MAH NISHMAH? WHAT’S HAPPENING?

November/December Events
Events take place at Unitarian Universalist Church, 5001 Pennsylvania Avenue unless indicated. Contact the office for details. Please refer to the calendars for a full listing of events.

Community Table
Mondays, Nov. 11 & Dec. 9
3:45 to 7 pm
First United Methodist Church
1421 Spruce St., Boulder

Text Study Group, location TBD
Tuesdays • 1 to 2:30 pm

Board Meetings
Tuesdays, Nov. 19 & Dec. 17 • 7 pm

Talmud Lunch ‘n’ Learn
Wednesdays, Nov. 13 & Nov. 20
Noon to 1 pm
Unitarian Universalist Church
5001 Pennsylvania Ave., Boulder

Thursday Morning Minyans
Thursdays • 7 to 8:30 am
Aish Kodesh
1545 Cherryvale Rd., Boulder

Education Committee Meetings
Thursdays, Nov. 14 & Dec. 12
6:15 pm

Ritual Committee Meetings
Thursdays, Nov. 21 & Dec. 19
8 pm

Sisterhood Board Meetings
Thursday, Nov. 21 & Dec. 19
10 am to noon

Kabbalat Shabbat Services
Fridays • 6 pm

Shabbat Shalom
Saturdays, Nov. 9, Nov. 23, Dec. 14 & Dec. 28 • 11 am

Shabbat B’ya’achad
Saturdays, Nov. 16 & Dec. 21
10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Shabbat morning services begin promptly at 9:30 a.m.
and at 9 a.m. when there’s a Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Join us!

Junior Congregation
Saturdays, Nov. 2 & Dec. 7
11 am to 12:30 pm

Second Sunday Tefilah and Havdalah
Sundays, Nov. 10 & Dec. 8
9:30 to 10:15 am

Sisterhood Book Club with Har HaShem
Thursday, Nov. 7

Kristallnacht Remembrance Concert with the Colorado Hebrew Chorale
Saturday, Nov. 9 • 7 pm

Family Shabbat Dinner for Bet/Gimel (2-3)
Friday, Nov. 15 • 6 pm

Chanukah Celebration at Golden West
Wednesday, Nov. 20 • 4 pm
1055 Adams Circle, Boulder

First Friday Shabbat Dinner
Prof. Sue Zemka on ‘Joseph as Queer Hero’
Friday, Dec. 6 • 7:30 to 9:30 pm

Havdalah Shlenu & PJ Party
Saturday, Dec. 7 • 4:30 pm

Meirav Goldman Bat Mitzvah
Saturday, Dec. 14

Shabbat Meditation and Third Meal
Saturday, Dec. 21 • 4:30 to 7:30 pm

Ari Banta Bat Mitzvah
Saturday, Dec. 28

Our Soggy Shul:
Bonai’s Flood Story

The rain began on the ominous date of September 11. Bonai Shalom’s congregation was in the midst of its High Holiday observances, two evenings away from Kol Nidre. Little did anyone know that, by the time the Day of Atonement had passed, just about every aspect of Bonai life would be changed.

Over the course of four harrowing days, the entire Front Range of Colorado was swamped under a deluge of between 15 and 20 inches of precipitation. From Fort Collins in the north to Eldorado Springs in the south, mountain riverbeds and channels filled and overflowed, knocking out roads, power, and homes, killing eight. The towns of Lyons and Jamestown were virtually destroyed, and other places such as Nederland and Estes Park remained cut off for days.

At Bonai, both the damage and response to it came quickly. Sirens began to wail; water levels rose with unprecedented swiftness. By Thursday, Sept. 12, the South Boulder Creek, which runs through Bonai’s property, rapidly crested and overran both the shul and Rabbi Marc’s house, immediately to the south of the main building. Meanwhile, congregant Lisa Bates, leader of our Hesed initiative, established a help-exchange board online, broadcasting the information to the entire community.

After a night watching the waters rise in his home and at the shul, sweeping away even the sukkah frame that stood ready in Bonai’s “back yard” ready for schaching and decoration, Rabbi Marc wisely left his house. As the downpour continued on Thursday, Bonai’s professional staff secured their computers, locked up all records, and secured the building, continuing to monitor the situation from their respective homes.

Representatives from Bonai’s Board surveyed the site and began making plans. It was fortunate that Bonai’s Yom Kippur services were already scheduled to take continued on page 4

Congregation Bonai Shalom is a Jewish congregation dedicated to engaging Jewish adults in an active and fulfilling Jewish life through prayer, study and the creation of a vibrant Jewish community, and to preparing children to become fulfilled members and leaders of such a community.
President’s Message

Dear Friends,

I want to provide a summary of work that has been done and plans in the making for our recovery from the floods. The Board has worked very closely with Rabbi Marc, our professional staff, and volunteers on many fronts that have required attention, some of which are insurance claims, immediate health and safety issues, fundraising, and planning for rebuilding. I’ve certainly heard a few rumors out there that the Board has decided this or that. Everyone should know that beyond what is stated in this letter, no other decisions have been made. We will set up a community meeting as our options for the complete restoration of the facility become clearer.

So, here goes the update . . .

All remediation work has been completed on the synagogue building and Rabbi Marc’s house. What this means is that all water impacted areas have been “cleaned” – through removal of flooring, drywall, electrical and ductwork where needed. Kol ha kavod to Itzik Ziv, our facilities chair, Tom Wieber, Bob Sweeney and all the others who helped out with this effort. While unusable, the building and the Rabbi’s basement are now in a stable configuration.

A committee we’ve titled the Architecture Committee is being led by Ron Squarer with the support of members with some of the most pertinent skills and experience (Cairrole Woodward, Nissan Cohen, Gary Jacobs, Arti Goldstein, Itzik Ziv, and Bruce Wildman). The goal of this group is more encompassing that its title suggests. Their immediate focus is threefold: Regain partial use of the synagogue building and Rabbi Marc’s basement, work to mitigate future flooding risk by addressing grading with possible flood prevention structures across both properties, and to determine the ideal long-term plan for the building which could include seeking a variance from the city on the current footprint. The time horizon to complete these three efforts is the end of this calendar year.

Through the end of December we will continue to hold Shabbat services – along with Shabbat classes and all Shabbat programming – at the Unitarian Universalist Church on Pennsylvania. Thursday morning minyan will be at Aish Kodesh. Wednesday and Sunday School will continue to be at the Jewish Community Center (JCC) on Kalmia. Our office staff, currently at the JCC, is in negotiations for a slightly roomier facility.

The congregation had flood and casualty insurance for the synagogue building. Rabbi Marc’s house only had casualty insurance. A team including Gary Jacobs, Mark Loewenstein and Bruce Wildman have been working tirelessly to obtain a fair and appropriate “award” through our insurance companies, which we estimate to be about $100,000. Bruce Wildman also has been working a claim with Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA). Formally, religious organizations are not eligible for FEMA relief, but Bruce is working all avenues there.

Because we expect insurance coverage to provide only a small fraction toward actual damages, we need to work vigorously on fundraising. We have set a fundraising goal of $500,000 to ensure that the structure we rebuild meets our needs at least as well as the building we had. In addition to reconstructing our readily maintainable buildings, we need to do what we can to make our properties safe from another 100-year flood event. As of October 9 we have received nearly $80,000 in donations. We have been greatly supported in our efforts by both the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ) and the Rabbinic Assembly (RA) and have received many donations from rabbis and congregations across the country, but need to work to increase these gifts. We are continuing to work to get word out beyond our community and also will be reaching out for grants.

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Thoughts From Our Rabbi

Wandering Jews

The stories of the Book of Genesis are full of restless wanderings, intense drama and family dysfunction with archetypal characters that are as flawed and human as they are inspiring and courageous. As I write this, we have just begun to read of the epic journeys of Abraham and Sarah. According to the Midrash, there are 10 trials, or tests, that Abraham has to endure. They include living in a cave for 13 years, being thrown into a fiery furnace and, of course, being asked to sacrifice his beloved son Isaac.

Curiously, however, the text says that the hardest test of all of them was having to wander from place to place, following God’s instruction “lech l’cha,” which literally means “go for yourself,” and is the commandment to Abraham to get up and leave all that he knows and all that is familiar; his land, his birthplace and his father’s house. How can it be that out of all of the grueling physical, emotional and spiritual challenges that this patriarch hero must face, this can be the hardest?

Until recently, this would have made no sense to me, but I feel like here in Boulder we have had a small glimpse into the reality of the eternally wandering Jews, as we continue to be displaced from our home. As I write this, our temporary offices are in one place, services in three different locations and classes in at least three locations too. It is exhausting just to keep up with where we are meant to be on any given day!

We have been the recipients of extraordinary generosity by our hosts at the JCC, Har HaShem, Aish Kodesh and the Universalist Unitarian Church of Boulder, and helped enormously by volunteers and our professional staff to keep the logistics as smooth as possible in our new transient Jewish life, ensuring continuity in our events, services and programs. There is so much for which to be grateful, and we are far from wandering aimlessly through the desert!

That said, the unsettling feelings of displacement are very real. Somehow being in so many different places all at once can feel like being everywhere and nowhere at the same time, making, for me at least, focus and productivity challenging at best. This experience has given me a new insight on what that Midrash might have meant, even though our situation here is very different to that of Abraham and Sarah’s, but still there is a sense of displacement that certainly shakes up our faith and connection, for some of us at least. So many questions emerge: When? Where? What? There are too many unknowns that have shaken us out of the comfortable and familiar.

It has been inspiring to witness the resilience and fortitude of so many people post-flood, as well as the amazing ways in which our community has stepped up to help out the victims of the flood practically and emotionally.

So, if this is a test, did we pass? If this is a trial, what are the lessons that we are meant to learn? It may be months or years before we will know the answers, if ever, but I do feel sure that Bonai Shalom after the flood will be a richer and stronger community that it was before, with a physical and spiritual infrastructure to survive future storms. Obviously, none of us would have ever chosen to endure such a devastating event, but now that it has happened, how can we grow and what can we learn as we move forward?

Blessings,
Rabbi Marc
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Thanksgivukkah?

Get ready to go “ooooh!”

The first night of Chanukah this year takes place on Nov. 27, which means that Chanukah and Thanksgiving will take place on the same day for the only time in recorded history.

What? Yes, it’s true! According to calendrical experts, the next time these two dates will intersect will in the Gregorian year of 79,811. Barring a miracle, none of us will be there to enjoy latkes and blintzes, so let’s make it a lovely double holiday. Keep an eye out for upcoming announcements about our special Chanukah events!

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place nearby at Naropa’s Nalanda campus – a lack of damage there meant that Kol Nidre services on Friday night the 13th, and Yom Kippur services on Saturday the 14th, could take place . . . for those who weren’t fighting floodwaters in their own homes, and who could make it through flooded streets!

On Friday morning, staff members returned to Bonai to off-load High Holiday items for delivery to Naropa (the office and the sanctuary were the only two areas of Bonai to remain undamaged). The creek, normally narrow and shallow enough to allow a quick splash across to the other side, now stretched west, its far bank out of view.

By the time Monday the 16th dawned, the waters had receded and the active stage of the crisis was over. Important documents, devices, records, prayerbooks, Torahs, and other necessary materials were pulled out of Bonai and stashed in the homes of various volunteers, placed in storage (thanks, Larry Cohn!), or shuttled over to the Bonai office’s temporary digs at the Boulder JCC.

Now, the real work begins. Seemingly, everything from four feet above ground level and below at Bonai was ruined, including our furnace, water heater, all kitchen appliances and stores, educational supplies, and more. (See the President’s Letter in this issue for a comprehensive summation of damages, possible timelines for return, and the outline of objectives for the restoration of activities at our shul.) It may take some time to establish a new “normal,” but it is already apparent that Congregation Bonai Shalom can’t be found at any particular location (especially these days!), but rather in the hearts and can-do attitudes of its members.

As of press time, services have relocated, as well as Religious School, Thursday morning minyan, and many other regularly scheduled and special Bonai activities. We have continuity. Using our printed and digital resources, we will continue to reach out and ensure that everyone is informed and involved in the recovery effort. Keep up the great work — with everyone’s help, we will be able to say truly “next year at 1527 Cherryvale Road!”

President’s Message continued from page 2

If you have not yet circulated the friends-and-family letter circulated by Aza Squarer and Larry Cohn, please consider doing so as soon as possible. It would be great to attach a link to the 9 News story to bring our situation dramatically to life (http://www.9news.com/rss/story.aspx?storyid=358368). We will circulate a new letter template with the link attached. If you are comfortable doing so, personal calls can be very effective as well.

I want to thank everyone for their giving of their time and finances during a difficult situation for many of us personally. I do have one request for all of our members: We need a “deep bench” for this recovery effort. While there may not be specific needs at this moment to help, if you can be available to help please let us know. You can send a short note to Kit (kit@bonaishalom.org) stating your availability and willingness to help out. Please also state what skills you have that you think are relevant.

Shalom,
Steven Hill, President, 303-588-5645
From the Education Director

TODAH RABAH

I would like to take this opportunity to thank so many people for the help, support, and flexibility shown as we have worked to keep the school operating in spite of the terrible flooding that began on September 11. The positive attitudes and understanding from the parents and students has helped us to move forward in keeping the classrooms open and quality learning taking place.

The first thank-you needs to go to Jerry Pinsker and Jonathan Lev, who generously opened the doors of the Boulder JCC to us and provided not only classrooms, but space and support for our offices and storage for our classroom materials. Because the Boulder JCC is a vibrant and active community center, it is a busy place, but our students can always count on being able to meet and learn in one of their classrooms. Jerry has spent many hours helping us to be comfortable and able to function optimally in the building – available and ready to do what he can. Todah rabah!

Bonai’s teaching staff – both the teachers and the madrichim – has been outstanding in their response to the challenges. We lost supplies as well as some materials and books in the flooding; there were delays in getting other resources, and the classrooms changed weekly based on availability, but everyone has maintained a positive and professional attitude with a strong dose of flexibility. We all pitch in and are simply ‘making it work’ for our students. Todah rabah to our teachers: Gan/Alef – Yasmin Levron; Bet/Gimel – David Greenberg; Dalet/Hey – Morah Yehudis Fishman; Vav – Jeff Raizen; B’hai Mitzvah class – Charna Rosenholtz, Naomi Jacobs – Tutoring, and Rachel Cole – Music. Todah rabah to our madrichim; Corinne Sweeney, Kate Sadow, Sam Weismann, Kayla Goldstein, Chaya Wurman, Ari Bates-Vinueza, Omer Ziv, Max Schneeweiss-Cole, and Adam Bloom. They are truly wonderful role models for our students!

Thank you to Rabbi Marc for his continuous spiritual guidance in spite of his own personal as well as professional displacement, and to the Board and Education Committee, particularly Steve Hill and Suzanne Sweeney, who continually check in to see how they can help and support the school. Thank you to Kit Colorado and Brad Weismann in the office for all their help from “the inside” as we all work together to create a sustainable new normal for the coming months.

I also want to thank others outside of our Boulder community who have sent us greetings and wishes of support, as well as help in replenishing our school and art supplies. Congregations from New Jersey and California have sent us messages of support. BMH/BJ – the Denver Synagogue’s religious school – donated art and school supplies that their families collected. Other monetary donations for art supplies have been given. All of this help is very appreciated.

The flooding that occurred has been devastating for so many people, but it has been inspirational to see the community pull together and work to help each other. What an amazing community!

SCHOOL NEWS

Students, teachers, and madrichim are adjusting to our space. There are six students in the Gan/Alef (K/1) class, 12 students in the Bet/Gimel (2nd/3rd) class, 17 students in the Dalet/Hey (4th/5th) class, 12 students in Vav (6), and 12 students in the B’hai Mitzvah class.

The Sunday Open House/Back to School Day, originally scheduled for October 13, has been postponed to November 17. This is an opportunity for our parents to come to school with their children and see what happens in the classroom. Rachel Cole, will be leading music classes, so parents will be able to join in the singing as part of the morning. The Vav (6th grade) and B’hai Mitzvah classes will have an Open House/Back to School Night on November 6.

Kitah Vav (grade 6) families met for a Family Shabbat dinner on October 11. It was wonderful to see the students and families sharing bread, stories, and singing together! The next Family Shabbat dinner will be for students and their families in Bet/Gimel (grades 2 & 3) and scheduled for Friday, November 15, beginning with the Kabbalat Shabbat service at 6 pm. This is a wonderful way to learn about the Friday night service, which includes more singing and storytelling, and to get to know the families of the students in your child’s Religious School class.

November is Jewish Book Month. We have very easy access now to the JCC library, and I would like to encourage families to sign up for an account and begin to check out some books. If your child likes to read and if there is any interest, I would like to start a book club. It would meet four times during the year on a Sunday following school and include lunch book discussions, and a craft.

Karen Raizen, Education Director, karen@bonaishalom.org, 303-442-6605, ext. 1104

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL EVENTS

Nov. 2
Shabbat School for Kitah Vav and B’hai Mitzvah class, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Jr. Congregation, 10:30 am-12 pm

Nov. 3
Religious School for K-5, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Nov. 6
Religious School for 2-7, 4:10-6:10 pm
Open House/Back to School Night for Kitah Vav and B’hai Mitzvah Class

Nov. 9
Shabbat School for Kitah Vav and B’hai Mitzvah Class, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Shabbat Shelanu, 11 am

Nov. 10
Religious School for K-5, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Nov. 13
Religious School for 2-7, 4:10-6:10 pm

Nov. 15
Family Shabbat Dinner for Bet/Gimel (2-3), 6 pm

Nov. 16
Shabbat School for Kitah Vav and B’hai Mitzvah Class, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Shabbat B’Yachad, 10:30 am

Nov. 17
Religious School & Open House/Back to School Day for K-5, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Nov. 20
Religious School for 2-7, 4:10-6:10 pm

Nov. 23
Shabbat Shelanu, 11 am

Dec. 3 – Dec. 1
Thanksgiving Break – Happy Hanukkah!

Dec. 4
Religious School Hanukkah Party, 4:10-6:10 pm

Dec. 7
Shabbat School for Kitah Vav and B’hai Mitzvah Class, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Jr. Congregation, 10:30 am
Havdallah Shelanu, 4:30 pm, PJ Party and Havdalah

Dec. 8
Religious School for K-5, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Dec. 11
Religious School for 2-7, 4:10-6:10 pm

Dec. 14
Meirav Goldman becomes a Bat Mitzvah
Shabbat School for Kitah Vav & B’hai Mitzvah Class, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Shabbat Shelanu, 11 am

Dec. 15
Religious School for K-5, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Dec. 18
Religious School for 2-7, 4:10-6:10 pm

Dec. 21
Shabbat B’Yachad, 10:30 am

Dec. 21 – January 5
Winter Break, No Religious School

Dec. 28
Ariella Banta becomes a Bat Mitzvah
Notes From the Office

I received the first phone call about the flood from Karen the evening of September 11. I was told that water was seeping into the social hall. I was certain that it wouldn’t, couldn’t be more than an inch or so total. Shortly after, though, I got another call that water was pooling in the social hall.

That evening I tried to picture the damage, to prepare for the tearing up of carpet. I planned out some details of what would need to be done, considering the simple steps of cleaning up a small amount of water from the social hall. I imagined that it might cause inconvenience. I didn’t envision enough water coming in that it could affect our community and devastate homes and property. I couldn’t imagine enough damage to take Rabbi Marc from his home or enough to take us from our community home of Bonai Shalom. I didn’t imagine the loss of life in our small community of Boulder.

I arrived at Bonai early the following morning and watched the creek lap the edge of the lawn. To one side, Rabbi Marc’s back yard was now a small, rushing lake. The other side was a strange scene of chairs and tea urns floating past the stairs in the social hall. It was shocking and surreal, unsettling.

On that first night, as Shantel and Ace tried to unclog drains and Itzik Ziv tried desperately to divert rain from rushing down the ramp to the social hall, our community pulled together and became one amazing disaster mitigation team. Nothing was planned for this to happen; it simply happened. So many people came to assist.

Lisa Bates formed a database that connected those in need with those who could help, a beacon of hope in those first crazy days. Nothing was planned for this to happen; it simply happened. So many people came to assist.

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This terrible flood took place during Yom Kippur. I had thought that the planning of this event would be my biggest challenge of September. Yet again, in the face of losing our Bonai home, our community came together. We came together at Naropa for services. We each drove out of our way, avoiding closed roads and threats of more flooding to be together. Though we have lost the structure that served as our home, we have kept our family together through this terrible ordeal. A HUGE thank you to the JCC, Jerry Pinkser and Jonathan Lev who upon my arrival early one morning ushered me in with good humor and immediately found a space for us to work. The JCC has been amazing and welcoming.

Thank you to all of you who volunteered, donated (keep it coming!!), and cheered us on. We’re moving to the south building of Har HaShem on November 1. Stop by and see us and help us settle in to our new and temporary home. I am thankful for the strength of this community, I am thankful for the friends I’ve made here. Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Chanukah! Be well.

Kit Colorado, Administrative Director  
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Among the Members

Please notify the office of any change in your street address, phone number and/or e-mail address. Please check the online Membership Directory on our website (www.bonaishalom.org) for all current member information. If you would like a printed directory, please contact the office.

Did you or your child win an award? Achieve a goal? Share it with your Bonai community so we can all say “mazel tov!” Email Brad Weismann at bulletin@bonaishalom.org to include it in the Bulletin.

MAZEL TOV TO:
Meirav Goldman on becoming a Bat Mitzvah! 
Ari Banta on becoming a Bat Mitzvah!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE 21 AND UNDER:
November 
Melissa Foster 
Aaron Fox 
Anna Hanson 

December 
Amanda Ansell 
Jonathan Baer 
Itai Boneh 
Sararose Finesilver-Saunders 
Sara Greenberg 

CONDOLENCES TO –
Charlotte Michener-Krasnoff on the death of her husband, Howard Krasnoff.

REFUAH SHLEMAH (a whole and speedy recovery) TO:
Yaakov ben Shira (RMS’ cousin), Rachel bat Fruma (Josh & Froma Fallik’s daughter), Liora bat Helen (Leslee Haliburton), David Zalman ben Bayla Leah (Bill Shiovitz), John Heuman (Debbie Maduff’s brother-in-law), Maury Budin (Hena Pilloff’s friend), HaRav Devorah Rut bat Tamar v’HaRav Tvi (Rabbi Deborah Bronstein), Ita bat Blum Hendel (Irene Rosenschein), Ruth Carol (Marilyn Carol’s mother), Harav Yaacov Halevi ben Malka (Rabbi Yaacov Rones), Dovid ben Golda (Donald Bernstein), Basheh Glicka bat Chaya Raizel (Bess Hittelman, Sheryl Buchman’s grandmother), Sara Leah bat Chaim (Sue Samuels), Chaya bat Zeleg Tzvi v’Shoshana, Krendl Chaya bat Devorah (Karyn Schad), Devorah bat Miriam (Doris Small), Malka Rikvah bat Batia v’Laibel, Ray Crotty (Sue & Mike Devorah (Karyn Schad), Devorah bat Miriam (Doris Small), Malka Rikvah bat Batia v’Laibel, Ray Crotty (Sue & Mike Samuels’ friend), Eshka bat Chaya Ziesel (Lenny Cohn’s mother), Shmuel ben Naftali (Freya Brier’s father), Yocheved bat Eliezer v’Maya (Joanne Neiman), Etla bat Chana (Howard Susskind’s mother), Mirabelle Landsman (Yocheved Landsman’s granddaughter), Rose Bresloff (Liz Relin’s friend), Kalmen Eliezer ben Labe Baruch (Liz Relin’s friend), Elliott Magalnik (Francine Lavin Weaver’s partner), Tamara Rut bat Rivkah, Itzik ben Bat Sheva (Irvings Winesuff – Jenine Rubin’s father), Lois Lawson (Brad Weismann’s aunt), Sitile hindle bat Hana (Jackie Seltzer’s mother), Jim Linville (brother of Ru Wing), Kathy Trukositz (Sharon Kocina’s stepdaughter), Rick Mason (friend of Sharon Kocina), James Mason (friend of Sharon Kocina), Claire Weaver (Butch Weaver’s mother), Aytonnah bat Charlotte (Ed Victor’s mother), Shmuel Naftali ben Esther Liba, Daniel Yochanan Shalom ben Sarah (Daniel Rettberg, friend of David Schwartz and Naomi Jacobs), Kataria bat Miria (Kathryn Bernheimer), Batya bat Meier v’Blima (Beth Rosenshein).
Friday, December 6
“Joseph, the Queer Hero of Genesis and Some Reflections on Teaching The Bible as Literature”
with Professor Sue Zemka

December’s First Friday features a bracing talk on gender roles and Biblical behavior!

Sue Zemka is a Professor in the Department of English and in the Program for Jewish Studies at the University of Colorado, Boulder. She is the author of *Time and the Moment in Victorian Literature and Society* (Cambridge University Press, 2011) and *Victorian Testaments: The Bible, Christology, and Literary Authority in Victorian Culture* (Stanford University Press, 1997).

“Drawing on textual, exegetical, and historical materials, I will offer a reading of the Joseph story as a family drama centered on gender identity. The Joseph story, I will suggest, gives us a protagonist with what were for his times non-masculine, non-normative traits, and the Bible author(s) relate how his family first rejects him, only to be later saved and spiritually enriched by his actions — and by the very traits for which they rejected him in the first place. I will also share my experiences — and as near as I can tell, that of my students — after giving a lecture on this topic in a college course titled “The Bible as Literature.” (The relevant chapters in the Hebrew Bible are Gen. 37-40.)"

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS TODAY!

Adult Education Classes – Winter Wonderland!

Please consider joining us for a stimulating and diverse set of classes in the coming year. The topics range from Torah to . . . baseball! PLEASE NOTE that all classes, except as otherwise noted, will take place at Bonai’s temporary home, the Unitarian Universalist Church at 5001 Pennsylvania Ave. in Boulder. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact: David Hosansky, david@wordedge.com, 303-980-0723; or Karen Raizen, Bonai Education Director, karen@bonaishalom.org, 303-442-6605, ext. 1104.

Text Study: Jewish Writing Discussed
Ongoing; Tuesday afternoons, 1 to 2:30 pm
Join our enthusiastic and eloquent participants as they explore various Jewish texts — currently, the book is “The 13-Petaled Rose: A Discourse on Jewish Existence and Belief” by Adin Steinsaltz. PLEASE NOTE that the group is meeting in private homes for the time being — contact Larry Cohn at 720-304-3333 if you wish to join!

Torah Study: Around the Maggid(ah)’s Table
Sundays, Nov. 17, Dec. 15; spring dates TBA
4 to 6 pm
Rabbi Marc, Yehudis Fishman, and Naomi Susan Schwartz Jacobs will lead discussions on weekly Torah portions.

Talmud Class: Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Marc
Wednesdays, Nov. 13, Nov. 20, Dec. 4, Dec. 11; spring dates TBA
Noon to 1 pm
Rabbi Marc will continue to lead this stimulating study. Feel free to bring a brown-bag lunch (dairy/parve)!

Torah and Movies
Sundays, Nov. 3 and 10
4 to 6 pm
Yehudis Fishman will lead a two-part class that will use clips from movies to explore lessons from the Torah.

Kiddush Sponsors
Please note that, due to our temporary dislocation and the lack of facilities for food storage and service, we have limited capacity for sponsored kiddushes (saved for Bar and Bat Mitzvah celebrations). For more information, questions, or to schedule future dates, please contact the Bonai office at office@bonaishalom.org or 303-442-6005.

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The Return of Torah Study: Zornberg Cometh!

The Torah-study torch has been passed! Even after the dislocations of the flood, and the handoff of Torah-study scheduling duties, our weekly in-depth examination and discussion of the week’s parsha continues with no break in continuity. AND we have a special event along these lines to which we can look forward! Here’s an update from Bruce Shaffer —

“CBS Shabbat Torah study follows Kiddush – usually around 1:00 pm – is open to all inquisitive hearts and minds, regardless of experience. We encourage free-range participation and conversation. Come one, come all.

I’m really excited that one of today’s most fascinating and foremost teachers of Torah, AVIVAH ZORNBERG, will be visiting us in the spring. She’ll be teaching in presentation format at Har HaShem on the evening of May 21, and in conversation the next morning at Bonai Shalom, following shacharit minyan. “[Few of the commentators] possess anything like the penetrating insight of Zornberg, let alone her unique ability to open up a door into the esoteric worlds below the surface of the text that, once opened, stays open.” The Washington Post. On many many occasions in Jerusalem, I’ve found it truly a joy to hear her brilliantly woven, creatively grounded yet accessible interpretations of Torah.

Zornberg is the author of several books on Torah, including National Jewish Book Award winner The Beginning of Desire: Reflections on Genesis (JPS 1995; Schocken 2011), and The Particulars of Rapture: Reflections on Exodus (Doubleday 2001, Schocken 2011); and while “[A] written text could never live up to the magic of her teaching...” (ibid.), we’ll warm up for her visit by sampling her books during those Shabbat Torah study sessions that I lead before returning to Israel in January. But I’ll be back in plenty of time to welcome Avivah and learn, here, from one of the world’s best.”

Avivah Zornberg was born in London and grew up in Glasgow, where her father was head of the Rabbinical Court. She holds a BA and PhD in English Literature from Cambridge University. After teaching English literature at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, she turned to teaching Torah. For the past 25 years, she has taught Torah in many Jerusalem learning centers, and also holds a Visiting Lectureship at the London School of Jewish Studies. She travels widely, lecturing in Jewish, academic and psychoanalytic settings.

Come listen, learn and enjoy this rare opportunity! Details to come via Har HaShem (harhashem.org) and Bonai Shalom (bonaishalom.org).

Social Action/Tikkun Olam

Annual Kol Nidre Food Drive

The Kol Nidre Food Drive collected more than 300 pounds of food for Community Food Share — which was greatly appreciated and admirable, considering it was immediately after the flooding. Many thanks to Charna Rosenholtz and the B’nai Mitzvah class for their efforts in making posters, announcements, etc., to run the food drive. Also a huge thank-you to Susan Finesilver for her help in providing bags and boxes for the collection and for transporting the food donation to CFS. There were a lot of last-minute changes in the process because of the flooding, but everyone pitched in and helped complete the drive successfully.

Winter Clothing Collection for BOHO

CBS will again be collecting winter clothing items for Boulder Outreach for the Homeless Overflow (BOHO), which provides a safe indoor sleeping alternative to the Boulder Shelter (usually full) and the streets. The winter sheltering season (hosted by faith communities) began October 1 and ends in May. BOHO has urgently requested gently used adult coats, hats, socks, mittens and gloves, and unopened packages of men’s briefs. Please note: under new guidelines, we will not be collecting blankets and quilts this year. Watch for notices about our temporary drop-off location.

BCAP Food Bank

Mireille Key (left), CBS’s representative to the Interfaith AIDS Coalition, has long volunteered to bag food once a month at the Boulder County Aids Project food bank. She was recently joined by other members of the Social Action Committee, Joanie Nagel, Beth Ornstein and Judy Lemberger. The food bank supplements the nutrition needs of BCAP clients. Bonai Shalom will have its annual food drive for this program from Purim to Pesach.

Finding the Work You Want

Deb Blankenship of Workforce Boulder County addressed the audience of job seekers, independent contractors, consultants and entrepreneurs at the first quarterly Jewish Community Career Network at the Boulder JCC. A panel of four experts offered their perspectives and insights about the current job market and answered a host of questions. The other presenters were Sheila Brown of Kelly Services, Peter Behrendt, retired CEO and advisor to start-up companies, and Saritha Bhanvasikar, human resources specialist at CU Boulder. Watch for announcements about the next JCCN program this winter.

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This listing includes donations made through September 30, 2013.

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Sisterhood not only enhances the sense of community at Bonai but also financially supports it. We receive no funds from the Congregation budget and all of our present fundraising efforts go fully towards the CBS Religious School.

Chag Happy Fall to you all. The Sisterhood Board sends love and support to all who were affected by the flood. Our community has come together in such an amazing way through this trauma. We are talking to other Sisterhoods around the country who are fundraising to help with our recovery.

We unfortunately had to cancel our kiddush in honor of Beth Ornstein due to the flood but will be rescheduling it when we return to our building.

Our next event will be our book review of “Turbulent Souls” by Stephen J. Dubner Nov. 7, 7 pm, at the home of Debbie Garelick. Copies are available at the Boulder Bookstore and of course you can get an e-copy as well.

Upcoming programs:
- Chanukah Party – December 5
- Indian Food Demonstration – January 16
- Zilla Goodman Talk – February 13
- Computer Class – March, TBA
- Politics of Women’s Healthcare – April, TBA
- Elections and Flower Arrangement – May 8, Location TBA
- Installation and Recipe Exchange – June 19, Location TBA

Please watch for the latest information, as the programs listed in the previous Bulletin were tentative and some have been changed.

Sisterhood is open to ALL Bonai Shalom women. We usually meet on the second Thursday of the month at noon or 7 pm. Annual dues are $18 and those new to Bonai Shalom membership enjoy a complementary first year.

A HEART-FULL THANKS TO ALL THE SISTERHOOD’S BOARD MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS FOR A GREAT JOB. WE CAN’T DO IT WITHOUT YOU.

I look forward to seeing you in November at the book review. All the best!
Debbie Garelick and Marilyn Pinsker, Sisterhood Co-Presidents, 303-413-8147

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The cost for either a leaf or a plaque is $360.

Sisterhood Bricks

Purchasing bricks is a great way to remember or honor someone. Donation cards make a very meaningful birthday card.

Bricks may be purchased for any amount, in honor, in memory, or for special events. The honoree is sent a card.

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November 8 ........ 4:33 pm
November 15 ...... 4:27 pm
November 22 ...... 4:22 pm
November 29 ...... 4:19 pm
December 6 ...... 4:18 pm
December 13 ...... 4:18 pm
December 20 ...... 4:21 pm
December 27 ...... 4:25 pm

The prescribed time for lighting candles is exactly 18 minutes before Shabbat actually comes in, to ensure that we do not light candles after Shabbat, as the Torah forbids the lighting of fire on Shabbat. Once we have lit candles, we have brought in Shabbat, and anything that our personal practice forbids on Shabbat starts then.

Regardless of your level of observance, it is an important, holy and wonderful Mitzvah to gather as a family each week and light candles to shift the energy of the week into the transformative energy of Shabbat. A truly healing weekly ritual!

Shabbat Ends

November 2 ........ 6:39 pm
November 9 ........ 5:32 pm
November 16 ...... 5:27 pm
November 23 ...... 5:23 pm
November 30 ...... 5:21 pm
December 7 ...... 5:20 pm
December 14 ...... 5:22 pm
December 21 ...... 5:24 pm
December 28 ...... 5:29 pm

At the end of Shabbat, it is traditional to perform the short Havdalah ceremony to distinguish the holiness of Shabbat from the everydayness of the week in a beautiful ritual with wine, spices and a multi-wicked candle. The symbolism of this service is to capture the essence of the light and sweetness of Shabbat and bring it into our week to sustain us in our work and busy lives.


November/December 2013 Yahrzeiten

Hebrew dates begin at sunset; therefore, the yahrzeit begins after sunset on the Gregorian date shown.

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TO SUBMIT ITEMS OR CONTACT THE EDITOR... Send to bulletin@bonaishalom.org or contact Brad Weismann at 303-442-4701.
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NEW INFO,
EXPANDED PROGRAM

King Soopers and Safeway gift cards are RECHARGEABLE (up to $500 at a time) at the check-out lane or service counter using your own credit card! You get the points every time you recharge (reload) the card, and Bonai Shalom, the JCC, and the Boulder chapter of Hadassah share the 5-percent profits equally.

Your first King Soopers or Safeway scrip card must be purchased from either Bonai Shalom or Karen Diamond. The number on this card is tied to the shared account — everyone profits! The cards are available in $10 denominations. The rechargeable gift card may be used at King Soopers gas stations and Safeway gas stations. The King Soopers rechargeable gift card may also be used at Kroger and Ralph stores, and a host of other nationwide stores listed on the card.

Whole Foods gift cards are now available in $100 denominations. These cards are not rechargeable. When the amount on the card is “used up,” the card is thrown away. Whole Foods offers a 3-percent rebate to our scrip program. For more information or to purchase a Whole Foods gift card, contact Karen Diamond at 303-939-8656.

Also, $100 or $200 Sprouts gift cards are available from Karen Diamond. These cards are not rechargeable, but Sprouts offers a 5-percent profit. Once the amount on the card is spent, a new one must be purchased from Karen — please contact her with questions and for orders.

Connect to Bonai!

Bonai Shalom is now connected to social media. Please “like” our new page on Facebook, and “follow” our Twitter feed and Pinterest site. Just put “Congregation Bonai Shalom” in the search boxes and you will find us. We will be using these sites to get the word out about all of Bonai’s programs!

Shammus Opportunities

Do you remember the first time you were welcomed into our synagogue at a service? In business, many of us talk about the importance of the first impression. This is the special role of the Shammus at Bonai Shalom! The task is simple – the Shammus welcomes people into the sanctuary, provides them with the appropriate books for the service, and fills the cups for the Kiddush on Friday evenings – but the service is deeply important.

Please help us in this important role! You may sign up for future dates by emailing shammus@bonaishalom.org or calling the office. Please put Shammus duty and the date you desire in the subject line. You will receive an email confirming your scheduled date, and the week prior you will receive a reminder phone call. A Board member can always be available to assist you.

Thank you!

A Place at Your Table?

In the Jewish tradition hospitality (hachnassat orachim) is not just a nice thing to do, but is one of the highest mitzvot! At Bonai Shalom, we try to be as welcoming and open as we can, yet, there is still more that we can do. If you know in advance that you will have places at your table for a Shabbat or Festival meal, please let us know at the office, so that we can match you up with honored guests! Also, if you are looking for some home hospitality, please let us know too, and we will do what we can.

Voliyah Membership Program at CBS

Bonai offers two exciting programs that allow members to support CBS by giving above and beyond their standard membership. One way is through our Aliyah plus giving program, in which members give financially above their standard dues amount. Second is our Voliyah (Volunteer Aliyah) program, in which members give extra volunteer hours to Bonai Shalom. Visit www.bonaishalom.org and click on the “Volunteer” link for details.