

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Joy of Shabbat
Friday, December 14 – dinner following 6 PM Services
By Reservation Only

Special Series Speaker at 8:15 PM
Jewish Middle Eastern Culture in Modern Israel
Dr. Alon Tam



He is currently a Fellow at the Herbert D. Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, and an Israel Institute Visiting Faculty at the University of Pennsylvania, where he also earned his PhD. He is a social and cultural historian of the Middle East, who has done research on such topics as the history of coffeehouses in Cairo, Jewish social identities in Egypt, the Judeo-Arabic press in Morocco, and film, literature, and food in the Middle East.

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This Week...

ShabbaTeeny (this week's Tot Shabbat) presented by Ramah Day Camp – Saturday, 11 AM

For kids up to 4 years old and their caregivers – story, song, schmooze and Shabbat – Ramah Style! All are welcome!

Cook for a Friend – Sunday, December 16, 9:30 AM

Please join us in preparing meals for community members in need. For more information and to RSVP, contact Elaine Stewart, estew23@verizon.net.

Talmud with Rabbi Sarra Lev, PhD – Mondays, 10:30 AM (No class December 17)

The rabbinic prohibitions against shaming another often lie in stark contrast to stories of shaming and competition among those very same rabbis. This class begins by examining texts on monetary compensation for shaming (Who must pay? How much? For what kinds of shaming?) and then moves on to examine stories of rabbis shaming one another. The course asks the overarching question – what is the Talmud trying to tell us about shame/shaming?

Rabbi Shawn and the Search for God – Mondays, 12-1 PM

Join Rabbi Shawn and his intrepid group of explorers on this year's journey into modern theology. Together we will wrestle with the meaning and religious concepts that affect us as individuals and as a people.



Sisterhood Mah Jongg – Mondays, 12:30 PM

Please bring your set. You may bring Kosher dairy/parve lunch or snacks. Questions and to RSVP, contact Phyllis Gorson, 610-667-5000, ext 112.

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D'var T'filah with Hazzan Vogel – Tuesday after 7 AM Minyan

D'var T'filah (a "teaching about prayer") – Hazzan Vogel will offer brief insights into the spiritual dynamics of prayer focusing each time on why prayer is difficult and what we can do about it.

**Experience the Joys of Yiddish with Gerry Spector – Tuesday, December 18, 10 AM and 5 PM
Upcoming dates: January 8, 22; February 5, 19; March 5, 19**

You do not have to be able to speak Yiddish to experience the Joys of Yiddish culture. Enjoy the works of Yiddish authors, poets, songs, theater and cinema and incidentally learn the language. This fall the focus will be on the works of Yiddish poet and songwriter, Mordkhe Gebirtig.

TISCH with Rabbi Shawn – Wednesday after 7 AM Minyan

TISCH – remain after Minyan for breakfast and halacha study with Rabbi Shawn in the Rudofker Library. We will read the traditional and then connect it to our own current practices.

**Parenting Series "Turn Those Frowns Upside Down" with Ruthi Lynn
Wednesday, December 19, 9-10 AM**

Parenting, Marriage and Torah workshops for Jewish Women of the Main Line – 15 years running
Topics include: Increasing motivation, the right dose of kindness and discipline, cooperation techniques and much more. RSVP to ruthilynn@gmail.com

Parashat Hashavuah for the Sandwich Generation with Rabbi Shawn – Wednesdays, 11 AM

Rabbi Shawn will briefly summarize the parsha. He will then bring one or more contemporary interpretations of the text for us to study and discuss. This class is designed for the "Sandwich Generation" student (those that are sandwiched between the needs of their children and those of their aging parents and between the ages of 45ish and 65ish). We will focus on topics that are relevant today. If you would like to receive information about upcoming programs, please email Patty Grobman - pgrobman@harziontemple.org.

Learning our Liturgy with Dr. Sara H. Cohen – Wednesday, December 19, 11 AM

We will continue to explore the history, authors, structure and meanings of our tefillot (prayers) from biblical times to the present. This virtual tour of Judaism, through the Siddur (prayer book) will enlighten us, enable us to relate more fully to our prayers and make our attendance at worship services more meaningful and enjoyable. This Siddur Study class will be in the same format of Siddur text study and "close" reading as last year. New students will easily fit into it and are very welcome to join us.

Har Zion After Dark – Wednesday, December 19, 6:30-8 PM

Norman Einhorn – *Israel - Bridging the Left / Right Divide (and everything in between)*

"Two Jews, three opinions" Using the composition of Israel's Knesset as our guide, we will explore the many viewpoints and political perspectives that make up Israel's delicate democracy.

Popular Commentaries on Genesis with Rabbi Ira Flax – Thursdays, 10 AM, Rudofker Library

We will study the commentaries found in the Hertz Chumash, the *Etz Hayim* Chumash, and the commentaries of modern biblical scholars to deepen our understanding of the first book of the Bible.

Men's Club Minyannaires with Rabbi Haaz – Friday after 7 AM Minyan

Breakfast and study with Rabbi Haaz in the Sall Study. Learn new insights to the Torah through wrestling with Rashi's interpretations and our understanding of his reasoning.

More Adult Education at HZT...



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Wednesday, January 2, 7 PM

"Open a Book...Open Your Mind" author Ariel Burger, "Witness: Lessons from Elie Wiesel's Classroom"

Sponsored by Sisterhood and the JFGRS

\$18 in advance/\$25 day of event

[Click here](#) to RSVP online or make a reservation with Emily Berton, 610-667-5000, ext 109 or eberton@harziontemple.org and drop a check at the front desk.

Wednesdays, January 9, 16, 23, 30

6:30-7:30 (early session)

Dr. Ely Levine

The Bible Talks to Itself

7:45-8:45 PM (later session)

Art Studio Time with Ariela Barlas

Come get messy and creative in the art room with Ariela. Each week participants will have a chance to make a Jewish ritual object and engage themselves as learners with their hearts and hands rather than only with their minds.

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Sisterhood General Meeting
Wednesday, January 9, 1:30 PM
Education and Empower Yourself about Breast Cancer
Dr. Marisa Weiss

Director of Breast Radiation Oncology and Director of Breast Health Outreach at Lankenau, and chief Medical Officer and Founder of Breastcancer.org

Free and open to the community

RSVP by Friday, January 4 to Carol Klein Kaplan, ckkaplan@harzientemple.org



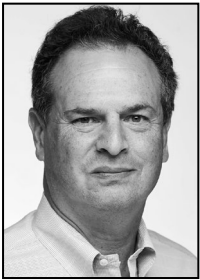
Ladies! Sisterhood Shabbat Is Coming...
February 1 and 2, 2019

Please sign up for a part – Torah portions, service leaders, ark openers are still available.

Contact Andrea Robbins, arrelst8@gmail.com

Men's Club...

Men's Club Man of the Year Event – Sunday, December 16, 4:30 PM



The Har Zion Temple Men's Club is proud to honor **Josh Klein** as our Middle Atlantic Region of Federation of Jewish Men's Club 2018-19 Man of the Year
Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El, 1001 Remington Road, Wynnewood, PA

4:30 PM – Gala Buffet Reception including assorted food stations and hot and cold hors d'oeuvres

6:15 PM – Awards ceremony followed by dessert buffet

Wine bar available as well as non-alcoholic beverages

\$75 per person – Black tie optional – Food Designs Catering

Donations are being accepted for the Man of the Year Ad Journal. The proceeds support Men's Club programs throughout the region.

Questions, please contact Jordan Landau, jordan.landau@gmail.com or 610-636-9338.

Men's Club Shabbat – Friday-Saturday, January 11-12

6 PM – Friday evening services led by Men's Club members followed by Shabbat dinner

Dinner: \$36/Adult, \$18/Child (ages 6-13) Open to entire congregation

RSVP by Friday, January 4

9:30 AM – Saturday morning services led by Men's Club members followed by Kiddush

Watch your email for more information.

First Annual HZ Men's Club Tennis Outing – Saturday, January 26, 7-8:30 PM

Join us at the [Radnor Racquet Club](#) (175 King of Prussia Road, Radnor) for the 1st Annual Har Zion Men's Club Tennis Outing.

\$25 per person and includes food, tennis balls and indoor court time in a round robin format.

Open to all Har Zion members – all ages are welcome!

This event is limited to the first 30 people.

If interested, email Morris Kurtzman at mkurtz2718@aol.com or Larry Brown at lawbbro2004@verizon.net

Youth...

Har Zion Youth invites you, the parents, to have a night out!

Leave the kids with us!

Saturday nights, 6:30-9:30 PM: January 12, February 9, March 16

All HZT kids ages 4-12 in three different groups – Supervised programming, fun, Havdalah service and hearty snack

Cost per entry ticket: 1 for \$28, 3 for \$75, 6 for \$132, 12 for \$240

Entry tickets can be used for your own child/ren or for a friend

Late care - 9:30-10:30 PM can be arranged separately for \$10/child

Questions and to RSVP: skenworthy@harzientemple.org or 610-664-5746



Tikkun Olam...

-Collecting Items for HIAS

Questions, please contact Norma Dworkin, 610-547-9448.

-Volunteers Needed for Federation's Mitzvah Food Program – [Click here](#) for more information.

Do you need the Har Zion Temple Caring Connection?

Do you know about the Har Zion Temple Caring Connection? We are a community, a network of fellow congregants who would like to hear from you if you have a need in your good times and bad. We encourage any congregant to contact us if you know of a fellow congregant who is ill or has had a loss. Please don't assume we know. Please contact Laurie Albert, 610-667-5000, ext 111 or lalbert@harziontemple.org. Help us help you!

College Outreach Program (A free service provided by the Sisterhood of Har Zion)

During the year, the College Outreach Program sends holiday packages to those college students who are away from home. It is a small way to keep them in touch with Judaism and Har Zion Temple.

Once again we are collecting the names and addresses of our **college students**.

Please remember that each year addresses change. You can email your information to: Karen Davis, daviskjji@aol.com or Anne Stein, annestein1@comcast.net.

Sisterhood Floral Fund Donation Cards are available for acknowledging special birthdays, special events, happy occasions, new babies and wishes for a speedy recovery, as well as, memorializing loved ones. Contributions to the Floral Fund provide Bimah flowers throughout the year.

Four for \$30 or \$10 each – To purchase your donation cards, please contact Janice Katz, 610-525-1101 or rhk101@hotmail.com.

Use the Sisterhood Scrip Program for All of Your Shopping Needs!

Stock up on gift cards from Scrip. A percentage of the money you spend on each card benefits the Sisterhood Floral Fund. Why not support Sisterhood while planning your shopping days? Order your Scrip cards and be prepared whenever you shop! Please contact Susan Kochman, 215-272-0475 or sbkochman@aol.com.



INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISRAEL IDEAS

Tackling Opioid Addiction Epidemic

Israeli medical technology company Brainsway was selected by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as one of eight companies worldwide to participate in an innovation challenge tackling the opioid epidemic raging across the country. Eight companies were chosen among 250 to develop medical devices that would help predict the misuse of opioids, detect an overdose, or help treat the addiction.

“The opioid epidemic is one of the most profound public health crises facing the United States and the current crisis of opioid overdose deaths requires innovative approaches,” the FDA wrote at the time.

To read more, go to: <http://www.israelideas.org/#!current/c1gqf>.

Transportation to Har Zion Temple

“Oh, if I'd only known she/he needed a ride to Har Zion.”

“Oh, I would have been there but I couldn't get a ride.”

We are hearing these statements more and more – and would like to help our congregants who would like to attend services, meetings and programs.

Do you need a ride...To Services? To daytime or evening meetings and/or programs?

Can you provide an occasional ride?

What areas would be convenient for you? What Services, meetings, or programs do you usually attend (morning/afternoon/evening)?

Please contact Nanci Goldman, nancigoldman22@gmail.com or 610-664-7987.

Share Your Simha!

We encourage you to sponsor an Extended Kiddush to celebrate any special simha, such as an Anniversary of a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Baby Naming, Aufruf, Birthday, Anniversary or Graduation, etc. You may also want to consider contributing to our Shabbat Fund in honor of your special occasion. For more information, please contact Emily Berton, ext 109 or eberton@harziontemple.org.

Bimah Flowers Can Be Sponsored

Bimah flowers can be sponsored in honor of a special occasion such as a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Anniversary or Special Birthday. Please contact Reisel Weinberger, risey@aol.com or 610-668-1148.

Regular Daily Minyan

Evenings: 6 PM

Mornings: Sunday – 9 AM; Monday and Thursday – 6:50 AM; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday – 7 AM

Minyan Volunteers Needed

"The world stands on three things: on Torah, on prayer and on kindness to others." – Pirkei Avot

Please register to be called if we need you for daily minyan. E-mail or call Laurie Albert, ext 111 or lalbert@harziontemple.org, with your name and cell phone number for a text.