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Passover

THE PASSOVER CELEBRATION AT FIRST HEBREW CONGREGATION WAS WELL ATTENDED. EVERYONE ENJOYED A GREAT SERVICE LED BY LOU PRICE AND A SUMPTUOUS TRADITIONAL MEAL PREPARED BY BARRY FIDELMAN. STEVE TOLEN AND ANN MOFFAT HELPED IN THE PREPARATION. OUR SHUL WAS HONORED WITH A VISIT FROM THE PROFIT ELIJAH. WE ASSUMED THIS BECAUSE HIS GLASS OF WINE WAS EMPTIED AND NO ONE ADMITTED TO

DRINKING IT.

Happenings

OUR NEXT EVENT IS THE MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR RUTH TOLEN ON MAY 5, 2013. THE EVENT WILL BE AT THE SHUL 11 A.M. AND FOLLOWED BY A LUNCHEON AT HAWKSHEAD INN. THE TOLEN FAMILY WISH TO INVITE THOSE WHO KNEW HER.

We wish to acknowledge the wonderful service Kenneth Hollander has provided our First Hebrew Congregation for the past 50 years. Kenneth is a friend and family member of our congregation and will be missed. Your board has made a difficult decision and will be seeking a Conservative rabbi for the High Holiday services. It has become apparent that there is no Orthodox in the South Haven area for the High Holiday's. We do have Reform and Conservative people who live in our area and have not attended. These folks have been queried and the consensus is that they would attend if the services were less Orthodox. A committee has been formed, headed by Anne Moffat, to find someone new.

RENOVATIONS CONTINUE WITH NEW FRONT AND INTERIOR DOORS WHICH SHOULD BE INSTALLED THIS SPRING. THE RABBI'S STUDY AND CLASSROOM ARE ALSO SCHEDULED FOR RENOVATION IN MAY. THE ADDITION OF A NEW LIQUOR CABINET BUILT AND INSTALLED BY STEVE TOLEN IS A WELCOME ADDITION FOR OUR

KIDDUSH AFTER SHABBAT SERVICES ON SATURDAY MORNINGS THIS SUMMER. WE ALSO WISH TO HONOR OUR RESIDENT DEVELOPER\BENEFACTOR TEM HORWITZ FOR HIS GUIDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT. WITHOUT HIS HELP THE RENOVATION OF OUR HISTORICAL SHUL WOULD HAVE BEEN ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE.

Cool

We have purchased a portable air Conditioner for the downstairs community room. In the past there were times when it would be uncomfortable due to the heat. We are hoping that this unit will help everyone enjoy themselves.

We are saddened by the passing of Irwin Klein. The Kline family has always been strong supporters of the First Hebrew Congregation. We offer our sympathy to Char, Chari, and Jodi in their time of grief.

Congratulations

Congratulation to Anne and Keith Moffat on 40 years of marriage!

Happy 70th birthday to Keith Moffat!

FHC Cemetery Maintenance Permission

While the city of South Haven does basic maintenance of The First Hebrew Congregation Cemetery at Wilson and Blue Star Hwy, they do not trim, cut bushes, etc. This is leading, in some cases, to damage of grave stones, and general unkemptness of the cemetery. In an attempt to better maintain our Jewish Cemetery, in accordance with South Haven City policy, we must gain permission from those who have family members buried there to allow us to do this work. There are no additional costs involved. If you would, please fill out the form and return. Thank you.

I/We, _____, the family of _____
(person or family giving permission) *(name of family member buried in FHC)*

give The First Hebrew Congregation of South Haven and/or it's agents, permission to maintain as they see fit, the gravesite of our family member at The First Hebrew Congregation Cemetery.

(Please print Name)

(Signature)

(Date)

If you have not received a copy of The First Hebrew Congregation Funeral Brochure, offering assistance with Jewish burial, please email President Barry Fidelman and request your free copy.

The First Hebrew Congregation's Campaign to Restore Our Historic Shul
Raising \$50,000 to Match a \$50,000 Pledge in Two Years
(*Getting very close to Our Goal*)

Statement of Pledge

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Pledge

In support of the Campaign to Restore Our Historic Shul, I hereby pledge: \$ _____

Payment Information

I enclose payment herewith in the amount of: \$ _____ or

My pledge is to be paid over two years as follows: _____

Date of First Installment: _____

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