

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Har Zion's Annual Fundraiser – Saturday, April 6

An Evening with *America's Got Talent* Finalist

Oz Pearlman

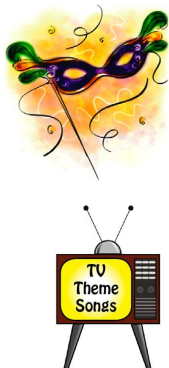
6:30 PM Donor Dinner

8:00 PM Program

9:30 PM Dessert Reception

[Check out this 3 minute video!](#)

Watch the mail for your invitation or [order your tickets online](#)



PURIM 2019 –

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, MARCH 20 & 21

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6:00 PM – Minha

6:15 PM – Dinner Theater with the Har Zion Purim Players in "The Megillah

According to...Classic TV Theme Songs"

\$18/adult, \$10/child 12 and under

RSVP is requested to Emily: 610-667-5000 or eberton@harziontemple.org

7:30 PM – Ma'ariv and Full Megillah Reading

8:30 PM – Dessert Reception

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 5-7 PM

Purim Palooza for children preschool through 8 years old

Sponsored by the HSA and PTA

5:00 PM – Family-friendly Megillah Reading including costume parade and hamentashen eating contest

5:45 PM – Purim Pizza Party with games and crafts, moon bounce, face painting, magician/juggler, photo booth, *Mishloah Manot* making, food, prizes and more!

Learners Minyan with Rabbi Moriah SimonHazani – Saturday, February 23, 10 AM

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Tot Shabbat with Diane Halpren – Saturday, February 23, 11:15 AM

Celebrate Shabbat as a Whole Family! Sing! Dance! Play! We will have our own Kiddush before joining the rest of the congregation for refreshments and socializing!

**Purim Shpiel Rehearsals - Thursdays, February 28, March 7 and 14 at 7 PM
in the Gorson Auditorium**

Questions? Interested? Contact Debbie Folz: dfolz@harziontemple.org



HSA Spring 2019 'Fun'draiser For Our Children

Saturday, March 2, 7:30-11:30 PM

NCCECE Quizzo: Are you smarter than a pre-schooler?

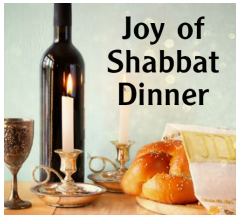
\$75/person before 2/25; \$90 starting 2/25

Sponsorship opportunities available

This fabulous night out will include cocktails, dinner, Quizzo, and dessert, as well as a live and silent auction. Come out and support our wonderful NCCECE Staff, School, and

Children! Tickets will be on sale in the school lobby and can be purchased by cash or check, via venmo (@HarZionHSA) or through [Ticketleap](#) (with a small fee)

For more information, please contact Debbie Folz, dfolz@harziontemple.org.



Joy of Shabbat

Friday, March 8 – dinner following 6 PM Services

Come relax and enjoy Shabbat together. All ages welcome! BYOB (Kosher unopened)

- Before 3/2 - \$10 per adult, \$5 per child (under 13)

- 3/2 and After - \$15 per adult, \$10 per child (under 13)

Deadline for a Guaranteed Reservation: 5 PM on Wednesday, March 6

RSVP to Emily, 610-667-5000 or eberton@harziontemple.org or [click here](#).

A small service fee will be charged for online reservations.

SPECIAL SERIES SPEAKER AT 8:15 PM (Free and open to the community)

Clearing the Fog: More of the Same or Dramatic Change?

Behind the Scenes of Israel's 2019 Elections

Dani Steiner

[More on Dani Steiner](#)



Sisterhood Mishloah Manot Orders Due by Thursday, March 7

Volunteers Needed for Assembling Packages (Tuesday, March 12, 9 AM and 4 PM) and Delivery (Sunday, March 17) 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 pack and/or make deliveries, please contact Shelley Brietling,

sbrietling@comcast.net, **610-888-5499**, Madelyn Karasick, madsk1410@gmail.com, **610-505-6131** or Dorene Karasick, dorene.karasick45@gmail.com, **215-290-7570**.

Federation Super Sunday – February 24, 10 AM-1 PM

Join us for the Jewish Federation's largest day of community fundraising at a location near you.

This year, Super Sunday will be coming to a location near you:

Shir Ami, 101 Richboro Rd, Newtown

Convergent Technologies, Inc., 600 W Swedesford Rd, Suite C, Malvern

Jewish Community Services Building, 2100 Arch St, Philadelphia

(Additional shift 3-6 PM)

SofterWare, 601 W. Office Center Dr, Suite 200, Fort Washington

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

For more info and to register: <https://jewishphilly.org/get-involved/signature-events/super-sunday/>

or call 215-832-0880.



Jewish Federation
of Greater Philadelphia

AIPAC Policy Conference, March 24-26, 2019

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 <http://www.policyconference.org/>

Discounted tickets are available. Please contact Norman Einhorn, 610-667-5000, ext 150 or

neinhorn@harziontemple.org.

This Week...

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Talmud with Rabbi Sarra Lev, PhD – Mondays, 10:30 AM

The rabbinic prohibitions against shaming another often lie in stark contrast to stories of shaming and competition among those very same rabbis. This class begins by examining texts on monetary compensation for shaming (Who must pay? How much? For what kinds of shaming?) and then moves on to

examine stories of rabbis shaming one another. The course asks the overarching question – what is the Talmud trying to tell us about shame/shaming?

Rabbi Shawn and the Search for God – Mondays, 12-1 PM

Join Rabbi Shawn and his intrepid group of explorers on this year's journey into modern theology. Together we will wrestle with the meaning and religious concepts that affect us as individuals and as a people.



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.

TISCH with Rabbi Shawn – Wednesdays after 7 AM Minyan

TISCH – remain after Minyan for breakfast and study with Rabbi Shawn in the Rudofker Library. We will engage in weekly *Halakha* (legal text) study from the Rambam's Mishneh Torah. *Good food, great company, and a bisseel of learning too!*

Har Zion After Dark – Wednesday, February 27, 6:30 PM (rescheduled from 2/20)

Honor Your Father and Your Mother: Caring for Sick or Elderly Parents with Rabbi Seth Haaz

Come and discuss how Judaism presents this mitzvah and encourages dedication and tenderness toward parents as well as sensitivity toward caregivers.

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

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 Minyannaires – Fridays after 7 AM Minyan

Breakfast and study with Rabbi Haaz. Learn new insights to the Torah through wrestling with Rashi's interpretations and our understanding of his reasoning.

Friday Lunch Bunch with Rabbi Shawn and Norman Einhorn – Friday, March 1, 12 PM

BYO dairy lunch

A discussion of the *New York Times* Bestseller: "*Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor*" by Yossi Klein Halevi

More Adult Education at HZT...

Har Zion After Dark

Wednesday, February 27, 6:30-8 PM (rescheduled from 2/20)

Rabbi Seth Haaz

Honor Your Father and Your Mother: Caring for Sick or Elderly Parents

As our parents age, most of us find ourselves in the position of providing extensive care. This loving care dominates and characterizes a portion of our lives – it is both a tremendous privilege and a daunting challenge. Rabbinic literature describes caring for sick and aging parents as the most difficult mitzvah to fulfill. Come and discuss how Judaism presents this mitzvah and encourages dedication and tenderness toward parents as well as sensitivity toward caregivers. You will be amazed and touched at how thoughtfully our faith tradition handles the practical needs of those involved and affirms the beauty of our sacred relationships at one of the most trying times of our lives. Our sacred texts will naturally draw out our personal experiences, and we will welcome these opportunities to create a space to share openly and receive support.



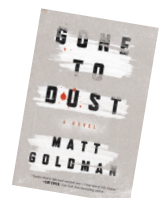
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Open A Book...Open Your Mind author Matt Goldman, "*Gone to Dust*"

\$18 in advance/\$25 at the door

[To RSVP online click here](#), or make a reservation with Emily Berton, 610-667-5000, ext 109 or eberton@harziontemple.org and drop a check at the front desk.

Sponsored by Sisterhood and the JFGRS



Special Programming

**Exploring Jewish Views of the Afterlife:
Traditional and Contemporary Perspectives
with Dr. Simcha Raphael**

**Tuesdays, February 26; March 12, 26, April 9 (make up class for 2-12)
10-11:30 AM**

An exploration of Jewish afterlife texts spanning three millennia of history – As travelers through time, we shall enter the worlds of Torah, Talmud, Midrash, Zohar and Hasidic tales investigating diverse ways Jews have understood the enigmatic mystery of death and the world beyond. Searching for spiritual renewal of traditional teachings, we shall use these texts for reflection and discussion discovering practical guidelines for responding to the human encounter with death - personally, and in our families and communities.

Simcha Raphael, PhD is the Founding Director of the DA'AT Institute for Death Awareness, Advocacy and Training



[Here's a full list of our upcoming Adult Education offerings](#)

Sisterhood...

**Women's League Mid-Atlantic Region Board Meeting
Sunday, February 24, 10 AM at Har Zion Temple**

"Share the Spirits" with the Ladies of Sisterhood – Monday evening March 4, 6-9 PM

Five Saints Distillery (129 East Main Street, Norristown, PA 19401)

Tour and Tasting, Cash Bar, Shopping Opportunity – **Light dinner will be served**

**Minimum of 20 guests required - we must have your RSVP
and \$10 fee (check payable to Har Zion Temple) by Monday, February 25
RSVP to Carol Klein Kaplan, carolkkaplan@harziontemple.org**

Carpooling and designated drivers suggested

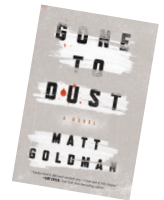
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Men's Club...



Har Zion Poker Night with Men's Club and HSA – Sunday, March 17

5:30 PM Registration, 6 PM Tournament begins

Texas Hold'em – \$60 buy in, \$20 re-buys

BYOB Kosher – Dinner will be served – Table sponsorships available

Walk-ins welcome

RSVP by March 10 to Emily Berton, eberton@harziontemple.org

Men's Club Breakfast with Author Ira Poliakoff – Sunday, March 31, 10 AM

Please join us when Ira Poliakoff will be discussing his latest book, "Synagogues of Philadelphia." His previous book, "Synagogues of Long Island: was the 2018 First Place Award winner at Book Fest.

Open to the Community – Breakfast will be served

Cost: \$10 – payable to Har Zion Men's Club

**RSVP by Monday, March 25 to Emily Berton, eberton@harziontemple.org or 610-667-5000,
ext 109**

Youth...

Har Zion Youth invites you, the parents, to have a night out!

Leave the kids with us!

Saturday night, March 16 – 6:30-9:30 PM

All HZT kids ages 4-12 in three different groups – Supervised programming, fun, Havdalah service and hearty snack



Cost per entry ticket: 1 for \$28, 3 for \$75, 6 for \$132, 12 for \$240
Entry tickets can be used for your own child/ren or for a friend
Late care - 9:30-10:30 PM can be arranged separately for \$10/child
Questions and to RSVP: skeworthy@harziontemple.org or 610-664-5746

Tikkun Olam...

-HIAS PA has some urgent needs for incoming refugee families...

1. Twin Beds ONLY – all parts: a mattress, a frame, and a box spring – relatively new, in good condition, and from a bug-free home. Email community@hiaspa.org to speak with HIAS PA about arranging pickup.
2. Twin sheets and comforters – new, or used in good condition and clean.
3. Towels and wash cloths, pots with lids and fry pans – new, or used in good condition and clean.
4. Winter and Baby Items – winter hats, baby pacifiers and baby wipes. We have added these items to our [Target Registry](#).

The smaller items can be brought to Main Line Reform Temple (410 Montgomery Ave, Wynnewood) and put in the gray plastic bin in the vestibule which is labeled for HIAS PA. If you need help unloading your vehicle, please request assistance from the custodial staff. If you have any questions as to when the building is open on Sunday to Friday, please call the office at 610-649-7800.

Thank you for your continued support!!

For more information, please contact Kerry Coughlin, kcoughlin@hiaspa.org

-Volunteers Needed for Federation's Mitzvah Food Program – [Click here](#) for more information.



Rescheduled to Wednesday, February 27

Concert of Jewish Music –8 PM

Hazzan Vogel is a soloist along with over 100 singers from across the Delaware Valley Community. Featuring Cantor Alberto Mizrahi.

Tickets available at <https://www.kimmelcenter.org/events-and-tickets/201819/kcp/sing-hallelujah/>

Special offer – save 15% with code CADV15

Scholarship Submission Deadline – Thursday, 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, 2019 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:gmilller@harziontemple.org).

Women's Challah Bake – Sunday March 3, 3:30-5:30 PM

Adath Israel (250 N. Highland Ave, Merion Station)

Women of all ages and daughters welcome. In honor of women's health, Myriad will be offering genetic cancer testing for those who qualify. Please bring your insurance card if you are interested.

Couvert: \$25 – For questions, please email gevuradavis@gmail.com.

Event chairs: Jenifer Thomas, Joy Hoffman, Amy Cohen, Deborah Stein and Andrea Goldstein

Co-sponsored by Har Zion Temple, Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El, Aish Chaim, Adath Israel, Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, and Myriad

The Charlestein Family invites the Congregation to Shabbat dinner at Har Zion Temple in memory of Malvina & Morton Charlestein – Friday, March 29, 7 PM following 6 PM services

The Charlestein Family invites the Congregation to join us for a Shabbat dinner in memory of **Malvina & Morton Charlestein** on the occasion of Morton's eighth yahrzeit. We will also be honoring our post Bar/Bat Mitzvah teenagers continuing their Jewish education.

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

\$20/adult, \$10/ages 6-21, no charge for current and former Har Zion students enrolled in a formal or supplemental Jewish high school program (and staff)

Make check payable to "Gary Charlestein" and mail to Gary Charlestein, Premier Dental, P.O. Box 4500, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 **by Monday, March 25.**

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!

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, daviskjji@aol.com or Anne Stein, annestein1@comcast.net.

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 rhk101@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 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 sbkochman@aol.com.



INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISRAEL IDEAS

Machines about to Revolutionize the Way Food is Prepared

Eshchar Ben-Shitrit grew up on a kibbutz where his mother ran the dairy farm. He observed the strong bond between cows and their calves, and this memory triggered something in him when he became a father four years ago. "When my first son was born I felt it was not possible to eat meat anymore. I felt I'd be eating someone else's child," said Ben-Shitrit. "I got obsessed with finding a solution for people who enjoy meat, like me, but don't want to eat animals." Using professional expertise honed at printing companies including HP Indigo and Highcon, Ben-Shitrit quit his job earlier this year and founded Jet-Eat. Working with food scientists, he's developing 3D printing technologies to produce plant-based "beef" with the approximate appearance, texture and mouth feel of cattle meat.

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, nancigoldman22@gmail.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 Emily Berton, ext 109 or eberton@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.

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.