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# THE SHOFAR

Farmington Valley Jewish Congregation-Emek Shalom Simsbury, Connecticut

### **A WORD FROM** Rabbi Bekah Goldman

Just a few weeks ago, I spoke on a Friday night about the difference between Noach (of Noah's Ark) and Abraham, Isaac and Jacob

(the patriarchs). The question arises: Why isn't Noah considered one of our patriarchs? Especially, since his righteousness saved the entire human race and all of the animals on earth. The truth is, the answer isn't important, but a simple study of how Noah lived his life, versus how our patriarchs lived their lives, might completely shift your perspective about the way you participate in Judaism. It has certainly shifted my own perspective! I hope you see this teaching as the golden nugget it is.



Noach was a pretty significant historical personality. He built the ark, he saved the animals, he rescued his family and all those who came after him. That is a pretty big and tangible accomplishment. He is given the title of *tzaddik* - righteous. He was THE man of his generation.

BUT, when it comes to the patriarchs, especially Isaac, the story is guite different. We know the general storyline of their lives and we've followed their journeys. They may be fascinating personalities and it is enlightening to learn from them, but Torah doesn't focus on them. They didn't live for themselves. As Rabbi Lam says in his commentary, "They were walking in wet cement..." making molds of footprints so that we could walk in their footsteps. These stories are not about them, they are about the generations that came after them - their *toldot*/generations. Their stories tell of how they paved the way for their descendants.

Now I'm going to share something I don't actually believe, but nonetheless, it is something we often do: Good Jewish parents don't live for themselves. They live for those who follow after them! AND that is actually how many of us live our lives. We ignore Judaism entirely until we begin raising Jewish children. We join synagogues when it is time for said children to go to Hebrew school. We move to cities with great school systems for the sake of our children's education. We design our lives around what is best for the generations that come after us. We even do good in the world with the idea that it might make an impact when our children grow up.

As Rabbi Lam says, "This is both good news and bad news."

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### A WORD FROM (continued) Rabbi Bekah Goldman

This life philosophy seems to point to the idea that we are wonderfully, selfless human beings, living our lives to ensure the best outcome for our descendants. That's the good news.

That's also the bad news. We aren't living our lives for ourselves. I am the worst at this. For years, I have lived this way, catering to our children, at the expense of my needs and the needs of my life partner. We love them and we want what is best for them, but we cannot live for them.

The good news is that we can come to these realizations with the help of our trusty guidebook, Torah. We can see the mistakes our patriarchs made, and we can change. We can seek out meaningful rituals that offer us deep spiritual sustenance, in turn making us better parents in those moments that appear to be devoid of meaning for our children. We can choose to join a religious community for our own well-being, rather than merely for our children's religious education. Therefore, when they are ready for communal engagement, they will have healthy models for how to engage. We can design our lives around what is best for us, so that our children see how important it is to balance personal goals with external demands. We can do good in the world, as models, but also because it reminds us daily that our hands and our hearts can change the world right now.

Torah has so much to teach us, especially during this season of light. Chanukah means something different to everyone, but as you navigate this season with your family, infuse it with more depth for yourself. If you derive joy and meaning from it, your children will follow suit. May you be selfless enough to live for your descendants, selfish enough to live for yourself, and somehow find a good, healthy balance in between. Light those lights, lift up the joy, and brighten up the world!

Chag Chanukah Sameach! Rabbi Bekah



Rabbi's Hour

All Meetings will be held in Zoom!

December 6th and 20th, 11AM Click to join our class



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. LOEL GOLDBLATT

Dear Friends,

It's an exciting time for FVJC-Emek Shalom; there are so many activities going on and many ways for everyone to get involved.

As you're aware, our building is open again. Groups are meeting in person as well as hybrid, and since this summer we've resumed having Shabbat services back in our sanctuary. We just added a TV to the Family Room (located across the hall from the synagogue office) so if families need to take their children out of the sanctuary, they'll have a place to go where they can watch the service live streamed.

We helped our greater community kick-off the holiday season with a Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service hosted in our sanctuary. This was followed by Simsbury Celebrates where our Membership, Outreach, and Retention (MORe) committee hosted Chanukah activities for the kids, and our Men's Club hosted a food tent with Stephanie Leite's homemade chili, as well as provided Chanukah decorations for the community Fire Truck parade. I must say, we are well represented here in town.

Our Hanukah celebration will continue this week with our own Hanukah Homecoming weekend that includes lighting our Hanukah Menorahs on Friday night, a Magic Show and Havdalah on Saturday, and a mini-minyan for our youngest members on Sunday. Thank you to Kim Ganslaw and Maya Schnall for all their hard work in organizing these events!

We're also a growing congregation: Membership is up 8% this year with 22 new memberships so far. Religious School enrollment is also up with many additional children and we're excited that we've been able to add back a pre-Kindergarten class. We have just started a new committee called IDEA to promote Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access within our FVJC-Emek Shalom community, and in this way we will continue to be welcoming to all our members.

So, as you can see, many activities are going on in our very own warm and welcoming synagogue community. Whether you're near or far from Simsbury, there are many ways for everyone to get involved.

[Shalom, Joel

Looking to get involved? Click to visit our Committee Chair contact list!



# HAPPY RETIREMENT!

## OUR BELOVED CUSTODIAN, Manuel del Aguila, Will be retiring at the end of this year.



Manuel has dedicated 19 years of service to our Community and is quietly behind the scenes of every successful service, programming event, classroom set-up and so much more.

He has touched each of us with his thoughtful dedication to our Community, often with his wife, Blanca, at his side. His heartfelt affection for our Members and facility is felt with each gentle smile he shares and you may not even realize his steady caretaking has helped to create the environment where we all find peace and Community every time we enter through our doors.

Manuel has allowed us to share that his leaving is due to a combination of health challenges and wanting to enjoy time with his family. You can see his 5 beautiful grandchildren pictured with he and Blanca above.

To celebrate him, in the coming months, we will invite his entire family to join us for a service where he will be honored for his years of service to FVJC-Emek Shalom. Please keep an eye out for additional details.

We are also accepting donations for him, with 100% of your gift going directly to Manuel. You can send your contribution either through our Member Portal, or by check, payable to FVJC, mailed to the Synagogue Office. Please note the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and add his name under the dedication section. We will gather your gifts and present him with the total of all donations once the collection has been completed.

Please join us in sending our sincere thanks to Manuel for his dedicated service, along with our best wishes for happiness and good health as he enters his retirement. He will be greatly missed.

hank You!



In this season of shorter days and colder weather, we are exploring both gratitude and social action. The School staff is appreciative of all who support our Religious School. Having the building open again has allowed us to welcome volunteers and guests from within our community: Susan Johnson, Julie Morisano, Krista Steibel, Marci Levin, Shana Parker, Gloria Lebetkin, Barbara Fichtenholtz, Marianne Berman, Julie Greshin, Mark Lescher, the Men's Club, our Sisterhood, and both Stephanie & Gavin Leite.

The Education Team is also grateful to our Membership Coordinators; we have welcomed 6 new students to the School this month!

Education Chair

Liddy Doyle



FVJC Teens Bake Nearly 300 Pumpkin Pies for Charity

Teens volunteered their Sunday afternoon baking nearly 300 pumpkin pies that were donated to the Thanksgiving meals a 9 local organizations.

Click here to read more about their efforts.



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#### SIMSBURY CELEBRATES 2021 - A HUGE SUCCESS!



'It takes a village...' and words can't be more true that made our event successful.

This year we hosted our tent and served up to the community Hot Chocolate, Coffee, Hot Dogs (and Chili Dogs), the very needed 'hand warmers', and the world-famous Stephanie Leite Chili!

It was a cold and slightly blustery night, but it could not have happened without the help from:

- Mark and Ellen Lescher
- Stephanie and the entire Leite family
- Rich Feifer
- Michael, Kyle, & Kory Zall
- Todd Cooperman
- Ruth and Loel Goldblatt
- Paul Finkle
- Jeremy and Julie Greshin
- Rob and Ian Crumb
- Stu and Carrie Radin
- Bob Belitz
- Shelly Hausman
- Dana Switzer

And thank you to all the congregants/friends that stopped by to say hi!

What a great way to keep the FVJC name strong in our community.

Kevin Zall, FVJC Men's Club President



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## IDEA Committee Meeting! December 5th, 4PM In-Person, masks required FVJC Multi-Purpose Room



## Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access (IDEA) Committee

Come join our new committee!

- Promote IDEA Within Our FVJC-Emek Shalom Community
- Provide Educational Programming

Join us in a community conversation about IDEA Sunday, December 5, 2021

We hope to see you there!

Dec. 5th at 4PM is the first meeting of the **IDEA Committee.** 

Join us as we gather thoughts and ideas as we work to create a space that works for all of us where we will think about what Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access means at FVJC. What areas do you think FVJC does well? What needs work to make all of our spaces more inclusive and equitable?

This meeting is an opportunity to generate ideas and hear from our community about the work we can undergo in the 2021-2022 year.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Jami and Noah

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Saturday, December 4th, 3:30pm Hanukkah Havdalah - Magician & Menorah Lighting	
Sunday, December 5th, 9am Hanukkah Mini Minyan	
Click to visit your Member Portal to register!	
Our Mini Minyan is partially sponsored by the FV Young Family Chavurah!	

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# MONDAY MAHJONGG

Mah Jongg Card 2022 orders! The cards are \$9 for small print, \$10 for large print Mail your order to: NAN SHAFER, 39 NORTH ROAD, EAST GRANBY, CT, 06026 Pay by cash or check If check please make check payable to NAN SHAFER (The order must be with one check only and it makes the bank transaction much more simple if all checks are made to me.)

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE FUN? EMAIL NAN, nanetteshafer@gmail.com, FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday December 15, 2021, in-person at FVJC in the Social Hall.

We will be discussing '*The Lost Shtetl*" A Novel by Max Gross.



# RITUAL COMMITTEE

**ROBIN BERGMAN AND KEN WEINSTOCK AT RITUAL@FVJC.ORG** 

Hello FVJC!

We hope the glow of Chanukah candles in our sanctuary will inspire you to join us in the holy work of keeping the FVJC ritual flame burning bright. Our committee is small but mighty right now, so there is space for you to make a difference in our community.

Do you believe that services should be accessible to everyone? Both those who read Hebrew and those who don't? Both those who are adults with self control and those who are small without it? Both those who were born Jewish and those who were not?

If that is your vision for our congregation, then our committee is the right place for you to help us make that happen. If you have other visions, we would love to hear them.

If you are local, please join our meetings in person. If you are not, then we will Zoom you in. Everyone is welcome!

Reach out to Robin Bergman and Ken Weinstock at ritual@fvjc.org. Bring your light to our community in 2022.



Co-Chairs, **Robin Bergman** Ken Weinstock

ritual@fvjc.org

VISIT WWW.FVJC.ORG For service times!

## MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION COMMITTEE

MARLO ZALL AND RUTH GOLDBLATT, CO-CHAIRS, MEMBERSHIP@FVJC.ORG

We would like to welcome and welcome back the following members who joined us last month.

We are happy you have joined our community!

- Caroline and Jeffrey Poland and Family
- Andrea and Nathan Ravitz and Family
- Paula Resh
- Sarah and Bennett Goss and Family

Our New and Prospective Member Shabbat held in early November was well received. Between in person and virtual members we had approximately 100 people attend. Since the last Shofar we have welcomed 4 more member families to FVJC. The next time you are at services or around FVJC and see a new face, be sure to introduce yourself!

Our outreach this month included working with the Mandell JCC and PJ Library at the Simsbury Celebrates event the Saturday after Thanksgiving. We were there to teach dreidel to anyone who wanted to learn, shared the story of Chanukah and had fun!

We will also be doing outreach to our FVJC community between Thanksgiving and Chanukah. If you would like to join us in making a few calls to our members in order to check in and want to help us strengthen our community from the comfort of your own home, please email Ruth Goldblatt at membership@fvjc.org. The talking points are provided as is all the contact information so you don't have to look anything up! Also remember if you ever need to reach anyone in our community just look them up in the Shulcloud directory.

Wishing you all a healthy, safe and fun winter holiday season.

Ruth and Marlo

Membership Committee



# COMMITTEE NEWS





If you are interested in learning more about our Committee, please reach out. Sue femer suelerner@sbcglobal.net Happy Chanukah!

As our college kids are returning to school after the Thanksgiving Break, they will have a special treat waiting for them...a Chanukahthemed care package filled with items and goodies that will put them in the holiday spirit! We've included gelt and dreidels plus lots of other snack items that they love. We wish them all a very joyous holiday along with much success on their Final Exams!

It is never too late to register your child for this wonderful program. We have two more packages that will be sent during Spring Semester, one for Purim and one for Passover. If your child's address will change for Spring or if your child will be taking a semester abroad, please notify Sue Lerner (suelerner@sbcglobal.net).

As I am writing this, our Adopt a Family Holiday drive is underway. Thank you so much for your participation. With your help we made the holidays brighter for 2 families.

The committee has recently become aware that the South Park Inn, a shelter in Hartford, is in need of used furniture for their clients as they transition out of homelessness. If you are remodeling and have something to donate, please contact them. They do tremendous work.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact me at vmrubin@aol.com and I will send you a Zoom link to our next meeting.Contact Viviann Rubin at vmrubin@aol.com to get the Zoom link.

If you are interested in learning more about our Social Action Committee, please reach out. *Wiviann Rubin* 

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# COMMITTEE NEWS

# **MITZVAH KNITTERS CHAVURAH**



The Mitzvah Knitters is starting up our meetings again in January, after our pandemic hiatus.

Do you knit or crochet? If so, we want you! We knit or crochet shawls that we donate to cancer patients receiving chemo. The group was started as a Bat Mitzvah project by Elora Rosedale many years ago. We continue it in memory of Elora's mom Aileen Rosedale, who was instrumental in keeping the group going. We meet once a month. In the past it has been on Monday mornings, but we would certainly consider other times. Anyone who isn't able to come to the meetings can make shawls at home and bring them to the synagogue office. I'm also willing to pick them up from you. In addition, we have some experienced knitters who are willing to teach, if you want to learn.

If interested, please contact me, we would love to have you join!

Jodi Marks

Mitzvah Knitters, Jodiellen@comcast.net 860-658-5562

#### **FVJC-ES Covid Guidelines Reminder:**

FVJC-Emek Shalom is open for religious services, meetings and events:-Face masks that fully cover the mouth and nose are required for everyone entering our building, regardless of vaccination status.-Eating inside the building is prohibited although brief unmasking for a quick drink is permitted.

-The only exception is for those working alone in a closed office or for those who are alone on the bimah during services in the sanctuary.



# Member Spotlight



**Life and Legacy** at FVJC is an ongoing effort in partnership with the Jewish Community Foundation and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation to raise an endowment that will help FVJC to flourish for generations. Life and Legacy champions are community members whose love for our synagogue has inspired them to leave an after life gift to FVJC.

Everyone can be a Life and Legacy champion and leave a legacy so that the Farmington Valley will always have a Jewish home. --- If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to Tracy Smith, Paula Schwartz, Jeremy Greshin, Sandy and Bob Bourke, David Kravet or Mark Lescher.

This month we're delighted to feature a statement from Ellen and Mark Lescher. We are grateful to them for their many years of membership and service and are touched by their generous commitment to an after life gift.



"We participate in the Life and Legacy Program to help ensure that families in the Farmington Valley area can continue to experience all that our family has enjoyed during our forty years of membership at FVJC-Emek Shalom.

Both of us grew up in families that were affiliated with synagogues and had parents who volunteered their time, and practiced the Jewish traditions in the home.

As a young couple starting our family, we were drawn to Simsbury because of its beauty, the lifestyle it offered, and the existence of a synagogue there. We were particularly drawn to FVJC-Emek Shalom since the synagogue was co-founded by family members, other relatives were already members, and we would meet other Jewish families from the area. Fondly, we remember how the existing members warmly welcomed us and encouraged our involvement. Over the years we have participated in numerous temple events and volunteered our time in many different ways. Our family has been blessed to experience meaningful life-cycle milestones at the synagogue. It is our sincere hope that this Life and Legacy gift will help FVJC-Emek Shalom to survive and thrive for many generations to come." Mark and Ellen Lescher



# A GLOBAL DAY OF GIVING PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO FVJC!

- GIVINGTUESDAY IS THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF GENEROSITY HAPPENING ON NOVEMBER 30, 2021.
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# DONATIONS

Local merchant D.W. Burr graciously donated time, equipment and materials to improve our Bushy Hill street entrance area. Please join us in saying thank you to them for their assistance in bringing new life to our street side view! Member, Eric Spungin, was instrumental in bringing this donation together and several other members dedicated many hours late this summer to have everything spruced up and ready in

## **COMMUNITY DONATIONS, SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 2021**

#### CARING COMMUNITY FUND

In Memory Of Arthur Freund from Betty Abrams Rabbi Nathan Hershfield, Marica Gikner and Daniel Gikner from Joel & Amy Hershfield Ruth Sevin from Lynne Bossart

The Yahrzeit Of Susan Ungerleider, remembered by The Ungerleider Family, Michael, Kathy, Matthew and Jenn

#### **CEMETERY FUND**

In Memory Of Beloved husband, Alexander Mikhelzon Beloved son, Arkady Mikhelzon from Rita Mikhelzon

The Yahrzeit Of Sondra Lorraine Radin from Stuart Radin & Dr.Carrie Wolfberg

#### **OPERATING FUND DONATION**

In Honor Of Loel Goldblatt's FVJC-ES Presidency from Janet and Mark Goldberg Loel Goldblatt's FVIC Presidency from Susan and Allan Viner (continued)

time for the High Holidays! Thank you everyone!

In Memory Of

Benjamin Klatsky from Alan & Lydia Klatsky Mae Reinstein Klatsky from Alan & Lydia Klatsky Francis Sinkowitz from Beverly & Abraham Glassman Ida Alexander, mother of Beverly Jackowitz from Beverly Jackowitz Judith Lubinsky from Beverly and Frank DiResta Helen Greif from Charles & Barbara Wolfe Helen Wolfe from Charles & Barbara Wolfe Daniel Byron from Edgar and Carole Levin Edith Simon from Elizabeth DeGrout & Stuart Simon Herbert Golinsky from Eric & Iris Spungin Leonard S. Wergeles from Fred & Amy Wergeles Michelle Rose Marsh from Harry & Barbara Marsh Stanley Siegel, brother of Herb from Herbert Siegel & Helen Wong Shirley Chang, sister of Helen Let Dunn Wu, from Herbert Siegel & Helen Wong Helen Fejes Louis Fejes parents of Sandra Weintraub from Jay & Sandra Weintraub Richard Sherman from Joan Sherman Richard Dee from Karen Dee Joel Freund from Loel & Ruth Goldblatt Morris Cohen from Mark & Ellen Lescher Marilyn Berger from Marshall & Karen Berger Anna Irene Delin from Michael & Sandra Delin Gladys Weiss from Mitchell & Ronnie Weiss Norman Hackel from Ms.Jamia Hackel Irma Abramson from Robert & Jean Giunta Marcus Schwartz from Roy & Paula Schwartz Dr. Myron and Maryellen Shafer In honor of my children, Ethan, Abigail and Ella from Theodore Shafer

## **DONATIONS** COMMUNITY DONATIONS, SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 2021

#### OPERATING FUND (CONTINUED)

The Yahrzeit Of Betty Jackowitz Mitchell Smith from Beverly Jackowitz John Minor from Charles Minor & Carrie Kramer Beverly R. Howard from Douglas & Marjorie Evans Estelle Spungin from Eric & Iris Spungin Solomon Brody from Robert & Beth Brody

#### DR. PETER LEBETKIN MEMORIAL FUND

In Honor Of Wishing Liddy Doyle, East Granby's Teacher of the Year, a successful and meaningful school year at both EGHS and FVJC! from Michael & Judith Cohen

#### **NEST EGG FUND**

In Appreciation Of With gratitude to Tracy Smith for leading our congregation with wisdom and grace over the past 3 years! Kudos on a job well done! from Michael & Judith Cohen

In Honor Of Wishing Loel Goldblatt good health, strength and wisdom as he takes on the role of our FVJC President! from Michael & Judith Cohen

In Memory Of Manus Roizen from Richard & Marsha Lowry

#### RABBI DAVID SOBEL MEMORIAL FUND

In Memory Of Rose Weinstein from Robert & Sandra Bourke

To make a donation, please visit your Member Portal today.

## RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation Of the honor of opening the Ark for the 5782 High Holy Days. from Arthur & Barbara Spivak Rabbi Bekah for her generous and insightful prewedding counseling. Leah Shafer and Peter Goldstein from Peter Goldstein In Honor Of Eleanor Eisen's naming from Emily Eisen Amy Hershfield receiving the Sandra Kravet Award from Leona and Jay Kramer In Memory Of Santo Vitale, father of Lydia Vitale Klatsky from Alan & Lydia Klatsky Edward Offenhartz from Edith Offenhartz Flori Weichsel from Eva Hausman Ernest Weichsel from Eva Hausman Adrienne Doroff Weiskopf, sister of Suzanne Schloss from John & Suzanne Schloss The Yahrzeit Of Margaret Carnevale from Fran & Ann Carnevale

#### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Memory Of Marcia Riemer from Danny & Audrey Rosenfeld

#### SANDRA L. KRAVET WOMAN OF COURAGE FUND

In Appreciation Of Barbara Fichtenholtz In Honor Of In honor of Kevin Zall, President of FVJC Mens' Club

> In Memory Of: Jeanette Carbo Nancy Worrell Mary Gobar

> > from David Kravet

# Community Programming

## Solomon Schechter Day School Open House



- See our hands-on *Reggio*inspired Early Childhood program
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Tuesday 12.14.2021 7:30-8:30 pm

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# Community Programming



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Visit the link above to register for this event!

Is this free...? There is no membership fee or anything like that. Most events are free to attend and often include food (yum!). The bigger events, around Jewish holidays, may have a ticket cost, though there are always ways to get free tickets - contact Shalom@UrbanDor.org when that comes up and we'll get you through the back door.



Click HERE to join the Urban Dor mailing list!

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#### Member Portal: https://fvjc.shulcloud.com/member

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Administrator: Chrisi Bonchick, 860-658-1075, admin@fvjc.org Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10AM- 2PM Wednesday's 4-6PM Sunday's 9-11:30AM (when school is in session)