



SEATTLE'S PROGRESSIVE JEWISH COMMUNITY
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Seattle's oldest progressive Jewish Community integrates celebration, study, and work for social justice, through programs, holidays, Shabbatot, education for all generations, activism for a just, peaceful and healthy world, and many avenues to warm Jewish community. Think of Kadima as your "Jewish Salon," a comfortable setting for the free exchange of ideas and experiences!]

Kadima's Women's Torah Project has commissioned the first Torah in history to be scribed and completely embellished by women.

Kadima is a co-founder of the Middle East Peace Camp for Children, now in its eighth year.

Contact us! (206) 547-3914

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www.kadima.org

www.Facebook.com/Womens-Torah-Project

www.womenstorah.com

www.middleeastpeacecamp.org

THE KADIMA HOUSE HOUSEWARMING PARTY WAS SWEET AND SAVORY

Yes, the housewarming party at Kadima House last Sunday was a sweet event that we'll savor for long time. Sweet and savory describes Kadima's first-ever (but definitely not the last) Kugel cook-off. There were 10 commendable entries! As different as each kugel's presentation and taste was, so too were the techniques used by our kugel tasters and evaluators to taste 10 different kugel in less than 10 minutes. It was quite a sight!

HEADLINE NEWS: Carla Ginnis wins "Best in Kugel" for her potato- veggie kugel. Congratulations, Carla! We are proud to announce a tie for "Almost Best in Kugel." Leah Knopf and her grandmother Martha prepared Deborah's kugel recipe which finished even up with bonny Doug Brown's "Scottish" recipe kugel. The winning kugel recipes will be posted shortly on the [Kadima website](#).

Sincere thanks to all of our guests for stopping by to wish us well, and to enjoy good food and good company. Our thanks to the many volunteers...it

DONATE NOW!

Make Kadima House a sanctuary filled with learning, celebration, activism, spirit and warm community!

\$1500 pays one month's rent

\$800 endows an eight-session Introduction to Progressive Judaism class

\$400 buys a full year of challah, juice and wine for Kadima Shabbatot

\$150 funds a class by a visiting rabbi or scholar, or produces/ mails a printed newsletter issue

\$120 covers one month's utilities

\$100 funds 4 months of high-tech image-friendly, formatted email updates

\$50 funds a Shabbat luncheon

\$25 pays for an evening of fine film and discussion

\$18 buys a great film or book for our library

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takes a community. A special thanks and a moment to kvell over Andrew Newmark's attention to raffle ticket sales. Thanks to Rainer Waldman Adkins for donating the David Moss Haggadah print for the raffle and for leading the Chanukah HaBayit mezuzah-affixing ceremony.

We happily announce that the Housewarming donations given at the party combined with raffle ticket sales added up to the first \$1,000 (and change) toward our \$12,000 fund-raising goal. Thank you for your generous gifts! If you couldn't come and want to support Kadima, [you can still donate.](#)

And, how about that homegrown Kadima Trio! Can anyone believe that only a few months ago these three very talented musicians had never played together? Stand up while reading this and give a well-deserved ovation to D'vorah Kost, Larry Greenberg, and Richard Ginnis.

We'll soon circulate a "Kadima House Needs Wish-List." Our hunch is that most everything on the list will be items that many folks already own in duplicate. Please consider donating your duplicates to Kadima House!

WOMEN'S TORAH PROJECT WEB UPDATES

Check out our updated WTP website, www.womenstorah.com, for info about our newest scribe, Julie Seltzer; the just-finished Torah crowns, and more. (Thank you, Carol Deckelbaum!) It's a viral world out there, so please share the website and the [WTP Facebook page](#), with friends and family who might be interested.

HELP WANTED!

Someone to manage our on-line charity auction in support of the Women's Torah Project.

This is a one-time project that should be fairly easy for someone already familiar with eBay. Want more info before you commit? Contact Wendy Graff, wendyg@seanet.com or Denise Sterchi, denisesterchi@nwlinc.com.



Ner Tamid, by WTP artist Laurel Robinson.



Rimonim (crowns) for the Women's Torah, by Aimee Golant

JULY OBSERVANCES

**No First Friday Erev Shabbat due to the 4th of July
Saturday, July 18, 10 am - Noon**

Kadima House (see address/directions below)

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE

with special guest Naim Ateek

**Founder/Director, Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology
Center, Jerusalem**

Potluck Oneg Shabbat meal follows



Canon Naim Ateek is an Episcopalian priest. He was born in the Palestinian village of Beisan, south of the Sea of Galilee, and grew up in Nazareth. Ateek established the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem in 1991. Before that, he served as Canon of St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem and as a parish priest in Haifa and Nazareth. He

is author and editor of numerous books, including *Justice and Only Justice: A Palestinian Theology of Liberation*; *Faith and the Intifada*; *Jerusalem: What Makes for Peace*; *Our Story: The Palestinians*; *Holy Land, Hollow Jubilee: God, Justice and the Palestinians*; and *A Palestinian Christian Cry for Reconciliation*.

This service will be the first time that Ateek has been a guest at an American Jewish congregation, and reflects Kadima's commitment to building bridges for understanding and dialogue, whether in agreement or disagreement.

Wednesday, July 29, 7 pm

EREV TISHA B'AV

Kadima House (see address/directions below)

Tisha b'Av commemorates the destruction of the First and Second Temples. Since it often falls near the anniversaries of the only use of nuclear weapons in Japan, progressive communities often combine the two themes. Tisha b'Av is a fast day with a somber and reflective mood. Last year, Kadima held a moving observance that won many kudos.

KADIMA HOUSE: 12353 8th Ave. NE, Seattle

MAP

Please note: some larger events may be at the **Seattle Jewish Community School** next door to Kadima House.

From I-5 northbound, take the NE 130th exit; turn right; then turn right again at 8th Ave. NE. Kadima House is on the SW corner of 8th NE and NE 125th. Metro Bus 41.

KADIMA SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Enroll for 2009-10 by Tuesday, June 30, to receive a \$30 discount on tuition!
Alas, after June 30, late fees apply...

Click here to download an enrollment/registration form:
[Kadima Enrollment & Registration form](#)



The early bird gets the discount!

MIDDLE EAST PEACE CAMP

August 10-14

University of Washington Botanic Gardens

Request a registration

form: info@middleeastpeacecamp.org. Visit www.middleeastpeacecamp.org to learn more about the MEPC



ANNOUNCEMENTS

GET YOUR CAMP ON! UP TO \$1800 AVAILABLE

Parents of 5, 6 and 7th graders! Enroll your child in one of 20 non-profit Jewish residential camps that has a three-week session, and if s/he is entering 6th - 8th grade this Fall, has never been to Jewish overnight camp, and isn't currently a day school student, s/he'll qualify for a campership of up to \$1800! Campers preferring a shorter session can get a \$1000 award when they attend a two-week session at Camp Mountain Chai or JCC Ranch Camp. If your child received \$1800 in the first year, s/he'll receive up to \$1000 next summer. For more info or to apply: www.onehappycamper.org. Contact Michele Yanow at (206) 708-7518 or myanow@jewishcamp.org

Sign the Brit Tzedek v'Shalom
PLEDGE TO SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT:

www.obamapledge.org

Dear President Obama,

Please know that I share your sense of urgency to bring peace to the Middle East. Therefore, I pledge:

- to back your committed and persistent leadership in support of a negotiated two-state solution.
- to work within my communities to build the political will that will enable you to take decisive and bold steps -- and to urge Congress to support you in this endeavor

COMMUNITY EVENTS

[Pride Shabbat 2009](#)

Friday, June 26 • 6 pm • followed by an oneg (dietary laws observed) • at Congregation Kol HaNeshamah

[Beginning Israeli Dancing for Adults](#)

Wednesday, June 24 • 7 pm • Adults and older teens and all experience levels are welcome • 5 session punchcard - \$40 • Congregation Beth Shalom (6800 35th Ave NE, Seattle) • Contact [Carol Benedick](#)

[Come see what the Jewish Federation has been up to this year at its 2009 Annual Meeting](#)

Thursday, June 25 • 5:30 pm

[The Westerbork Serenade: A One Act Play by David Natale](#)

Monday, June 28 • 8 pm • Congregation Ezra Bessaroth • Tickets: (206) 722-5500

-to make it known that an American President who dedicates himself to establishing a durable Israeli-Palestinian peace acts in the best interests of Israelis, Palestinians, the United States and our allies

-to support you in staying the course through difficult times and to celebrate your successes

In Hebrew, the words for wind and for spirit are one and the same -- ruach. As you work for peace, I promise that the ruach of the American Jewish people and our friends in the pro-Israel community will be at your back.



Jewish cabaret performers held by the Nazis in the Dutch transit camp of Westerbork

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(Don't worry: we *will* get our mail, even as we move!)