

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FEBRUARY IS JEWISH DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

JDAM is a unified national initiative to raise disability awareness and support efforts to foster inclusion in Jewish communities worldwide. JDAM takes place during the month of February – though we know that inclusion is a 365-day-year effort. JDAM is a time when we can focus our attention on providing meaningful inclusion and full participation of people with disabilities and their families in Jewish community.

For more info: <http://jewishlearningventure.org/buildingcommunity/wci/>

GUESS WHO'S COMING TO SHABBAT IS BACK!

This year's first "Guess Who's Coming to Shabbat" will take place this weekend.

What is GWC2S?

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.

How does it work?

You decide whether you want to be a host or a guest. If you are hosting you can invite families you know or request to host families you have not met. You decide whether it's Friday night dinner or Saturday lunch. As a host, you choose the menu and the time. We provide a Shabbat kit that includes challah, wine, candlesticks, and a card with all of the Shabbat blessings.

Shabbat kits will be available for pick up in the Groom's Room at Har Zion.

If you'd like to be a host or a guest for the next one, and/or you have any questions, please contact Rabbi Allen, Hannah Bookbinder, or Cindy Reisner at GuessWhosComing2Shabbat@gmail.com.

We are excited to share in the beauty and power of Shabbat. Please join us!

PURIM 2015

"I Heard It through the Grapevine..."

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

10:00 AM-1:00 PM – Purim Carnival

No Regular Classes for Elementary or Middle School

Come in costume for a parade - Prizes will be given

Snacks for sale, games, activities and raffle

Open to all children through 7th grade and accompanied with a parent

\$10/child ages 2 and up - under 2 and adults are free



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

5:45 PM – Minha/Maariv

6:00 PM – Children's Dinner and Magic Show

6:15 PM – Full Megillah Reading

7:30 PM – Dinner Theatre featuring the Har Zion Purim Players in *"The Motown Megillah"*

There is no charge for either dinner. RSVP needed for BOTH dinners by February 25: 610-667-5000 or hzt@harziontemple.org

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

6:50 AM – Morning Minyan and Megillah Reading

**"I HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE...." MOTOWN IS COMING TO HAR ZION!

REHEARSALS – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 10:30 AM,

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 24, 26, 7:00 PM

The Purim Shpiel will take place on Wednesday evening, March 4. If you have any questions, please contact Hazzan Eliot I. Vogel at 610-667-5000 ext. 102 or Debbie Folz at 610-667-6534.



**NEW! COMING IN MARCH!

ADULT EDUCATION PRESENTS AN ART CLASS WITH ARIELLA BARLAS

MONDAYS, MARCH 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 7:00 PM

Projects will be Blessing of the House Hamsa and a Challah cover

Fee: \$150 for the series (payable to HZT) **RSVP by February 23** to hzt@harziontemple.org

Questions? Please send email to skeworthy@harziontemple.org

****HSA PRACHIM SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER - FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 5:30 PM
DON'T MISS IT!**

Class Shabbat Dinners are covered by your HSA dues (this includes 2 adults and your children)
5:30 PM Services followed by a Shabbat Dinner
For more info, please contact Rabbi Nogah Marshall, rnmarshall@harziontemple.org

****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.

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

****SISTERHOOD ADULT EDUCATION – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 10:00-11:30 AM
PERSPECTIVES ON THE BOOK OF ESTHER**

Musical Perspectives on the Book of Esther with Hazzan Vogel

This class examines the tropes and traditions of musical detours used in chanting the Scroll of Esther, and will also focus on the many ways in which the story of Esther has inspired musical creativity in the past through contemporary times.

Open to all women in our community.

For more information, contact Sheree Bloch, sheree@blochmail.net or 610-574-6658.

****ADULT EDUCATION GOES TO THE MOVIES –
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 7:00 PM**

Trembling Before God

An unprecedented feature documentary that shatters assumptions about faith, sexuality and religious fundamentalism. Built around intimately-told personal stories of Hasidic and Orthodox Jews who are gay or lesbian, the film portrays a group of people who face a profound dilemma – how to reconcile their passionate love of Judaism and the Divine with the drastic Biblical prohibitions that forbid homosexuality.

Refreshments will be sold to benefit the USY

Free admission – Discussion following movie

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



****POPULAR COMMENTARIES ON GENESIS WITH RABBI ROSENBERG –
THURSDAY MORNINGS, 10:00 AM WILL RESUME MARCH 5**

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.

****SISTERHOOD DAVENING SKILLS WITH RABBI ALPERT – THURSDAY MORNINGS, 11:00 AM**

Learn how to lead the weekday service and feel more at home at Minyan. The class is open to all who know a bit of Hebrew. For more info, please contact Debbie Golden, goldendagg@gmail.com.

****FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S CLUB MINYANNAIRES – WITH RABBI ALLEN
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.

****JOIN US FOR YOUTH SHABBAT – FEBRUARY 27-28**

Families with children of all ages are invited to join the congregation for this special Shabbat full of youthful energy recreating the Ramah atmosphere at Har Zion. Come dressed in business casual attire and join our services led by the youth of Har Zion.

Friday Night Service - 6:00 PM – Dogole Chapel

Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv followed by dinner (by paid reservation)

(\$20/adult, \$15/child 2-12 – RSVP to jfgrs@harziontemple.org by Monday, February 23)

Saturday - 9:00 AM – Gorson Auditorium - Shabbat morning services Ramah style

****HAR ZION TEMPLE USY PRESENTS...AROMA COFFEE HOUSE OPEN MIKE NIGHT – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 8:30 - 10:30 PM**

We are looking for bands to perform!



Please contact us at hztusy613@gmail.com (Judy Bender – Advisor) or ariherzberg@gmail.com (Arielle Herzberg – President) to let us know if you are interested.

Tickets are \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members.

This includes coffee and desserts. Yum!!



****RESCHEDULED TO WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 11:30 AM**

THE SISTERHOOD OF HAR ZION TEMPLE HOSTS JUDY WICKS, ENTREPRENEUR, ACTIVIST AND AUTHOR FOR LUNCH AND DISCUSSION

Join Har Zion's Sisterhood in welcoming Judy Wicks. Judy, founder of the White Dog Café, is an entrepreneur, activist, and author working to build a more compassionate, environmentally sustainable and locally based economy. Her award-winning memoir *Good Morning, Beautiful Business: the Unexpected Journey of an Activist Entrepreneur and Local Economy Pioneer* was published in 2013, and won the gold medal for Business Leadership from Nautilus National Book Awards in 2014.

Judy has founded several non-profits and cofounded the nationwide Business Alliance for Local Living Economies (BALLE). **Plan to join us for lunch** and to enjoy this much-honored and highly sought-after presenter. Her book, *Good Morning, Beautiful Business*, will be available for sale and signing.

(\$18 couvert – for non-Sisterhood members. Check payable to Sisterhood of Har Zion Temple)

RSVP by Wednesday, March 4 to Sherry Pearlstein, sherrypearl1@gmail.com

****SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSION DEADLINE – MARCH 16**

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, March 16 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 [gmiller@harziontemple.org](mailto:gmillier@harziontemple.org).

****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 his 4th Yahrzeit, **Friday evening, March 27 following 6:00 PM services.**

We will honor the historic Har Zion Akiba-Barrack connection featuring our families: past, present and future.

RSVP to Theresa Szarawara at 610-239-6004 or tszarawara@premusa.com.

\$20 per adult; \$10 college students/children 9 and older; current Barrack students – No charge

RSVP needed by Monday, March 23. Make checks payable to "Betty the Caterer" and mail to: Gary Charlestein, Premier Dental, PO Box 4500, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Sponsored by the Charlestein/Phillips/Benjamin Family

"Good people leave too soon but they and their legacy are with us always."

****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>




INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISRAEL IDEAS
Wearable Device Slows Brain Tumor Growth

Patients can wear Novocure's TFields device while doing normal activities. A novel wearable device, already used on nearly 2000 patients to slow the growth of cancerous glioblastoma brain tumors using electrical fields, is now being tested to judge its effectiveness against other types of solid tumors. The multi-national company Novocure, is working hard to develop further applications for its Tumor Treating Fields (TFields) technology, originally developed by Dr. Yoram Palti, now a retired professor from the world renowned Technion Institute in Israel. TFields therapy is delivered via a non-invasive electrode device attached to the patient's scalp.
For more information: <http://www.israelideas.org/#!in-the-spotlight/c200w>

****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!

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!

Like us on Facebook!

****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!

****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**