

# The First Hebrew Congregation



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Welcome all our members and friends to a typical Michigan winter, with numerous FHC events and functions having occurred. High Holiday services, led by Rabbi Cohen and Cantor Lou Price, were well attended, with multiple new and old faces joining in celebration, and broadcasted on Zoom and Live Stream.

The book club, which met every third Sunday at the Shul, was well attended throughout the summer, generating quite lively discussions.

Plan on jumping on board next summer.

Wednesday night movies have been a resounding success! Every third Wednesday at 7 p.m. a Jewish-themed movie is shown with popcorn; however, on December 21<sup>st</sup>, we served latkes instead of popcorn -- a big hit! Many thanks to Barry Fidelman and Steve Tolen for the wonderful pancakes, and to Remey Rubin, our projectionist and movie maven. If anyone has suggestions for a new film title, please tell Remey, and we will try to get it.

## Save the Dates

Our board has established the calendar for the upcoming season, and all events need volunteer help. Please let us know in advance with which event you will assist.

- March 8th make hamantaschen (time to be announced later) and distribute them to locals.
- April 9th a Passover Seder will begin at 4:30 p.m., led by Lou Price, with a full meal prepared by Steve and Barry.
- The annual Lox box fundraiser will be on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Get your orders in early and pick them up between 10 a.m. and noon.

## Services

We plan five summer Friday night Reform services to begin at 8 p.m., followed by Oneg Shabbat, with dates to be announced later. We are looking for sponsors for the Onegs – an ideal opportunity to honor someone or your family for \$180.

Saturday morning Orthodox services, starting at 10 a.m., June 24<sup>th</sup> through Labor Day. Services will be followed

by our famous Steinfeld-Rothner Kiddush featuring Barry's herring, Rickey's schnapps and the best selection of pastries in the Midwest. If you cannot make the service, come at noon for the Kiddush

## Thank You

The Shul has received so many thoughtful donations in the past year, and we thank all our members and friends who have kept us in the black! You have been the reason this Shul is alive in South Haven. THANK YOU!!

## Mazel Tov

With great pleasure, we wish to announce the new position of Ben Fidelman as Director of Communication and Broadcasting for Illich Sports, the parent company of the Red Wings and the Tigers.

## Condolences

Our condolences to the Ehrlich family for the loss of our friend Steve, an integral part of the First Hebrew Congregation, who will be missed by all.

Condolences go to the Siegel family for the loss of Norman Siegel. Norm loved South Haven and will be fondly remembered by all who knew him.

Heartfelt condolences go out the Gerber family for the loss of Cheryl Gerber. Cheryl and the entire Gerber clan were a huge part of the history of the First Hebrew Congregation. Her memory is a blessing.