

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Fishman Institute Visiting Scholar – February 9-11

RABBI JONATHAN SLATER

Shifting from Performance to Practice: What Are We Doing When We 'Do Jewish'?

An introduction to the idea of Jewish practice as making "unifications" – internally, with others and the world; to speak about what it means to engage in "prayer as practice"; and living a life of intentionality as the goal of Jewish practice.

Teachings from *A Partner in Holiness* by Rabbi Jonathan Slater

Mishpatim (Vol 1, p 218)

The Gaon, R. Eliahu of Vilna, comments: "Just as water reflects back according to the face that is presented – if one distorts his face, that is what the water will reflect – so is one person's heart to another. If your heart is positively directed toward another person, he will respond in the same manner, even if the latter doesn't really know what is the heart of the former."

...One way to check out how we're doing, to get a read on our own inner state, might be to look carefully at how people respond to us...When we are met with a frown, a scowl, a worried look, we might inquire, "Is that my reflection?" When we see a healthy glowing countenance before us, we might want to know, "Could that be me?" as well.

Friday Evening

During 6 PM Services – "Shabbat as Incubation"

Shabbat can be a time in which what we've done in the past week is transformed and raised up, allowing us to enter the coming week with energy and determination. We will reflect on the previous week, and sing our way into Shabbat.

Joy of Shabbat Dinner – by reservation only



8 PM Lecture following Joy of Shabbat Dinner – "To Live Torah Today"

What is the purpose of our Jewish religious practice? Of course it is to preserve tradition, and to fulfill the mitzvot. But, what are the mitzvot for? We will investigate together one way to answer this question.

Saturday Morning

Following Kiddush – "What is Prayer?"

Prayer is a central component of Jewish religious life. But when "going to services" is all that we know of prayer, it may feel alien, far from our own hearts. How else might we conceive of prayer, and find it in our own lives?

Sunday Morning

Following 9 AM Services, during breakfast – "Prayer as Practice"

What do we have to do to cultivate a personal prayer practice? How might doing so change how we understand, find our place in and seek satisfaction from our communal worship?

Rabbi Slater's books are available in the Landau Gift Box.



Israel at 70

The first exile – after the destruction of the first Temple – lasted for 70 years. Upon return to Israel it is exclaimed in the Psalms that our dreams had been fulfilled. This year marks the 70th anniversary of the creation of the first Jewish state in nearly 2000 years! Come learn with us and engage in learning about the continued miracle that is Modern Israel.

All programs labeled with this icon include Israel at 70 content.

These programs are generously sponsored by the Shirley & Norman Greenbaum Yom Ha'atzmaut Fund.

For the upcoming adult ed schedule and Israel at 70 programs, go to www.harziontemple.org/harzion/ehighlights/18adulthood-israel70.pdf

PURIM 2018 – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28



5:45 PM - Minha/Ma'ariv and Cocktail hour with hearty hors d'oeuvres

\$10/adult, \$5/child 12 and under

RSVP is requested to Harriet: 610-667-5000 or hzt@harziontemple.org

6:45 PM - Family Friendly (abbreviated) Megillah Reading including the Har Zion Purim Players in **Michael Jackson's "The Thriller Megiller"**

8 PM - Dessert Reception

8:30 PM – Full Megillah Reading

Fabulous, Fantastic, Fun Purim Carnival sponsored by the HSA and PTA
Sunday, March 4, 10:15 AM - 12:15 PM (No regular JFGRS classes)

Costume parade and contests, moon bounce, face painting, temporary tattoos, photo booth, Mishloah Manot making, quiet room games, food, prizes and more!

Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult

\$18 per child ages 2 and up* – Children under 2 and adults are free – PAY AT THE DOOR

*** Extra prize ticket with the donation of 3 cans of food for the Narberth Community Food Bank**



Don't Miss Out on HSA's Biggest "Fun"draiser of the Year – Snowflakes & Sparkles

Saturday, February 10, 8 PM at Har Zion Temple

Featuring live painting by Perry Milou, dancing, warm bites and vodka ice luge

Presented by EBE Events and Entertainment

\$90/person – sponsorship levels available. Buy your tickets NOW!

Checks payable to Har Zion HSA can be dropped off at the school office or on-line at

<https://one.bidpal.net/forourchildren/welcome>

We look forward to celebrating our children and the NCCECE together on February 10 at 8 PM!

Cook for a Friend – Sunday, February 11, 9:30 AM

Set up begins at 8:30 AM in the catering kitchen. Cooking and food packaging will be from 9:30 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.

Federation Super Sunday – February 11

Super Sunday is a crucial day for Jewish communities throughout the Greater Philadelphia region. It's a day when we come together to remind the community about the importance of collective compassion

for others, which involves learning about our communities needs and raise funds for our Jewish Federation, so that our organization can, in turn, address them. This is a wonderful community-building event, in which friends and neighbors enjoy each other's company as they unite for an important cause. This year, Super Sunday is coming to five locations across the Greater Philadelphia region — due to popular demand — making the event even more convenient, and allowing people to further connect with their *kehillot*.

For a complete listing of locations and times, please go to <https://jewishphilly.org/get-involved/signature-events/super-sunday/>



**Jewish Federation
of Greater Philadelphia**



Sisterhood/HSA Monday Mah Jongg

Mondays, 12:30 PM

You may bring Kosher dairy/parve lunch or snacks.

Mah Jongg instruction available - \$10 per person – INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

Questions and to RSVP, please contact Nina Greberman, 610-733-1399 or ninagrebs@gmail.com.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Sisterhood General Meeting with Cherie Bank on Monday, February 12 is cancelled and will be scheduled for a later date.



Sisterhood Mishloah Manot Orders Due by Tuesday, February 13

Volunteers Needed for Assembling Packages (Tuesday, February 20, 9:30 AM and 4 PM) & Delivery (Sunday, February 25) Contact us ASAP!

Purim is just around the corner. Make things easier this year and let Sisterhood take care of your mitzvah of giving gifts to family and friends. Our Mishloah Manot fundraiser is easy and fun! We are here for you, just email or call with any questions or concerns.

Once again, thank you for supporting the Sisterhood and Har Zion Temple.

If you're not sure how to log in, have questions or would like to volunteer to make deliveries, please contact Shelley Brietling, sbrietling@comcast.net, 610-888-5499 or Madelyn Karasick, madsk1410@gmail.com 610-505-6131.

Experience the Joys of Yiddish with Gerry Spector – Tuesdays, February 13, 27, 10 AM and 5 PM
Enjoy the works of Yiddish authors, poets, songs, theater and cinema and incidentally learn the language.

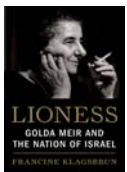
Learning our Liturgy with Dr. Sara H. Cohen

Wednesdays, February 14, 21, March 7, 14, 21, 10:30-11:30 AM

Sara hopes to teach this class on Wednesday, February 14. Please check with the office on Monday.

A comprehensive study of our liturgy, using the Siddur (Jewish prayer book) as our text. We will explore the history, origins, authors, structures and meaning of our prayers from Biblical times to the present. This "virtual tour of Judaism" will enlighten us, enable us to relate more fully to our prayers and make our attendance at worship services more meaningful and enjoyable.

Sponsored by Sisterhood



Sisterhood Book Club – Wednesday, February 14, 12:30 PM

We are reading *Lioness: Golda Meir and the Nation of Israel* by Francine Klagsbrun. The author spoke about her book a few months ago at Har Zion as part of our Open a Book...Open Your Mind series.

The next meeting is Wednesday, March 21 and we will read *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee.

For more info, please contact Barbara Kardon, barbkardon@comcast.net or 610-642-7422.

HAR ZION AFTER DARK

Wednesday Night Adult Ed Series – February 14

6:30-7 PM - nosh and refreshments, 7-8 PM - classes

Rabbi Shawn and the Philosopher's Stone

Join Rabbi Shawn as we explore modern Jewish philosophy – without getting too academic (that will be the alchemy involved).

Ariela Barlas – Judaic Art

Come get messy and creative with Ariela – Art Room (Rm 200)



Ben Rotenberg – Competing Visions for the Jewish State

We will be exploring the words by important early Zionist thinkers and sharing our responses to their own dreams and concerns about Israel. We will be using Arthur Hertzberg's book, *"The Zionist Idea,"* along with images and articles from the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Rabbi Shawn and the Philosopher's Stone

Thursdays, 11 AM-Noon

February 15, 22 – *Exile, Diaspora, and the State of Israel*

Join Rabbi Shawn as we explore modern Jewish philosophy – without getting too academic (that will be the alchemy involved).

Men's Club Meeting – Thursday, February 15, 7 PM

Delicatessen-Style dinner meeting following 6 PM services, to assemble the Yom Hashoah Yellow Candle cartons. Bring your friends and enjoy a full deli-style dinner and dessert.

RSVP: Recyclejack@aol.com

ISRAEL AT 70 FEATURED SPEAKER



Wednesday, February 21, 7 PM

Nosh 6:30-7 PM

Class 7-8:15 PM followed by Q & A

Bat El Trabelsi - *Why is Peace in the Middle East So Complicated?*

Israeli Emissary for the Jewish Community of Greater Philadelphia

Have you ever wondered why the conflict seems to be never ending? Popular Israeli philosopher Micha Goodman deeply researched Israeli attitudes on the struggle with Palestinians and offers new ways to frame and discuss the issue.



Welcome Shabbat with Sisterhood

Friday and Saturday, February 23 and 24

Our services are in memory of the beloved Sisterhood members we lost this past year.

Sisterhood-led Services on Friday evening, 6 PM followed by Dinner

You are welcome to bring your own unopened Kosher wine.

Dinner reservations requested no later than Thursday, February 15:

\$39/Adult • \$18/Children 6-12 years • Complimentary/Children 2-5 years

Saturday morning Services, 9:30 AM followed by an Extended Kiddush

For questions and to RSVP: Andrea Robbins, arrelst8@gmail.com

Scholarship Submission Deadline – Wednesday, February 28

Har Zion is pleased to be able to offer a limited number of scholarship awards to help support those pursuing Jewish educational programs, primarily for students at the High School level and above. Several generous donors have established endowments at Har Zion for this purpose. Scholarships will be awarded twice during the year. Those who wish to be considered for an award should submit a letter outlining the program or activity, the cost, and other pertinent information. Letters should be directed to Har Zion's Executive Director, Gavi Miller. Please label the envelope Scholarship Awards/Assistance so that confidentiality can be maintained. Requests can be submitted for any member in good standing, but must be postmarked (or hand-delivered to the office) by noon, February 28, 2018 for consideration. Final determination of awards and amounts will be decided on merit, need, and the number of requests received. For more information, contact Gavi Miller at 610-667-5000 ext 105 or gmillier@harziontemple.org.

A Call for Volunteers for Saunders House and Inglis House Seders

Would you like to put a smile on the faces of residents of Saunders House and Inglis House? We need you for about 2 hours to serve at the seder. You will be performing a mitzvah and you'll find it to be a heartwarming and gratifying experience. Say yes!

Saunders House Seder – Friday, March 23 – volunteers to arrive at 10:30 AM

Please contact Andy Coren, 610-585-1866.

Inglis House Seder – Thursday, April 5 – volunteers to arrive at 10:30 AM

Please call Barbara Berkowitz, 610-664-8335 or Gladys Shubin, 610-667-7546.

The Charlestein Family invites the Congregation Shabbat dinner at HZ in memory of Malvina & Morton Charlestein – Friday, March 23, following 6 PM services

The Charlestein Family invites the Congregation to join us for a Shabbat dinner at Har Zion Temple in memory of **Malvina & Morton Charlestein** on the occasion of Morton's seventh yearzeit. We will also honor our past, present and future Camp Ramah participants.

RSVP to Patty Kita at 610-239-6004 or pkita@premusa.com.

\$20/person, \$10/youngsters 6-21, no charge for current and former HZ Ramahniks and staff

Make check payable to "Gary Charlestein" and mail to Gary Charlestein, Premier Dental, PO Box 4500, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 **by Wednesday, March 14.**

Sponsored by the Charlestein/Phillips/Benjamin Families

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!

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 or 610-519-1211 for more information.



INNOVATION UPDATE FROM **Competing To Be The Waze Of Indoor Spaces**

The Israeli navigation app Waze will steer you to your destination along the fastest route. But it can't help you find your way inside a mall, museum, school, hospital, airport or other large building because GPS doesn't work indoors. This problem has caught the attention of tech companies large and small, including Google and Apple, yet today's indoor maps haven't mastered live navigation functionality.

Three Israeli companies are meeting this challenge with sophisticated indoor orientation apps independent of beacons or any other hardware installations in the venue. Each approach is slightly different.

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 Executive Director Gavi Miller, ext 105 or [gmiller@harziontemple.org](mailto:gmilller@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 NEEDS!

Regular Hours:

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

Sunday, 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM (when school is in session)

Additional hours by appointment.

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

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.