



Calendar Spotlight

Sunday Program, 5/3/2009, 9:10 am

Yom HaShoah Holocaust Memorial Service

During the Business meeting we will approve dues and Sunday school tuition for 2009-10.

This beautiful and moving ceremony honors the victims of the Holocaust and rekindles our commitment to Never Again. Marie Raduazzo will do a presentation on how we can engage the next generation in learning about the Holocaust.

Family Pot Luck Supper 5/9/09, 5:30 pm

This fun event will take place at the home of Jason and Susan Lewis in Winchester, MA. Please R.S.V.P. to Susan Lewis at susan_kopman_lewis@yahoo.com

Sunday Program — Martin Luther King Sunday 5/17/09, 9:10 am

Adult Program/Sunday School Makeup Day

In honor of the memory of Dr. King, our program (postponed from January) will explore a little known but interesting chapter in the relationship between Jews and African Americans. We will be showing the film, "From Swastikas to Jim Crow," which tells the powerful story of Jewish intellectuals who escaped Nazi Germany in the 1930's and emigrated to the United States. Facing anti-Semitic discrimination at universities in the north, they became faculty at African American colleges. The film tells the story of two very different cultures sharing a common burden of oppression. After the film, the Congregation will have an opportunity to discuss the movie.

Adult/Teen Shabbat Service, 5/29/2009 8:00 pm

The service will be followed by a special Shabbat activity and snacks.

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Sunday Program

May 3, 9:10 am
Yom HaShoah Holocaust memorial service.
Visitors welcome
765 Concord Ave, Cambridge

Executive committee meeting

May 5, 7:30 pm
765 Concord Ave, Cambridge

Family Pot Luck Supper

May 9, 5:30 pm at the home of Susan and Jason Lewis

Adult Education Class

May 11, 7:30 pm
765 Concord Ave, Cambridge

Sunday Program

May 17, 9:10 am Film in honor of Martin Luther King — "From Swastikas to Jim Crow"
Visitors welcome
765 Concord Ave, Cambridge

Adult/Teen Shabbat Service

May 29, 8:00 pm
Visitors Welcome
765 Concord Ave, Cambridge

Sunday Program

May 31, 9:10 am
Annual Congregation Meeting
Visitors welcome
765 Concord Ave, Cambridge

Our next publication date for K.B.Mail is May 25. For submissions or further questions or comments about K.B.Mail, contact us at info@kahalbraira.org

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Sunday Program, 5/31/2009, 9:10 am

Congregation Annual Meeting. All congregants are encouraged to participate in this meeting where we will elect officers, identify new committee chairs and members and approve next year's budget. We will celebrate the year's successes and thank our many wonderful volunteers.

KB Renewals

It's almost time to renew your membership and pay school tuition. Watch your mailbox for your KB renewal letter which will arrive by mid-May. All of our financial matters are handled by our treasurer, Barry L. Jaffee, one of our dedicated volunteers. It is a big help to Barry and to KB if you respond to this letter promptly by renewing or being in contact with Barry about when you will renew.

KB and SHJ

KB is a member of the Society for Humanistic Judaism (SHJ) and as such pays an annual assessment. Members sometimes ask how KB benefits from that relationship. Here's some answers given by Executive Committee members.

All KB members, as members of the society, receive the SHJ journal and newsletter and can attend the every other year conference. KB teens can also attend the annual teen and young adult conclave. Our members have found them very valuable. Our leadership receives ideas for fundraising, services, outreach, social action, programming and more. It was the SHJ that spawned the leadership training institute that prepares future leaders for our movement. Every other year we receive a visit from an SHJ leader or in lieu of that a grant for a similar type program to develop and grow the congregation. This fall we are hoping to have an educational weekend seminar and will use our grant to subsidize that. The SHJ acts as a voice for Humanistic Judaism and the rights of secular Jews and Humanists and secularists more generally, lobbying, advocating and speaking for our inclusion and protection in American society. Lastly, our affiliation with the society makes us part of a North American and international movement. Shari Gelber is a past president of the SHJ. She's always glad to provide information and answer questions. Shari@jimmy.harvard.edu