THE SHOFAR

NOVEMBER 2022 - CHESHVAN/KISLEV 5783 Farmington Valley Jewish Congregation-Emek Shalom Simsbury, Connecticut

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NOVEMBER 5th at 7:00 PM

SOCIAL HALL

A night of friendly competition where you can test your knowledge in a variety of categories!

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> THE EVENT IS FREE WE ASK THAT YOU RSVP BY VISITING YOUR MEMBER PORTAL TODAY

A WORD FROM, Rabbi Bekah Goldman

Friends,

The leaves have turned delightful shades of reds, oranges and yellows, and the chill in the air is undeniable! Autumn has arrived and winter is around the corner. And with this month comes Thanksgiving! As we were



driving down our street a few days ago, Gray saw a flock of wild turkeys and yelled out, "Thanksgiving!" To which Bela replied, "Gray, those aren't Thanksgiving turkeys. Those have already been caught and killed!"

Naturally, I cringed and turned a deep shade of red, but her assertion encouraged me to begin a conversation with them about the meaning of Thanksgiving, beyond the turkey! Like many American families, we feast on Thanksgiving, but the most important part of Thanksgiving I hope to pass on to my family is the notion that it is a time to gather together in gratitude. Due to the nature of my love for everything Jewish, I often couch things in Jewish values. So let me be the first to say that the values surrounding Thanksgiving are profoundly Jewish. Thankfulness and gratitude, celebration, love and service – are all very important Jewish values.

Maintaining an attitude of gratitude or a grateful perspective is known as Hakarat HaTov. In Pirkei Avot, this ancient collection of Jewish wisdom teaches us "Who is wealthy? Those who rejoice in their own portion." If that isn't gratitude, I don't know what is!

When we share a bountiful meal with family and friends, as is our Thanksgiving custom, we are engaging in a joyous celebration, or a simcha. These meaningful moments create beautiful memories filled with joy. As long as we have joy in our hearts, we are celebrating Jewishly!

We also welcome guests into our homes during Thanksgiving. Our dinner tables often feel far more crowded during this time of year, and it isn't just because you made every side dish your mother and grandmother used to make! The value of welcoming guests, Hachnasat Orchim in Hebrew, extends beyond just inviting people to join you, but also relates to making guests feel honored, relaxed, and valued.

These are only three of the many reasons why Thanksgiving embodies Jewish values. In fact, I'm pretty sure by the time I finished explaining all the ways Thanksgiving was really a Jewish holiday, the kids were asleep in the backseat!

Whichever way you spend Thanksgiving this year, may your heart and stomach feel full, and may you find a way to bring your Jewishness to your Thanksgiving table!

With Blessings, Rabbi BeKah



Dear Friends,

It was wonderful to see so many of you over the High Holidays. During this High Holiday period I was thankful for all that we're able to provide our synagogue members. We

navigated our way through the pandemic and were able to hold services again in our beautiful sanctuary. We had a great inperson turnout and I know many of you also joined us on-line. We were happy to have two congregants, Dr. Bruce Gould from UCONN Health Center and Mark Lescher produce an air filtration system for the sanctuary and social hall. Additional volunteers ensured we were able to stream services so that all our congregants had the opportunity to attend services. We were also fortunate enough to assist Temple Beth Israel in Winsted, CT, a local congregation in need, by bringing our streamed services to them as well.

As you heard me mention during my annual Yom Kippur silent appeal, we are a growing and vibrant synagogue. We're only able to offer you services, events, and programming through the support of many volunteers and donors. Thank you to all our volunteers and to those of you who gave generously to our appeal. I'm also excited to tell you that FVJC-Emek Shalom was just selected for two grants. Thanks to the amazing effort put forth by our Grant Committee, led by Paula Schwartz, we received a grant from the Town of Simsbury Covid-19 Relief Program for non-profits made possible by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), and a Federal Nonprofit Security Grant from the US Department of Homeland Security designated for specific security related improvements in and around our building.

As you'll see in this issue of the Shofar, we have a number of events planned as we enter into November. We start off with a New Member Shabbat, which will conclude with an informational Oneg Shabbat hosted by our committee chairs. Then, Saturday evening, Nov. 5th is our Trivia Night –another free event for our members to enjoy and an opportunity to socialize. unday, Nov. 20th is our Thanksgiving Community Service where we join together with other local faith-based institutions. Many of our Adult programming activities are now beginning as well. There's Rabbi's Hour and Nashim (a women's circle) led by Rabbi Bekah, Back to the Basics, Queer Quorner, Adult B'nai Mitzvah, and a Grief Group all led by Rabbi Gavi, Mitzvah Knitters, Couples Book Club, and Mah Jongg to name a few.

Later in November, on Saturday evening Nov. 26th, we'll once again be present at Simsbury Celebrates in downtown Simsbury as we help our greater Farmington Valley community welcome in the Winter Holiday season. Our Membership, Outreach, and Retention Committee will host "Eight Nights of Fun Rolled into One!" and together with the Mandell JCC we celebrate the beginning of the Chanukah season. Meanwhile our Men's Club will also be there raising money by selling chili, hot chocolate, and coffee to keep everyone warm. And make sure you stay around for the Firetruck Parade which will include Chanukah decorations donated by our synagogue.

There's quite a lot happening here in our active community; something for everyone. So please join us and consider volunteering as we enter this new year.

L'Shalom. Loel

THOUGHTS FROM Rabbi Gavi Ruit



I hope that 5783 has gotten off to a sweet start for y'all!

On the heels of a truly beautiful High Holiday Season (thank you Rabbi Bekah!) we have much in store for education – both in Adult Education and the Religious School. If you're an adult learner, be sure to check out our upcoming classes!

Religious School

A lot is happening at FVJC – Emek Shalom Religious School! Our students are enjoying our new, values-driven, religious school curriculum. During the first month and a half of instruction, our students have learned about the values Teshuvah (repentance), B'tzelem Elohim (everyone is made in the image of God), and Gevurah (using your internal and external strength) through interesting and innovative activities and exercises. They have also learned about our recent holidays through a myriad of experiential learning activities. Our students heard and blew the shofar, got to examine the Torah up close, and danced a jig as they shook the lulav. Watching our students take such joy in learning about – and participating in – our holidays has been a true delight.

Our students also engage in a number of additional activities. We have instructors come in regularly to teach our students improv/movement, music, art, and Israeli martial arts – martial arts seems to be the favorite so far. These programs are important in order to keep our students engaged and to work out the "wiggles" that come with being young. We will eventually be introducing cooking and storytelling to the program as well.

All in all, the program is off to a good start!

Adult Education

We had a large turnout and a wonderful discussion during the Yom Kippur teaching. I always say that I learn at least as much from my students as they do from me, and that was certainly true during Yom Kippur!

This month the Adult Ed program kicks off in earnest. Three classes are beginning: Queer Quorner, Back to the Basics, and the Adult B'nai Mitzvah class. Queer Quorner is a study and discussion group for people who identify as LGBTQ+. Soon after I started at FVJC – Emek Shalom, a congregant approached me to see if it was possible to set up a group similar to Rabbi Bekah's Nashim, but for Queer folk, which is how Queer Quorner came into being. Back to the Basics is designed as a refresher for all that you might have forgotten from Hebrew School. We will look at Jewish history, Jewish texts, and things like choreography of prayer. The Adult B'nai Mitzvah class is an 18-month class which will end with a group B'nai Mitzvah. We will be taking a deep dive into Jewish history, texts, and theology. If you are looking to deepen your understanding of - and connection to - Judaism, this is the class for you!

All the best, Rabbi Gavi



FVJC-Emek Shalom is proud to announce that we are the recipient of a FY 2022 Federal Nonprofit Security Grant from the US Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$150,000.

This grant will allow us to expand our security measures throughout the building including:

- Additional cameras in and around the building
- Enhanced lighting in the parking lot and around the perimeter of the building
- Replacement of doors in the social hall to prevent intrusion
- Installation of 6 foot high ram proof fence with security screen around playground
- Installation of a card swipe system for handicapped access in social hall
- Application of safety/security film on windows
- Walkie-Talkies and panic buttons
- Bollards at entrances to prevent vehicular attacks

The grant period is 10/1/2022-2/28/2025

We are also the recipient of a \$10,000 grant from the Town of Simsbury Covid-19 Relief Program for non-profits made possible by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for reimbursements for unanticipated expenses related to the Covid-19 health emergency. We will use the grant to recoup the costs of the rental of the Simsbury Farms ice rink, extra security guard and other related expenses.

Todah Robah - Thanks to our volunteers and staff for completing the grant application process and collecting estimates for one or both of these grants:

Paula Schwartz, Tracy Smith, Stephanie Leite, Marianne Feifer, Mark Lescher, Dana Switzer, Mark Orenstein, Eric Spungin, Chrisi Bonchick, and Ruth Goldblatt.



Paula Schwartz, Chair

COMMITTEE NEWS

MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION COMMITTEE MARLO ZALL AND RUTH GOLDBLATT, CO-CHAIRS, membership@fvjc.org

This month we welcome the following members to our congregation:

Audry and David Eppner, Simsbury Samantha and James Mayors and family, Avon Morgan Murphy and Joshua Macri, West Hartford Sarah Salton, Avon



We celebrate our New Member Shabbat on Friday Nov 4th. We are so excited to share that between our last New Member Shabbat and this one, we are welcoming more than 25 new members and member families including children, singles, young families, newlyweds, retirees, returning families. and folks new to the area. This special evening begins as we welcome our ambassadors, new members, and board members to a family friendly reception followed by Shabbat services and then a big Oneg complete with delicious special fall themed cupcakes! Our Committees and Task Forces will have tables set up around the room and will be available for anyone who would like to learn more about volunteering opportunities. We have so much talent out there! Let's harness it, make new friends, and reacquaint with previous ones so we can continue to support and grow our welcoming inclusive community. Take advantage of this unique opportunity and let's fill our souls with the spirit of friendship, our bellies with good food, and the air with laughter!

See you on November 4th!

Ruth & Marlo



COMMITTEE NEWS

CORE COMMITTEE SUE LERNER, suelerner@sbcglobal.net

Welcome to a new feature of our newsletter! Over the next several months, the College Outreach & Retention Committee will be running Senior Spotlights to highlight our graduating e seniors who have participated in our Care Package program during their college years. FVJC-ES values the connection that we maintain with our young adults. The holiday-based packages allow the kids to celebrate the Jewish holidays while living away from home and also serve as a reminder that FVJC-ES is here rooting for the success of each and every one of our kids! We gratefully accept donations from all congregants!

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

DAVID BONCHICK

School of the Art Institute of Chicago - '23 Bar Mitzvah - 2013, Confirmation - 2016

Field of Study:

I am working toward my BFA with a focus in mixed media painting & neon production.

Post-grad Plans:

I hope to stay in Chicago and work at a neon shop or museum, while continuing my own art practice.

Jewish Life in College:

I have participated in my Hillel and spent many holidays with my friends. I love hosting the Jewish holidays at my apartment. It brings me closer to my friends and I get to teach them a little about myself and Judaism.

Care Package Impact:

School of the Art Institut

The holiday care packages I receive have been super meaningful to me throughout my time in college; it's like having a little piece of home with me. My friends enjoy the packages, too! I love sharing the treats inside with everyone and explaining what everything is and why it was included. These packages bring me closer not only to the Jewish community and my home, but to my friends here in Chicago, as well.

Thank you for supporting me all these years! David

COMMITTEE NEWS

RITUAL COMMITTEE ROBIN BERGMAN & KEN WEINSTOCK, RITUAL@FVJC.ORG

Greetings FVJC-Emek Shalom family!

Our committee is presently reviewing all the notes, positive and negative, that we received after the High Holiday celebrations. We would love to hear from you if you haven't already let us know your thoughts. It would help us plan next year to know what you loved (or didn't love) about this year. Drop us a line at Ritual@FVJC.org. We promise to write you back!

Social Action Meeting!

November 09, 7:30 PM Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 810 3448 9836 Passcode: 542162

CLICK TO JOIN US!

B'shalom, Robin & Ken

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE VIVIANN RUBIN, CHAIR vmrubin@aol.com

Our next meeting will be Wed 11/9 at 7:30 on Zoom and we will be volunteering at Foodshare on 12/1. Please contact me if you are interested in joining us!







Nearly 30% of Greater Hartford residents struggle to afford basic hygiene products.

Each \$10 donated provides one full month of comprehensive hygiene supplies for a Hartford neighbor.

As you and your family prepare for Thanksgiving dinner, please consider adding a donation to support hygiene essentials for members of our community to your holiday menu:

"The Works"	 \$120
Turkey	
Everybody's Apple Pie	 \$60
Green Beans	 \$40
Mashed Potatoes	 \$30
Stuffing	 \$20
Cranberry Sauce	 \$10



OR

Invite your friends and family to complete the menu together with a total donation of \$360, which provides a full year of hygiene items for 3 neighbors in need.



Join area Houses of Worship as we come together to give thanks. Rabbi Gavi will be sharing a short teach and Adrian Durlester will be chanting from Torah!

Hope to see you there!



All are Welcome!

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 20 - 4:00 p.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church

11 Church St, Tariffville, CT 06081

Sponsored by area houses of worship*

Combined choirs and musicians from area worship communities* Message by Reverend Chris Dion, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

*Covenant Presbyterian/The Barn, Farmington Valley Jewish Congregation - Emek Shalom, First Church of Christ, New Life in Christ Fellowship, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran, Simsbury United Methodist, St. Alban's Episcopal, St. Mary's Church and Trinity Episcopal Church





out to President, Lisa Cooperman at lisa.cooperman@ outlook.com for information about this active group!



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Sunday, November 13 9am to 1pm FVJC-ES 55 Bushy Hill Rd, Simsbury HOLIDAY,CRAFT & PERSONAL SHOPPING SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!









SUKKAH BUILDING!

Reach out to Kevin Zall, President k.zall2468@gmail.com for more information!









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Meets twice monthly, Monday's at 11AM November 14th & 28th Register today ! Led by Rabbi Bekah, In-Person, and in Zoom!



Couples Book Group:

'Marathon Man', by William Goldman, and will share book and film suggestions for the coming year.

November 14th, 7pm

Please contact Sandra: sandrabourke@yahoo.com or

Suzanne: suzyandjohn@comcast.net

for additional information.

JOIN US!

2023 Mah Jongg Card Can Be Ordered

Orders are now being placed for the 2023 cards from the National Mah Jongg League. The NMJL cost is now <u>\$14 for a regular card and \$15 for large print size</u>.

Send your order to:

Paula Schwartz, 26 Buckingham Road, Avon, CT 06001 in an envelope with the number of each size card you wish to purchase, with cash or check made payable to Paula Schwartz or call for a Venmo number at 860–539–0524.

If you are ordering for others, please list their names, size of card, number of cards for each, address, email, and phone number.

Cards will be sent directly to them from NMJL. If you want them to be sent to you for distribution, just include your own information with the appropriate number of cards of each size. If you order through us, FVJC receives a donation directly from NMJL. In 2022 we were able to donate \$233 to the Temple. We certainly appreciate the donation!!!

Deadline is December 1.



Monday

MAH JONGG! 1-3PM

Click here to pre-register with Program Coordinator Paula Schwartz

All levels are welcome to join this fun, active group!

DONATIONS SEPTEMBER 24-OCTOBER 28TH

CARING COMMUNITY FUND

In Honor Of the Bat Mitzvah of Barbara Fichtenholtz from Bruce & Judith Buff Barbara Fichtenholtz on becoming a Bat Mitzvah from Dr Sidney & Adrienne & Sidney Hopfer Barbara Fichtenholtz, for her special birthday and becoming a Bat Mitzvah. from Harriet Cutler the Bat Mitzvah of Barbara Fichtenholtz from Jennifer Steinberg the Bat Mitzvah of Barbara Fichtenholtz from Loel & Ruth Goldblatt Ruth Goldblatt on receiving the 2022 Woman of Courage Award from Mitch and Abby Goldblatt from Mitchell Goldblatt Barbara Fichtenholtz from Roy & Paula Schwartz

In Memory Of David Zeldis from Dr Sidney & Adrienne & Sidney Hopfer George J. Davidson from Michael & Kathy Ungerleider Irwin Ungerleider from Michael & Kathy Ungerleider

COHEN MEMORIAL GARDEN FUND In Honor Of Ellen Lescher's birthday! With our wishes, Anna, Jerry, Eric, Adam, Sam and Isabel! from Jerry & Anna Cohen the Bat Mitzvah of Mira Rubin from Mark & Ellen Lescher

In Memory Of Sandra Rosenthal from Mark & Ellen Lescher

DR. PETER LEBETKIN MEMORIAL FUND In Memory Of the Yahrzeit of Dr. Peter Lebetkin David Zeldis, son of Shirley Zeldis and brother of Karen Roch from Gloria Lebetkin

NANCY M. PETRY MEMORIAL FUND The Yahrzeit Of Fredric Kaplan, brother of Liz Kempinski from Elizabeth Kempinski

ENDOWMENT FUND In Memory Of Edith Roizen from Richard/Marsha & Marsha Lowry

HOLOCAUST TORAH SHOWCASE FUND In Honor Of Ruth Goldblatt, deserving recipient of The Sandra L. Kravet Woman of Courage Award from Dr Sidney & Adrienne & Sidney Hopfer In Memory Of Joel Freund from Betty Abrams Dr. Jay Schwab father of Marc Schwab from Loel & Ruth Goldblatt

OPERATING FUND DONATION

In Honor Of Ruth Goldblatt's Woman of Courage award from Christina Ellerbee the Bat Mitzvah of Barbara Fichtenholtz from Elizabeth Kay Ruth Goldblatt, Sandra Kravet Woman of the Year award. from Eric & Iris Spungin the Bat Mitzvah of Barbara Fichtenholtz from Jeri & Barry Mazel Barbara Fichtenholtz, for her Bat Mitzvah! from John & Suzanne Schloss Ruth Goldblatt, Woman of Courage Award from John & Suzanne Schloss Loel and Ruth Goldblatt from Joseph Zimmerman & Bonnie Rosenberg Tracy Smith and Daniel Joseph from Micki and Gary Joseph Barbara Fichtenholtz from Peter & Marcy Schulman the special birthdays and anniversary of Gloria and Art Levin. from Richard and Miriam Goldberg The Bat Mitzvah of Barbara Fichtenholtz from Richard/Marsha & Marsha Lowry Dorothy Dee 100th Birthday from Sally Perlroth Paula Schwartz from Shirley Zeldis



DONATIONS

SEPTEMBER 24-OCTOBER 28TH

OPERATING FUND (CONTINUED)

In Memory Of In Memory of David Zeldis, son of Shirley Zeldis from Arthur & Gloria Levin Eudace Chorches Levine from Beverly Jackowitz Ed Silverstein from Beverly Jackowitz Miriam Podos (Miryam Bat Yehuda) from Brandon & Linda Podos John Minor from Charles Minor & Carrie Kramer Lenna Worobow from Darvl & Karen Worobow Mitchell Green from David & Lauren Shafer Pearl Deligdish from Deborah Feldman Anna Siegel from Herbert Siegel & Helen Wong Gladys Doroff, from John & Suzanne Schloss Edward Silverstein from Louis & Elinor Norton Pearl Deligdish. May her memory be a blessing. from Marrah Balan Pearl Deligdish from Michelle Farison Edward Silverstein from Robert & Phyllis Fishberg In Honor of: Member of the Year, Mark Orenstein. from Robert & Phyllis Fishberg Eudace Levine, sister of Martin from Robert & Phyllis Fishberg Harold Warner from Robin & Craig Faust Barbara Kleinman from Ronald & Brenda Kleinman Edna Siegfeld & Edward Weinstein from Sam Sheiker & Alisa Siegfeld Jacob & Ethel Sheiker from Sam Sheiker & Alisa Siegfeld Barbara Canter from Sheldon & Kathleen Paul Eric Jacoby from Sue Jacoby

In Support of the FVJC=Emek Shalom B'nai Mitzvah Program from FVJC Men's Club

The Yahrzeit Of Leah Katz Pear, mother of Adrienne Pear Hopfer from Dr Sidney & Adrienne & Sidney Hopfer Charlotte Strauss Hopfer, mother of Sidney Hopfer from Dr Sidney & Adrienne & Sidney Hopfer Edith Simon from Elizabeth DeGrout & Stuart Simon Leonard S. Wergeles from Fred & Amy Wergeles Herbert Roiff Miriam Roiff from Noel & Marsha Davidson

RABBI BEKAH'S DISCRETIONARY FUND In Honor Of The Bar Mitzvah of Barbara Fichtenholtz from Claire Silverstein B'nai Mitzvah students and their Mitzvah Projects from Marilyn Cadoff Debbie Bogatz, who is celebrating a milestone birthday. from Rhonda Sacher In celebration of Barbara Fichtenholtz's Bat Mitzvah on the occasion of her 75th birthday! from Rhonda Sacher

In Memory Of Santo Vitale, father of Lydia Vitale Klatsky from Alan & Lydia Klatsky Pearl Deligdish from Betsy Zimmerman Pearl Deligdish from David Mandell In memory of Jesse Sisken, brother of Estelle Abrams. May his memory be a blessing. from Debra Bogatz Sheindel Schnur Bertham Kaplan from Elizabeth Kaplan Ruth Hausman Ernest Weichsel Florie Weichsel Bertha Engelmann from Eva Hausman Pearl Deligdish from Jared and Joanne Mandell Susan Ungerleider from Michael & Kathy Ungerleider Pearl Deligdish from Paul Mandell Agnes Goldberg from Stanley Goldberg & Cantor Susan Levine

In Support of continued misheberach prayers for our son Brian's speedy recovery. from Stephen & Faith Kamins The Yahrzeit Of Our dad, Jay Linn. from Judy & Judith Muirhead Jack Weiner from The Kagel Family & Steven Kagel

RABBI DAVID SOBEL MEMORIAL FUND In Memory Of Minnie Epstein from Robert & Sandra Bourke RABBI GAVI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND In Memory Of Pearl Deligdish from Molly Sheriff

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DISCRETIONARY FUND In Memory Of David Maltz from Allen & Fran Maltz Eva Rosenfeld from Danny & Audrey Rosenfeld Frank Riemer from Danny & Audrey Rosenfeld

SANDRA L. KRAVET - WOMAN OF COURAGE FUND In Honor Of the wedding of Joshua Gorra from David Kravet

> SOCIAL ACTION FUND In Honor Of Stephanie and Richard Leite from Robert & Jane Stei





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KOL NIDRE OCTOBER 4TH YOM KIPPUR OCTOBER 5TH

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WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY, AND EVERY DOLLAR DONATED TO OUR High Holiday Silent Appeal GDES INTO MAKING OUR COMMUNITY

A STRONGER ONE!

Please return this ticket to FVJCES with your name, address and amount of your contribution indicated.

PLEASE FOLD THE AMOUNT OF YOUR GENEROUS DONATION

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Please consider contributing to our 5783 Kol Nidre Appeal.

To donate, you can scan here or mail a check to the Synagogue Office.

Thank you!





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