

## UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ***Please Join Us to Welcome Candidate for Senior Rabbi – Rabbi Joshua Gruenberg Friday-Sunday, February 2-4***

Har Zion is thrilled to welcome Rabbi Joshua Gruenberg, his wife Elissa along with children Samuel and Kayla.  
Please join us for **any** of the following events so that you can be a part of this important process.

#### **Friday, February 2**

##### **5:30 - 7 PM Superbowl Shabbat**

For families with kids of all ages! Wear your jeans and jerseys and join Debbie, Rabbi Shawn and Norman for a fun-filled, silly and spirited Superbowl Shabbat Service followed by a free catered tailgate dinner (**RSVP required**).  
Come out to say 'Shabbat Shalom' to Rabbi Gruenberg, his wife Elissa, son Samuel and daughter Kayla.

**6 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Services** followed by a Congregational Oneg Shabbat  
Rabbi Gruenberg will give the D'var Torah at Services, and shmooze during the Oneg.

#### **Saturday, February 3**

##### **9:30 AM - 12 PM Kol Tefilah – Shabbat Morning Services (Babysitting will be available)**

Rabbi Gruenberg will deliver the sermon in the Main Sanctuary and join the community for Kiddush following Services.

##### **1 - 2 PM Milton Pomerantz Interactive Torah Study**

Rabbi Gruenberg will lead an interactive Torah Study session in the Dogole Chapel

##### **5 - 6 PM Minha/Ma'ariv/Havdalah**

Join Rabbi Gruenberg and Cantor Vogel as they lead services...and nosh and shmooze on topics of Jewish interest.

#### **Sunday, February 4**

**9 - 11 AM Morning Minyan followed by a Congregational Breakfast** – sponsored by the Sisterhood  
Rabbi Gruenberg will join our community for breakfast and offer a brief teaching followed by a Q & A.

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After the visit, we want to hear from you.

You will be sent an email and asked to share your impressions in an on-line survey.

Everyone is encouraged to participate!

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#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Join us for **Sisterhood Shabbat, February 23 and 24**, and welcome Senior Rabbi Candidate  
Rabbi Seth Haaz who is visiting **February 22 – 25**



#### ***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/18adulted-israel70.pdf](http://www.harziontemple.org/harzion/ehighlights/18adulted-israel70.pdf)



## 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**

##### **Yitro ( Vol 1, p 201)**

When do you feel your speech most delights God? Why? Recognizing this, do you think that you might bring that awareness into other modes, other periods of speech? How might this help you understand some aspect of *devekut* (attachment or closeness to God)?

For more teachings from *A Partner in Holiness*, go to <http://www.harziontemple.org/harzion/ehighlights/18Partnerinholiness.pdf>

#### **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.*

##### **8 PM 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.*

#### **\*Joy of Shabbat Dinner – by reservation only**

**All ages welcome – \$10/adult, \$5/child under 13**

**RSVP by the Monday, February 5, 610-667-5000 or [hzt@harziontemple.org](mailto:hzt@harziontemple.org) or at**

**[harziontemple.ticketleap.com](http://harziontemple.ticketleap.com) A small service fee will be charged for online reservations.**



#### **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.**

## **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](mailto:hzt@harziontemple.org)**

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

**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, Mishloach 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**



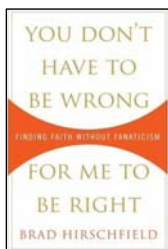
### Sisterhood/HSA Monday Mah Jongg

Join us Monday, February 5 when we will play at 12:30 PM and 7 PM.

You may bring Kosher dairy lunch or dairy/parve kosher 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](mailto:ninagrebs@gmail.com).



### Lunch and Learn Book Club with Norman

Tuesday, February 6, 1 PM, Har Zion Temple

*You Don't Have to be Wrong for Me to Be Right* by Rabbi Bradley Hirschfeld

Grounded in biblical scholarship and interwoven with personal stories, *You Don't Have to Be Wrong for Me to Be Right* provides a pragmatic path to peace, understanding, and hope that appeals to the common wisdom of all religions.

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\$5 charge for lunch – RSVP to Patty Grobman, [pgrobman@harziontemple.org](mailto:pgrobman@harziontemple.org)

### Learning our Liturgy with Dr. Sara H. Cohen

**The Wednesday, February 7 class is cancelled**

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

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.

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### Open a Book . . . Open Your Mind – Wednesday, February 7, 7 PM

David E. Fishman – *The Book Smugglers: Partisans, Poets, and the Race to Save Jewish Treasures from the Nazis*

Dr. David Fishman, professor of Jewish History at the Jewish Theological Seminary, with a Ph.D. from Harvard University, will visit Har Zion Temple to speak about his newest book, *The Book Smugglers: Partisans, Poets, and the Race to Save Jewish Treasures from the Nazis*. It recounts the nearly unbelievable story of Vilna ghetto residents who rescued thousands of rare books and manuscripts by hiding them on their bodies, burying them in bunkers, and smuggling them across borders.

*Dr. Fishman is the Jewish Book Council's "Holocaust Book Award" winner for 2017*

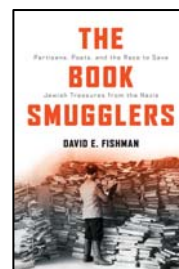
\$18 in advance/\$25 day of the event

Presented by the Sisterhood of Har Zion Temple and the Jane Fishman Grinberg Religious School

For more information about this and/or our spring lineup, [openabook@harziontemple.org](mailto:openabook@harziontemple.org)

Purchase tickets online, [harziontemple.ticketleap.com](http://harziontemple.ticketleap.com)

This event is brought to Har Zion Temple in collaboration with the Jewish Book Council.



### Rabbi Shawn and the Philosopher's Stone

Thursdays, 11 AM-Noon

February 8, 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 8, 7 PM – I sen Hall of Memories

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](mailto:Recyclejack@aol.com)

### Joy of Shabbat Dinner – Friday, February 9, following 6 PM Services

Join us for dinner and stay for the Visiting Scholar lecture

By reservation only – BYOB (Kosher)

All ages welcome – \$10/adult, \$5/child under 13

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**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 HAS 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!



**Sisterhood General Meeting with Cherie Bank**

**Monday, February 12, 7:30 PM**

***What Women Need to Know about Their Health***

Join the former Medical Reporter at NBC10 News for a discussion on women's health and her time on TV

**Dessert will be served.**

**Free for Sisterhood members; \$10 for non-Sisterhood members**

**RSVP IS A MUST – Please contact Sheila Schafer, [lsch@comcast.net](mailto:lsch@comcast.net), or 610-645-5461**

***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.

**HAR ZION AFTER DARK**

**Wednesday Night Adult Ed Series – February 14**

**6:30-7 PM - light fare 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.

**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.

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

**Dinner reservations requested no later than Thursday, February 15:**

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

**There are still parts available. For questions and to RSVP: Andrea Robbins, [arrelst8@gmail.com](mailto: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 [gmiller@harziontemple.org](mailto:gmillers@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. Please contact Laurie Albert, 610-667-5000, ext 111 or [lalbert@harziontemple.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:mshoueka@hotmail.com) or 610-519-1211 for more information.



### **INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISRAEL IDEAS**

#### ***A Pen To Make Reading Easier For Children With Dyslexia***

According to data from the International Dyslexia Association Dyslexia, dyslexia is a disorder which affects nearly 14 percent of school-aged children and young adults in the US and causes children and adults to have trouble reading, spelling, writing and understanding the meaning of words, despite possessing high levels of intelligence. Some of the world's leading entrepreneurs including Walt Disney, Henry Ford, Charles Schwab, Steve Jobs, and Richard Branson have been diagnosed with dyslexia.

Wizcomtech one of the largest producers of pen-shaped handheld scanning translators, said it has clinched a deal with a US distributor to sell a new pen that helps children with dyslexia. The company's Quicktionary translation pens, available in more than 24 languages, are already being used by students in English classes and matriculation exams in junior high and high schools in Israel, as well as by students in the UK for their foreign language studies. The electronic pen-shaped scanners immediately translate text, from and to a variety of languages, onto an LCD screen set within the pen. To read more, go to: <http://www.israelideas.org/#!/current/clgqf>.

### **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](mailto: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:gmillers@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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:lalbert@harziontemple.org), with your name and cell phone number for a text.