

The Family Chavurah

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Closer to each other ...
Closer to G-d

SAVE THESE DATES!

Mondays—Portion of the Portion

01/30—Havdalah Service and Dessert, followed by Trivia Night

02/14—Rosh Chodesh Group

02/19—Shabbat Service and Dinner

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The Family Chavurah's First Fundraiser

The Family Chavurah was created with the firm belief that membership dues should not become a wall for those who want to come together to pray, study, or be with other Jewish families. We aspire to support our journey through donations we receive from our members and friends.

THE FAMILY CHAVURAH COOKBOOK: THE BEST IN TOWN!

In order to bring in some extra funds for our projects, we are working on our first fundraiser: a Family Chavurah Cookbook. For the past few months we have been enjoying dinner after Shabbat services. There is always a recipe or two that each of us asks for! We will collect recipes from the Chavurah, and ask that you participate as well, with your favorite recipes! We need at least 100 recipes to get this project going, so please send in your recipes as soon as you can.

Unlike other cookbooks, The Family Chavurah's Cookbook will also have pages in which the essence of each Jewish holiday is explained, as well as a "How To Celebrate" guide, which will include activities for children. We know you will love this format, and it will certainly become one of your favorite gifts to bring to someone's house!

Please e-mail your recipes to Sandra@familychavurah.com or mail them to the Family Chavurah, whichever is easier for you.

We kindly ask that you do not submit any recipe that mixes milk and meat, unless a non-dairy or a non-meat substitute can be used, and that no recipes with shellfish or pork be sent in.

Let's make this cookbook the BEST in town!



THANK YOU!

- To the Ellenbogens, Fellners, Sheila Holtzman, Knoxes, Owitz, and Sands for bringing dessert and drinks to our Shabbat Dinner.
- To Marcia Kunken and Deb Knox for coming over to make the delicious Spring Salad for our Dinner.
- To the Shermans and Strucks for their generous donations to the Family Chavurah.



- To the Hoffmanns for a donation made in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Cheryl's father.
- To the Fellners, for a donation made in celebration of their 44th Anniversary. May you have many more to celebrate!

TORAH TEENS VISIT W.E.C.A.R.E. FOOD PANTRY

Last Sunday, our Torah Teen group visited the W.E.C.A.R.E. Food Bank, run by the Soref JCC. At their arrival, Mrs. Baigelman, director of the Food Bank, talked to them about who they serve and how the community support their work through donation of food items. About 300 families are helped regularly by W.E.C.A.R.E.. Our teens sorted out food items and filled paper bags with food to be picked up by the needy families. After their work at the Food Bank, they all had pizza and hot

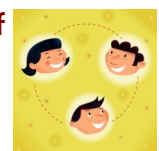


cocoa while discussing the Jewish sources which refer to feeding the hungry. We want to thank Mrs. Benaroch, Mrs. Hoffmann and Mrs. Sarbone for chaperoning our group, and all of those who generously brought food to be donated. We really appreciate it and so do the families who will benefit from your generosity!

Way to Go, Torah Teens!

CAN WE HELP EACH OTHER?

In these difficult economic times, a group of Family Chavurah members wants to put together a Business Networking Group, which would meet once a month. If you are interested in a group like this, please e-mail Sheila Holtzman at Greniblond@aol.com so that we have an idea if we have enough interest.



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AT THE CHILDREN'S SERVICE!



The January Children's Service was very special because of the birthdays of Adam and Brett Ellenbogen. The twins turned 10 on January 8th, and celebrated their special milestone with us. After the usual songs and prayers, the children learned how to sing Happy Birthday in Hebrew! They loved it! They also learned about the portion of the week, Shemot, which begins the second book of the Torah—Exodus. To finish it all up, they played "Change Something About Yourself", a game in which perception is all that counts! Guess who won the raffle this month? Adam and Brett!!! Looks like quite some birthday luck! We thank the Ellenbogen family for celebrating with us and bringing two delicious birthday cakes to our dinner.



HAVDALAH AND TRIVIA !!!

Deb Knox has been working diligently on our first Havdalah and Trivia Night. The questions are being put together, and they encompass all areas of knowledge: History, Science, Judaica, and some surprising general categories will pop up too! This promises to be a night of much fun!!!



Please feel free to invite your friends, Jewish or not, to come and have some fun with us. Weather permitting, we will have the event outdoors. But if not, we will be comfortable indoors.

Desserts and drinks will be served.

This is a perfect chance to get to know some new people and

have a fun, inexpensive, night out.

For more information, feel free to e-mail Deborah at emel2@bellsouth.net



We hope to see you there!!!

IS MEMBERSHIP IMPORTANT?

Although there are no dues at the Family Chavurah, we certainly would like you to become a member. Why? Because it helps us know you better, know what makes you "tick", Jewishly speaking, know your important celebrations (birthdays, anniversaries) and commemorations (yahrtzeits of loved ones). Please take the time to fill out a membership form. It is available online at

<http://familychavurah.com/membership.html>

or you can pick one up next time you come to one of our activities. There is no cost to you, but it means a lot to us!