

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A WALK DOWN BEN YEHUDA STREET - ISRAELI ART SHOW & SALE – DECEMBER 6-10



Gala event – Saturday evening, December 6, 7:30 PM honoring Marciarose Shestack for her work with Cure Autism Now. Tickets can be purchased at the door for the Gala, and are \$36 per person. **The show and sale will continue Sunday and Monday from 10 AM – 4 PM, and on Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 AM – 8 PM with no fee for admission,** and will feature the work of talented and contemporary Israeli artists brought to us by the Expressions Art Gallery of Tel Aviv. Proceeds benefit artisans of Israel and Madregot, the Special Needs Program of the Jane Fishman Grinberg Religious School. Please call Har Zion at 610-667-5000 for more information.

Volunteers needed for two (2) hour shifts for Israeli Art Show. Please contact [Sheila Schafer Issch@comast.net](mailto:Issch@comast.net) or 610-645-5461, for more information and to sign up.

****COOK FOR A FRIEND IS CANCELLED FOR THIS SUNDAY. THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THE MLK DAY OF SERVICE, JANUARY 19, 1:00 PM.**

**STUDY WITH SARA – SUNDAYS, AT 10:00 AM with Dr. Sara H. Cohen

Do you want to learn how to read Hebrew with your children?

Do you want to learn how to participate in a Shabbat service with your children?

Do you want to bring home the holidays?

RSVP to Sharon Kenworthy at jfgrs@harziontemple.org.

**PHILADELPHIA PREMIERE SCREENING OF JERUSALEM U'S NEW FILM SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2:00 PM at Har Zion Temple

Don't miss the Philadelphia premier of ***Beneath the Helmet, From High School to the Home Front***. An inspiring coming-of-age story about five Israeli soldiers.

Following the film, hear remarks from IDF officer Shoval Dorani, who recently returned from her service in Israel. Then take a Walk Down Ben Yehuda Street and enjoy a variety of artwork by Israeli artists along with dessert! **Admission is free – Reservations required: www.Beneathhelmet.com/Harzion**
Program sponsored by Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia



**OPEN A BOOK...OPEN YOUR MIND INVITES YOU...

"Open a Book...Open Your Mind" invites you to join in Har Zion Temple's first **Congregational Read**. For the inaugural event we will read "*The Lie*" by Hesh Kestin. This novel deals with issues that Israel contends with on a daily basis. The book will be available for sale this Sunday, December 7, following the screening of "Under the Helmet," and afterward through the Religious School office. This Congregational Read will include a book review and conclude with a "meet and greet" with the author on Wednesday, April 29, 2015, 7:00 pm.

For more information contact openabook@harziontemple.org.

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

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

**SISTERHOOD ADULT ED CLASSES – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 10:00 AM *Influential Jewish Women*

Join Sara Cohen for a kaleidoscopic view of important Jewish women from Biblical (coming from the era of the Early Prophets) and Talmudic times. We will learn how they educated, influenced and enriched the life of our people. After surveying their historic and sociological backgrounds, we will learn of their goals and accomplishments, as well as, their challenges and uncertainties. Their stories will inspire and uplift us to live our lives in a more purposeful and meaningful manner.

In the Talmudic period, a period that is known not to be inclusive or receptive to women, two heroines shine forth. We will learn of Rachel, wife of Rabbi Akiva and Beruriah, wife of Rabbi Meir and their poignant and inspiring messages for us, even today.

****STANDWITHUS PHILADELPHIA INVITES YOU TO AN EXCLUSIVE EVENT –
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 7:30 PM AT HAR ZION TEMPLE**

M. Zuhdi Jasser, Founder and President of the American Islamic Forum for Democracy (AIFD)

This program is free and open to the community.

RSVP: ferneh@standwithus.com or josephp@standwithus.com | 215-545-0800

Pre-registration is strongly recommended as space is limited.

****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.

****HAR ZION ACTIVE ADULTS CLUB LUNCHEON AND PROGRAM – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10**

West Bank Story – A musical comedy by Ari Sandel about an Israeli soldier and a Palestinian fast food cashier who fall in love in spite of their families' animosity. **Lunch at 11:30 AM, Program at 1:00 PM**

Lunch and Program are free for paid HAZAAC members - \$15/person for non-members

Please call Suzy Levin, 610-667-5000, ext 108, by Friday, December 5 to make reservations.



****SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1:00 PM**

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"The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd

Inspired by actual historical figures like Sarah and Angelina Grimké and Denmark Vesey, and enlivened by original creations like Charlotte and Handful, *"The Invention of Wings"*

is the extraordinary story of two struggles for freedom: the battle of Handful to find the wings her mother promised and the equally intense quest of Sarah to liberate her mind and spirit. This triumphant novel also speaks with wisdom about the nature of evil and injustice, the courage to dare what seems unattainable, and the hope inside of us that the worst darkness can't extinguish. RSVP to estew23@verizon.net.

****POPULAR COMMENTARIES ON GENESIS WITH RABBI ROSENBERG –
THURSDAY MORNINGS, 10:00 AM**

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

****FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S CLUB MINYANNAIRES – WITH RABBI ROSENBERG
FOLLOWING 7:00 AM MINYAN**

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.

****MEN'S CLUB SHABBAT WEEKEND – DECEMBER 12-14**

Friday – Men's Club-led services at **6:00 PM** followed by buffet dinner

\$30/adult, \$15/child under 13 – **RSVP needed by Monday, December 8** to

Morris Kurtzman, mkurtz2718@aol.com

Saturday – Men's Club-led services at **9:00 AM** followed by Kiddush

Sunday – **9:00 AM** morning services followed by **brunch 10:00-11:30 AM**

featuring local celebrity Louis Greenstein, author of *"Mr. Boardwalk"* who will sign copies of his book.

\$10 charge for brunch – **RSVP needed by Monday, December 8** to Dr. David Maltz,

cherrybend@msn.com

Please make checks payable to Har Zion Men's Club and send to the synagogue office.

Louis will read from, and sign copies of his book *"Mr. Boardwalk,"* based on the Atlantic City of our youth.

And he will talk about the Atlantic City of today! His current musical show, *One Child Born: The Music of Laura Nyro*, co-written with performer (and Lower Merion native) Kate Ferber, has sold out Joe's Pub at the Public Theater in New York City and numerous other venues up and down the East Coast.

****USY LAZER TAG WITH ADATH ISRAEL – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 6:00 PM**

For students in grades 8-12

Starlight Havdalah at Adath Israel at 6:00, bus leaves Adath Israel for Grand Slam USA at 6:15 PM and

returns at 9:45 PM. \$30 for USY members/\$35 for non members – make check payable to Har Zion Temple and return to the school office. RSVP to hztusy613@gmail.com.

****CARING CONNECTION MEETING – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 7:00 PM TO FEATURE EILEEN CHOPNICK SPEAKING ABOUT NUTRITION FOR THE SICK AND ELDERLY**

For more info, 610-667-5000, ext 178 or caring@harziontemple.org.

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 to connect with us. Help us help you!

****A COMMUNITY HANUKKAH DINNER CELEBRATION – SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 5:30-8:30 PM**

Open All Evening....

Adult Latke & Vodka Bar – soups, salads, pasta station, desserts

Specialty Kids Korner – pizza bagels, grilled cheese sandwiches, latkes, pasta, mozzarella sticks, soft pretzels and dips, "FROZEN" candy and Hanukkah gelt

For the Kids:

5:30-6:30 PM – Meet and take photos with the characters from Disney's "FROZEN," kids crafts, DJ

6:30-6:45 PM – Community Hanukkah lighting and song

For the Adults:

6:45-8:30 PM – Adults and kids dining stations continue, DJ music and photo booth

After the Kids Hour and Candle Lighting, we will have crafts and screening of "Frozen" for the kids.

RSVP BY DECEMBER 11

Adults - \$15 in advance / \$25 at the door

Children (2-13 years old) - \$10 in advance / \$15 at the door

Under 2 years old – Free

For reservations: hzt@harziontemple.org or 610-667-5000.



****THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE AFTERNOON!
SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 3:00-5:00 PM**

The Har Zion High School of Jewish Studies and A.M. Ellis Midrasha present

A special screening of the award-winning IMAX film – "JERUSALEM"

This is the Philadelphia Premiere. Just for us! The film opens to the public on January 5.

Tuttleman IMAX Theater at the Franklin Institute

With special guest "JERUSALEM" writer/director Daniel Ferguson who will speak to us following the screening



The Har Zion High School Special Programs Fund is excited to invite our Har Zion Temple Registered Middle and High School Students AT NO CHARGE.

All other tickets: \$25.00

To watch the amazing trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tejeDb_5WWs

TO RESERVE/BUY TICKETS: <http://harziontemple.ticketleap.com/jerusalem/>

Important Notes:

1. Regular Classes for Middle and High School are cancelled for January 4, 2015
2. We will meet at the Franklin Institute. Please come as a family! This is a great event for all!
3. SPACE IS LIMITED!!! Ticket Sales will open to the outside community on Friday, December 5. Please reserve your seats NOW!
4. Line forms at 2:30 pm. Doors open at 3:00 pm. Movie is approximately 45 minutes in length followed by a Q&A with writer/director Daniel Ferguson.

****HOLIDAY SHOPPING ONLINE?**

SUPPORT HAR ZION TEMPLE AND MADREGOT THROUGH AMAZON SMILES

If you plan on avoiding the crowds by doing your holiday shopping online, consider supporting the Har Zion Temple Madregot Program through Amazon Smiles.

What is AmazonSmile?

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. Search for Har Zion Temple.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

Simply go to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device.

Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry and other account settings are also the same.

How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

On your first visit to AmazonSmile, you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make on AmazonSmile will **result in a donation**.

How much of my purchase does Amazon donate?

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases.

INNOVATION UPDATE FROM **New Israeli Hybrid Energy System For Third World Countries**

I love solar power. There's only one problem...it doesn't work at night! Other than that small issue, I figure most of the developing world would be using it. Israeli energy tech company AORA has a solution, one that might just work; a hybrid system – one that maximizes the energy provided by the sun, but also supplements it with a "backup" system to keep power flowing when the sun goes down...and, does so cheaply.

For more information: <http://www.israelideas.org/#!New-Israeli-Hybrid-Energy-System-For-Third-World-Countries/c14g0/6C2AE4FB-13AD-4BFD-B952-E330D5964129>

****TRANSPORTATION TO HAR ZION**

"Oh, if I'd only known (s)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.

SHOP THE HAR ZION LANDAU GIFT BOX FOR YOUR GIFT GIVING NEEDS!

Shop for Hanukkah gifts for teachers, kids, in-laws, friends, etc

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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****SUPPORT SISTERHOOD WITH SCRIP!**

It's a busy time of the year! Now is the time to stock up on gift cards from Scrip. A percentage of the money you spend on each card benefits the Sisterhood. Why not support your 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, or

Nina Greberman, zoneman@aol.com - 610-733-1399 for more information.

To download an order form, copy and paste this link into your browser:

<http://www.harziontemple.org/harzion/ehighlights/14scripsform-3.pdf>



****TIKKUN OLAM...**

SHOPPING AT ACME? BRING BONUS STAMPS TO OUR HAR ZION OFFICE. POTS AND PANS WILL BE GIVEN TO PREVIOUSLY HOMELESS VETERANS STARTING OUT IN THEIR OWN APARTMENTS.

****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 Leah Abrams (610-667-5000, ext 111 or labrams@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