagler, Betty Kleinman, Mary Klompus, Anita Williams, Carol Kleinman, Kim Baron, Sharon Waxler and Ruth Sedler



(l - r) Betty Kleinman, Anita Williams, Mary Klompus, Ruth Sedler and Carol Kleinman

Upcoming Events

Fri	Jan 3	Oneg Shabbat, 5:15 pm Erev Shabbat Service 6:00 pm
Mon	Jan 6	Sisterhood Mtg - 11am
Fri	Jan 10	Oneg Shabbat, 5:15 pm Erev Shabbat Sve: 6:00 pm
Fri	Jan 17	Oneg Shabbat, 5:15 pm Erev Shabbat Sve: 6:00 pm
Fri	Jan 24	Oneg Shabbat, 5:15 pm Erev Shabbat Sve: 6:00 pm
Sat	Jan 25	Torah Study, 9:30 am
Mon	Jan 27	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm
Fri	Jan 31	Special oneg in honor of the ordination of Shelly Kleinman. Ordination service led by Rabbi Chapin. 5:15 pm
Sat	Feb 1	Tikkun Olam Awards
Sun	Feb 2	Congregational Meeting, noon

The Apron Project

Have you seen the beautiful "Shalom Y'all" aprons that our ladies are wearing? They come in a beautiful blue with white stitching all around. They are also personalized with your name on the pocket. They make a wonderful gift, not only for your female friends, but for all the men in your lives who love to putter around the kitchen. Also makes a good gift for our children and grandchildren as they learn how to cook.

The cost is only \$25, made out to CHI Sisterhood. Please send our check to Ruth Sedler, 152 Blue Heron Drive, Hot Springs 71913.

All proceeds will go towards Sisterhood projects that improve our CHI facility.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

January Anniversaries

Hal and Sue Koppel Jan 12

January Birthdays

Carol Levi Jan 5
Ross Sedler Jan 8
Sharon Ball Jan 16
Jon Linder Jan 24
Kay Fleischner Jan 27

Oneg Thanks



Thank you to the following for sponsoring an Oneg during the month of January:

Jan 3	Bob & Elaine Gartenberg Hal & Sue Koppel
Jan 10	Mark & Patti Fleischner Stuart & Kay Fleischner
Jan 17	David & Cheryl Cohen Mike & Sharon Waxler
Jan 24	Bill & Kathryn Eisenkramer Betty Forshberg
Jan 31	Congregation, in honor of the ordination of Shelly Kleinman

Reminder: If you are scheduled for an upcoming Oneg and need to change dates, please find someone to switch with and then let Carol Kleinman know so the information printed in the bulletin will be correct.

CHI Famous Latke Recipe

- 1 large bottle of your favorite wine.
Drink lots while mixing and cooking!!
- 10 26 oz pkgs hashbrown potatoes
- 20 10 oz frozen chopped onions

(These must be thawed and drained before mixing. Could take 2 days in refrigerator to thaw. You can also mix latkes early in the day or the day before and refrigerate till needed.)

- 1 2 gal. oil
- 30 eggs
- 3-4 cups flour
- 3-4 potato pancake mix packages
salt, pepper, garlic powder

Make ½ to start (use flour for consistency). Then make the rest. Add potato pancake dry mix with hashbrowns & onions.

Fry in heavy pan. Keep warm in low oven in large pan lined with paper towels.

Recipe makes about 200 latkes (serves about 75).

Adjust quantities based on how many people you are feeding.

Serve with sour cream and applesauce.

Notes from 2013 Latke Party

Potatoes and onions need to be really well drained. We took them out of the freezer Friday evening for preparation Sunday afternoon.

Cooked latkes need to be drained on wire racks over cookie sheets before putting them in the pan on layers of paper towels in oven set to 225.

As you get to bottom of potato mixture, add additional flour to soak up liquid.

Gemilut Hasidim in our Backyard

On November 25, 2013, a wet and blustery night before Thanksgiving, one of CHI's neighboring apartment buildings caught fire. The fire sparked in the basement and quickly traveled up walls. With the help of God, everyone made it safely out of the building unharmed.

Coordinating with the Red Cross and emergency first responders, Congregation House of Israel opened up at 9:30 pm to provide a shelter minutes after the fire victims were evacuated. Burgauer Hall served as a much needed warm refuge as Red Cross volunteers arranged temporary housing for 20 people. As the weather turned nasty, hot coffee was served to many firemen needing respite from the cold and rain.

The coffee pots ran all night fueling thankful emergency workers. Congregation House of Israel didn't close its doors until 3 am, after everyone else had been served and taken care of. City of Hot Springs Fire Chief, Ed Davis thanked the congregation for their compassion and community service.

Gemilut Hasadim is a fundamental tenant of Judaism; it means 'acts of loving-kindness.' It is a mitzvah to perform Gemilut Hasadim, such as clothing the naked, feeding the hungry and visiting the sick. The congregation is happy to have had the opportunity to perform a mitzvah and serve neighbors in their time of need.

Refuah Shelemah

Please remember to contact Carol Kleinman or Betty Forshberg if you or someone you know is ill, in need of help or has experienced a death in the family. We are here to help.

The following people are in our thoughts and prayers:

- Louis Kleinman
- Frances Iverson
- John and Leslie Jameson
- Kate Tobakas
- Maara Wolfe
- Pat Welch

Remembrance: January Yahrzeits

~ Zichronam Livracha - May their memories be for blessing ~

Kaddish Recited on Jan 3

David Wigderson

Father of Sue Koppel

Ruth Gerber

Mother of Elaine Gartenberg

Carrie Gartenberg

Grandmother of Robert Gartenberg

Katie Fielschmidt

Aunt of Fred Korngut

Ray Wexman

Norman Schore

Rebecca M. Schwartz

James Henry Weil

Kaddish Recited on Jan 10

Mona Goltz

Grandfather of Susan Siegel

Grandfather of Diane Goltz

Great-Grandfather of Madeline Bull

Bernard J. Tanenbaum Sr.

Father of Jerry Tanenbaum

Walter Kleinman

Father of Louis Kleinman

Martin Fleischer

Father of Mark Fleischer

Father of Stuart Fleischer

Harry Sedler

Father of Ross Sedler

Anne Gidaly

Rena Welcher

Stella Fellheimer Weil

Ida Levy

Harry W. Lax

Helen Paroly

Nathan Harris

Himes Schwartz

Kaddish Recited on Jan 17

Eric B. Wolken

Brother of Brad Wolken

Dorothy Savel

Grandmother of David Cohen

Ida Cooper Ruskin

Mother of Phyllis Hearn

Pauline Brown

Aunt of Betty Forshberg

Max Festinger

Dr. Alex Benedikt

Fannie London

Kaddish Recited on Jan 24

Lois Ginsburg

Mother of Millie Baron

Bernard (Scotty) Silverman

Cousin of Bob Gartenberg

Norma Mendel

Wife of Lenny Mendel

Margot Johnson

Mother of Timo Johnson

Fanny Fielschmidt

Grandmother of Fred Korngut

Elsa Greenwald

Mother of Jodi Chalmers

Leigh Kupperman

Beck Feinberg

Charles Singer

Kaddish Recited on Jan 31

William Hotzmann

Father of Harriette Korngut

Paul Forshberg

Husband of Betty Forshberg

George Z. Ginsburg

Grandfather of Millie Baron

Caroline Suhl

Grandmother of Michael Waxler

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Father of Diane Goltz

Grandfather of Madeline Bull

Great-Grandfather of Cooper Jack Bull

Ira Gershner

Husband of Jean Gershner

Morris Granoff

Morris Moscowitz

Condolences

We mourn the passing
of Martha Arnstein,
relative and friend of Carol
Kleinman

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