A Rabbi is Never a Fundraiser?

A rabbi is never a fundraiser. This is taught to us in rabbinical school. Don’t muddy the waters. Don’t ever give the impression that you are concerned about money – and keep pastoral matters free of any financial fetters. An important lesson.

When congregations seek Reform rabbis and cantors, they are always asked to articulate the three aspects of congregational life in which the clergy are not to be involved. I find this an interesting thing to consider. What do you not want your clergy to deal with? Almost every single congregation states that they do not want their clergy to get involved in finances. (In case this makes you curious, when we filled out our application during the search for Rabbi Silverman, we assured him he wouldn’t need to worry about scrubbing tile grout or tinkering with temperamental air conditioning systems – truth).

Like many things taught in academic settings, real life adds twists and inevitably tweaks the complexity of a situation. I completely understand the weirdness that can ensue when clergy start to function financially – ethics concerns, professional boundaries, and lack of expertise can all make for a potential mess. I am not a finance expert.

But, I love fundraisers. Why? Because I’m so proud of this place. I’m so happy we’re thriving and growing. I’m so thrilled with the life and vitality that pulses through our community. And I enjoy every program, opportunity and resource we bring to the synagogue experience. These things take money (and time and energy and interest and devotion).

I learned a while back that, in fact, while I do not care to devote myself to finance – I do very much want to invest in the goodness at work here. And, I feel like my role in that is to be very joyous in all that we do and all that we are. My role is to help inspire each soul here to give and contribute gifts of their being – offerings of our hearts, minds, hands and wallets are all welcome and necessary. I hope I can do that, always.

So, on February 20, I, Cantor Mintz, Rabbi Silverman, and the team Touro Synagogue professional and lay leadership will be there happily helping to raise money for our community. We are planning to have a great time. The clergy are even angling to be “celebrities” (of sorts) and get some tables. We can’t wait; we’re all in. Are you? See you there!

Warmly,
Rabbi Alexis Berk
A Message from our President

“What is happening at Touro these days?” is a question I am asked several times in the course of a week. A better inquiry might be “What is not happening at Touro these days?”

As you peruse through any given bulletin it won’t take you long to realize that our congregation and our clergy and staff are extremely committed and involved in a host of activities. Take a quick look at this short list of offerings:

- Hebrew classes, book reviews, volunteer choir, Torah study, Shabbat worship and Shabbat dinner, parties (fundraisers and Mardi Gras included), discussions on ethics, concerts and a myriad of social action projects.

In the Urban Dictionary you will find the acronym “WIIFM”. It stands for “What’s in it for me?” - a question that may be asked about a new idea or method where the benefits are not obvious. We can promise you that the benefits you would derive by taking part in any one of these gatherings will quickly become obvious.

You are here for Touro, and Touro is here for you, so don’t wait. Take advantage of these opportunities soon and often. The “What’s in it for me?” will be easily answered.

B’Shalom,
Susan

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JOIN US FOR A FESTIVE EVENING
benefitting Touro Synagogue

Dining with the Stars
A CELEBRITY WAITER EVENT
FEATURING DINNER BY ALON SHAYA

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY TWENTIETH
HALF PAST SIX O’CLOCK

TOURO SYNAGOGUE
4238 SAINT CHARLES AVENUE

Please RSVP by February 12

Join us for a fun evening featuring a delicious dinner and specialty cocktails served by a talented collection of New Orleans’ finest characters. As your waiter, each of our celebrities will provide a unique dining experience, all while competing with one another to earn the most tips to benefit our congregation. As of the printing of this bulletin, the following famous locals are scheduled to join us: Jim Henderson, Spud McConnell, Jim Letten, Jim Bernazzani, Morris Bart, Angela Hill, Travers Mackel, David Bernard, Clancy DuBos, Sally Shushan, John Snell, Donny Markowitz, Lance Africk, Helena Moreno, Bruce Katz, Fletcher Mackel, Jason Williams, Kim Holden, David Hammer, Neal Bodenheimer and more!

Don't miss out! Seating is limited!
Dressy casual attire

Dining with the Stars committee

Jenny and Lee Zurik, Co-chairs
Naomi and Larry Orlansky, Co-chairs
Stephanie and Keith Adler
Aimee and Steven Bain
Stacy and Steven Deitelzweig
Rebecca and Simon Finger
Diane and Alan Franco

Susan and Lou Good
Carrie and Austin Marks
Millie and Robert Kohn
Michelle and Shea Soll
Vicky and Peter Sperling
Jenna and Jon Walsh
Randy Roig and Brian weimer

RSVP here: https://tourosynagogue.com/dining-with-the-stars/
At Touro Synagogue we are very fortunate to be located right on the parade route - for what we believe to be one of the best spots on St. Charles Avenue! Below you will find a schedule of when the synagogue will be open for members who would like to join the revelry of Carnival in New Orleans.

**CARNIVAL SEASON ACCESS AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE**

**Friday, January 29, 5:00 PM**
Shabbat Services followed by Krewe of Oshun and Krewe of Cleopatra. Dinner will be served. $5 per person

**Saturday, January 30, 1:00 PM**
Krewe of Pontchartrain followed by Krewe of Choctaw and Krewe of Freret.
 *Open to the congregation but the stands are reserved for VIP Kids*

**Wednesday, February 3, 6:30 PM**
Krewe of Druids followed by Krewe of NYX.

**Thursday, February 4, 5:45 PM**
Krewe of Babylon followed by Krewe of Chaos and Krewe of Muses.
 *Open to the congregation but the stands are reserved for VIP Kids*

**Friday, February 5, 5:00 PM**
Shabbat Services followed by Krewe of Hermes, Krewe of d’Etat and Krewe of Morpheus. Dinner will be served. $5 per person

**Saturday, February 6, 10:30 AM**
Abbreviated Shabbat Service followed by Krewe of Iris and Krewe of Tucks.
 *Open to the congregation but the stands are reserved for VIP Kids*

**Monday, February 8, 5:15 PM**
Krewe of Proteus followed by Krewe of Orpheus

**Touro’s facility will be closed for all other Uptown parades that are not listed on this schedule.**

**Touro Synagogue will be closed for Bacchus on Sunday, February 7.**
*Due to the conflict with Super Bowl Sunday, we are taking the year off!*

Want to help during Carnival? See page 5 for more information.

**Want to store your ladder at Touro for the Carnival Season?**
For a donation of $50 your ladder will be made available on all the open days listed above.

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**MARDI GRAS RULES**

- Non-members must be accompanied by a member at all times. Each non-member will be charged $5.
- Members must remain onsite as long as their guests are present.
- Members and Non-Members are welcomed for Shabbati-Gras. $5 per person for dinner.
- Members may enter the synagogue’s property only for the parades listed.
- Access will be limited to the areas behind the fence, Bowsky Garden, Shushan Assembly, and chapel bathrooms.
- Coolers are permitted except on Shabbati-Gras. Coolers must be kept outdoors.
- No glass is allowed.
- No Pork or Shellfish is allowed.
- The building and property grounds must be respected by all members and guests, and all trash must be disposed of properly.
WILL YOU HELP THE KREWE OF VIPS?

Can you host or chaperone the VIP kids on these dates?

Saturday, January 30 at 1:00 p.m.
Pontchartrain followed by Choctaw and Freret

Thursday, February 4 at 4:45 p.m.
Babylon, Muses & Chaos Parades

Saturday, February 6 at 10:00 a.m.
Iris and Tucks Parades

Touro Synagogue will once again host the Krewe of VIPs this Mardi Gras season. We will have a wheelchair accessible platform set up on the steps of our sanctuary for those with disabilities or special needs to view the Mardi Gras Parades on the dates listed above. Without these stands, many children would not be able to enjoy a Mardi Gras parade! If you are able to chaperone/host for one of the above dates, please email Hal Shepard at hal@taylor-seidenbach.com.

SPREAD THE WORD!

If you know of any child with special needs who could benefit from VIP treatment during Mardi Gras, please have their guardians contact Dr. Juan Gershanik’s office by calling 504-896-2229 or 504-377-1162 to reserve a spot at this year’s parades.

HELP WITH THE STANDS!

We have plenty of volunteers to help assemble the stands on Tuesday evening, January 26 but we are in need of more help to disassemble them on Thursday evening, February 11 at 5:30 p.m.. Contact Hal Shepard at hal@taylor-seidenbach.com with any questions and/or to say that you can help!
Religious School at Touro Synagogue

“You will teach [the Torah] diligently to your children.” - Deuteronomy 6

Religious School is nothing without the community that is created within each classroom’s walls and beyond. We are all working diligently to make sure that this semester not only reinforces what was studied and experienced together throughout the fall, but pushes each Scholar’s mind and heart forward for the remainder of the year. In addition to our young Scholars’ opportunities for building camaraderie and friendship, we also are excited to offer a chance for parents to do so as well. Starting this semester, all parents are invited to sign-up to act as greeters on Sunday mornings. Information on this and all other volunteer opportunities can be found in the quick links of weekly Religious School emails.

FEBRUARY 20, 9:30 AM
IN THE SHUSHAN ASSEMBLY

What’s more fun than Tot Shabbat? Tot Shabbat during the Hebrew month of Adar! Come celebrate the happiest month of the year with Cantor Mintz, Rabbi Silverman and all of your Tot Shabbat friends! Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Siblings, Stuffed Animals — all are welcome to join us and be happy!

Second graders practice their dreidel skills in preparation for the Religious School mini-tournament between grade levels.

Making Chanukah cookies in the third-grade Religious School class.

First and fourth graders play dreidel during the Religious School mini-tournament.
Join us for our monthly gathering of communal singing!

Literally meaning “come and sit” in Yiddish, a kumzits is an opportunity to gather together in an intimate setting for some beautiful passionate singing and a powerful, spiritual experience.

We hope you’ll join us following Shabbat services and dinner!
And while you’re at it, mark your calendar for the next Kumzits on March 4!

Join Cantor Mintz for
SHABBAT KUMZITS
February 12, 2016
after Shabbat Services

We're livestreaming our services
Visit our homepage at tourosynagogue.com to see Shabbat services live or to check out archived sermons.

Pitfalls & Problems in Interfaith Dialogue:
How to Have a Real Conversation

February 26, 2016
6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service
7:00 p.m. Conversations with Dr. Michael Cowan and Dr. Adil Khan

Dr. Michael A. Cowan is a psychologist and theologian who holds master’s and doctoral degrees in psychology from Ohio State University and a master’s degree in systematic theology from St. John’s University (Collegeville). He is the director of the Common Good, a network of civil society organizations he founded after Hurricane Katrina to seek consensus as a basis for collective action to rebuild the city, which is part of the Lindy Boggs National Center for Community Literacy.

Dr. Adil Hussain Khan is the Assistant Professor of Islamic Studies at Loyola University New Orleans and holds a Ph.D. from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, and conducted post-doctoral research on aspects of Islam in Europe while he was at University College Cork in Ireland. His research includes sectarian reform movements in 19th century South Asia and unconventional expressions of Islam. He is also interested in contemporary Islam, Muslim identity, and aspects of Islam’s tradition.
ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES AT TOURO

Torah Study
Every Saturday at 9:00 AM!

Everyone is invited on Saturday mornings to unwrap ancient wisdom in a post-modern world with our Torah Study group.

Jan. 31-Feb. 6: Mishpatim

Feb. 7-Feb. 13: T’rumah

Feb. 14-Feb. 20: T’tzaveh
Exodus 27:20-30:10 / Ezekiel 43:10-27

Feb. 21-Feb. 27: Ki Tisa
Exodus 30:11-34:35 / I Kings 18:1-39

Feb. 28-March 5: Vayak’heil
Exodus 35:1-38:20 / II Kings 12:5-16

Parashot as requested by the Touro Torah Study group

News and the Jews
with Rabbi Berk

ENGAGING DISCUSSIONS
February 4 and February 18
12 - 1 p.m. in the Mautner Learning Center

Each week, there are stories in our community and our world that confound us and comfort us, confuse us and confront us. What would Judaism say about these world issues? What is a Jewish response?

Join Rabbi Alexis Berk in the Mautner Learning Center for a lunchtime study. Each session will be completely unique in that we will explore a story from the week’s news through a Jewish lens, with a Jewish mindset. Come join us! All are welcome. Bring your own lunch.

Alzheimer's Care Givers Support Group

Caring for the Caregiver

Meets every other Tuesday
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
in the Chapel Study

Caregivers for Alzheimer’s face special challenges. You are not alone. Whether you need information about early-stage care giving, middle-stage care giving, or late-stage care giving, the Care Givers Support Group meets to discuss the issues caregivers deal with on a day-to-day basis.

February 9 meeting cancelled due to Mardi Gras.

For more information on the group, please contact the Group Facilitator, Claire Jacobi at clairebjacobi@gmail.com or visit the Touro calendar for the schedule.

Calling All Torah Readers

Do you enjoy chanting Torah and are looking for opportunities to use this vital skill to empower yourself and the community?

Join our corps of Torah chanters and help lead and elevate our community! Basic Hebrew skills are necessary.

If you are interested, please contact Cantor Mintz at dmintz@tourosynagogue.com
NEW SPRING OFFERINGS

Touro’s Adult Hebrew Academy

Hebrew for Beginners Part II: Beyond Hebrew Decoding
Tuesdays at 6:30 PM

To those who completed this fall’s introductory course on Hebrew decoding or those with basic Hebrew reading ability but want to take his or her skills to the next level, be sure to join Cantor Mintz for this Tuesday evening class!
February 16, 23 and March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Hebrew of the Siddur and Rabbinic Texts with Rabbi Silverman
Thursdays at 6:30 PM

Join Rabbi Silverman each week for an in-depth look at Hebrew texts beyond Torah and the Bible. We will explore texts of the siddur as well as Rabbinic texts including Midrash, Mishnah and Talmud. Scholars of all Hebrew levels are welcome to join!
February 18, 25 and March 10, 17, 24, 31

To register please email info@tourosynagogue.com

MEDICAL ETHICS

JEWISH ETHICS IN HEALTH CARE

February 19, 2016
6:00 p.m. Shabbat Services
7:00 p.m. Shabbat Dinner and Presentation

Touro’s Mental Health Awareness Committee has partnered with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to connect our congregants struggling with their own or a loved one’s mental health condition with community offerings. The committee is proud to present a presentation by NAMI “In Our Own Voice.”

The presentation is a program consisting of two trained speakers sharing their compelling personal stories of living with mental health challenges and achieving recovery. We look forward to seeing you at this special presentation. To see NAMI’s counseling offerings, please visit page 16.

In Our Own Voice

February 19, 2016
6:00 p.m. Shabbat Services
7:00 p.m. Shabbat Dinner and Presentation

Join Rabbi Berk in exploring how we bring Jewish ethics to our professional lives. The session is driven by relevant ethical issues affecting health care providers. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please RSVP to info@tourosynagogue.com.

$10 per person for dinner.
LITERATURE & LIBATIONS
AN EVENING OF DISCUSSION AND DINNER WITH FRIENDS

ALL WHO GO DO NOT RETURN
WITH RABBI BERK ON MARCH 2, 6:00 PM

A Conversation About Jewish Fear, Faith, and Fanaticism

Shulem Deen was raised to believe that questions are dangerous. As a member of the Skverers, one of the most insular Hasidic sects in the U.S., he knows little about the outside world—only that it is to be shunned. His marriage at eighteen is arranged and several children soon follow. Deen’s first transgression—turning on the radio—is small, but his curiosity leads him to the library, and later the internet. Soon he begins a feverish inquiry into the tenets of his religious beliefs, until, several years later, his faith unravels entirely.

Now a heretic, he fears being discovered and ostracized from the only world he knows. His relationship with his family at stake, he is forced into a life of deception, and begins a long struggle to hold on to those he loves most: his five children. In All Who Go Do Not Return, Deen bravely traces his harrowing loss of faith, while offering an illuminating look at a highly secretive world.

RSVP TO INFO@TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM
$10 FOR DINNER

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE NEXT LITERATURE & LIBATIONS.
RABBI SILVERMAN WILL DISCUSS AS A DRIVEN LEAF ON APRIL 14.

GLAMPING
AT TICKFAW STATE PARK
MARCH 11-13, 2016

Sign up now! Cabin space is limited
info@tourosynagogue.com

Erev Shabbat potluck under the stars
Morning Torah in nature
Storytelling & singing overlooking the Cypress trees!
Picnic lunch
Bring all your favorite picnic stuff to share.
Afternoon hikes, canoeing, playing & resting
Sublime and peaceful Shabbat fun.
Gourmet (and rustic) grill-fest
Elegant and rugged
Campfire Havdalah – wine and s’mores!
Join us. We can’t wait!

Thirteen 2-bedroom cabins available.
Each cabin includes two bunk beds; one queen size bed;
one sleeper-sofa and sleeps up to 8 people.
Bring your friends! Share a cabin!
$225 per cabin for the weekend
Purim at Touro gets a little fuzzier... and Fozzier

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE BIG SHOW!

PURIM SHPIEL
SUNDAY, MARCH 20
10 AM IN THE GRANT MEYER GARDEN PAVILION

Featuring actors, singers, pigs, frogs, chickens and dancing bears of all ages!

Touro Synagogue is pleased to present its 25th Annual JAZZ FEST SHABBAT

Featuring Grammy Nominee Jon Cleary and the Absolute Monster Gentlemen
April 29, 2016
Chanukah celebration

**LEFT:** Stacey Weinreb laughs with a younger congregant at the Sufganiyot bar.

**RIGHT:** The Dreidel tournament took a lot of concentration, as shown in this photo.

**ABOVE:** Rabbi Alexis Berk helps some of our younger congregants to light the menorah.

**RIGHT:** Rabbi Todd Silverman, dressed as Rabbi Dreidelman, spins from table to table during the Dreidel Competition.

**RIGHT:** Two of our younger congregants work on their dreidel skills during the competition.
TOP: Some of our younger congregants play during our Chanukah event.

ABOVE: From left, Brian Bain and Bob Berk participate in the Dreidel competition.

LEFT: Youngsters enjoy the Chanukah dinner.

LEFT: Congregants enjoy the Chanukah dinner.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO SCOTT SALTZMAN FOR THE PHOTOS
Havdalah & Chaverim

On January 9, we had our first Havdalah and Chaverim event. Six host families welcomed 19 guest families for dinner that night. It was a lovely way to close out Shabbat and spend time enjoying the company of fellow Touro members. Stay tuned for the next Havdalah and Chaverim event in late spring.

Huge thanks to those who participated! We can’t wait until the next Havdalah and Chaverim event. Stay tuned for more information! We’d like to extend a very special thank you to Lisa Keleher for organizing this wonderful event!

George Dansker Concert-Lecture

Thank you to George Dansker for presenting yet another incredible program of Jewish composers from film and Broadway. We still have Stephen Sondheim’s music in our ears!

LEFT: George Dansker speaks during the concert-lecture.
MIDDLE: Deborah Mintz performs during the program.

Cantor Mintz singing during the concert-lecture on famous Jewish composer, Stephen Sondheim.
The 2015 Christmas Day Mitzvah Lunch at the Rebuild Center was very special. Thanks to the efforts and contributions of a group of dedicated and generous members we successfully served nearly one hundred guests a delicious “homemade” meal. The guests were entertained with live music and caroling while they dined and each received a gift bag with candy, a pair of socks and toothbrush. Everyone was very appreciative of our efforts and it was a truly enriching and heartwarming experience for all.

We are very grateful for the efforts of Touro members Chris Kahn and Jeanne Kessler for coordinating everything from preparation to serving, as well as Kenitha Williams, of the Rebuild Center, and her staff for allowing us to be a part of this meaningful endeavor.

On behalf of Touro we would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to following people for making this extraordinary day possible:

Elizabeth Ahlquist
Julie Koppman, Brian and J.K. Bain
Jaymi Baum
Nina, David and Zoe Beriss
Catherine Caldwell
Mike Cohen
Moira Crone
Sister Enid
Maureen, Alex, Sofia, Katie, and Thomas Gershank
Eileen Hamilton
Jennifer Hood
Teri Hunter

Marc, Ben, and Abby Kahn
Lisa and Josie Kehleher
Maurya Kilroy
Ruth Kullman
Beth and Austin Lavin
Laura and Walter Levy
Anamaria Villamarin-Lupin
Suzette and Rick Perles
Shelley, Scott and Tierney Saltzman
Julie Schwartz
Julie Silbert
Rabbi Todd Silverman
Fran and Robert Simon

Bobbie Smith
Jan Smith
Helen Stone
Kerry Tapia
Cheryl Timmins
Joan Wightkin
Kenitha Williams
Naomi Yavneh-Klos and family
Renee Zack
Jenny, Ellie and Megan Zurik
Touro Synagogue Hunger Fund
Touro Synagogue Office Staff
Touro Synagogue Religious School
Get Involved at Touro!

Our social action initiatives at Touro Synagogue would not be possible without the dedication of our passionate congregants. As we strive to continue our missions, the help we give the community is immeasurable. Please take a look at ongoing volunteer efforts as well as initiatives we are undertaking in the future and find out how you can help. Also, don’t forget about our VolunteerSpot button on our homepage for the most up-to-date volunteer opportunities.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Habitat for Humanity and Touro Synagogue join forces for Rebuild Day

Sunday, May 15
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
We are SO excited!

Join us as we come together for a build day with Habitat for Humanity. We’ve done it before and it is time to do it again! Habitat will offer a special build day for Touro members and friends. Everyone 16 years and older is encouraged to join us! No previous experience or skill is required. All you need is a willing spirit and a desire to build a dream.

Contact Teri Hunter to sign up or to find out more information at tlhunter22@gmail.com.

HELP ANYTIME - ONGOING INITIATIVES

You can help the Teachers, Staff and Students at Sophie B. Wright Charter School

CONGRATULATIONS
Sophie B. Wright had the most improved ACT scores in New Orleans in 2015!

Treats for the Teachers and Staff at Sophie B. Wright: You can make a difference in the lives of the Sophie B. Wright teachers as they continue to make a huge difference in the lives of the Sophie B. Wright students. It’s easy! Sign up to contribute a snack to the teachers by using this link: http://vols.pt/FD4Tzu or contact Sam Guichet at ssguichet@me.com.
You can also donate $5 gift cards to Canes for student achievement incentives. These cards can be dropped off at the Touro office.
Eden House

Eden House is a residence/program for women in need of a safe home where they come to heal, learn, and rehabilitate for a better future. They have nothing to call their own when they arrive at Eden House.

Special Request: Eden House is looking for a volunteer reading specialist (dyslexia) to help the women learn to read and/or improve their reading skills. If you would like to volunteer or know of someone who works with those learning to read, please contact Teri Hunter at thunter22@gmail.com or Eden House directly at assistant@edenhousenola.org

Please consider donating items such as:
- toothpaste
- brushes
- shampoo
- conditioner
- soap
- body lotion
- towels
- any personal care items

Please drop your donations off at Touro Synagogue

Teacher Breakfast Treats for our Religious School teachers

Want to thank Religious School teachers for their hard work? Drop off 12 muffins or pastries at Touro Synagogue on Friday. With this simple gift, you can provide the teachers with Sunday morning breakfast.

Broadmoor Food Pantry

Non-perishable foods are much needed at The Broadmoor Food Pantry. Please drop off canned goods, beans, rice, or cereals anytime the Touro office is open.

The First 72+

Calvin Duncan, of the First 72+, has expressed his sincere gratitude for all the wonderful donations from the Touro community. Did you know that Louisiana leads the United States in the number of adults who are incarcerated? Two out of every five people released from prison in our state return to prison.

Want to help? The First 72+ is still in need of:
- Men's underwear
- Socks
- T-shirts
- Large and extra large dress shirts
- Winter items

The First 72+ has a one hundred percent success rate, and needs help from the community to maintain that statistic. Please drop donations off at the synagogue office.

Touro's Garden Needs Harvesters

Touro's vertical gardens are virtually dirt free and they provide fresh produce for the hungry in our community! And we need you to help with the harvesting. It's fun, it's easy, it's quick, and it is mess and stress free! The photo on the left shows the bounty of just one of our harvests from 2015. Each harvest is sent to the Broadmoor Food Pantry.

- WE'RE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS -
  Say you'll join in the fun of harvesting by emailing Ann Fishman at dagadam@aol.com.

Harry S. Tompson Rebuild Center

Although homelessness is often viewed as resulting from an individual problem (poor life choices or "laziness"), it is largely reflective of social problems such as poverty, income inequality and a lack of access to mental health care. Many members of the Touro community have become acquainted with The Rebuild Center through our "Christmas Mitzvah," but Rebuild serves as a respite for homeless people in New Orleans every weekday, offering lunch, showers, restrooms, toiletries, legal aid and some medical care. You and your family can help the Rebuild Center's guests. They are in need of:
- New or gently used books
- Unopened, travel-size toiletries

You can drop your donations off in the bin labeled "Harry Tompson Rebuild Center" at the General Pershing Street entrance. This collection will be in addition to our annual toiletry collection in conjunction with Jazz Fest Shabbat.

If you are a mental health care professional or other health care professional who wants to help with your expertise, please contact Naomi Yavneh Klos at yavneh@loyno.edu.
Touro’s Mental Health Awareness Committee has partnered with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to connect our congregants struggling with their own or a loved one’s mental health condition with community offerings. NAMI offers hope, help and healing to people with mental illness - and to those who share their lives - through family support, education, advocacy and quality psychosocial services. If you or a loved one is seeking counseling or guidance, please see NAMI’s support group offerings for the month of February.

**Family Support Groups (For loved ones of those living with mental illness)**
- **Feb. 3:** 6:30-8:00pm at 1538 Louisiana Ave., New Orleans (NAMI New Orleans Uptown Office)
- **Feb. 8:** 5:30-7:00pm at 2200 Lafitte St., New Orleans (Sojourner Truth Neighborhood Center)
- **Feb. 16:** 6:30-8:00pm at 2051 8th St., Harvey (NAMI New Orleans Westbank Office)
- **Feb. 25:** 6:30-8:00pm at 4004 W Esplanade Ave., Metairie (Congregation Beth Israel)

**Connection Recovery Support Groups (For individuals living with mental illness)**
- **Every Thursday:** 1:30-3:00pm at 1538 Louisiana Ave., New Orleans (NAMI New Orleans Uptown Office)
- **Every Friday:** 10:30am-12:00pm at 2051 8th St., Harvey (NAMI New Orleans Westbank Office)

**NOLA Survivors of Suicide Loss**
- **Feb. 10:** 6:30-8:00pm at 1538 Louisiana Ave., New Orleans (NAMI New Orleans Uptown Office)
- **Feb. 24:** 6:30-8:00pm at 1538 Louisiana Ave., New Orleans (NAMI New Orleans Uptown Office)

(Please call 504-410-7025 or email survivors.nola@gmail.com before attending your first meeting)

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**CARING AND MITZVAH**

**BY THE NUMBERS: A LOOK AT 2015**

- **130** Families reached through notes, care packages, welcome bags, meal trains and phone calls.
- **100** Families invited to light Shabbat candles or say kiddish during Friday night services.
- **136** Birthday treats and plants delivered.

**LEARN HOW YOU CAN HELP**

We are looking for Touro members to take a role in developing their village. Our villages arose out of a desire to build connections between members who live in the same neighborhood. Primarily a way for us to celebrate simchas and support each other with meal trains and condolences, the villages also offer opportunities to get together in smaller groups socially.

**VILLAGE ROLES**

**Village Coordinator:** Handles delivery of care packages to members recovering from illness, sends condolence notes and mazel tovs and delivers welcome bags to new members. Expected time commitment: 1 – 2 hour(s)/month.

**Birthday Courier:** Contacts members who have birthdays and delivers a treat or plant. Expected time commitment: 1 – 5 hour(s)/month, depending on whether you are baking the treats and how many people you choose to deliver to.

**Social Director:** Organizes super-village get-togethers and communicates via email/phone/note with members on upcoming group events. Expected time commitment: 1-2 hour(s)/month.

Please contact Lisa Keleher at lisatkeleher@gmail.com or 504-296-5472 to indicate your interest or start a conversation.
Welcome New Members

Jenna Addis

Brenda and Michael Goldman

Deborah “Debbie” and Stephen “Steve” Marx

Jenny Katz and Gregory “Greg” Nichols

Fern Kruger

Hannah Udell and Jonathan Tebeleff

Mazel Tov to:

Parrish R. Abramson
on becoming a Bar Mitzvah

John Antonucci
on receiving his graduate degree in Counseling

Aimee Brown and Keigan Stacho
on the birth of their son, Brayden Samuel Stacho

Clem Goldberger
for being named the 2015 Woman of the Year by City Business

Carole Jacobson and Ross and Diane Jacobson
on the birth of their grandchildren, Lillian Nadia Orbitz and Henry Landan Kessler

Lou Good
on becoming the president of Touro Infirmary

Lisa and Michael Herman
on the birth of their grandson, August "Gus" Herbert Herman Noble

Betty Kohn
for being named one of the two honorary Co-Chairs of the Jewish Children's Regional Service's Jewish Roots of Celebration Gala

Simone Levine and Will Harrell
on the birth of their son, Ezra Clark Levine-Harrell

Lee Sucherman and Ellen Kempner Sucherman
on the birth of their first grandchild, Wyatt Sonny O'Berry

In Memoriam

Touro Synagogue extends its deepest sympathies to the families and friends of...

Alvin Kenneth Halpern,
husband of Theone Halpern

Judith Clare Cohen,
wife of Gerald Cohen

James Maurice "Jimmy" Glickman

Arnold Jerome "Jim" Bennett,
brother-in-law of Stanley Schwam

Julian P. Stern Sr.

Amy Linker Bonoff,
mother of Jennifer Koppel

Joan Levy Sheridan,
cousin of Adie Genet (Errol)

Janice Hortense Fisher

Dorothy Reiner "Dot" Shushan,
mother of Mathilda "Mat" Berenson

Our beloved are with us through the blessing of memory ... we think of them now; they live in our hearts; they are a continual blessing. -Chaim Stern, Paths of Faith

Online Donations

Our new website has an easy-to-access online donation form. If you’d like to make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one, please visit www.tourosynagogue.com/donate/donate-online/
TOURO SYNAGOGUE FUND

In Honor of:
Tour with Adie Genet
By: Bettina Smilo
Carolyn Herbst
Mr. and Mrs. Ron Truly

Tour with Bob Hammer
By: Roberta and Mark Cohen
Judy and Richard Kuskin

Unveiling Ceremony of Diane Bennett Hammer
By: Jenni and David Hammer
Robert Hammer and family

Bar Mitzvah of Ari Matan Berk
By: Martin Goldstein and June Leopold
Tanya and Douglas Koppel
Janice and Jeffrey Smith

Birth and Naming of Amelia Claire Lavin
By: Teri and Jonathan Hunter
Kathy and Hal Shepard
Julie and Scott Silbert
Emily, Zach and Matthew Kupperman
Nicole Mast
Zachary Rosenberg and Karen Lansden
Curry Smith
Julie Koppman, Brian and J.K. Bain
Eleanor Banister

Bar Mitzvah of Jared Michael Glassman
By: Iris and Ian Green
Paula Miller
Dorothy Stiebel
90th Birthday of Jack Lengsfield
By: Susan and Lou Good

In Memory of:
Gertie Goldstein
Gershon Goldstein
By: Martin Goldstein and family
Selma Thalsheimer Huss
By: Jenni and David Hammer
Elaine Menszer
Kenneth Menszer
By: Sam Menszer
Leonard Silbert
By: Sally and Steve Greenberg

Dorothy Reiner “Dot” Shushan
By: Mary Lynn and Charles Alltmont
Phyllis and Jack Alltmont
Dale and Alan Singer
Linda Green and Michael Brown
Sharon Litwin
James Mounger
Susan and Lou Good

DONALD MINTZ FUND

In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Ari Matan Berk
By: Susan and Byron Kantrow

Speedy Recovery for Leona Shlosman
By: Susan and Lou Good

In Memory of:
Fannie Klein
By: Susan and Byron Kantrow

BABSITTING-SHABBAT FUN SUPPORT FUND

Donations:
By: Beverly Katz/Exterior Designs, Inc.
James Sumner
Hilary and Rich Goldberg
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Alex Hetherington
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CARING SUPPORT FUND

In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Ari Matan Berk
By: Ana and Juan Gershank

In Memory of:
Lidia Rudoy de Garfinkel
Isidore Cohn, Jr.
By: Ana and Juan Gershank

CHOIR MUSIC SUPPORT FUND

In Honor of:
Installation of Rabbi Todd Silverman
By: George Dansker

Birth of Nadav Tal Mintz
By: George Dansker
Martin Goldstein and June Leopold
Janice and Jeffrey Smith
Julie Koppman, Brian and J.K. Bain

In Memory of:
Dorothy Reiner “Dot” Shushan
Madeline Smith
Maurice Smith
By: Janice and Jeffrey Smith

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SUPPORT FUND

In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Jared Michael Glassman
By: Thaia Pick and Laura Pick
Beth, Austin and Amelia Lavin

In Memory of:
Dorothy Reiner “Dot” Shushan
By: Janice and Jeffrey Smith

DONALD MINTZ FUND

In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Ari Matan Berk
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Speedy Recovery for Leona Shlosman
By: Susan and Lou Good

In Memory of:
Fannie Klein
By: Susan and Byron Kantrow

ROBERT KATZ AND ALICE M. KATZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Jared Glassman
Birthday of William D. Norman, Jr.
By: Jan Katz and Jim Derbes

In Memory of:
Dorothy Reiner “Dot” Shushan
By: Jan Katz and Jim Derbes

SAVE OUR SANCTUARY CAMPAIGN FUND

In Memory of:
Sidney Weiner
By: Marjorie and Roy Weiner

RABBI EMERITUS’ DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of:
Wishing Rabbi David Goldstein, my “Introduction to Jewish Civilization” teacher, a happy and healthy Chanukah
By: Sheridan Goldstein

CANTOR’S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Honor of:
Birth of Nadav Tal Mintz
By: Ina and Rick Davis
Stanley Schwam
Mary Lynn and Charles Alltmont
Laura and Walter Levy

Unveiling Ceremony of Diane Bennett Hammer
By: Robert Hammer and family
Bar Mitzvah of Jared Michael Glassman
By: Andrea and Jonathon Glassman
Cantor Mintz mentoring Josh Balkin, a frequent Torah reader
By: Ellen and Mark Balkin

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In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Ari Matan Berk
By: Susan and Byron Kantrow

Speedy Recovery for Leona Shlosman
By: Susan and Lou Good

In Memory of:
Fannie Klein
By: Susan and Byron Kantrow

JACKIE WOLFF SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Jared Glassman
By: Renee Zack

In Memory of:
Dorothy Reiner “Dot” Shushan
By: Renee Zack
Frankie Wolff
Hyman “Doc” Tolmas
By: Frankie Wolff

SPECIAL ACTIONS SUPPORT FUND

Donations:
By: Dana and Louis Shepard

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Bar Mitzvah of Noah Checkman
By: Kyna and Richard Epstein

In Memory of:
Sylvia Weiner
By: Marjorie and Roy Weiner

DEBRA VAN DER LINDEN SIDELNIK MEMORIAL FUND

In Memory of:
Ryan Reaves
Esther Carp Lubel
By: Elaine and Bernie Van der Linden

In Honor of:
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RABBI BERK’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
In Honor of:
Bar Mitzvah of Ari Matan Berk
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Linda Green and Michael Brown
Jacqueline and Beryl Ames
Stanley Schwarm
Barbara Herman
Susan Good becoming President of Touro Synagogue
By: George Dansker
Birth of Nadav Tal Mintz
By: Jacqueline and Beryl Ames
Barbara Herman
Honors received at delightful Shabbat mornings
Rabbi Silverman for lovely d’var Torah
By: Jacqueline and Beryl Ames
Bar Mitzvah of Jared Michael Glassman
By: Andrea and Jonathon Glassman
Bar Mitzvah of Andrew Herman
 Naming of Victoria Rebecca Rodrigalverez
By: Barbara Herman
Unveiling Ceremony of Diane Bennett Hammer
By: Robert Hammer and family
Rabbi Berk receiving the Forum for Equality Award
By: Loel and Larry Samuel
Their Wedding
By: Julia and Christopher Davis
In Memory of:
Dorothy Reiner “Dot” Shushan
By: Barbara Herman
Donations:
By: Adrian Juttner
Anonymous Donor

RABBI SILVERMAN’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
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Bris Ceremony of Brayden Samuel Stacho
By: Denise and Owen Brown
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By: Rita Olmo

DONATIONS TO THE TOURO SYNAGOGUE FOUNDATION
In Memory of:
Minnie Sherman
Harold Sherman
Dorothy Reiner “Dot” Shushan
By: Ellen and Marc Yellin
Donations:
By: Anonymous Donor

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We thank these generous supporters for their help in making Shabbat a wonderful experience:

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Shira Bergman-Cohen and Michael Cohen
Jeanne, David, Elizabeth and Eric Margolin

Shabbat Dinner/Oneg Shabbat
Laura, Walter, Daniel and Julia Levy
Barbara Herman, Russ and Sandra Herman
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Kiddush Luncheon
Alexis and Bob Berk
Touro Synagogue Congregation

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Elly Zakris

Shabbat Dinner/Oneg Shabbat
Andrea and Jonathon Glassman
LimmudFest New Orleans

Kiddush Luncheon
Andrea and Jonathon Glassman

Would you like to sponsor the flowers or Shabbat Dinner on a Friday Night?
It’s an easy and simple mitzvah.
For more information please contact Donna at (504) 895-4843 or donnap@tourosynagogue.com.

Flower Sponsorships
$75

Shabbat Dinner
$250

Your donation is fully tax-deductible.
Yahrzeits
Perpetually enshrined on the Yahrzeit Tablets of Touro Synagogue are the following loved ones for whom Kaddish will be recited for the month of February.

Friday, Jan. 29 / Saturday Jan. 30

Friday, February 5 / Saturday, February 6

Friday, February 12 / Saturday, February 13

Friday, February 19 / Saturday, February 20

Friday, February 26 / Saturday, February 27

Friday, March 4 / Saturday March 5

JOIN US FOR OUR UNIQUE SHABBAT EXPERIENCE EVERY FRIDAY EVENING AT 6PM
Blending the ancient words of our liturgy together with contemporary texts, Shabbat services at Touro Synagogue give us the opportunity to raise our voices together in song and prayer, to transcend the here and now, and create something truly beautiful together.

Stay after services and enjoy a Shabbat dinner! Did you know that for $250 you can sponsor the Shabbat Dinner on Friday night? For more information please contact Donna in the office at 895-4843.

We also offer fun activities for our youngest attendees every Friday night. We’ve got board games, ping pong, toys and more!
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**Shabbat Services February 2016**

**Friday, February 5**
5:00pm Casual Shabbat Gras - Abbreviated Service and parade to follow (casual attire), Forgotston Chapel  
**NOTE EARLIER TIME**

**Saturday, February 6**
10:30am Shabbat Songs and Kaddish - Abbreviated Shabbat Morning Service (due to parades), Forgotston Chapel

**Friday, February 12**
6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service/Birthday Blessings, Forgotston Chapel  
7:30pm Friday Night Kumzits (Communal singing), Shushan Assembly

**Saturday, February 13**
10:30am Shabbat Morning Service, Forgotston Chapel

**Friday, February 19**
6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service, Forgotston Chapel  
NAMI presentation "In Our Own Voices," following services

**Saturday, February 20**
10:30am Shabbat Morning Service, Forgotston Chapel

**Friday, February 26**
6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service, Forgotston Chapel  
Guest Speakers present an interfaith dialogue, Forgotston Chapel, following services

**Saturday, February 27**
10:30am Shabbat Morning Service, Forgotston Chapel

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**Torah Study - Every Saturday at 9 a.m. in the Mautner Learning Center**

Join Torah study at Touro Synagogue! Each week the group discusses the weekly Parashah or Torah Portion in the Mautner Learning Center at 9:00 a.m., with the sessions led by different lay leaders. All who are interested are welcome, no prior Torah knowledge or Hebrew skills needed. A light breakfast of bagels and coffee is served.