Mia Hannah Meishar Bat Mitzvah

Mia Hannah Meishar, will celebrate her Bat Mitzvah on Sunday, December 18, 2016 at Congregation Rodfei Sholom. Mia is the daughter of Gina & Nim Meishar, and sister of Tamir and Dan. She is the granddaughter of Nili & Itzik Meishar, and Nellie P. Friedman, of blessed memory. Mia is a 6th grade student at the Eleanor Kolitz Hebrew Language Academy and excels in math and English. Mia enjoys playing tennis, watching TV, and loves cats.
Congregation Rodfei Sholom’s

L’Chayim Club Luncheon

Wednesday, December 14 ~ 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

“Modern Day Macabees – Self-Defense for Seniors”,
featuring Winslow Swart

An introduction to situational awareness and self-defense for use at home or while traveling abroad, presented within the theme of Chanukah. This timely and informative program will be conducted by Winslow Swart, who is a 7th Dan Kenseido master, and the highest ranking teacher of this art form outside Japan. Winslow has studied and taught for over 50 years, owns a dojo (school) near Rodfei on NW Military, travels to Japan to continually advance his studies, and to Israel to help strengthen our people.

Followed by a traditional meal highlighted with delicious homemade latkes!

D’var Torah by Rabbi Scheinberg

No charge for seniors ★ $5 for others

Everyone is welcome!

Please RSVP by Monday, Dec. 12, to rodfeisa@gmail.com or 210.493.3557

Senior transportation available by calling Ley at 210.616.4811

Co-sponsored by a grant from Golden Manor Jewish Senior Services.

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3rd Annual Zogmas Day

San Antonio Zoo - December 25, 2016

For more information contact us at rodfeisa@gmail.com or (210) 493-3558

Meet at 10:00 a.m. past the main gates

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3rd Annual December 25th

CHINESE FOOD DINNER

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Sunday Funday & Stress Workshop

December 2016

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Stressed, Anxious, Feeling Overwhelmed?
Let’s talk about it...

Wednesday, December 7 & January 4
from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm at the synagogue.

Facilitator will be Manijeh Nathan

Open to Men & Women ~ If attending- RSVP appreciated
Interfaith Hanukkah Celebration
Thursday, December 15, at 11:30 a.m.
Featured speaker: Dr. Philip A. Cunningham, Professor of Theology and Director of the Institute for Jewish-Catholic Relations at St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia. This marks the 15th year that San Antonio-area Catholics and Jews have jointly celebrated Hanukkah.

At San Fernando Cathedral Hall, 231 West Commerce. Reservations are required by December 9, which includes a catered lunch, at $36.00 per person. For further information, call San Fernando Cathedral, 227-1297.

The Jewish Federation of San Antonio and San Fernando Cathedral are the co-sponsors.

Preparedness, the ONLY Cure for Chaos

December 7 and January 4

Senior Moments musical offers inspiration and a dose of humor.

Growing older is filled with new realities and challenges that can be humoring at times, but physically and/or emotionally difficult at others. Local playwright/composer Linda Kaufman captures both extremes and everything in between in her powerful new musical, Senior Moments, coming to San Antonio’s Carol B. Conway Theater (At SASPA, 11210 Disco Street, off Hwy. 281 near Nakoma), January 14-29, 2017. The show’s director Mark A. Lit says “Linda writes some of the most beautiful music, and in a show about aging, it creates magnificent theater.”

Tickets are $20 each; or $18 each when purchased for groups of 10 or more. For tickets online visit SASPA.org or call (210) 490-0129 to order by phone.

RODFEI SHOLOM BOOK CLUB
First Wednesday of the Month: December 7 and January 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Support our San Antonio Jewish college student community by donating to the Hillel campaign at www.gofundme.com/hillelsanantonio or by check to Texas Hillel, 2105 San Antonio St., Austin, Texas 78705 with a designation for Hillel San Antonio.
JOIN US AT
RODFEI SHOLOM

➢ Friday, January 6, 2017
  Shabbat Dinner at Rodfei
➢ Shabbat, January 7, 2017
  After Services

For more information
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Adrienne Gold was a fixture on
Canadian Television for over 15 years,
both as host of her own daily fashion
and beauty programme and as a regular
contributor on scores of others. Her
direct, no holds barred approach and
her disarming humour won her a large
and loyal viewership! About 16 years
ago Adrienne's family began the journey
to re-claim their Jewish spiritual roots,
and she found herself more interested
in matters of substance than matters of
style. She left television and today is an
international lecturer and a popular
teacher at The Village Shul in Toronto.
She also leads several yearly Birthright
for Mom's style trips to Israel with The
Jewish Women's Renaissance Project
called MOMENTUM!

Classes with Rabbi Avraham
7 Days a week! - Daf Yomi
A page of Talmud a day
Join Jews world-wide on the Talmud cycle!
Contact Avraham for class schedule

New Class: Insights into the weekly
Torah Portion
Mondays at 8:15 p.m.

KIDS ON SHABBAT

Join Jr Congregation
with Rabbi Ashi
@ 10:30 am-11:00 am in the Day
Chapel, with weekly raffle tickets
and monthly drawings for prizes!
Everyone with a ticket will get a
prize! See you there!
Sponsors for November

To those who sponsored a Kiddush Lunch, we extend our thanks

Avi Hanun in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of his daughter Aliza

Margaret Gofman-Klein & Craig Klein in honor of
the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Shayna

Lala, Eleanor and Emily Gossen in loving memory of
husband and father Steven Gossen

To those who sponsored a Stand-up Kiddush, we extend our thanks

Laura Schnitzler in loving memory of her father Arthur Schwartz on his yahrzeit

Bobbie & Dr. Leon Ghitis in loving memory of Leon's mother
Sonia Ghitis and in loving memory of Sari Ghitis' grandmother Meirem
Balayty Clifton (who passed away last month)

To those who sponsored a Shalosh Seudah, we extend our thanks

Jody & Dr. Michael Steinberg in loving memory of his father
James Steinberg on his yahrzeit

Thank you to Norma & Louis Seeman on the
donation of lovely serving pieces to the synagogue.

Congregation Rodfei Sholom Programs and Activities

Community Services
Bikur Cholim – Hospital & Nursing Home Visitations
Chevra Kadisha Society
Israel Public Action Committee
Jewish - Latino Dialogue Outreach
Rodfei Sholom Regional Mikvah
Rodfei Sholom Cemetery
Rodfei Sholom Sisterhood
VAAD Hakashruth of San Antonio – Kosher Supervision

Youth Activities
B’nei Mitzvah Training
Jr. Congregation and Shabbat School
Sunday Funday
NCSY for area teens
Children’s Summer Camp

Family Services
Life Cycle Event Celebrations
Purim Carnival
Lag B’Omer Picnic
Shababt and Holiday Programs
Weekly Community Kiddush, Lunches, and Shalosh Seudot
Scholar-in-Residence Programming and Shabbat Dinners

Education Services
Continuing Adult Jewish Education

Senior Services
L’Chayim Club for Community Seniors

Services
Congregation Rodfei Sholom has morning and evening services every day of the year.
Please consult Facebook for the current service times.
Candlelighting Times
Dec. 2 - 5:16 p.m.
Dec. 9 - 5:17 p.m.
Dec. 16 - 5:19 p.m.
Dec. 23 - 5:23 p.m.
Dec. 30 - 5:27 p.m.

Rodfei Sholom Shabbat Hospitality
If you wish to offer home hospitality for Shabbat or know of someone who is in need of home hospitality, please call Susan Furman at 210.493.8423. When possible, please submit all requests at least 2 weeks in advance.

DECEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
Sara & Dr. Lazaro Kisel
Dorothy & Fermin Rajunov
Judge Rose & Dr. Morris Spector
Denise & Woody Baker
Anita & Dr. Aaron Goldberg
Zee & David Fisher

December 3
December 7
December 18
December 20
December 21
December 25

The synagogue office will be closed Monday, December 26, and Monday, January 2 for Winter Break.

The Birthday Club
Mazal Tov to our Birthday Kids for December

Eden Miller ............... December 1
Dan Lasky ............... December 2
Rachel Sarfati .......... December 3
Roman Lubetzky ........ December 7
Mason Pazin ............ December 8
Jacob Powell ............ December 8
Norman Davis .......... December 9
Estella Ghitis .......... December 9
Carlie Benatar .......... December 18
Ian Middleton .......... December 19
Maya Sarfati .......... December 27
Alexander Zinn .......... December 29

Join us for birthday cake on December 10!

Happy Hanukkah

To Judy & David Benjamin on the wedding of their son Jay to Madeline Mayer

To Kathryn Davis and Greg & Liz Davis, and the grandparents Terry & Russell Davis on Claire’s Bat Mitzvah

To Susan & Dr. Joseph Furman on the birth of their grandson Yaakov Yitzchak to Rosa & David Furman in Detroit

To Bobbie & Dr. Leon Ghitis for the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Daniela Blumenfeld in Scarsdale, NY

To Aliza Hanun and family on her Bat Mitzvah

To Margaret Gofman-Klein & Craig Klein and brother Joseph, on the Bat Mitzvah of Shayna and to grandmother Faina Gofman and the entire family

To Janelle & Morris Munoz on the wedding of their daughter, Elise to Noah Halpern

To Rabbi Dov & Rivkey Nimchinsky, on the engagement of their daughter Sara to Chaim Shulman, son of Dr. Tuviah & Ahuva Shulman of Long Island

Congratulations to Alan Yancelson on graduating from his master’s degree in Human Dimensions of Organizations from the University of Texas at Austin
December 2016

Photos

Paintball
November 27

Regional Shabbaton
November 11

Sunday Funday
Sunday, November 6
Magik Theatre
Duck for President

NCSY!

Rodfei gives back! - Thanksgiving Day, November 24
Correction: the following were inadvertently omitted from the November Bulletin. Rodfei regrets the error.

The Officers and Board of Directors of Congregation Rodfei Sholom thank the following people for their generous Torah Honor pledges during the High Holy Days 5777:

Dr. David Fisher
Dr. Jason Kboudi

IN HONOR OF

Raquel & Lenny Holzman on the birth of their grandson Itay Moshe Fein, and to the parents, Marsha & Noam Fein from Bobbie & Dr. Leon Ghitis

Rabbi Aryeh Scheinberg from Fonda & Dr. Gary Gossen from Pearl Gossen

Daniella & Dr. Tibor Ritter, on being named the honoress of Rodfei’s Annual Gala and for their great hospitality

Nurit & Bob Jacobson, wishing them a Happy Anniversary from Orah & Efraim Abramoff

The community and their prayers for his speedy recovery from Baruch Ksionzky

STARR FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND FOR ISRAEL

In loving memory of Elie Guggenheim
In loving memory of Linda Fisher
In honor of Nurit & Bob Jacobson, wishing them a Happy Anniversary from Arlene & Dr. David Starr

SEEMAN LANDSCAPING FUND

In loving memory of father and grandfather, Isaac Tawil from Harold & Gail Berg from Norma & Louis Seeman from Joyce Tawil

In loving memory of Esther Vexler In loving memory of Michael Hoffman the above form Norma & Louis Seeman

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Joseph Meir Ashlag, her husband from Miriam Ashlag

Elie Guggenheim from Joanie & Sol Schwartz from Lois & Arthur Solomon

Shirley Kboudi from Joanie & Sol Schwartz

Sylvan Siegal from Stanley Konar

Sherry Krug, her sister from Judy Levine-Holley

Victoria Levy From Roberta S. Klein from Sandra & Bernard Shaenfield

David Pankowsky from Hana & Dr. Jaime Pankowsky

Pablo Seigal from Sandra & Bernard Shaenfield

Esther Vexler from Joanie & Sol Schwartz

EDUCATION FUND

In loving memory of Esther Vexler
In honor of Eleanor Seigal, wishing her a speedy recovery from Rebeca & Howard Solomon

In loving memory of Victoria Levy and Linda Fisher from Norma & Louis Seeman

KIDDUSH FUND

A General Donation from Gil Atzmon

A donation in honor of the first responders for Thanksgiving from Dale & Dr. Harry Eastman
STEVEN GOSSEN MEMORIAL FUND FOR EDUCATION

In loving memory of **Joel Morton Levy**
In honor of **Daniella Ritter**, wishing her Mazal Tov on her birthday
from Lala, Eleanor, & Emily Gossen

In loving memory of **Steven Gossen**
from Elizabeth & Joseph Casseb from Fonda & Dr. Gary Gossen
from Pearl Gossen
from Suzanne Jalnos

LIBRARY FUND

In loving memory of **Aaron Fisher**
from Lynne Noriskin

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In loving memory of **Benjamin Simon**
from Lynne Noriskin

ABRAMSON GARDEN OF CONTINUITY

In loving memory of **Dr. Ulric Lindholm**
In loving memory of **Albert Serfaty**
In loving memory of **Yvette Halter**
In honor of **Raquel & Lenny Holzman** on the birth of their grandson **Itay Moshe Fein**, and to the parents, **Marsha & Noam Fein**
In honor of **Victor Press**, Mazel Tov on his 70th Birthday
In honor of **Leo Rose**, on his induction into the San Antonio Sports Hall of Fame
the above from Idelle & Dr. Norman Abramson

OTHER CONTRIBUTORS

Bill Bartholomew
Sylvia & Joe Olney
Seymour Palans
Laura Schnitzler

GIFTS OF BOOKS

A Siddur in loving memory of **Joseph Pliner**, her father from Dale Eastman

GARDEN OF FRIENDSHIP

In loving memory of **Mitzi Efron**
In loving memory of **Shirley Kbuodi**
In loving memory of **Esther Vexler**
In loving memory of **Michael Hoffman**
In honor of **Ellen A. Weinstein**, **David Lefton**, **Daniella Ritter**, **Nurit Jacobson**, **Stanley Spigel**, **Barbara Richmond**, **Elaine Lauterstein**, and **Still Schlossberg**, wishing them all Mazel Tov in their birthdays
the above from Lainey & Dr. Michael Berkus

In loving memory of his friend, **Linda Fisher**
In honor of the naming of his granddaughter, **Quinn Easterly**
the above from Dr. David Horwitz

In loving memory of **Linda Fisher**
from Melissa & Daron Horwitz

In honor of the naming of **Quinn Easterly**
from Riva Horwitz & Joshua Easterly
from Melissa & Daron Horwitz

CEMETERY FUND

In loving memory of **Louis Esstman**
Luise Esstman Bankler

**Yahrzeits for December**

1 Kislev -- December 1
Dr. Joshua Stolow, for his father, Eugene Stolow
Mrs. Janice Schwartz, for her husband, Robert Schwartz
Mr. Charles Schwartz, for his father, Robert Schwartz
Mrs. Gail Berg, for her father, Isaac Tawil
Mrs. Norma Seeman, for her father, Isaac Tawil
Mr. Aaron Tawil, for his father, Isaac Tawil
Miss Joyce Tawil, for her father, Isaac Tawil

2 Kislev -- December 2
Mr. Natan Bar Yadin, for his son, Ami Bar Yadin
Mrs. Tzipi Bar Yadin, for her son, Ami Bar Yadin
Mr. Reuben Bar Yadin, for his brother, Ami Bar Yadin

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CONDOLENCES

Jack Vexler and family on the loss of his mother, Esther Vexler

“May her soul be bound up in the bond of eternal life”
Camp Rodfei Winter 2016

December 19 – 30, 9 am – 1 pm
Ages 3 - 12

We will be welcoming back SEED camp counselors!

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