



# PATHFINDER

## Blazing a New Path to God: Rabbi Moffic's Remarks at the Shabbat Marking the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Building

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**The deadline for the 2015 Israel B'nei Mitzvah trip is April 15!!**

**See the Shavuon and flyers in the lobby for details.**

With a last name like Moffic, I'm used to some mispronunciation. Moffic—Moffitt, Mossic. I've heard them all. Our congregation suffers a similar confusion. There are at least three ways to pronounce Solel. SO-lel, So-LEL. And Sol-ALE, which may be the most accurate pronunciation.

Part of the reason for the confusion is that the word Solel is not actually found in the Bible. Several words derived from the same Hebrew root letters—s-l-l are found. The most famous instance is in the Book of Isaiah, chapter 57, verse 14: *v'amar solu-solu panu darekh harimu mikh'shol miderekh ami: Make a path! Make a path! Clear the way! Remove all obstacles from the path of My people!*"

The original context of the verse is Isaiah calling for the Israelites to leave idolatry behind. He is calling on them, symbolically, to clear a path up Mount Sinai so they can return and receive God's law again. Those words—*Solu Solu*—clear a path, clear a path. They were the echoes reverberating in the back of Rabbi Ar-

nold Wolf's head. They were the words resonating in the hearts of Herman Edwards and the group that began meeting in 1957. *Solu Solu*, clear a path—it wasn't just clear a path up Lake Shore Drive and Sheridan Avenue from Hyde Park to Highland Park. It was a call to make a new path to Jewish life.

Now, I know this may surprise everyone, but I've never actually worked on a construction crew to make a path or a road—but I did a little research, and I have watched it on YouTube, and it is extremely hard work. You have to dig, drill, lay out concrete—making a path takes tremendous effort.

The same was true 50 years ago. A group of men and women got together; they had a blueprint, they had leaders, they had energy, they had vision. They devoted extraordinary time, effort, intelligence and hard work to realize this vision. How did they do it? Well, what gave their arms strength and their

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## Cantor Glikin's Desk-- Do Not Stand Idly By When Your Neighbor Bleeds

My family immigrated from Ukraine when I was 13 years old and since then I have barely followed political developments within the country, even as I have gone back to visit friends and family on numerous occasions. But, the last couple of months have been different. What became clear early on was that the peaceful protests in Kiev, which started in November, had a different feel to them. Composed primarily of the highly-educated middle class, the protesters on Maidan (Kiev's central square) demanded that their basic human dignity as Ukrainian citizens be honored and that the corrupt government step down.

The protesters on Maidan were composed not of radical elements or political activists, but of the common folk, including some of my close friends – Jewish and non-Jewish. Two of my close Jewish friends in Kiev were delivering food, clothes, and medications to the protesters. On their Facebook page, I was reading posts by non-Jews thanking the Jewish community of Kiev for their support of Maidan and its activities.

As violence erupted in the middle of February, prompted by the corrupt then-President Victor Yanukovich's orders to shoot and kill the peaceful protesters, tensions in Kiev mounted. In the course of two days, over 70 people were killed and hundreds were injured by the state-funded armed forces. The violence led to a Parliament vote ousting Yanukovich from office. Violence immediately ceased. While the political aims of Maidan had been accomplished, the city now had to deal with the horrifying reality of the countless injured. Makeshift hospitals emerged around Kiev with doctors volunteering care around the clock, but some of the injuries could not be handled within Ukraine due to their severity.

Members of the Kiev Jewish community once again rose to the occasion. In partnership with their contacts from Israel, they were able to transfer 10 wounded Ukrainians (including one who is Jewish) to hospitals in Israel for treatment. Currently, two of the ten injured young men are at Jerusalem's Hadassah University Hospital, while the remaining eight are at the Kaplan Medical Center in Rehovot. The wounded range in age from 17 to 49. Among them are an engineering student, a filmmaker, a doctor, a construction worker, a teacher of chemistry. Some are single and some have children. One of the victims said: "I decided to join Maidan to protect my rights. The low income level became unbearable. I worked two jobs and still my salary barely covered all daily payments, it was not enough to live. It

was enough. I strive for freedom. I want my children to grow up in a better country. I want them to have a choice, to have more opened ways to success and more opportunities."

Over \$150,000 was raised by the Ukrainian Jewish community to pay for the transfer and care of these ten individuals, but more funds are necessary to assure proper medical care and rehabilitation for the wounded. The Torah teaches us not to stand idly by when our neighbor bleeds (Leviticus 19:16). Please open your hearts, and help to support these victims of violence, as well as the Israeli hospitals that are treating them. Please send all donations for the care of these 10 individuals to Congregation Solel with a memo that the donations are for the "Wounded Ukrainians in Israel." We will forward all of the donations to the special account that has been opened for this cause. Thank you so much for your support of these individuals on their way to recovery!

- Cantor Vicky Glikin

## Give the Gift of Life

Solel is sponsoring our Spring blood drive on Sunday, May 4, 2014, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. There is always a need for blood, and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime. Join your fellow congregants for freshly baked goodies, bagels and cream cheese and shmoozing.

Appointments can be made by contacting Phil Kaplan at [philkaplan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:philkaplan@sbcglobal.net) or (847) 433-2315 or Diane Resnick at [dnrphd@gmail.com](mailto:dnrphd@gmail.com) or (847) 926-8510.

**BE A HERO...  
SAVE 3 LIVES!**

**JUST 1 PINT MAY  
SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES!!**

## Chuck Gutman in Need of Kidney Donation

*“He who saves one life saves the world entire.”*

- Talmud

For those who have had the pleasure of working with Chuck Gutman, you know he is the brains, the heart, and the soul behind Envision Scholars ([envisionscholars.org](http://envisionscholars.org)). But he needs something even more precious in order to continue his life-changing mission. He needs a kidney.

Chuck has advanced stage renal failure and he needs a life-saving kidney donation. Although the decision to donate a kidney cannot be taken lightly, a recent study, published in *JAMA (The Journal of the American Medical Association)* found no difference in mortality between donors and people living with both kidneys.

The title of the *Scientific American* article summarizing the study published in JAMA is “One's Enough: People Who Donate a Kidney Live Just as Long as Those Who Don't”.

<http://www.scientificamerican.com/article/kidney-donor-mortality/>

Chuck Gutman is an inspired community organizer, dedicated educator, and passionate advocate for Waukegan students. Through Envision Scholars, the foundation he established, and through his work as college counselor at Waukegan High School, Chuck has helped countless deserving Waukegan High School students achieve their dream of graduating from college. And now Chuck needs *our* help. Not only will donating a kidney save Chuck's life, it will allow him to continue to change the lives of many others. Take the first step. Please call Kathy Davis, Living Donor Nurse Coordinator for University of Chicago Hospital's Transplant Center at (773) 834-2228 to get tested.

## Solel Participates In Health Care Survey

It was no surprise to Lake County United (LCU) and the Lake County Health Department that responses to a recent jointly sponsored access to healthcare survey differed by community. Congregation Solel, which is located in southeast Lake County, showed that responding congregants had higher education and income levels, as well as better access to healthcare than many in the county.

The survey, sponsored LCU in conjunction with the Lake County Health Department, had 1,759 respondents from all over the county; 137 of those came from Congregation Solel.

That doesn't mean that there were no concerns and Solel's Just Congregations committee is forming a coalition of LCU members from southeast Lake County to address those highlighted in the survey from our slice of the county.

LCU, of which Solel is a member, is composed of a consortium of faith-based and non-profit organizations from throughout Lake County, representing a group

that is diverse ethnically, religiously, and economically. They work together to address issues within their communities. The health care survey grew out of concerns voiced by members to their member organizations.

Of particular concern to the LC Health Department were results showing that nearly 44 percent of Lake County, IL residents who completed a recent access to health care survey reported being either depressed or stressed. When asked about whether they had access to mental health services, however, 37.1 percent of respondents from the county overall said no, while 24.1 percent of those from Solel indicated that they did not and nearly 24 percent from southeast Lake County agreed.

In response to the county-wide responses, the Lake County Health Department has indicated to LCU that it plans a two part program to assess mental health services in the county, as well as to put together an action plan, said Cris Pope, LCU's Executive Director.

For more information about the survey results and plans to take action on them, contact Meta L. Levin at [meta.levin@comcast.net](mailto:meta.levin@comcast.net).

# From Our President -- Remarks at the Rededication Shabbat Service on March 21, 2014

Shabbat Shalom on this memorable evening. In April of 1964 – some of you know as much first hand – Congregation Solel dedicated its newly completed and much beloved synagogue. This evening's Rededication Shabbat service – and what happens tomorrow and on Sunday – results from more than a year of planning. An inter-generational committee – co-chaired by Ross Erlebacher and Betsy Lassar – devoted untold hours to all that will take place between now and Sunday afternoon. The committee members – Linda Chizewer, Avery Cohen, Susan Kaden, Holly Krakow, Adrienne Levin, and Arthur Segil – have given shape and context for our ambitious schedule of events. I extend a special welcome to Rabbi Emeritus Dov Taylor, to members of Rabbi Wolf's family, to Rabbi Laurence Edwards, and to our founding member Corinne Siegel-Gerson.

The splendid refurbishing of our synagogue – known as Phase One and Phase Two – provides us with a reason to reflect and rejoice. The year 2013 proved momentous. Our president – Larry Mason – inspired and guided us. In a single year many, many congregants stepped forward to graciously underwrite the enhancement of our sanctuary, our lounge, our social hall, our vastly improved sound system as well as audio-visual capacities, and our life-safety improvements. Our collective effort was nothing less than a heart-warming community-building initiative. This effort encompassed a broad sweep of our generations, from our cherished founders to the many who have affiliated with Congregation Solel much more recently. The year 2013 added a wonderful vibe to this community that is readily detectable among us on this Rededication Shabbat. It also provides the debut for our streaming video capacity reaching out to congregants unable to be with us. We thank Larry Mason and Allan Litwack for persevering.

And other wonderful things have appeared on our horizon. An ad hoc committee – Gail Goldstein, Bruce Mondschain, and Barbara Volin – has produced a magnificent exhibition revealing twelve treasures of Congregation Solel's holdings of Artistic Judaica. Please make time to contemplate the photographs, artfully prepared by our Bruce Mondschain. This comprises a sumptuous treasure for our congregation and we thank you all for your efforts.

As if this was not enough, Avery Cohen and Ross Erlebacher have compiled a documentary history of Congregation Solel. It takes us from our earliest impulses – circa 1955 – to the second decade of our new century. Avery and Ross engaged numerous congregants to prepare chapters for our book. As you read this keepsake

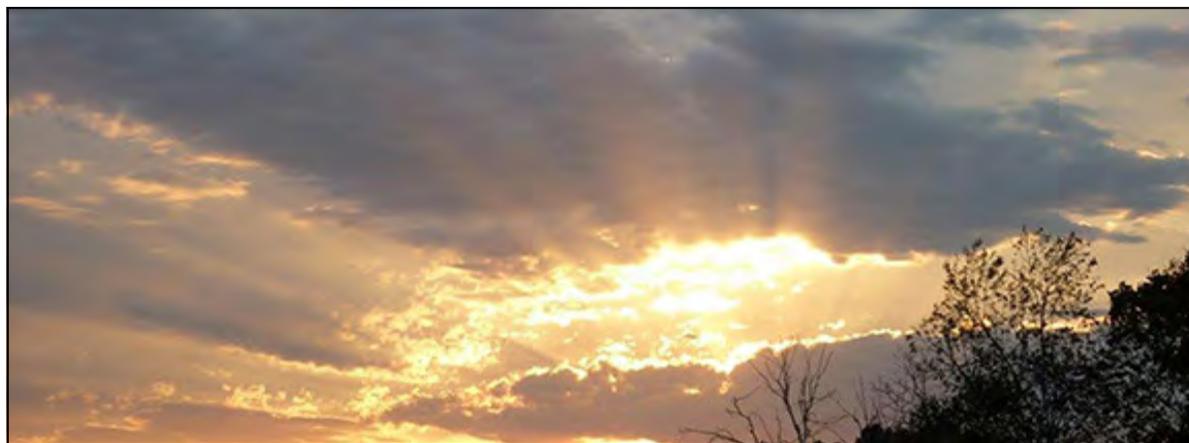
volume you will learn a great deal that surely enriches and inspires. Here, to whet your appetite, are a handful of chapters. The full meal will be available for each you to take home at the conclusion of our service.

- **Bernie Berkin**, a founder of Congregation Solel and the first principal of our Religious School, recalls the significance of Jewish education as a driving force in our founding.
- **Avery Cohen**, a second generation congregant, fondly recalls Torah School, a storyline of immense importance focused on family-centered, inter-generational Jewish learning.
- **Beth Sanchez** tells us about the legacy of the Solel choir, one of our most enduring traditions.
- **Ben and Jonathan Wolf** provide a chapter entitled "Stances with Wolfs," recollecting about their late father who we also know as our founding Rabbi Arnold Jacob Wolf. You will hear more about Rabbi Wolf this weekend from Rabbi Laurence Edwards and Martha Minow. And did you know – by way of an obscure footnote – that on his 83<sup>rd</sup> birthday Rabbi Wolf celebrated his Bar Mitzvah at Congregation KAM Isaiah Israel? And that Rabbi Wolf invited a then *very* youthful Rabbi named Evan Moffic to deliver remarks on that auspicious occasion.
- **David Marks** bridges our past and present as a first-hand participant. He recounts how the original design of Congregation Solel unfolded in the early 1960's as well as his service on the Building Task Force in 2013. And in this latter assignment David collaborated with son-in-law Larry Mason and daughter Susie Mason.
- **Phyllis Loeff** also bridges fifty-seven years, writing passionately about Torah study with our four spiritual leaders: Rabbi Wolf, Rabbi Robert J. Marx, Rabbi Taylor, and Rabbi Moffic.
- **Robin Shapiro** draws another circle. Robin chronicles Congregation Solel's strong bond with Waukegan High School and its Envision Scholar Program, a twenty-first century affirmation of our enduring connection to the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

This Rededication Weekend offers you an abundance of riches. (Parenthetically, I might add that it will bring us

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# FAITH JOURNEY: A MUSICAL EXPLORATION



**Solel's Spring Concert!**  
**Sunday, May 4, 2014 at 4:00**

Join Cantor Vicky Glikin, Solel's Adult Choir,  
Kol Zimrah (Chicago Jewish Community Singers), and other  
special guests on this inspirational musical journey!

*Admission is free of charge  
to members of Solel and the broader community.*



## CAASE NEWS: Executive Director Speaks at Women's Seder on Human Trafficking



On Sunday, March 2, CAASE Executive Director, Kaethe Morris Hoffer, spoke at Congregation Solel's Women's Seder in Highland Park. Women from the surrounding North Shore communities gathered together for a festive meal and a second helping of human trafficking awareness.

In the Jewish tradition, Seder, a festive holiday meal, means "order," and traditionally symbolizes stages of the meal as a path from slavery to freedom in reference to the Exodus story of Jewish slaves in Egypt. CAASE partnered with Congregation Solel to create a Seder with a focus on human trafficking. This women's Seder highlighted the story of modern slavery and participants recounted realities surrounding the condition of women and girls across the country and the world.

"Our Women's Seder was an opportunity to examine the relevance of the Passover story to our modern lives. Human Trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery and as Jewish women, it is our distinct responsibility to learn more and to speak out against this horrendous practice," said Cantor Vicky Glikin of Congregation Solel.

Guests participated in prayers and songs as a commemoration of the season of liberation. An extra place was set at the Seder table representing the victims of human trafficking as a reminder of those who remain in bondage.

"Our Seder's focus on trafficking of women and girls as an example of modern slavery made real our Jewish religion's obligations to condemn the horrors of slavery (whether physical, emotional or intellectual) and the power of individuals to cause the redemption of an entire community," said Gabrielle Sigel, a member of Solel.

CAASE Executive Director, Kaethe Morris Hoffer, informed the audience about sexual exploitation in Illinois and the continuing problem of law enforcement failing to punish pimps and johns. In an effort to link the Jewish tradition of opposing oppression and enslavement to our own community effort to end harm, CAASE encouraged the participants to sign letters to local mayors and police chiefs, urging them to prosecute sex traffickers and buyers and to help end sexual exploitation of victims.

"By contacting our local government and law enforcement agencies, we are acting as change agents in bringing more attention to this important issue and to standing up to the injustices associated with it," said Glikin. "The best Seders are those that educate the participants," said Sigel. "Kaethe Morris Hoffer and CAASE did just that – they educated us on the factors causing prostitution and trafficking and the possibility that, through ending demand, we can end human trafficking," she said.

"The Seder was particularly meaningful to me as the focus on trafficking of women and girls demonstrated how the traditional, Biblical themes of the Passover story, from slavery to freedom, are relevant today," said Susan Altfeld, a member of Solel.

"Kaethe's presentation and her recommendations regarding actions we can take to help address these injustices engaged us all and emphasized that we need to do more than hear the stories of victims and survivors," said Altfeld.

Over 85 petition letters were signed and mailed to local mayors and police chiefs in northern Illinois communities like Deerfield, Buffalo Grove, Highland Park, and many others.



# Tradition, Music & Social Justice Combine at Solel's Women's Seder

Eighty-eight women celebrated, sang, danced and learned their way through Congregation Solel's annual Women's Seder Sunday, March 2, at Solel. With a whole month and a half until Passover, the women hoped that the celebration would bring with it a taste of the spring we've all been yearning for.

Tables were set with what has now become a Women's Seder tradition of purple and lavender linens, as well as ritual objects provided by the Women's Seder Committee and special Women's Seder plates. Different women took turns in leading the congregation in readings. Cantor Vicky Glikin and Judith Golden led the music of the Seder, working from a Haggadah modified to include references to human trafficking, the social justice component of the Seder.

A speaker from the Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation (CAASE) explained the current situation. During the meal attendees were invited to sign letters addressed to their local elected officials explaining the situation and asking them to take action. This was the action piece of the social justice element of the Seder, something that has been a regular feature since it began.

In a new addition to the event, attendees provided recipes for the Passover-friendly side-dishes and desserts they contributed to the meal, which were compiled into a Women's Seder cookbook and distributed to everyone.

The tambourines, Seder plates and Haggadahs are packed away until next year. The women are preparing for their own, family Seders, but there is an echo of song in Solel's social hall and in the hearts of all those who joined this very special and joyful event.

Thank you so much to the many people who helped make the Women's Seder a success! We are grateful for your leadership, creativity, and thoughtfulness!

Thank you to:

- Andi Bogot, Ellen Diamond, Darryl Ebner, Laura Frisch, Judith Golden, Julia Gorelik, Elaine Haney, Anne Kleinerman, Nancy Kullman, Marliss Levin, Meta Levin, Linda Muskin, Diane Resnick, Gay Sigel, Sue Ulman, and Caren Yanis
- Solel's Executive Director Allan Litwack and amazing office staff, Evelyn Brewer and Michelle Raz.
- Cantor Vicky Glikin
- Everyone who brought side-dishes and desserts to share
- Everyone who volunteered in any way to help make the seder a reality
- Everyone who attended the seder and helped to bring it to life with your beautiful participation and engagement



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home-made delectables, prepared by our loyal corps of bakers, at this evening's Oneg Shabbat.) Please also join us tomorrow morning at 10:30 am for a special Torah Study with Rabbi Moffic. It will be followed by a Kid-dush lunch. And after our nourishment a panel discussion will bring together Rabbi Laurence Edwards – son of our first president Herman Edwards, Rabbi Emeritus Dov Taylor, and Corinne Siegel-Gerson, a signatory to the charter of Congregation Solel and the first woman elected to serve as our president. On Sunday morning the Religious School – including the parents of the students – will learn about the history of our congregation. Everyone is welcomed to attend. Our finale – at 2 pm on Sunday – again takes us back to our beginnings. Martha Minow will be our keynote speaker. As I recently mentioned to Rabbi Moffic, let us think of her foremost as an alumna of this congregation's Religious School as well as by her day job as the Dean of Harvard Law School. Dean Minow's topic will be "Pathfinding Then and Now: Reflections of a Grown-up Child of Solel."

Our Rededication weekend should not be misinterpreted. It is **not** solely devoted to our rich past. Nor even the present. Consider words written by James Baldwin: "History... does not refer merely to the past... history is literally present in all that we do."

Our Rededication Weekend, in a very real sense, looks to Congregation Solel's future. We look to our most recent generation of trailblazers, and those who will succeed them. They will lead our journey as pathfinders, mindful of the heritage of Congregation Solel.

Now – reinforcing our connections to the past, present, and future – it is my great honor to invite the past presidents of Congregation Solel to the bima as they collectively light our Shabbat candles.

- Michael Ebner  
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### **Postscript written on March 24<sup>th</sup>:**

The events of the Rededication weekend added up to a benchmark experience for congregants across the generations.

A handful of the messages I have received tell the story:

- **Gregg Hollander:** "As you well know, Pam and my only connection to Solel is having chosen to join Solel as adults. So it was remarkable to take a part in a conversation with the "old-timers" who lived through the history of the congregation even from the very moment of its founding."
- **Lew Segal:** "... I found out about the live stream and how to access it on the Solel website. As a result I took an hour off – [from my duties at the hospital] – and joined you via the internet for Martha Minow's lecture and the Havdalah service."
- **Holly Krakow:** "... this weekend was so meaningful and inspiring to me."
- **Dennis Kessler:** "It was a pleasure to be part of a great weekend celebration for a place that my grandson Ryan thinks is 'the best ever' and so do I."
- **Susan Kaden:** "It provided the perfect forum to honor our founding members and senior congregants while also inviting newer families to engage in Solel's rich history and tradition."
- **Martha Minow:** "... I will treasure the memories of yesterday."

*Two brand new Solel publications now are available to congregants -- free of charge -- who stop by the office during regular business hours.*

*#1: Our much-improved Solel directory for 2014-2016, containing congregants' names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses.*

*#2: A wonderful history of Congregation Solel published for the recent Rededication Weekend.*

*Questions? Call the office at (847) 433-3555 or email [soleloffice@solel.org](mailto:soleloffice@solel.org).*

# FIRST REPORT TO CONGREGATION FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

In late 2013, upon the recommendation of President Michael Ebner, the Congregation Solel Board of Directors approved the formation of the Capital Improvements Strategic Planning Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to evaluate Congregation Solel's capital improvement challenges and to develop a strategic plan concerning capital improvement projects. The Committee was charged with the responsibility of developing a working list of potential capital projects, evaluating costs, and to make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding priority.

President Michael Ebner appointed the following members to the Committee: Larry Mason (Chair), Ed Bederman, Ken Dickman, Lisa Wasserman, and David Zirin. *Ex officio* members of the Committee are President Michael Ebner and Executive Director Allan Litwack.

To date, the Committee has conducted two highly productive meetings on January 19 & February 21, 2014. The Committee developed an initial "needs list" for Congregation Solel capital improvement projects. This list was evaluated to eliminate certain topics, which were determined to be either unnecessary (*e.g.*, already being addressed and funded) or a low priority due to current condition (*e.g.*, Solel has newer roof and air conditioning systems).

The Committee next categorized the remaining "needs" into broader capital improvement goals as follows:

- Establishing a Welcoming Environment/Improving Facility Functionality
- Achieving Greater Environmentally-Friendly Practices/Improving Safety

The Committee discussed each of the remaining needs more specifically to sort the "needs" by the relevant capital improvement goals as follows:

## Establishing a Welcoming Environment/Improving Facility Functionality

- North Entry
- Flexible Space Improvements
- West Entry
- Classrooms

## Achieving Greater Environmentally-Friendly Practices/Improving Safety

- Windows
- Bathrooms

Specific details concerning each of the "needs" categorized by the Committee were discussed as follows:

North Entry: This project was identified as an important capital need. An improved "welcome to our synagogue" effect/feel was determined to be highly important. There is a strong desire to end the confusion for members and visitors entering the facility as to where to go, etc., to ensure a friendly, welcoming access to the facility from what has become the most important ingress/egress point.

Flexible Space Improvements: A need has been identified for additional meeting room/flexible-size space. Classrooms 9 & 10 and/or 11 & 12 should be evaluated for renovation to remove the existing non-load bearing walls between these rooms to be replaced with a folding partition wall(s). This renovation will result in improved space utilization/flexibility for a variety of activities beyond the Religious School (*e.g.*, Torah Study; Lifelong Learning programming; Task Force and Committee meetings).

West Entry: The goals of improving functionality and developing a more welcoming feel could be achieved through the renovation of the current 4 door configuration to change it to a 2 door configuration. An additional objective is to make Solel's primary limited mobility entrance even more functional with automatic door openers. Additional lighting for this area should also be evaluated.

Classrooms: The Committee strongly believes that further evaluation of the Religious School's needs should be completed before the Committee addresses the prioritization, if any, of capital improvements in this area. This work could be done by the Religious School Vision Task Force or another group to be appointed by the President that will conduct an evaluation and present its recommendations. For example, the Committee does not have a clear understanding of whether Solel's Religious School will benefit from technology improvements like "smart" boards. Other aspects of the classrooms to be considered include whether new furniture should be purchased and whether additional storage space should be constructed in an effort to enhance the Religious School's goals.

Windows: The installation of new windows and related window treatments primarily for the North and East side classrooms and to a lesser extent the West side of

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the facility was considered by the Committee to be an important need. The existing windows are original to the now 50-year old facility. Significant energy savings/efficiencies will be achieved through the installation of new windows in these areas. Additionally, important safety goals could be achieved through the installation of new windows in these areas.

**Bathrooms:** The primary men's and women's bathrooms do not have handicap facilities. These bathrooms additionally lack environmentally-friendly automatic sink faucets and toilet flushing mechanisms. The Committee recommends that, at a minimum, these modifications to the existing bathrooms be completed.

**NEXT STEPS:** The Committee will continue to evaluate Congregation Solel's capital improvement needs as further information becomes available. The Committee will obtain and evaluate estimated pricing for completion of each of the capital improvement goals identified in the Congregation Solel Capital Improvements Strategic Plan.

- Larry Mason

(Immediate Past President; Chair, Capital Improvements Strategic Planning Committee)

## SOLEL'S ONE BOOK COMMITTEE

### **The Attack** **by Yasmina Khadra**

*Join us for discussion on  
Sunday, April 13, 1:00 pm*

**We will also be showing the film,  
"For My Father," on Wednesday, April 9 at  
7:00 pm. The movie is about a Palestinian  
suicide bomber who comes to Tel Aviv.  
A discussion after the movie will be led by  
a moderator.**

## Solel Strives for Sustainability - Current Accomplishments

- The building renovations include:
  1. Energy/Star efficient lighting, including both LED fixtures and highly efficient T-8 fluorescents
  2. A new skylight was installed in the lounge and the existing sanctuary skylight was renovated, increasing passive daylighting
  3. Newer sections of the building have double glazed windows to save energy and window coverings that conserve energy by keeping sunlight out, reducing cooling expenses
  4. Various rooms have motion detector light switches, avoiding wasted lighting energy
- The office uses recycled paper and reduces paper usage by using the backsides of flyers in the computer to print new documents when possible
- The computer printer cartridges are returned for recycling
- Recycling receptacles are visible throughout the office and in school area
- The *Pathfinder* is e-mailed saving paper and money
- When the pond was re-landscaped a few years ago, all remaining invasive buckthorn was removed from the pond's south end
- Religious school parents have been encouraged to reduce engine idling while waiting to pick up children, to reduce fuel usage and keep the air cleaner
- Rabbi Moffic walks to work!

- the Solel Green Team

**THANK YOU to the organizers of  
the Martinis & Megillah party  
on March 15<sup>th</sup>!!**

**Wendy Bloom  
Marcia Denberg  
Linsey Cohen  
Liz Cohen  
Lisa Kaplan**

## In This House . . .

Solelites from across the generations gathered March 21-23 to commemorate the rededication of Solel, celebrating 50 years of living, learning, worshipping and *tikkun olam* in our congregational home and connecting our past, present and future. *L'dor vador* . . .



**92Y Live** From NYC  
Programs broadcast live via satellite

**Eli Wiesel**  
Thursday, May 22, 7:00 pm



Don't miss the opportunity to learn from Elie Wiesel, founder of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity and Nobel Laureate, at 92Y.

**Cost: \$10 per person**

**Payment options: log in to [www.solel.org](http://www.solel.org), check by mail or credit card by phone (847) 433-3555.**

*Program takes place at Congregation Solel*



## Three Gates Scholarship Finalists from Waukegan Announced

On January 2<sup>nd</sup> of this year, Solel organized and hosted the second Gates Scholarship Essay Writing Workshop. Over a dozen students from Waukegan High School attended and were mentored by an equal number of Solel volunteers.

Three Waukegan High School students have been named Gates Scholar Finalists:

1. Jessica Castillo - Congregant Lynn Salit was her writing coach.
2. Alvaro Ibarra - Congregant Brian Browdy was his writing coach.
3. Andrea Flores – Andrea was not able to attend the workshop due to the weather, but she later spoke at Solel’s Martin Luther King Service.

Our congregational partnership with Envision Scholars continues to evolve and successes emerge as a result. We will know soon if one or more of these students is selected for a Gates Scholarship.

## Save the Date — Solel and Kol Zimrah Spring Concert on May 4



Solel and Kol Zimrah Altos (left to right--Judith Golden, Beth Sanchez, Wendy Rhodes, and Joan Eagle) prepare for the March 12 concert "If It Wasn't for the Irish and the Jews" at Symphony Center. Join us on Sunday, May 4 when the Solel Adult Choir and Kol Zimrah join together in song at Solel. The concert will feature a wide variety of music from meditative and melodic to joyous and upbeat, encouraging us to experience the full range of human emotions and a connection to the Divine through the gift of song.



## Just Congregations – Education Beyond the Classroom Highlighting Community Needs

“I feel that I’m making a difference in someone’s life,” explained Solel member Beth Sanchez. Beth has recently started volunteering with the Escuela en Casa program. This program provides English instruction for Spanish speaking adults who are unable to attend the regular ESL classes. Tutors are matched with a “student” by the program director, Cindy Camacho. While there is a curriculum, the tutor can also tailor the program to fit the needs of the student. This may include vocabulary needed for a job, social situations, or life skills. “I feel that I am making a personal and cultural connection,” Beth continued. “It’s a win-win situation.” Escuela en Casa currently has a waiting list and needs tutors who are at least 18 years old, live in Highland Park or Highwood, and can volunteer 2 hours/week. Speaking Spanish is not a requirement.

Another program in need of volunteers is the Highland Park/Highwood Community Soccer League. This is a partnership with Highland Park High School, Family Services, and parent volunteers. All boys and girls ages 8-21 are welcome to play. The teams play on Sunday afternoon and coaches are needed for younger teams.

If you are interested in either of these programs, you can contact Just Congregations co-chair Sharon Stein, [sstein24@gmail.com](mailto:sstein24@gmail.com) or Cindy Camacho, Latino and Youth Program Coordinator, at (847) 432-4981, ext. 111. Please tell Cindy that you are from Congregation Solel.

## Solel Volunteers Help W2C Write Summer Job Resumes

Six volunteers from Congregation Solel journeyed to Waukegan March 8 to conduct a resume writing workshop for high school students in the Waukegan to College (W2C) program. The youngsters will use the resumes to help them get summer jobs.

Organized under the auspices of Solel's Just Congregations program, the two hour workshop included a speaker from Abbott Laboratories' Human Resources Department, as well as one-on-one counseling with the students.

W2C is a nearly five year old organization that grew out of a series of listening sessions that Lake County United (LCU), of which Congregation Solel is a member, held in member institutions to identify key concerns. Education came up as crucial in the Waukegan community. Parents and students needed help navigating the unfamiliar college readiness terrain.

After a nine-month study of existing college readiness programs, LCU developed one that involved parents as vital part of the system. Volunteer mentors and tutors work with students from middle school through high school, often staying in touch once they are in college. Parents get their own mentors, as well as special programming. W2C also raises funds to help students attend summer enrichment programs. Last year W2C spun off from LCU. W2C boasts a 100 percent high school graduation rate with 17 students now in college. Solel volunteers who helped with the resume workshop include Ellen Rubert, Wayne Rhodes, Sharon Stein, Joe Rafson, Larry Levin and Meta Levin.

For more information about questions about Solel's Just Congregations program, Lake County United, and W2C contact Meta Levin ([meta.levin@comcast.net](mailto:meta.levin@comcast.net)) or Sharon Stein ([ssstein24@gmail.com](mailto:ssstein24@gmail.com)) or [www.waukegantocollege.org](http://www.waukegantocollege.org).



## Rosh Chodesh Iyar Celebration for Women Wednesday, April 30 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm



ראש חודש

Rosh Chodesh is a celebration of ourselves, our uniqueness as women, and our relationship with the Divine. Join the women of Solel as we celebrate the beginning of the Jewish month of Iyar. You will see familiar faces and make new friends, learn more about the month of Iyar, grow spiritually, and engage in meaningful activities and discussion based on the themes of the month.

If you've never attended a Rosh Chodesh celebration, make this your first one—you won't regret it!

Please bring a food donation to benefit the Deerfield Food Pantry.

7:00 pm - 7:20 pm Social time—get to know the other women of Solel and nosh

7:20 pm - 7:50 pm Rosh Chodesh ritual led by Cantor Glikin

7:50 pm - 9:00 pm Special activity hosted by Lila Bondy, Julia Gorelik, and Laura Zuckerman

Please RSVP to Solel's office at [soleloffic@solel.org](mailto:soleloffic@solel.org).

If you have any questions, please be in touch with Cantor Glikin at [vglikin@solel.org](mailto:vglikin@solel.org).

*We look forward to seeing you at this wonderful event for women!*

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hearts dedication—what drove them—are the same values that drive us: community, learning, and the pursuit of a more just and humane world.

## Community

Community is a word often thrown about with little thought. But our Jewish understanding of community is rooted in a series of Torah portions we read just a few weeks ago. We read of the construction of the Tabernacle, the portable sanctuary the Israelites carried with them through the Sinai wilderness.

The Israelites built the tabernacle together. And that's a community. *A community is a group that builds something together.*

You may recall the movie *Witness* from a few decades ago. Harrison Ford moves into an Amish village to protect a little boy who witnessed a murder. Much of the movie focuses on the intrigue and inner workings of Amish life. In one extraordinary scene the entire town gathers together to build a new home. We see them dig the foundations, assemble the frame and work together to finish it by the end of the way. They feed off one another's energy. They achieve together what they could never achieve alone. That is community.

And that is what Solel was and is. 50 years ago. And today. 50 years ago the community got together, raised the money, bought the land and built this beautiful building. I saw this same spirit guide our recent capital campaign. And I saw it even more recently, as we prepared for this weekend.

Over the last two months, I have been blown away by the effort, imagination, teamwork and dedication put into making this weekend possible. From filming the religious school students to coordinating the study sessions, from arranging for our scholars, from digging through the archives—I looked and said to myself—this is what community is all about. The significance of this anniversary is marked not only by what we do this weekend. It has been expressed in all the work that brought us to it.

## Learning

Now many synagogues have strong communities. But few have as deep and profound a commitment to learning and social justice as our Solel does. An interesting fact—often pointed out by our President Michael Ebner—is that Solel did not begin as a typical synagogue. It began as a dialogue group and a religious school. Members of the Congregation Kehillat Anshe Maarav—

KAM—in Hyde Park had moved up to Highland Park. KAM had a rich history of extraordinary and learned rabbis, including Solomon Freehof, Joshua Loth Liebman and, in the 1950's, Jacob Weinstein. The membership reflected the culture of Hyde Park and its Jewish community. Those families wanted a rich and engaging Jewish education for their children—not a social club or a way to occupy themselves while Christian neighbors were in Church. So they pleaded with Rabbi Weinstein to come out and lead study sessions. They even pledged to build him a big house and big building if he would leave Hyde Park and become their full-time rabbi. Alas, that was not to be—evidently Mayor Daley put a lot of pressure on Rabbi Weinstein to stay in Hyde Park. But they found an equally intellectual—if a bit more rough around the edges leader—Rabbi Arnold Jacob Wolf. For Arnold, learning was not everything—it was the only thing. To be a Jew for Arnold was to learn. To learn our traditions; to learn of God; to learn of the world; and to live by what we learned. Solel's rabbis—Robert Marks, Dov Taylor, and hopefully myself have followed in this tradition.

But a teacher has no influence without students. And members of Solel have always understood themselves as students of our tradition—students of Torah, of Jewish history, of how to live a better life. And, extraordinarily, rabbis haven't been the only teachers. Our members constantly teach. They teach me, they teach each other, they teach in and to our community.

*And the Judaism we teach is not a Judaism of exclusivity, of narrow-mindedness, of tribalism.* It is a Judaism of what our Rabbi Emeritus Dov Taylor called in one sermon “both-and.” We do not practice Judaism simply so we can survive as Jews. We practice Judaism to improve the world. And we do not improve the world simply because it is a good thing to do. We engage in *tikkun olam*, Hebrew for repair of our world, because we are part of the Jewish people. Our Judaism reinforces our common humanity, and we serve humanity by embracing our Judaism.

## Chutzpah

If one value shapes both our approach to learning and to social justice—a common theme between the two—I think it is ...chutzpah, or audacity, in the best possible way. We think big. We act boldly. We believe we can become learned devout Reform Jews. And we believe we can and must change the world. I was reminded of this chutzpah this week when a congregant shared a letter found in the Wolf Family archives from Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King to Rabbi Wolf. Rabbi Wolf had invited Dr. King to come and represent the Christian

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community at the dedication of Solel's building in 1963. The letter contained Dr. King's polite and thoughtful regrets. Arnold's letter took a bit of chutzpah. The nation's foremost religious leader—a soon to be recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize—would come to a ceremony marking the dedication of a new suburban synagogue. But that's who we are.

We had the chutzpah to call ourselves, Solel, the pathfinder congregation. We had the chutzpah to build a summer camp for inner city teens, to march in Selma, to bring a Torah scroll to protest the Vietnam war in Washington, to fight for the rights of Soviet Jews, to protest for affordable housing, to work to get the children from undocumented and impoverished families into the nation's best universities. *To be a pathfinder is to have chutzpah.*

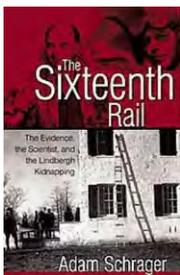
The beauty of calling ourselves pathfinders is that the path to holiness, the path to God, never ends. We have new plans to draw up, new trails to blaze, new trenches to dig, new intersections to cross. Sometimes the path may be rocky. Sometimes we will feel as if we are gliding downhill. And all times we will be sustained by a vision, expressed first by the Prophet Isaiah 2700 years ago, and lived here in this place for the last 50 years: *solu-solu panu darekh harimu mikh'shol miderekh ami: Make a path! Make a path! Clear the way! Remove the obstacles from the path of My people!*"

- Rabbi Evan Moffic

### Joyce Schragar Presents:

An Evening with Adam Schragar, author of *The Sixteenth Rail; The Evidence, the Scientist, and the Lindbergh Kidnapping*

Wednesday, April 23, 7:00 pm



Adam will discuss some of the issues surrounding the highly publicized Lindbergh case as well as introduce the U. of Wisconsin Forensic Scientist who helped solve the murder.

A mystery...a piece of history...and a rollicking good story.

Free admission and open to the public.

# Yom HaShoah (Holocaust) Commemoration April 26 at 7 pm Congregation Solel

*The critically acclaimed special liturgy compiled by Cantor Glikin will be accompanied by piano, cello, violin, and a quartet of singers. The ceremony will honor all those who perished during the Shoah (Holocaust), those who survived against all odds, and those who risked their lives for the sake of others. As one community we will remember, honor, heal, and re-commit ourselves to fighting for human dignity in our world. Please join us for this moving and spiritual commemoration appropriate for adults and children in 4th grade and older.*

We would like to honor all within our congregation who have personal connections to the Shoah. Please contact the office at (847) 433-3555 or [solelooffice@solel.org](mailto:solelooffice@solel.org) to have your name or the name of someone in your family included in the program and recognized if:

- you have relatives who perished in the Shoah
- you or someone in your family survived the Shoah against all odds
- you or someone in your family risked their life for the sake of others
- you or someone in your family participated in the liberation of concentration camps
- you or someone in your family fought against the Nazi aggression
- you have dedicated your time and resources to educating about the Shoah



## Mazel Tov to Sarah Giardina on her Bat Mitzvah!



Sarah is the daughter of Julie Keywell and Tim Giardina and will become a Bat Mitzvah on April 5, 2014. She is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Northwood Junior High in Highland Park. Some of Sarah's favorite hobbies include arts and crafts, dancing, and volleyball. For her Mitzvah Project, Sarah helped raise awareness of puppy mills with the Puppy Mill Project. She helped dissuade people from buying puppies from puppy mills and helped them raise funds. From her Mitzvah Project, Sarah learned how puppy mills got started and not to judge the people who started them, but rather to disapprove of their actions and help sellers become aware of what they were doing. Sarah's Torah portion is *M'tzorah* from the Book of Leviticus. The most important thing Sarah learned from her Torah portion is to take care of people who are sick like you would want to be taken care of. The lesson Sarah learned from this experience is you can do anything if you focus and put your mind to it. The greatest challenge Sarah faced in preparing for the ceremony was making sure to consistently practice.

## Mazel Tov to Hailey Reichman on her Bat Mitzvah!



Hailey, the daughter of Gregory and Dawn Reichman, will become a Bat Mitzvah on April 12, 2014. She is in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Shepard Middle School in Deerfield. Her hobbies include acting, singing, dancing, baking and drawing. Hailey's Torah portion is *Acharei Mot* from the Book of Leviticus. From her Torah Portion, Hailey learned about the results of a sacrifice that can be forced or chosen. Her Mitzvah Project was making cards and sending goods to soldiers who are sacrificing their lives and time with loved ones overseas. From her Mitzvah Project, Hailey learned that the most honorable sacrifices aren't usually the biggest or the broadest sacrifice, but it comes from the heart and holds sentimental value. The greatest challenge she faced in preparing for her ceremony is not procrastinating and studying to her best extent. The important lesson she learned from this experience is that becoming a Jewish adult isn't just the final product of leading a service, but it's also the journey that gets you to that point in time.

## Mazel Tov to Abby Schaeffer on her Bat Mitzvah!



Abby Schaeffer, daughter of Daniel and Julie, will become a Bat Mitzvah on April 26. She is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at Wood Oaks Junior High. Abby's favorite hobbies are reading, playing on the computer, swimming, and writing. For her Mitzvah Project Abby volunteered for a number of organizations including Luggage for Freedom, the Northbrook Public Library, and the Chicagoland Lab Rescue. From her Mitzvah Project, Abby learned that there are other things to donate instead of just money, and it feels good to help people. Abby's Torah portion is *K'doshim* from the Book of Leviticus. The most important thing Abby learned from her Torah portion is that you should always try to give what you have to people who aren't as fortunate as you are. The important thing Abby learned from her experience becoming a Bat Mitzvah is it takes a lot of work and preparation to become proficient enough to stand in front of the congregation and chant the Torah and Haftarah. The greatest challenge she faced in preparing for her ceremony was balancing all of her activities and making sure there was some free time as well.

### Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Moffic

**Downtown Lunch & Learn  
April 9 at noon.**

**Lunch & Learn at Solel  
April 8 & 22 at noon**



Join Rabbi Evan Moffic for these special classes as he reflects on events of both Jewish and broader public interest.

# Check Out These Activities at Congregation Solel



## Shabbat Shalom!

*A Service for the  
Whole Congregation*  
**Friday, April 25**



With its high energy and casual atmosphere Shabbat Shalom! is the perfect way for Solelites of all ages to celebrate Shabbat.

**5:30 pm** - Pizza dinner

**6:15 pm** - Enjoy a warm and meaningful service led by Cantor Glikin and Rabbi Moffic, with participation by Solel's Youth Choir "Rimonim"

**Future Dates:**  
May 30

Shabbat. Friendship.  
Community. Family. Song.



## Hava Nashira!



a new engaging and spirited service featuring fresh and familiar melodies.

Join us on April 11 at 7:30 pm for an evening of song and inspiration, accompanied by Solel's own instrumentalists and singers.

*It's Shabbat...Let's Sing!*



**Future Dates:**  
June 6



## Pray 'n Play

Saturday, April 12

10:30 am

*This isn't your ordinary Tot Shabbat!*



Join other families with children 0-5 years of age for a fun, interactive "Gymboree-style" Shabbat program, featuring music, maracas, puppets, & parachutes.

Followed by a complimentary bagel brunch and playtime.

Older siblings are welcome to attend!

**Come, sing, play, make friends!!**

Led by Cantor Vicky Glikin

**Future Dates:**  
May 10



## Solel Bike Drive

Donate your used bike on **Sunday, May 4th, 9:30 a.m - 1 p.m.** at Congregation Solel's parking lot.

**Working Bikes** is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit that has redistributed more than **45,000 bicycles** since its inception.

You can donate any-size bikes, parts, and accessories in any condition at this bike drive. All donations are tax deductible.

For more information, contact Phil Kaplan at [philkaplan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:philkaplan@sbcglobal.net)

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## Cantor's Discretionary Fund

**Anne and David Kleinerman**, in memory of Arnold Goodman  
**Kathy Shorr and Jamie Pfeiffer**, in memory of Alice E. Shorr

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**Ladies of Today Book Group**, in memory of David Robbin's mother, Ann Robbin

## Music Fund

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**Sally and Gershen Abraham**, in memory of Sylvia Abraham  
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**Jack and Greta Heiman**, in memory of Sera Heimann  
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**Gary and Judy Leven**, in memory of Sari Leven Camras  
**Gary and Judy Leven**, in memory of Richard Mayer and Richard Adams

## Tribute Fund (continued)

**Gail and James Marovitz**, in memory of Helene Florsheim  
**Marilyn Meyers**, in memory of Marcia Libby Gerber and in honor of Solel's Rededication Weekend and staff for making it happen  
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**Wendy and Wayne Rhodes**, in honor of the Rededication Committee and all their efforts  
**Toddy Richman**, in memory of Hugo Melvoin  
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**Gary Wainer and Beth Volin**, in honor of Barbara Volin and Congregation Solel's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
**Laurence and Deborah Wilneff**, in memory of Jerome Wilneff  
**Jerry and Janet Wolf**, in memory of Hugo Wolf  
*As of March 27, 2014*

## Mazel Tov to...

**Courtney and Edie Shanken**, on their 69<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

## Condolences to...

**Barbara Altman**, on the passing of her father, Herbert Friedman.

**Alan and Nancy Goodman**, on the passing of their father, Arnold Goodman.

## Stock Transfers to Congregation Solel

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Thank you for your continued support.

# April 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> No Religious School 7:00 pm Jewish War Veterans Executive Meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service	<b>5</b> 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Sarah Giardina Bat Mitzvah 10:35 am Morning Minyan
<b>6</b> No Religious School	<b>7</b> 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>8</b> 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn 4:15 pm Religious School 7:30 pm Just Congregations	<b>9</b> 10:00 am Joyce Schragger Book Club 12:00 pm Downtown Lunch & Learn 7:00 pm Movie & Discussion	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 7:30 pm Hava Nashira Service	<b>12</b> 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Pray 'n Play 10:30 am Hailey Reichman Bat Mitzvah 10:35 am Morning Minyan
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# Shabbat Services Schedule

## Friday, April 4

Shabbat Evening Service.....7:30 pm

*T'rumah, Exod. 25:1-27:19*

## Saturday, April 5

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Morning Minyan.....10:35 am

## Friday, April 11

Hava Nashira Shabbat Service.....7:30 pm

*T'tzabeh, Exod. 27:20-30:10*

## Saturday, April 12

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Pray 'n Play .....10:30 am

Morning Minyan.....10:35 am

## Friday, April 18

Choir Shabbat .....7:30 pm

*Ki Tisa, Exod. 30:11-34:35*

## Saturday, April 19

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Morning Minyan .....10:35 am

## Friday, April 25

Pizza Dinner.....5:30 pm

Shabbat Shalom Service.....6:15 pm

*Vayak'heil, Exod. 35:1-38:20*

## Saturday, April 26

Torah Study .....9:15 am

Morning Minyan.....10:35 am

### Updating Your Solel Calendar with Future Events in 2014

**April 13 at 1:00pm:** *The Attack*, by Yasmina Khadra

**April 23 at 7:00 pm:** Joyce Schragger presents: *The Sixteenth Rail*, authored by Adam Schragger

**April 26 at 7:00 pm:** Yom HaShoah Commemoration

**April 30, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm:** Rosh Chodesh Celebration for Women

**May 4, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm:** Blood Drive

**May 4, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm:** Bike Drive

**May 4 at 4:00 pm:** Spring Concert

**May 22 at 7:00 pm:** 92Y Live with Elie Wiesel

Want to inquire more deeply into a passage after the Shabbat service? Find the weekly parashot and commentaries at these links:



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