

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE GIFT BOX WILL BE CLOSED ON DECEMBER 31

10% OFF STOREWIDE SALE (Excludes food items and special orders)

50% OFF SELECTED ITEMS (Final sale - No gift wrap)

Regular hours:

Monday – Thursday, 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Friday, 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Sunday, 9:45 AM to 1:00 PM (when school is in session)

Additional hours by appointment.

For info, please call 610-667-2698, or email giftbox@harziontemple.org.

The Gift Shop is now accepting credit cards – giving you more flexibility to shop!

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**** JOIN US FOR A "VERY SPECIAL" GUESS WHO'S COMING TO SHABBAT?**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

Following a long-standing "tradition" to eat Chinese food on Christmas, we are offering this option. Please consider ordering your meal from Sushi Talk. If you order by Thursday, December 24 using the code RABBIURI, you will receive a 10% discount on your order. Pick-up needs to be before 3:00 PM on Friday (when they close). Sushi Talk is located at 7588 Haverford Avenue, Philadelphia, 215-392-0197.



GWC2S is an initiative that uses the power of Shabbat meals to strengthen our synagogue's sense of kehillah or community. Participants can host Shabbat dinner (on Fridays) or Shabbat lunch (on Saturdays) in their own homes or be guests at someone else's home. To register as a host or a guest, or if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at GWC2S@harziontemple.org!

Mark your calendars for upcoming dates – 2/26, 6/24



**** KICK OFF TO MLK DAY OF SERVICE –**

MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 12:30 - 1:30 PM

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE WORKSHOP:

"ADL Honors the Legacy of Dr. King: Building the Beloved Community"

Exploring stereotypes with an interactive workshop and films for the entire family (middle schoolers and up)



2:00-4:00 PM – INTERGENERATIONAL VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:

Children's Carnival – Bag Decorating – Blood Drive (2-6:30 PM) – Cook for a Friend (10:45 AM)

Shul Stitchers (11:00 AM): Knit and sew blankets for veterans & shelters

Sorting and packaging items for: Veterans, HIAS, JFCS, Nationalities Center, Lions Club,

New Horizon's Senior Center, Impact Thrift, Philly Reads, Friends of the Philadelphia Library, District 4

Philadelphia Health Center, Career Wardrobe

Filling snack bags with dried fruits and nuts for seniors

Writing letters to U.S. and Israeli soldiers

Francisvale: Table sharing pet donation information

Nellies Schoolhouse: Therapy Animals working with children with disabilities

Craft Activities: for Cases for Smiles, Golden Slipper, Saunders House

Volunteers needed for MLK Day – Please call Andy Coren, 610-649-5294.

Blood donors needed – Please call Shirley Swinger, 484-412-8299.

**** TALMUD STUDY WITH RABBI ALPERT – MONDAY MORNINGS, 10:00 AM**

THERE IS NO CLASS ON DECEMBER 28

This class is studying the sixth chapter of Bava Metzia (Labor Law).

**** MINYAN & TISCH WITH RABBI ALLEN – WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**

FOLLOWING 7:00 AM MINYAN

Halakha Yomit (daily halakha) with the Mishnah Berurah – Join us each week as we study a different halakha and ask ourselves about the underlying values that inform our practice.

****FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S CLUB MINYANNAIRES WITH RABBI ROSENBERG
FOLLOWING 7:00 AM MINYAN – NO STUDY SESSION ON DECEMBER 25 OR JANUARY 1**

Jeopardy Rashi Style – This class will examine the commentary of Rashi on the Torah to deepen our appreciation of the issues Rashi saw in the text and to understand how his commentary maintains relevance through today.

****ADULT EDUCATION MOVIE SERIES – WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, JANUARY 6 AND 13, 7:00 PM**



January 6 – *GETT: The Trial of Viviane Amsalem*

In Israel there is neither civil marriage nor civil divorce. Only rabbis can legitimate a marriage or its dissolution. Viviane Amsalem has been applying for a divorce for three years. But her husband, Elisha, will not agree. His cold intransigence, Viviane's determination to fight for her freedom, and the ambiguous role of the judges shape a procedure in which tragedy vies with absurdity, and everything is brought out for judgment, apart from the initial request. –

Directors' Fortnight



January 13 – *The Other Son*

As he is preparing to join the Israeli army for his national service, Joseph discovers he is not his parents' biological son, and that he was inadvertently switched at birth with Yacine, the son of a Palestinian family from the West Bank.

Free admission – rsvp requested: Marcy at mgubernick@harziontemple.org or 610-667-5000.



****JOY OF SHABBAT DINNER (formerly known as Shabbat in a Box) –
FRIDAY, JANUARY 8 FOLLOWING 6:00 PM KOL ZIMRA (Instrumental Services)**

Come relax and enjoy Shabbat together following evening Services.

All ages are welcome!

\$10 per adult, \$5 per child (under 13) BYOB (unopened Kosher)

RSVP by Monday, January 4 with your choice of chicken or salmon, to

Marcy Gubernick at 610-667-5000 or mgubernick@harziontemple.org.



****SIX13 CONCERT AND MADREGOT "NOTES" FUNDRAISER –
SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 4:00 PM**

Proceeds benefit the Madregot program of the Jane Fishman Grinberg Religious School.

Music Notes:

You can participate in this fundraiser by becoming a sponsor and/or purchasing symbolic music notes. Each donation of \$18 will be recognized by a symbolic cut-out music note that can honor your family, each member of your family, your friends or teachers, and will be part of a "symphony" of

music decorating the walls of the synagogue this spring. You can indicate if you would like to decorate them yourself or have our school children decorate them. These "notes" symbolize our commitment to the children in the Madregot Program and support their path to a Jewish life.



Sponsorship levels:

PLATINUM \$1500 - Includes: 6 Tickets to the Six13 Concert with reserved seating and CD "Vol. 6: Thirteen"

GOLD \$1000 - Includes: 4 Tickets to the Six13 Concert with reserved seating and CD "Vol. 6: Thirteen"

SILVER \$500 - Includes: 2 Tickets to the Six13 Concert

For sponsorship opportunities, email us at madregot@harziontemple.org or call 610-664-5746.

Ticket information:

Tickets in advance: Adults \$18, Children (under 12) \$12

At the door: Adults \$25, Children (under 12) \$18

For ticket reservations, contact Marcy Gubernick, mgubernick@harziontemple.org or 610-667-5000, ext 108 OR go to harziontemple.ticketleap.com (For the convenience of online purchasing, transaction fees will apply)

****SISTERHOOD MAH JONGG NIGHT - MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 7:00 PM**

Join us to play - join us to learn. Nina Greberman (master player and instructor) will facilitate games. There will be three levels of tournament play – beginners, intermediate and advanced with prizes at all levels.

Desserts will be served. Sisterhood members free – non-members \$5.

RSVP: zoneman@aol.com - indicate if you can bring card table and set by Tuesday, January 5

****LADIES AND LATTES WITH RABBI MARSHALL
THURSDAYS, JANUARY 14, FEBRUARY 18**

Two sessions available: 9:15 AM at Har Zion Temple – 12:00 PM at Starbucks in Bala Cynwyd
Ask the Rabbi: Women Rabbis Respond to Modern Jewish Law Questions

Have you ever wondered if it was permissible to drive on Shabbat to shul? Make a snowman on Shabbat? Or even dance on Shabbat? Come discuss with Rabbi Marshall what the women rabbis of our time have to say.

Come enjoy a cup of coffee or a latte with other Har Zion women.

RSVP to Rabbi Marshall, rnmarshall@harziontemple.org or 610-667-5000, ext 114.



Winter Scholar in Residence – Rabbi Samuel Kieffer – January 28 - 31

Heart, Mind, Body and Soul

The emotions of war, the intellectual investigation of responses to tragedy, giving in to the temptations of the flesh as in the case of King David, and music as an outpouring of the soul

Thursday, January 28, 7:00 PM – Men's Club Cafe Presentation

“King David: Fifty Shades of the Greatest King in Jewish History”

Open to the Har Zion community – Dairy Cafe in Bala Cynwyd

Friday, January 29 – Dinner and Discussion following 6:00 PM Services (Watch your mail for more info.)

“Fifty Days of War and Blessings, Living through Last Year's Wars”

Saturday, January 30 – Discussion after Kiddush

“Top Ten Ideas Torah Has Taught the World”

Saturday, January 30, 8:00 PM – Evening of music

Sunday, January 31 – Breakfast following 9:00 AM Services

“Three Unlikely Heroes of the Bible”

Co-sponsored by Adult Education, Sisterhood and Men's Club



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FOR THE SEPHARDIC SOUNDS AND SITES OF SPAIN
JULY 3-14, 2016**

**Featuring concerts and special events created by the Cantors
Assembly**

*-Tour the world famous Prado Museum and stroll through beautiful Retiro
Park*

in Madrid

-Visit the Grand Toledo Cathedral and Transito Synagogue in Toledo

-Enjoy a special Ladino program at Casa De Sefarad in Cordoba

-Visit the Moorins Alcazar Palace and Old Jewish Quarter in Seville

-Tour Alhambra Palace

-Discover the works of Gaudi, include Segrada Familia & Guel Park

*-Visit the ancient synagogue in Barcelona, the former Jewish center of Gerona and the lovely
medieval towns of Benyoles and Besalu*

Brochures available in the lobby, through Hazzan Vogel or at www.ayelet.com.

****USE THE SISTERHOOD SCRIP PROGRAM FOR ALL YOUR SHOPPING NEEDS!**

It's a busy time of the year! Stock up on gift cards from Scrip. A percentage of the money you spend on each card benefits the Sisterhood. Why not support Sisterhood while planning your shopping days. Order your Scrip cards and be prepared whenever you shop! **Please contact Michele Perlstein, mshoueka@hotmail.com – 610-519-1211** for more information.





INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISRAEL IDEAS

Using 3D Printing To Significantly Cut Renewable Energy Costs

Solar power is rapidly gaining ground as the world's alternative source of energy. In search of non-polluting alternatives and cost-effective methods of capturing the sun's powerful rays, scientists and companies are turning to technology to find a solution. An Israeli startup, Utilight, is at the forefront of harvesting sustainable energy. Utilight is using 3D printing methods to create solar cells at faster and cheaper manufacturing rates than conventional solar panels.

Utilight's unique 3D printing technology is efficient for high-volume manufacturing of solar photovoltaic cells. The company says it uses the same or fewer materials compared to conventional printing methods. For more information: <http://www.israelideas.org/#!current/c1gqf>

****TRANSPORTATION TO HAR ZION**

"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 at NanciG22@aol.com or 610-664-7987.

****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. Call 610-667-5000, ext 178 or caring@harziontemple.org. Help us help you!

****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. Please contact Shonnie Lebovitz, Program and Events Coordinator (ext 106 or slebovitz@harziontemple.org) for more information.

****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: 6:00 PM

Mornings: Sunday – 9:00 AM, Monday and Thursday – 6:50 AM,

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday – 7:00 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 (610-667-5000, ext 111 or labert@harziontemple.org) with your name and cell phone number for a text.

AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF OUR LOCAL JEWISH COMMUNITY DESPERATELY NEEDS A KIDNEY - BLOOD TYPE B or O

To learn how you can save a life or for more information about kidney donation, please call: (718) 431-9831 or email: R718@renewal.org. Visit WWW.RENEWAL.ORG