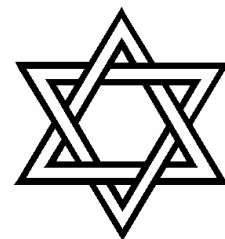


# Eastside Voice



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## Mission Statement

**“Our Mission is to further the Spiritual, Educational, and Cultural experiences of our Jewish community.”**

### Everyone is invited to Eastside Kehila 's Shabbat Dinner— Sept 11

We look forward to seeing you for Eastside Kehila's monthly Shabbat Dinner and Service at St. Ignatius School, one block north of Powell at 43rd. ( 3400 SE 43rd Ave.) on Friday, September 11, 2009

Registration is at 5:30 P.M. and candle lighting at 6 P.M. This is followed by Services at 7 P.M., led by Flip Frisch. The evening will end with a sweet potluck Oneg, so please bring a dessert to share. Call ahead for reservations and if you have any questions about prices. Reservations are required. Email us at [shalom@ejcop.org](mailto:shalom@ejcop.org) or phone (503) 973-5267 by the Monday before the dinner. Please let us know if you have a birthday or anniversary this month.

A raffle will be held for the table decorations—be sure to buy a ticket, \$1 for one or \$5 for eight. And, we are continuing to collect canned and non-perishable goods for the Oregon Food Bank.



### President's Message – September 2009

A year ago, I wrote that Eastside was at a crossroads, noting that membership and attendance at monthly Shabbat services/dinners, as well as at special events, was stagnant. I also noted that members were aging and few younger people joining EJCoP.

Little has changed in the past year. Our resources are dwindling, the workload remains the same, and there are rarely new faces at any of our events. It takes the same effort, and the same number of volunteers for Eastside Kehila to provide Shabbat dinner and services for 20 or 30 or even 50 people. It is more gratifying to provide for 50. And from 50 comes the potential for 1 or 2 who wish to occasionally take a more active role. Those of you who have been involved with Eastside for 8 or so years can remember the large Shabbat gatherings at Brentwood-Darlington, when we worried about how many we could handle and what our cut-off had to be. We had enough active volunteers then so that the board of directors had fresh members every year, there were people willing to step in and take part in committees or organizing activities for the organization

In order to sustain this or any organization, it is those who are involved who must also do the outreach work. To see our Shabbat gatherings continue, it is the Shabbat participants who have the vested interest in ensuring there are continued Shabbat gatherings. This is true whether you attend for the dinner, the services, the sense of community, or all of these. We must be the ones to invite others to join us for Shabbat.

Do you know someone new to the community who is seeking a Jewish connection? Invite him or her to Shabbat. Do you know people through another organization, a class, a card game? Invite them to join you at Shabbat.

We must seek out ways to inject new lifeblood into the organization, or it will surely cease to exist.

Rita Cohen King

The Simcha Corner— September Birthdays & Anniversaries

**Birthdays: Sue Sargent, Andrew Ball, Perla Taylor  
Betty Beeson**



**Anniversaries: None known**

**September Yahrzeit**

**Ethel Barak Kerkowitz** (Frohs 9/18)  
**Esther King** (Noel and Rita King)  
**Bob Maneker** (Chris Nacheff Maneker)

To include your loved one in future Yahrzeit notices, please send his or her name and date of passing to us at our email address: [shalom@ejcop.org](mailto:shalom@ejcop.org)

**Elul 5769 /Tishrei 5770 (2009) Torah Portions**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Torah Portion</b>	<b>Light Candles—</b>	<b>Shabbat Ends—</b>
<b>Sept 4 - Sept 5</b>	<b>KI TAVO</b>	<b>7:26 PM</b>	<b>8:28 PM</b>
<b>Sept 11 - Sept 12</b>	<b>NITZAVIM- VAYELECH</b>	<b>7:13 PM</b>	<b>8:14 PM</b>
<b>Sept 18</b>	<b>Eve of 1st day Rosh Hashana</b>	<b>6:59 PM</b>	
<b>Sept 19</b>	<b>Eve of 2nd day Rosh Hashana</b>	<b>Light after 8:00 PM</b>	<b>Holiday ends Sept 20 at 7:58 PM</b>
<b>Sept 25 - Sept 26</b>	<b>HA'AZINU</b>	<b>6:46 PM</b>	<b>7:46 PM</b>
<b>Sept 27 - Sept 28</b>	<b>EVE OF YOM KIPPUR</b>	<b>6:42 PM</b>	<b>7:42 PM (holiday ends)</b>

In Memoriam — Gerry Schindler  
01/29/1930 08/04/2009

Born to Jewish merchants Simon and Berta Schindler, Gerhard (Gerry) lived part of his early childhood in Magdeburg, Germany. Forced out of Germany during the Nazi takeover prior to World War II, he and most of his family were successful in leaving Germany and traveled to China where they settled in the ghettos of the Jewish section of Shanghai. Gerry played soccer, ping pong and boxed during his time as a boy in China, while his family labored to exist in the Shanghai ghetto. After the war, Gerry and his family moved to America, arriving through San Francisco. As an adult in America, He married Mary Jean Saarela and raised three children, Rebecca, Jennifer and Daniel. Gerry worked for Union Pacific Railroad, holding the positions of bridge builder, car-man, and foreman. He also did a short bit of work on Portland's Steel Bridge during that time. Gerry also served in the Oregon National Guard 41st Infantry Brigade, attaining the rank of master sergeant. Mary Jean passed away after 44 years of marriage. Gerry married Jane Butler and spent the last 10 years happily traveling and sharing the fruits of retirement. He loved dancing and was fond of golf and yard work. He will be missed. Gerry is survived by his wife, Jane; 3 children, 7 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, 3 stepchildren, 7 step-grandchildren, and 6 step-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, David, in 1955.

All of us at Eastside Kehila will miss Gerry, but hope we will continue to see Jane often.

Eastside Kehila 2009 Schedule  
Event RSVP: [shalom@ejcop.org](mailto:shalom@ejcop.org) or 503-97E-JCOP  
(503-973-5267)

September 11	Shabbat Service and Dinner
October 9	Shabbat Service and Dinner
November 13	Shabbat Service and Dinner

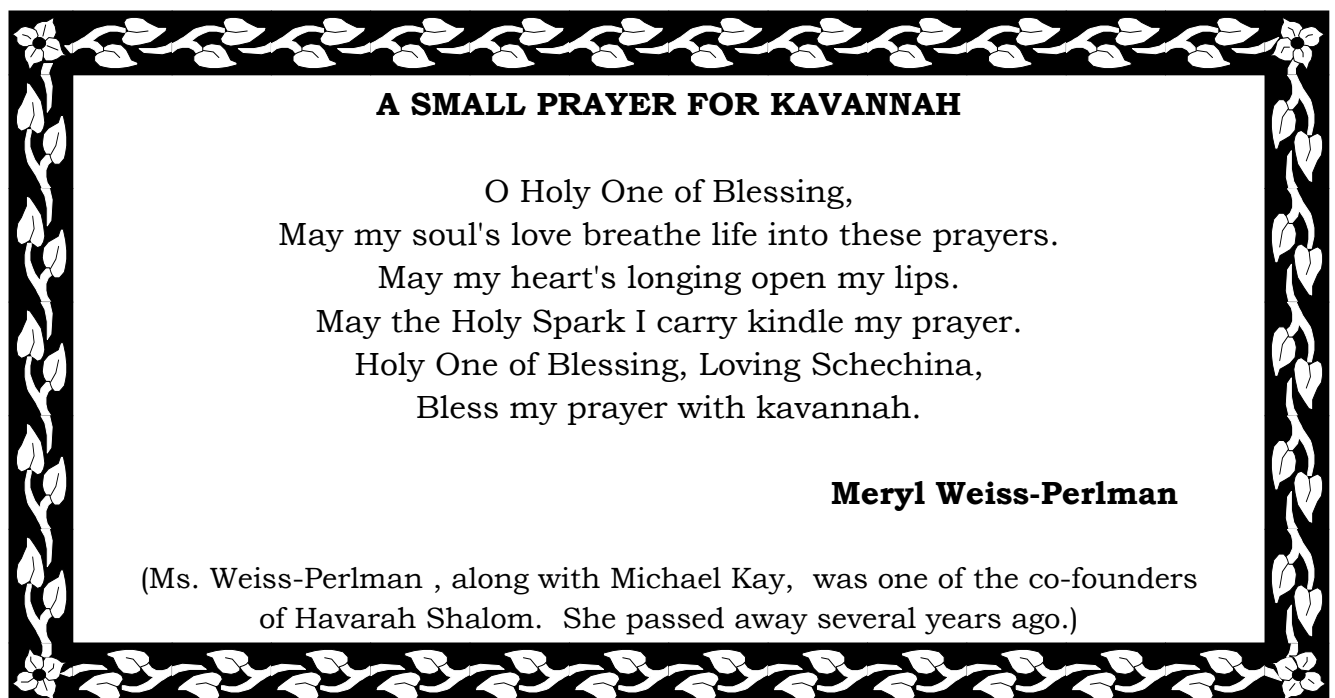
**Status of the Legal Proceedings** ... concerning the two young men who desecrated the Eastside Jewish Cemetery Section of Douglass Pioneer Cemetery.

The Eastside Kehila received a check from the Oregon Department of Justice from Mr. Brendan Scott Mackey in fulfillment of the Compensatory Fine Payment ordered by Judge Henry Kantor as part of the sentencing for his part in the February, 2009 desecration of our cemetery. Mr. Mackey has been fulfilling the conditions of his probation so far. He and Mr. Timothy Feininger attended a program conducted by Ms. Lisa Kaner (Project director for the establishment of the Oregon Holocaust Memorial) and Mr. and Mrs Leslie and Eva Aigner (two survivors of the Holocaust who met and married after they were liberated). They were requested to write a summary of their experience, and include a letter expressing what they would say to a Holocaust survivor.

There will be additional conditions for them to fulfill during their probation ( they have 3 years to finish them); attend meetings of the Coalition on Hate Crimes, and meet with a young man who has completed such a program in Eugene and now talks to groups and classes. This type of sentence is called Restorative Justice and has the goal of educating and reforming the behavior of the young men. This opportunity is a very big carrot for them; the penalty for failing the program or violating probation is over two years in the State Prison in Salem.

I did not make the decision to accede to this program alone; I consulted with our Board of Directors, the Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Portland, two rabbis from congregations in Portland, and the Coalition on Hate Crimes where this was an agenda item at their June meeting.. They agreed that this program was worth trying as it has worked before.

**Michael Kay** , Cemetery Cmte Chair



## Eastside Kehila Board Members

### Board Officers:

President: Rita Cohen King  
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 Treasurer: Rob Boime  
 Secretary: Bob Dragoon  
 Cemetery Cmte Chair: Michael Kay

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### Board Advisor:

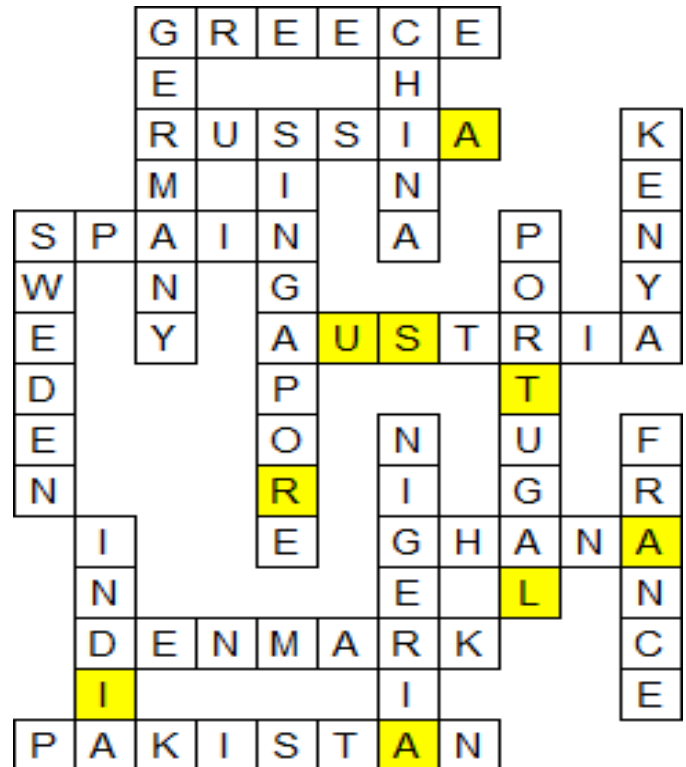
Spiritual Leader Flip Frisch



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By all accounts, the annual Eastside Kehila picnic was a rousing success! Good food, good company, and lots of water balloons. It was great to see members who have been gone for a while, and all the newest children .... Come to September's Shabbat and bring your pictures to share!

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***Eastside Kehila September 2009 At-A-Glance Calendar***

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 Shabbat Service & Dinner	12
13	14	15 Newsletter Deadline	16	17	18 Rosh Hashana	19 Rosh Hashana
20 Rosh Hashana	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Yom Kippur	28	29	30 Board Meeting			