

Course Descriptions Continued

Raising Successful Children *Session Completed* Larry Wiederhorn

Current research has identified 40 assets that are building blocks of healthy development that help young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible. As parents, we can help our children develop these assets. This class will make parents aware of activities that will develop these assets and help their children to be successful. We will have discussions and hands-on activities.

Walking Through the Jewish Calendar *Completed* Rabbi Bradley Tecktiel

The Jewish calendar is infused with holidays, celebrations, commemorations, days of mourning and more. The course will cover the history of the calendar. We will also study important aspects of each of the holidays. We will be using a curriculum designed by the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies.

Genetic Testing *Session Completed* Dr. Ed Pack

The Universal Genetic test is a saliva-based screening test offered by Counsyl Laboratory (www.counsyl.com) that is clinically accurate, extremely affordable, and frequently covered by insurance. A genetic counselor from the lab will be present to answer questions.

Judaic Art *Session Completed* Georgia Ames

Our resident artist, Georgia Ames will guide us through creating a beautiful Challah cover. This class is limited to 10 people and there is a material fee of \$10.

Pathways Through The Siddur January 17th—February 14th 8:30—9:30pm Rabbi Bradley Tecktiel (5 Sessions)

How did our prayer book evolve into what we have today? What are the most important prayers? What is the meaning behind the words we use to access the divine in daily worship? When do we stand? When do we bow? We will delve into these questions and more as we take an in depth look at our liturgy.

Hearing Men's Voices *Completed* Larry Wiederhorn

This class will be geared to issues confronting men today. Subjects will include the world of work, men's health, relationships with our fathers, and spirituality. We will have 10 sessions of open discussions and activities.

Kosher Cooking Around the World

• **Can I really eat that? *Session Completed* Chef Ryan Sterling**

Fake shrimp, mock lobster, cheeseburgers??? How can I make that kosher? The material fee is \$10.

• **Passover Desserts February 7th—21st 7:15 – 9:30 PM (Double Session) Chef Francine Wiederhorn**

The material fee is \$10.

Cantillation Master Club Cantor Andres Kornworcel

One-on-one training...become a master at reading the Holy books, learn the Trope & Cantillation. Call the office to set up your appointment(s) at 454-4848.

How to Lead a Passover Seder February 21st & 28th 8:30—9:30 PM Rabbi Bradley Tecktiel

Leading a successful Seder can be an intimidating experience. How do you create a Seder that will keep the adults intellectually stimulated while also catering to the children at the table? What haggadah should you use? What parts of the seder are most important to include? We will cover all this and more.



Adult Education 5772...

Mark your calendars...Tuesday evenings are Adult Education evenings at Midbar Kodesh Temple. From October through May we are offering a wide variety of courses including Hebrew language, Art, Culture, Rabbinic Texts, Cantillation, Kosher Cooking and more.

We will start each Tuesday evening with minyan at 7:00 pm. The first set of classes will meet from 7:15-8:15 pm. We will have a short break for coffee and snacks and then there will be a second session of classes from 8:30-9:30 pm. Some of the classes are ongoing and will meet each Tuesday night at the appointed time. Other classes will be short seminars, anywhere from 3-12 sessions long.

The classes listed are those we currently have scheduled for the Fall/Winter. We will update you monthly with new course offerings. We will also have a Winter/Spring catalogue in February.

In addition to the Tuesday evening classes, several weekday courses will continue to be available. We encourage you to take advantage of our classes and turn Tuesday evenings into weekly educational and social events.

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Tuesday Talmud Tuesday Mornings 10:00—11:00 AM Rabbi Bradley Tecktiel

Each week we take an in-depth look at the inner workings of the ancient Talmud. We are currently in Chapter Three of Tractate Pesachim. No prior knowledge of Talmud or Hebrew is required.

Hebrew Reading Tuesday Evenings 7:15 —8:15 PM Irv Katz

Book Club Tuesday, February 21st 7:15pm—8:15pm

The next book in the series is *Mudbound* by Hillary Jordan. *Mudbound*, is set on a Mississippi cotton farm in 1946. This actually isn't all that big a jump. Dallas may play up its cowboy myths, but not so long ago, the city was surrounded by cotton fields. Cotton farming built Dallas, it built the Cotton Bowl.

Given its time and place, *Mudbound* is inevitably about Jim Crow. A Memphis schoolteacher, Laura moves to Mississippi because her husband Henry loves the land and wants to raise cotton. They're cheated out of the nice house he bought, so they're stuck living on the farm with no electricity, no running water. Before this, Laura must have lived a sheltered life. In 1946, America was a much more rural and segregated country, yet Laura is shocked by how primitive and racially ugly the Delta can be.

Needless to say, family tensions and racial tensions mount.

	January		February		March		April
3	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hebrew Reading 8:30-9:30pm - Walking through the Jewish Calendar	7	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hebrew Reading 7:15-9:30pm (Double Session) - Kosher Cooking...Passover Desserts 8:30-9:30pm - Pathway Through The Siddur	6	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hebrew Reading	3	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hebrew Reading
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24	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hearing Men's Voices - Hebrew Reading 8:30-9:30pm - Pathway Through The Siddur	28	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hebrew Reading 8:30-9:30pm - How to Lead a Passover Seder	27	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hebrew Reading	24	10-11am - Talmud 7:15-8:15pm - Hebrew Reading
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