



The Shofar

Congregation Beth Ahavah @ Rodeph Shalom Newsletter

A GLBT synagogue welcoming people of all gender and sexual identities since 1975

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Shabbat Services

**Fridays
8:00 PM**

Join us for lay-led BA style services preceded by dinner and followed by an oneg and shmoozing.

October 8th

Dinner - 6:00 PM

Sazon Restaurant & Café

941 Spring Garden St, Philadelphia

215-763-2500,

www.sazonrestaurant.com

Call Jeff Strauss to let him know you are coming, 215-880-5251.

(No BA Services in November.)

BA Board Meeting



Next Meeting on...

Wednesday

October 5 ✨ 7:00 PM

All BA members welcome

Dear Members:

Please be sure to let a BA Board member know if you do NOT wish your full last name to be published either in the Shofar or on our website. We strive to protect and respect your right to privacy.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I trust that everyone had a meaningful High Holiday season. Mine ended with a lovely evening at our Sukkoth event in Roxborough. Thank you so much to our members and hosts Cindy and Darie. You are so gracious opening up your home to us and always making our members and their guests feel welcome. We got to do the mitzvah of shaking the lulav and holding the etrog and also held a Havdallah service. All of that was followed by a wonderful dessert spread and hours of eating, socializing, and sitting outside in the Sukkah. We thank you so much for your hospitality. Well, on to another year of events at BA @ RS. We received lots of exposure at two events this past weekend for the Sunday Out celebrations. We had a table at Outfest on Sunday followed by a table on Temple University's campus on Monday for their National Coming Out Day celebration. Many Jews stopped by the table wanting information about synagogue life in Philly. We plan to host a service in conjunction with GLBT students from Temple Hillel. It is a bit premature, but we are hoping to hold this service on Dec 3rd. More information will be forthcoming as plans are made. Thank you Ned for organizing our participation at Temple U and thanks to Rich P for helping staff the table at Outfest. So much is happening at RS and I am delighted to be a part of it.

One of the exciting happenings is the new strategic plan for the Rise Up committee. Its agenda is to promote social action, contribute to charity and mentor, and to engage people in Social Action and Social Justice. This will be done through a model created by PICO (People Involved in Community Organizing). They are a national congregational faith based initiative for community organizing. Their model is based upon relationships between and with people. It sounds plain and simple however we are slowly trying to find out what members want what their passions are, and what interests they have that would make members want to give of their time and energy to this new initiative. The committee is hosted by Dan Seltzer and is one of Rabbi Freedman's initiatives and duties at RS. All connection groups including BA have been summoned to work from within, build relationships and work towards finding out what others want to see happen. It is an exciting to build on this new initiative and place RS with the support of BA in this new social action model. Please be in touch with me for further details or call on Rabbi Freedman and or Dan Seltzer. Your participation is wanted and needed!

B'Shalom,

Jeff

Jeffrey Strauss

YAHARZEITS



Max Levin
October 3, 1985
18 Tishrei/September 26, 2010
Beloved father of
Joan Levin

Claire Miller
October 5, 1982
18 Tishrei/October 5, 2010
Beloved grandmother of
Eve Miller

Samuel Kelson
October 8, 1980
28 Tishrei/October 6, 2010
Beloved kin of
Larry Finn

Beatrice Ehrlich
October 10, 2008
11 Tishrei/September 19, 2010
Beloved mother of
Phyllis Ehrlich

Jack Segal
October 21, 1975
16 Cheshvan/October 24
Beloved father of
Jay Segal

Bernard Richman
October 28, 2008
29 Tishrei/October 7
Beloved kin of
Ken Richman

Philip Stein
October 29, 2008
30 Tishrei/October 8, 2010
Beloved kin of
Brenda Goodis

Leon Krefetz
November 9, 1984
14 Cheshvan/October 22, 2010
Beloved father of
David Krefetz

Irene Levin
November 16, 1995
23 Cheshvan/October 18, 2010
Beloved mother of
Joan Levin

Joseph Horn
November 10, 1978
10 Cheshvan/October 18, 2010
Beloved uncle of
Eve Miller

COMING SOON

Annual Chanukah Party
Saturday, December 4

Shabbat Services

Friday, December 17

Annual Erev Christmas
Food Fress

Friday, December 24

BIRTHDAYS

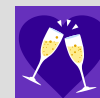


October 1
Alan Zamochnick

October 7
Gloria Becker

October 13
Steven Winoker

ANNIVERSARIES



October 3
Minna Davis & Jane Storman

October 15
Steven Mirman & Kenneth Galipeau

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