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/

SISTERHOOD SHABBAT – FRIDAY & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 & 7

Welcome Shabbat with the Sisterhood of Har Zion Temple! Sisterhood-led Services on Friday at 6:00 PM followed by dinner (paid reservation only). Sisterhood-led Services on Saturday at 9:00 AM

**SOS! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COOK FOR A FRIEND - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Set up begins at 8:30 AM in catering kitchen. Cooking and food packaging take place from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Please join us in preparing 200 meals for the needy.



**THE MEN'S CLUB OF HAR ZION TEMPLE INVITES YOU TO BRUNCH AND CONVERSATION WITH RABBI STEPHEN FUCHS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 10:00 AM

Author of the new ground-breaking book, "What's in It for Me: Finding Ourselves in Biblical Narrative"

Free and Open to the Entire Community

Rabbi Fuchs is a beloved teacher, nationally recognized scholar, and former president of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. This past November, Rabbi Fuchs delivered the sermon at the annual Kristallnacht commemoration held at the Thomaskirche in Leipzig, Germany. Leipzig is the city where the rabbi's late father was arrested by the Nazis on Kristallnacht (November 9, 1938).

Books will be available for sale.

RSVP Required - Space Limited: drsmoskowitz@gmail.com

**YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE... FEDERATION'S SUPER SUNDAY PHONE-A-THON -SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Please join us for our largest single day of fundraising...help Federation's 2015 Campaign – and the new secular year – get off to a bright start by manning the calls that make the difference.

Register at jewishphilly.org/ss, or call 215-832-0630

Three shifts: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM, 3:00-6:00 PM, 6:00-9:00 PM

Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy, Schwartz Campus of the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia,

272 S. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Bryn Mawr, PA

Co-chairs: Sheree & Wayne Bloch and Robin & Steven Katz

**ADULT HOME BIBLE STUDY WITH RABBI ALPERT – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 7:30 PM

We are studying the Book of First Kings – dealing with the topics of the transition from David to Solomon, the building of the First Temple, Solomon's spiritual downfall through intermarriages and the splitting of the Kingdom. Hosted by Ann & Larry Walowitz. RSVP to them at 215-878-9576.

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

This class is studying the sixth chapter of Bava Metzia (Labor Law).

**"I HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE...." MOTOWN IS COMING TO HAR ZION! REAHEARSALS - MONDAY & TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 & 10, 7:00 PM



This year on Purim, allow your inner-thespian a chance to express itself. Take a part in the Purim Shpiel: "The Motown Megillah." The Purim Shpiel will take place on Wednesday evening, March 4, 2015. If you have any questions, please contact Hazzan Eliot I. Vogel at 610-667-5000 ext. 102 or Debbie Folz at 610-667-6534. If you are interested in being part of the shpiel, email Debbie Folz:



**HAR ZION TEMPLE AND THE WOLF PERFORMING ARTS CENTER PRESENTATION – I NEVER SAW ANOTHER BUTTERFLY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 7:00 PM AT HAR ZION TEMPLE

Celeste Raspanti's play *I Never Saw Another Butterfly* gives witness to the unspeakable fate of the children of Terezin Concentration Camp. More than 16,000 children passed through Terezin and less than 100 survived. Their art and poetry

inform this production, confirming the power of creativity to nourish and feed the soul during the darkest of times. **There is no charge for this performance**.

To RSVP, please visit: http://www.wolfperformingartscenter.org/content/butterfly-project

For more info: 610-642-0233

**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 – WEDNESDAYS, 10:00-11:30 AM PERSPECTIVES ON THE BOOK OF ESTHER

February 11 – The Mirror Has Two Faces with Rabbi Marshall

This class will examine the roles of Vashti and Esther in the Book of Esther and how their characters play a role in our society today.

February 25 - 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 EVENINGS, 7:00 PM

Keeping with our winter theme of Relationships, please join us for any or all of the following:

February 11 – Hava Nagila

The song you thought you knew. The story you won't believe. A documentary on the history, mystery and meaning of the ubiquitous Jewish standard that follows the around-the-world journey from the Ukraine to YouTube.

February 25 - 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

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. If unsure of your skill level, please come to the first class. For more info, please contact Debbie Golden, goldendagg@gmail.com.

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



**SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSION DEADLINE - MARCH 15

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 15 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.

**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 ISTAEL Deas



We take the ability to communicate for granted. Sans electronics, speaking is our primary means of communication. It feels good to engage others, to express one's self. The average person speaks thousands of words per day. But, what if you couldn't do something as simple as tell your child, "I love you"?

Approximately 1.5% of the world's population suffers from a speech impediment, and is challenged by this vital and basic human activity. One Israeli startup, VoiceItt hopes to alleviate that problem with a new technology that allows everyone to speak freely. 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