

# OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER AT CMI

There are lots of opportunities to volunteer at CMI – some are single events, some are seasonal, some are ongoing. Below is a sampling of some routine opportunities – check CMI News and bulletins for other possibilities as they arise:

**Abraham's Tent** (December) – volunteer to stay overnight as we host guests from the overflow shelter. Contact: Karen at [baarkaren257@comcast.net](mailto:baarkaren257@comcast.net)

**Caring Community** – provide rides to congregants, make friendly visits or calls. Contact: Amy at [amala314@yahoo.com](mailto:amala314@yahoo.com)

**Caring Shawl** – make shawls and lap blankets for the elderly. Contact: Sue at [smillen179@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smillen179@sbcglobal.net)

**CMI Chorale** – make services more special by lending your voice to the chorale, or serve as guest musician with Cantor Giglio at services. Contact: Cantor at [cantorg@cmihamden.org](mailto:cantorg@cmihamden.org)

**Gift Shop** – staff the gift shop during religious school hours. Contact: Eun-Mi at [eunmi.shim@gmail.com](mailto:eunmi.shim@gmail.com) or Alisa at [alisa.germaine@fiserv.com](mailto:alisa.germaine@fiserv.com)

**Life Is Delicious** – cook, clean up and/or serve meals for the homeless shelter. Contact: Harvey at [chs498@aol.com](mailto:chs498@aol.com)

**Peah Garden** (summer) – tend a plot, weed, harvest, drive vegetables to the soup kitchen. Contact: Karen at [baarkaren257@comcast.net](mailto:baarkaren257@comcast.net) or Leslie at [leslie.r719@yahoo.com](mailto:leslie.r719@yahoo.com)

**Refugee Resettlement** – visit the our refugee family, drive them to appointments, help them acclimate to the US. Contact: Judy at [judy.naden@gmail.com](mailto:judy.naden@gmail.com) or Shirley at [sfscholder@snet.net](mailto:sfscholder@snet.net)

**Room Parent** – become a room parent for your child's class to help organize and run class special events. Contact: Michelle at [mgoldstein@cmihamden.org](mailto:mgoldstein@cmihamden.org)

**Shabbat Welcome Team** – serve as a greeter at Shabbat and holiday services. Contact: Sue at [suemcdonald@sbcglobal.net](mailto:suemcdonald@sbcglobal.net) or Richard at [rshaw@snet.net](mailto:rshaw@snet.net)

## SPECIAL GROUPS

**Brotherhood of Men & Women** – Contact: Alan at [al.lakin@yrcw.com](mailto:al.lakin@yrcw.com)

**MIFYA** (Mishkan Israel Families & Young Adults) – Contact: Jordan at [jkmiller826@gmail.com](mailto:jkmiller826@gmail.com)

**MITYOR** (High School Youth Group) – Contact: Alex at [mityor@cmihamden.org](mailto:mityor@cmihamden.org)

**Seniors** – Contact: (203) 288-3802

## JOIN A COMMITTEE

- **Building & Grounds** – Oversees renovations and upkeep of the physical structure and maintenance of the building (including cemetery) and grounds. Contact: Matthew at [levinie@sbcglobal.net](mailto:levinie@sbcglobal.net) or Marilyn at [mfagelson@murthalaw.com](mailto:mfagelson@murthalaw.com)
- **Cemetery** – Oversees the implementation of policies regarding the cemetery and the maintenance of the grounds and chapel. Contact: Peter at [peter@clrsales.com](mailto:peter@clrsales.com)
- **Membership** – Develops and implements strategies to reach out to and welcome prospective and new members; also designs mechanisms to integrate new members into synagogue life. Contact: Beth at [eheller999@aol.com](mailto:eheller999@aol.com) or Charlene at [cpblatter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cpblatter@sbcglobal.net)
- **Music** – Advises and make recommendations to Cantor regarding synagogue's musical programming. Contact: Michael at [michael.allen.ct@gmail.com](mailto:michael.allen.ct@gmail.com)
- **Nursery School** – Advises and makes recommendations to Nursery School Director on MINS policies and programs. Contact: Sarah at [sbg4750@aol.com](mailto:sbg4750@aol.com) or Wes at [weder@ederbros.com](mailto:weder@ederbros.com)
- **Religious Education** – Advises and makes recommendations to the Religious School Director on School policies and programs. Works with the Director to plan programs and special activities for Religious School families. Contact: Aaron at [Aaron.Singer@thehartford.com](mailto:Aaron.Singer@thehartford.com) or Rachel at [rfine43@comcast.net](mailto:rfine43@comcast.net)
- **Ritual** – Provides feedback and offers suggestions to the Rabbi on issues relating to ritual practice, services, and the liturgy. Contact: Sue at [suemcdonald@sbcglobal.net](mailto:suemcdonald@sbcglobal.net)
- **Social Action** – Plans and involved members in social action programs. Contact: Judy at [judy.naden@gmail.com](mailto:judy.naden@gmail.com) or Rick at [richard.molot2@usdoj.gov](mailto:richard.molot2@usdoj.gov)
- **Youth** – Works with the youth group advisor to support the efforts of and provide guidance to youth groups. Contact: Alan at [abcmi05@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abcmi05@sbcglobal.net)