UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Building Our Spiritual Community FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2 – 3 KISLEV 4:18 PM – Candle Lighting 5:30 PM – NCCECE Shorashim Shabbat Dinner at Shabbat Sha-Blue Jeans 6 PM – Minha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 – 3 KISLEV 9:30 AM – Kol Tefilah – Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah: JORDYN PASZAMANT, daughter of Melissa & Brian Paszamant 9:45 AM – Parasha & Pop'ems – Grades 3-7 10:45 AM – Parashat Hashavuah – Adult Torah Study 11 AM – Junior Congregation – Grades K-7 4:15 PM – Minha/Seudah Shlishit/Ma'ariv/Havdalah 5:21 PM – Shabbat Ends

Sign Up Today for HZT Connect

What is HZT Connect? It's our new Member portal to all that is happening at Har Zion Temple, the NCCECE, the JFGRS, and more! How do I sign up? Visit harziontemple.org and click the link at the top of the page. Once you're signed up, you will be able to see and RSVP for events, send messages to other members, and more! Need a little more help? Call our new Director of Communications, Ebby Goldsmith, 610-667-5000, to get all the help you need! Ebby will meet with you in her office, or your home, whichever you prefer!

The NCCECE Shorashim Shabbat Dinner at Shabbat Sha-Blue Jeans Friday, December 2, 5:30 PM

Shabbat Sha-Blue-Jeans is a monthly opportunity to welcome Shabbat with singing, dancing, prayer, and complimentary dinner, BYOB (Kosher). Jeans and casual attire encouraged!

Shabbat Sha-Blue-Jeans is geared for all Har Zion families with children age infant to 6 years old, but all ages are welcome! This month we are honoring our Shorashim (3s) classes.

Email Skenworthy@harziontemple.org, or call 610.667.6534 to RSVP today! *This event is sponsored by the HSA.*

Parents' Night Out – Saturday, December 3, 6-8:30 PM

Berkowitz Family Auditorium

USY invites you to enjoy an evening to yourselves while doing a mitzvah! For only \$10 per child, your child(ren) can enjoy activities and snacks with teens from HZT, AI, and TBHBE. Potty-trained children 3 and up, please! 100% proceeds raised will be donated to Chai Lifeline.

RSVP by Friday, December 2 to jbender@harziontemple.org



Madregot Photo Fundraiser – Sunday, December 4, 9 AM - 6 PM Perfect for gifts, holiday cards, and your LinkedIn profile picture!

50% of the proceeds of the day will be donated to Madregot, the special needs program of the Jane Fishman Grinberg Religious School

Individual Portraits \$99 - Includes disc with two edited images Family Portraits \$125 - Includes an 8" x 10" print

Reserve your 20 minute session today at JayGorodetzer.com

After a 20-year career at The Philadelphia Inquirer, Jay Gorodetzer brings his PHOT photo talents to you!



Cook for a Friend – Sunday, December 4, 9 AM

Set up begins at 8 AM in the catering kitchen. Cooking and food packaging will be from 9 to 11 AM. Please join us in preparing meals for community members in need. For more information and to RSVP, contact Elaine Stewart, estew23@verizon.net.

The Caring Connection – Bikkur Holim Meeting, Sunday, December 4, 10 AM

Learn about the mitzvah of visiting the sick. Rabbi Allen will lead us in understanding why this mitzvah is so important. We will also cover best practices and other pointers for visits.

While attending this class doesn't automatically sign you up to volunteer, we are hoping to increase our Bikkur Holim volunteer pool. This class is a great way to see if you are a good fit for this important work. Please let us know if you plan to attend: hzt@harziontemple.org.

Siddur Study with Dr. Sara Cohen

Wednesdays, December 7, 14, 21, 10:30 - 11:30 AM From Reading to Meaning: A Comprehensive Exploration of the Prayer Book Back by popular demand!

Come to explore the history of the development of our liturgy. Study the structure and contents of the Siddur, the textbook of the synagogue. Learn about our prayers – who wrote them, when, why, and what they mean, and how can we relate to them today. By reading our prayers in Hebrew and learning their meaning, we will enhance our enjoyment of the weekly Shabbat services.

RSVP requested to Rabbi Allen, ruallen@harziontemple.org

Current Events with Norman Einhorn - Thursday, December 8, 11 AM

At the home of Patty Grobman

This class will take a multi-media look into the ever-changing news cycle with emphasis on Israel, the Middle East, and American Jewry. RSVP: Patty Grobman, pgrobman@harziontemple.org

Har Zion Yeshiva – Thursdays, 7-9 PM

HZY is a framework for exploring core human themes through the lens of the Jewish tradition. Through texts, speakers and hands-on experiences we will strive to not just live a life, but to be present for the incredible cliffs and valleys of what life has to offer. This December, dedicate some time for yourself, as together we learn to take care of ourselves.

December 8 – A Community Awareness event hoping to help reduce the incidence of substance abuse, self harm, isolation, bullying and suicide and create a culture of openness and advocacy.

Featuring Minding Your Mind speaker, Drew Bergman as he shares his personal story

Facilitated by Sheila Gillin, LCSW, Clinical Director for Minding Your Mind.

December 15 – Yoga and Jewish themes are combined by Yogi and student of Jewish text, Joel Schneier. Wear yoga-friendly clothes and bring a mat if you have one!

If you have any questions and/or to RSVP, please email Rabbi Allen ruallen@harziontemple.org or Patty Grobman@harziontemple.org.



Friday, December 9 following 6 PM Services

Come relax and enjoy Shabbat together following evening Services. **All ages welcome! \$10 per adult, \$5 per child (under 13)** BYOB (unopened Kosher) **RSVP by Noon, Wednesday, December 7 at harziontemple.ticketleap.com or to Harriet, 610-667-5000 or hzt@harziontemple.org** *Please note, Ticketleap adds a small fee for the convenience of paying online.*

Man of the Year Dinner – Sunday, December 11, Cocktails begin at 4:30 PM (by reservation only) Join us as our Men's Club Co-presidents, Jack Marine and Doug Sayer, are honored at the Mid-Atlantic Region's Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs 19th Annual Man of the Year dinner.

Tikkun Olam is Collecting Donations

for our Martin Luther King Day of Service – Monday, January 16 We are currently accepting donations of:

- Clothing for Men, Women, and Children Professional attire, jewelry, watches, handbags, dress shoes, casual clothing, formal wear, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, etc.
- Household Goods Can openers, spatulas, turners (flippers), ladles, tongs, serving and cooking forks and spoons, towels (gently used), laundry detergent, pots, pans, NEW pillows, etc.

- Pet Items Dog/cat carriers, crates, leases, cans of food, treats
- Books Children's books, Art how-tos, Spanish-English dictionaries, legal dictionaries
- Personal Items Disposable razors, reading glasses, sample-sized toiletries

Bring your donations to the front desk and mark your calendar to join us for this powerful community event!

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 (\$10 each) – To purchase your donation cards, please contact Michelle Strayer, 610-992-9371 or moibas83@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. 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.





Enabling the Blind To See

In Prof. Amedi's world-renowned Lab for Brain and Multisensory Research at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, people with vision impairment can "see" their environment with the aid of sensory substitution devices (SSDs) that provide visual information from sound and touch. Now, two of the lab's groundbreaking inventions are being readied for the mass market in Brainnovations, the Israel Brain Technologies' four-month accelerator program. EyeCane is a flashlight-like orientation device. It releases infrared rays to translate distance into auditory and tactile cues, allowing the user to sense objects within an adjustable range of up to 16 feet. EyeCane users, after a brief training, can estimate distances, avoid obstacles and successfully navigate in simple environments. "The white cane is from 1921," says Daphna Rosenbaum, CEO of RenewSenses, a pre-startup based on Amedi's research in the medical neurobiology department of the university's Institute for Medical Research Israel-Canada. 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, NanciG22@aol.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 Program and Events Coordinator Shonnie Lebovitz, ext 106 or slebovitz@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.

Shop the Gift Box for all Gift-Giving and Holiday Needs

Regular hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:30 AM to 4 PM, Friday, 9:30 AM to 3 PM Sunday, 9:45 AM to 1 PM (when school is in session) Additional hours by appointment. For info, 610-667-2698 or giftbox@harziontemple.org The Gift Box accepts credit cards – giving you more flexibility to shop!

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.

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