UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Instrumental Shabbat Service – Friday, February 14

No dinner tonight at Har Zion, but there is still LOTS OF JOY! Come join us for the Instrumental Service in the Levin-Bailis Room at 6 PM. Regular Service is in the Dogole Chapel.



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Sisterhood Mishloah Manot

Volunteers Needed for Assembling Packages (Sunday, March 1 at 10 AM, and Tuesday, March 3 at 3:30 PM) and Delivery (Sunday morning, March 8) Contact us ASAP! If you would like to volunteer to pack and/or make deliveries, please contact

Reisel Weinberger, risey@aol.com, 610-420-6902, Lynne Landsburg, lpl27@comcast.net, 610-996-6545 or Dorene Karasick, dorene.karasick45@gmail.com, 215-290-7570.



PURIM 2020 –

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, MARCH 9 AND 10



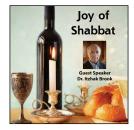
MONDAY, MARCH 9 7:15-9:30 PM - Ma'ariv, Dinner Theatre with the Har Zion Purim Players in "I Guess That's Why They Call It a Shpiel", Full Megillah Reading, and Dessert Reception Catered Dinner: \$18/adult, \$10/child 12 and under RSVP to Emily by Tuesday, March 3, 610-667-5000 or eberton@harziontemple.org or make your reservation online



TUESDAY, MARCH 10

6:50 AM – Shacharit, Megillah Reading and special breakfast 4:15 PM – Special JFGRS School Activities 5:15 PM – Shul-wide Festive Family Creative Megillah Reading geared for elementary and middle school-

aged children and their families – but all are invited! Followed by a Dinner Reception



Joy of Shabbat Dinner Friday, March 13 following 6 PM Services

All ages welcome! BYOB (Kosher unopened) \$10/adult, \$5/child (under 13) if you RSVP by March 6 \$15 per adult, \$10 per child (under 13) after March 6

RSVP by 5 PM on Wednesday, March 11 to guarantee your reservation.

SPECIAL SERIES SPEAKER AT 8:15 PM (Free and open to the community) **Dr. Itzhak Brook**

Author of the book, "In the Sands of Sinai, a Physician's Account of the Yom Kippur War" Sponsored by the Fishman Institute for Adult Jewish Studies

RSVP to Emily Berton, <u>eberton@harziontemple.org</u> or make an <u>online reservation here</u>.

Har Zion Landau Gift Box WINTER SALE FOR FEBRUARY – ADDITIONAL 10% OFF ALREADY DISCOUNTED PRICES FOR EVERYTHING EXCEPT BOOKS, CARDS, WINE, FOOD AND SPECIAL ORDERS. COME IN AND SHOP OUR 50% OFF SECTION!

We are now online! Visit <u>www.harziontemple.org/giftshop</u> Shop our discounted prices! Or stop in and shop for all your holiday and gift-giving needs. Religious and General Gifts, *Talitot*, Holiday and Shiva Trays, Bridal and Bar/Bat Mitzvah Registry, Greeting Cards, Gift Wrapping and Shipping

<u>NEW</u> Regular Hours: Monday-Thursday – 10 AM to 3:30 PM; Friday – 10 AM to 3 PM; Sunday – 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM (when JFGRS is in session) Additional hours by appointment – 610-667-2698

International Keynote Speaker Neil Lazarus Comes to LMAHH – Sunday, February 23, 10 AM At Har Zion Temple

Understand what is happening in Israel and the Middle East Open to the community – Free of charge – Breakfast served Sponsored by Lower Merion Area Hebrew High and funded in part by the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia's Israel Engagement Grant Program

LMAHH Night Out – Saturday, February 29 Expedition Escape in KOP Bus leaves HZT at 7 PM, returns at 10 PM \$25/LMAHH students, \$30/non-LMAHH students (must be 8th-12th grade) <u>Click here</u> to RSVP online. For questions and to sign up by Thursday, February 14: Sara Lefkowitz, <u>slefkowitz.lmahh@gmail.com</u>

AIPAC Policy Conference, March 1-3, 2020

Join fellow members of Har Zion in our nation's capital for the largest annual gathering of America's pro-Israel movement. For more, visit <u>http://www.policyconference.org/</u> Discounted tickets are available. Please contact Norman Einhorn, 610-667-5000, ext 150 or <u>neinhorn@harziontemple.org</u>.

STAND OUT FROM THE CROWD – Thursday, March 19, 7:30 PM

Join us for an evening to celebrate Alexander Muss High School in Israel's (AMHSI-JNF) history in the Greater Philadelphia area, and learn how this transformative study abroad program can enrich your teenager's high school experience and enhance their college applications, making them stand out from the crowd. A multi-

generational panel of alumni will speak about how attending AMHSI-JNF changed their lives, and how it can change your teen's life too.

FEATURING Rabbi Leor Sinai, Co-CEO, AMHSI-JNF

Rabbi Leor Sinai will share how Alexander Muss High School in Israel (AMHSI-JNF) has been combating anti-Semitism for years, teaching students Israeli and Jewish history, all while using the land of Israel as their living classroom.

RSVP: Rabbi Greg Litcofsky, National Director of Recruitment, at glitcofsky@amhsi.org

Join Hazzan Eliot & Karen Vogel and the Cantors Assembly for A Jewish Musical Journey through Italy (Rome | Florence | Venice) – June 22 – July 2, 2020

For over two thousand years, Jewish communities have existed in Italy. Our ancestors settled here during the pre-Christian Roman era and, through periods of prosperity and times of persecution, have held a continuous presence until today. We'll explore these roots and routes – historic, religious and, of course, musical! Join us as we sing, study, sightsee and celebrate together in inviting, intriguing Italy. On our adventure together we will...

Delight in Jewish Music with an operatic Italian flare, featuring the soaring voices of the Cantors Assembly.







 Explore Italian history through a Jewish prism, with scholarly presentations by noted scholar Prof Stephen Berk throughout.

• Enjoy a gondola ride through Venice, visit Rome's old Jewish Ghetto in the Trastevere area, tour the aorgeous Duomo of Florence...and so much more!

Full itinerary, pricing and registration at: secure.ayelet.com/CA2020Italy.aspx Please choose the Deluxe category when registering to join this group.

This Week...

D'var T'filah with Hazzan Vogel – Tuesdays 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.

Special Congregational Meeting – Tuesday, 7 PM

TISCH with Rabbi Shawn – Wednesday after 7 AM Minyan

Join Rabbi Shawn for breakfast and inspirational learning. In this class we will engage in weekly Halakha (legal text) study from the Rambam's Mishneh Torah. Good food, great company, and a bissel of learning too!

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

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 Meeting – Thursday, February 20, 7 PM

Help us in planning upcoming events and programs. RSVP to Jordan Landau, jordan.landau@gmail.com

Men's Club Minyannaires with Ely Levine – Friday after 7 AM Minyan

Breakfast and study with Ely Levine in the Rudofker Library. Learn new insights to the Torah through wrestling with texts and commentaries.

Lifelong Learning...



Har Zion After Dark with **Open a Book...Open Your Mind author** Monday, March 2, 7 PM with Dorice Horenstein, "Moments of the Heart" Join us at the Barbara & Harvey Brodsky Center of JFCS 345 Montgomery Avenue, Bala Cynwyd Admission \$18 For reservations, call 610-667-5000, ext 109, email us at eberton@harziontemple.org or go to harziontemple.ticketleap.com.





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Save the Dates!

Siddur Study with Dr. Sara H. Cohen

Resumes February 26, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1 at 11 AM

An in-depth, multi-faceted study of our Shabbat liturgy. By "unpacking" the many layers of meaning and commentary, by delving into the history, background and lives of the great intellectual giants who wrote our prayers, we gain a keener understanding of their meaning and of the values and ideals inherent in them. Through this sharper knowledge and understanding, we discover what we stand for as Jews.

Join us, learn and study with us so that you can connect more readily and easily to our heritage and keep our legacy alive and thriving.

Coming in April...

Ancestral Journeys: Ancient Biblical Myth and End-of-Life Wisdom in Torah and Midrash - Part II with Rabbi Simcha Raphael Tuesdays, April 21, May 5, 19 and June 2, 10-11:30 AM

A four-part mini course exploring sacred moments of transition in the lives of our Biblical ancestors. Through study of texts, conversation and reflection we shall discover helpful guidelines for dealing with end-of-life transitions and challenges in our times.

Here's a full list of our upcoming Lifelong Learning offerings

Sisterhood...

Open a Book...Open Your Mind 2019-20 Schedule of Authors



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Save the Date! Men's Club Trip to NYC – Wednesday, May 6 Bus leaves from HZT Visit to Tenement Museum, Kosher Restaurant Meal and more! More info to follow



Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity for you and your family? Join JFCS for a Family Volunteer Opportunity – Sunday, March 1, 2-4 PM Highlighting our Child Welfare program

The Barbara and Harvey Brodsky Enrichment Center of JFCS, 345 Montgomery Avenue, Bala Cynwyd

We'll bake hamentaschen for JFCS and Mitzvah Food Pantry clients, sort items and stuff duffle bags for children in foster care, and enjoy story time! Children of all ages welcome! Glatt kosher snacks will be served.

Cost: \$18 per family (\$20 at the door)

RSVP: Please register in advance at www.jfcsphilly.org/circleofhands

For more information, contact Emalie Clamage at eclamage@jfcsphilly.org

We are in need of donations of travel-size toiletry items, duffle bags, socks, blankets, and picture frames. If you know of a group or an organization that would like to donate items, please contact Emalie Clamage at <u>eclamage@jfcsphilly.org</u>

Circle of Hands Committee: Kirsten Baritz, *Chair*, Marissa Cohen, Nicole Masloff, Jackie Robins, Michele Rosenfeld, Amy Roslow, Jenna Zalut

From the Ritual Committee...

Our Services Are Made Holier by Your Participation!

Do you know how to read Torah? Would you like to practice your skills in a low-pressure environment? Then email us at <u>RitualCommittee@harziontemple.org</u> to sign up. There are readings of all sizes; we will find the right one for you!

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 Kim Kliamovich, 610-667-5000, ext 108 or hzt@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, <u>daviskjjj@aol.com</u> or Anne Stein, <u>annestein1@comcast.net</u>.

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 https://www.nkitolia.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 <u>sbkochman@aol.com</u>.

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 Meryl Littman, <u>merylitt@vet.upenn.edu</u> or 610-649-3461.





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 <u>eberton@harziontemple.org</u>.

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, <u>risey@aol.com</u> 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 Ely Levine, ext 103 or elevine@harziontemple.org, with your name and cell phone number for a text.