

Baytown Jewish Community News

MARCH 2010

In brief

First-Friday service
March 5, 7:45 p.m.

Bake a cake for Passover
For the March Hadassah meeting, get ready for Passover by learning to bake a chocolate flourless Passover cake. Martha Raskin will be teaching this culinary skill at the community building on Sunday, March 14, at 1 p.m. Hostesses are Jean and Julie.

Thanks, Mannes
Thanks to Jane and Burton Manne for a large supply of various new very noisy groggers donated to CKI.

We appreciate you
Thank you for your thoughtfulness and support during this difficult time. The passing of my mother-in-law was sudden but painless, and for that we thank G-d. We greatly appreciate your many condolence calls, e-mails and sympathy cards.

— Janet Bright

Congratulations
Harrison Bright recently achieved his Tenderfoot rank in Boy Scout Troop 95. We congratulate Harrison on his dedication and determination in reaching this goal.

Looking for Neal, Nancy?
Neal Manne and Nancy McGregor's home address is 2947 Inwood Dr, Houston TX 77019.

There was plenty going on for Purim

Another Purim has come and gone, with plenty of activities to remember it by. Thanks to everyone who helped and brought items for the kosher hot dog dinner, led by Ruth, and the service on Feb. 27, as well as the hamantaschen baking activity on Feb. 21.

A big thanks to Beverly for driving out from Houston on a foggy day to teach this fine culinary art. Attending her class were Marvin and Harriet with her granddaughter Mikella, Natalie, Gertrude and Don, Joan and Ruben, Mikke, Jerry, Ruth and Shana.

Thanks to Jean for providing her cream cheese dough recipe. Taste-testing was the order of the day, and a delicious lunch was served. Ed helped by bringing Shana's forgotten prune filling and Johnathon assisted with clean-up.



From our president:

Update on grant — CKI was not approved for the grant that we applied for last year. Our community building just isn't being used for the social services required for the grant. On a happier note, I've just applied for the NSGP Grant (Homeland Security) and may have an answer within three months.

Social service activities — I'd like to start implementing more social services in our community building. I recently joined the Harris County Citizen Corps and there are many one-day training events we, and our non-Jewish community, could really benefit from. Please consider volunteering to strengthen our communities one step at a time. For more information go to: <http://www.harriscountycitizencorps.com/volunteer/CertTeams.asp>

— Janet Bright

Sharing favorite books

There was a wonderful turnout for the

recent Book Review Free-for-All Wine and Cheese event. Attending were Stephanie and her brother Mike, guest author D.E. Cummings, June, Ruth, Harriet, Marvin, Shana, Ed, Jerry, Judy, Don, Gertrude, Ruben, and Joan. Thanks to everyone who attended and to June and Judy for providing refreshments. Here's a list of books and authors that were discussed:

- "Getting to the Heart of Interfaith" — Pastor Don Mackenzie, Rabbi Ted Falcon and Sheikh Jamal Rahman
- "Blink" — Malcolm Gladwell
- "Knights of Warsaw" — D.E. Cummings
- "The Book Thief" — Marcus Zusak
- "Just and Unjust Wars" — Michael Walzer
- "The Hemingses of Monticello" — Annette Gordon Reed
- "A Whisper to the Living" — Stuart Kaminsky
- "Hidden Currents" — Christine Feehan
- "The Feast of All Saints" — Ann Rice
- "Caribbean" — James Michener