

Dear Shir Chadash Family and Friends,
Welcome to letter #32

Today was a good Shir day. Not because it was easy, but because we worked together.

It really does takes a village to run a synagogue! Next week's email will have some important announcements.

We had a worthwhile meeting last Sunday and learned about the URJ. We will be sending you material SOON regarding what we learned and how we will all be able to vote (congregants in good-standing) on the matter of whether we will apply for membership, whether our congregation will join the congregation of congregations.

EVENTS and so on:

1. Today, Friday, April 3rd at 7:30pm - Shabbat Services.
2. I am so out of it... I forget what people do on Friday nights if they're not at Shir Chadash. I think I'm developing Shir "tunnel vision."

3. Enjoy your evening, whatever you do!
4. Saturday April 4th, at 9am, "A Passover Happening" (games, crafts, teaching, fun for kids and adults... MEET MOSES for heaven's sake!... yes he'll be there)... AND... join us for a "Shabbat Last Chance Chumetz Pasta & Pizza Lunch"... across the street from the church at the Villa... \$10/adult, \$8/child... pasta, pizza, salad, drinks, tax & tip.
5. IF YOU WANT TO COME TO THE LUNCHEON, YOU HAVE TO REPLY TO THIS E-mail.
6. It'll be fun. Let us know.
7. Wednesday April 8th at 6:30pm - Adult Hebrew Class continues...
8. Sunday April 26th, Our First Annual Shir Chadash Flea Market.
9. Clear out your attic and basement and do a double mitzvah. You'll have more room and you'll fund our ability to help others. You can call Victor (463-2654) or Liz (486-9969) or email them (rebef2@cs.com, lizglass1@optonline.net) to arrange to transport your treasures before the sale.
10. This will be a large event. It will be held in the parking lot of the Kandr Building on IBM Road. In addition to accepting donations, we are also selling space (\$30/table) for you to sell your own items. Help us make this event a success. Contact Victor or Liz if you want a table.

1. Saturday June 13th, OUR SPRING CONCERT, more details soon.

AND MORE:

➤ Check this out this link for PHOTOS from the Purim Spiel. There are some great shots (and more are coming) plus we'll have a video up soon.

http://www.shir-chadash.org/img/purim_2009/Purim%20Web%20Gallery/index.html

This was a 4-star show. Kudos again to Mana, the Shir Players and the author, Rabbi Polish. This was enough fun to carry us through to Spring.

➤ REACHING OUT. You must have a friend who would like to be informed and entertained by a cleverly written weekly e-mail? If so, please send me their email address. Thanks.

AND EVENTS ELSEWHERE...

➤ April 19-21 at L'Enfant Plaza Hotel in Washington, DC
CONFIRMED SPEAKERS SO FAR: DAVID AXELROD, SENATORS DEBBIE STABENOW AND BARBARA BOXER, and REPRESENTATIVE NITA LOWEY
<http://rac.org/confprog/consult> This is an inspiring conference held every 2-years at the start of a new Congress. I am planning on going. Let me know if you would like to travel together.

It's coming up in just 3 weeks.

➤ Mitzvah Day 09 - May 3, 2009 promises to be a day of friendship, caring and hard work. To volunteer on Mitzvah Day, participants can now sign up online at www.jewishdutchess.org. For questions, please e-mail Jewish Family Services of

Dutchess County at jfs@jewishdutchess.org, or call at 845-471-9817.

Shabbat Shalom,
Michael