



## Kadima Reconstructionist Community

Weekly Update

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## SHABBAT SERVICES

**The Kadima community is invited to attend as Brennan Freed is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah**

**Saturday, April 12, 2008 at 10:00**

Kiddush Luncheon following service

The Hall at Fauntleroy in West Seattle ([www.hallatfauntleroy.com](http://www.hallatfauntleroy.com))

RSVP to [freed20@comcast.net](mailto:freed20@comcast.net) by March 24

### Shabbat Services Schedule

2008 Services	(Others will be announced as they are planned)
April 12	Bar Mitzvah of Brennan Freed, 10:00 The Hall at Fauntleroy
May 10	Bat Mitzvah of Emma Newmark
May 17	Bat Mitzvah of Heather Kovar
June 28	Bar Mitzvah of Alex Greenberg
July 5	Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Sands
September 20	Bat Mitzvah of Brooke Parsley

## KADIMA SURVEY

**Please participate in Kadima's survey effort!**  
***A large pool of responses will be beneficial***

The survey was mailed with a return envelope, or you can download the survey by visiting [www.kadima.org](http://www.kadima.org) and clicking on "Kadima Survey" on the homepage. **Please mail your survey to the Kadima Office or email it to [office@kadima.org](mailto:office@kadima.org).** The survey is one tool Kadima can use to help build our future in the next few years. Thank you!

## KADIMA EVENTS

### **Future File:**

Kadima will host a **'Shushan Purim' Persian-themed masquerade party on Saturday, March 22**, and a **Passover Community Seder on April 20**.

### **Women's Seder**

**Saturday, April 26, 4:00-ish**

For the second time this century, Kadima will hold a Women's Seder on the last night of Passover, Saturday, April 26. We will share a light dinner of leftovers and ritual foods and continue to develop the Haggadah drafted two years ago. Please RSVP as soon as possible to Denise Sterchi ([blurchi@nwlinc.com](mailto:blurchi@nwlinc.com) or 206-524-6191) so that we can plan the size of space we will need. Also, in studying to prepare our first Haggadah, we learned that study and discussion ahead of time to further refine the Haggadah has become an important part of the Women's Seder process. If you would like to participate in a discussion or two of our current Haggadah, please let us know so that we can plan those discussions.

## KADIMA SUNDAY (March 16)

### **Sunday, March 16th PURIM**

**10:00-12:00:** Sunday School Purim Celebrations! **Dress in Costume**

Songs • Hamantashen • Costume Parade • Project/Craft Stations • Purim Play/Shpiel • and the Mitzvah of making and delivering Purim baskets (*mishloach manot*) to clients of Jewish Family Service.

This is just a warm-up for what comes next — our *Shushan Purim celebration, Saturday, March 22nd!*

12:30-2:00: B'nei Mitzvah Class

## KADIMA BULLETIN BOARD

### **JRF No'ar Hadash North American Teen Kallah, April 11-13, 2008**

Eighth -12th graders from JRF congregations across North America will have the opportunity to attend the **exciting No'ar Hadash North American Teen Kallah** in Philadelphia. This is a great opportunity for teens to meet other Reconstructionist youth, have fun, take part in Jewish learning, sing and dance, hang out, and be part of our exciting growing youth movement.

The weekend costs \$180, plus travel, for registration forms postmarked by March 26. The cost covers accommodations, meals, transportation between Philadelphia Airport and the event, program and entry fees, and a t-shirt. More info: <http://www.noarhadash.org>.

## KADIMA BULLETIN BOARD (continued)

### Found:

Dark gray child's v-neck sweater from the Gap.  
Left at the Roanoke House a couple weeks ago.  
Retrieve from the blue mailbox area room this Kadima Sunday, March 16.

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### Haim Watzman blogging about South Jerusalem

Haim Watzman is an author who gave a talk at Kadima several years ago. His recent book, *A Crack in the Earth*, was nominated for the 2007 Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature. Haim and his friend and fellow author and journalist Gershom Gorenberg have teamed up to produce a blog that will give them an opportunity to write about the wide range of subjects they're passionate about.

They've named it "South Jerusalem: A Progressive, Skeptical Blog on Israel, Judaism, Culture, Politics, and Literature by Gershom Gorenberg & Haim Watzman" ([southjerusalem.com](http://southjerusalem.com)).

Haim's contributions will include informative posts on "Israeli science, academic research, literature, and culture. There will also be more informal posts on life here in southern Jerusalem, probably the only place in the world where one can live as a left-wing skeptical Orthodox Jew and Zionist and feel that one is not alone in the wilderness."

*(If you're a blogger or have writings on the Web and would like to place a link in the Update, let us know at [office@kadima.org](mailto:office@kadima.org).)*

## MIDDLE EAST PEACE CAMP

### 2008 MEPC Registration Now Open!

Middle East Peace Camp is celebrating its 7th year! This summer, camp is July 21-25, and we are moving to a new location: Magnuson Park. We loved having camp at Kay's, but we just outgrew her space. (We will return to Kay's for some smaller meetings or activities during the year.) We will be able to do a lot more at Magnuson and are looking forward to bringing peace to the park!

For more info about MEPC: [www.middleeastpeacecamp.org](http://www.middleeastpeacecamp.org)

You can find the registration form link on the Registration page.

Questions? Call Susan Davis at (206) 399-1560 or [info@middleeastpeacecamp.org](mailto:info@middleeastpeacecamp.org)

Returning campers or counselors have priority registration until March 31.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**[Shaarei Tikvah: Gates of Hope: A Purim Celebration for People of All Abilities](#)** (click on title for pdf flier)

Sunday, March 16, 3:00–5:00 pm

Congregation Beth Shalom (6800 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Seattle)

FREE

A joyful community-wide non-denominational Purim celebration for persons with developmental disabilities or mental illness, as well as their families and friends. Costumes encouraged! Join the parade! Nosh hamentaschen! Contact Adam at (206) 861-8784, or [familylife@jfsseattle.org](mailto:familylife@jfsseattle.org).

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS (continued)

### **INTIMAN theatre**

#### **The Diary of Anne Frank**

March 17 – May 21

201 Mercer Street, Seattle

As its opening production of the 2008 Season, INTIMAN is honored to present one of the most timeless and inspiring stories ever told - *The Diary of Anne Frank*. Tickets available through the INTIMAN Ticket Office at (206) 269-1900 or on-line at [www.intiman.org](http://www.intiman.org). As always, anyone 25 and younger is just \$10! Additional discounts available for groups of ten or more (contact the group sales staff at [groups@intiman.org](mailto:groups@intiman.org) for assistance).

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#### **When to Worry: Understanding Changes in Your Aging Parents** (click on title for pdf flier)

Wednesday, March 19, 7:00–9:00 pm

Temple B'nai Torah (15727 NE 4<sup>th</sup> St., Bellevue)

What are normal changes during aging, as opposed to changes that might be part of an illness such as a stroke or dementia? Learn critical knowledge for working with your parents to make informed decisions. Pre-registration encouraged. \$10/person. Scholarships available; please ask if interested. Contact Adam at (206) 861-8784, or [familylife@jfsseattle.org](mailto:familylife@jfsseattle.org).

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### **Nextbook presents**

#### **Amy Bloom**

Wednesday, March 26, 2008, 7:30 pm

Langston Hughes Performing Arts Center (104 17th Ave. So, Seattle)

In Amy Bloom's new novel, *Away*, 22-year-old Lillian Leyb comes to New York alone, survivor of a Russian pogrom. Upon learning that her daughter might be alive, Lillian embarks on a perilous journey across the continent, up through the Yukon toward Siberia. A classic tale of immigrant self-invention and an epic adventure, Bloom's novel is a riveting story of love and survival. Bloom is also the author of the National Book Award finalist *Come to Me* and *A Blind Man Can See How Much I Love You*.

[www.nextbook.org/seattle](http://www.nextbook.org/seattle). Tickets \$8 / \$6 students & under 25.

Tickets available in advance at [www.nextbook.org/seattle](http://www.nextbook.org/seattle), or at the door.

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#### **The Neurobiology of Love** (click on title for pdf flier)

Wednesday, March 26; 7:00–8:30 pm

Jewish Family Service (1601 16th Ave., Seattle)

New research of the brain offers remarkable insights into experiences which have long fascinated and perplexed us: love and bonding, infatuation, and the difference between new romance and lasting love. Steve Morris will present this fascinating research in a repeat of his popular lecture. \$10 advance; \$12.50 at the door. Scholarships available; please ask if interested. For info and reservations, contact Adam at (206) 861-8784, or [familylife@jfsseattle.org](mailto:familylife@jfsseattle.org).

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### **Coming right up!**

#### **Seattle Jewish Film Festival**

April 3 – April 13

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Seattle Jewish Film Festival's "Bar Mitzvah" season runs from April 3-13 at the Museum of History and Industry in Seattle. Info, film program, film schedule:

[www.seattlejewishfilmfestival.org](http://www.seattlejewishfilmfestival.org). (continued)

## COMMUNITY EVENTS (continued)

**Final free lecture in the series, *New Interpretations of Israel: Politics, Society, Culture & Human Rights***

**Dr. Maha Tahsin El-Taji, *Israeli Arab-Palestinians between Nationality & Locality***

Tuesday, April 8, 7:00 pm

220 Kane Hall, University of Washington (Seattle)

Kosher dessert reception follows. [www.jsis.washington.edu/jewish](http://www.jsis.washington.edu/jewish). Presented by The Jewish Studies Program, The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies.

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### **Way-Advance Notice**

#### **Nextbook Presents**

**Susan Stamberg**

Tuesday, May 20, 7:30 pm

Nordstrom Recital Hall at Benaroya Hall (Third & Union, Seattle)

#### **Jewish Mothers**

"She was so deeply imbedded in my consciousness," says Alexander Portnoy in Philip Roth's 1969 novel, "that for the first year of school I seem to have believed that each of my teachers was my mother in disguise." Overbearing, overprotective, and meddling (when not being a martyr), the stereotypical Jewish mother gives love with one hand and takes it away with the other. Yet in the works of writers like Kim Chernin, Tillie Olsen, Anne Roiphe, Paul Rudnick, and others, the Jewish mother proves to be anything but predictable. NPR's Susan Stamberg hosts an evening of comic and dramatic readings, directed by Shana Bestock, with music by the Kosher Red Hots.

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#### **Study Buddy Literacy Tutoring Program**

##### **Making a Difference, One Child at a Time**

Study Buddy matches volunteer tutors with children in need of academic tutoring. Tutors are encouraged to bring their own strengths and talents into the classroom. Area schools are in need of committed, caring individuals with the desire to make a difference in the life of a child.

Commitment is one hour per week.

Contact Starr: [StarrN@JewishInSeattle.org](mailto:StarrN@JewishInSeattle.org) or (206) 774-2279.

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