UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CONGREGATIONAL FIRST SEDER

FRIDAY, APRIL 3 – following 6:00 PM Services Catered by Food Designs \$60/adult \$35/child 7 and under <u>RSVP needed by Monday, March 16</u> Please call 610-667-5000 to make your reservations. Payment requested in advance – make checks payable to Har Zion Temple.

**PASSOVER IS COMING! PASSOVER IS COMING!

That means you will have to do some Passover food shopping. It's a busy time of the year! 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.







2015 PATRONS EVENT – SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2015 LEARNING FROM HISTORY: JUDAISM IN CONTEXT

Come learn with us and get your head "in gear" Presented by a captivating trio of insightful thinkers

DavidB. Ruderman – Joseph Meyerhoff Professor of Modern Jewish History, University of Pennsylvania

Marina Rustow – *Charlotte Bloomberg Professor in Humanities and Associate Professor in the History Department, Johns Hopkins University*

Benjamin Nathans – Ronald S. Lauder Endowed Term Associate Professor of History, University of Pennsylvania

Seminar with break 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM followed by Reservation-only Brunch by Leslie Rosen Catering RSVP before Monday, March 30 – General Admission and Sponsorship Levels For more information, please call 610-667-5000.

** BUILDING OUR SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY – FRIDAY MARCH 20 AND SATURDAY, MARCH 21 Friday evening, March 20

6:00 PM Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:00 PM "Shabbat in a Box" Dinner Come relax and enjoy Shabbat together - BYOB (Kosher) - All are welcome!
\$10/adult, \$5/child under 13 RSVP and payment needed by March 16: 610-667-5000 or hzt@harziontemple.org.

Saturday morning, March 21

9:00 AM Shabbat HaHodesh Service with enhanced Hallel and Text Study

**STUDY WITH SARA – SUNDAYS, 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).

**SISTERHOOD ADULT EDUCATION – TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 9:30-11:00 AM TAKING CARE OF OUR FAMILY

Jointly sponsored by the Sisterhood of Har Zion Temple, the HSA of the Noreen Cook Center for Early Childhood Education and Jewish Family and Children's Service What Will They Ask Next? Talking to Children About God Talking to children about God is a key component of their sense of self and provides a firm footing to their spiritual life. This class will be an interactive workshop about children and spirituality.

All are welcome to study with Sisterhood regardless of synagogue affiliation. Classes are free of charge and there is no solicitation. For more information, contact Sheree Bloch, sheree@blochmail.net or 610-574-6658.

**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. For more info, please contact Debbie Golden, goldendagg@gmail.com.

**HAR ZION ACTIVE ADULTS CLUB LUNCH & PROGRAM – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 11:30 AM

HAZAAC presents a program about the history and remarkable accomplishments of the Yiddish Book Center in Amherst, MA to keep Yiddish language, literature, and culture alive.

Lunch at 11:30 AM, Program at 1:00 PM – Lunch and Program are free for paid HAZAAC members,

\$15/person for non-members

Please call Harriet Schiffer, 610-667-5000, by Monday, March 16 to make reservations.

**LADIES AND LATTES WITH RABBI MARSHALL -

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 12:00-1:00 PM

Family Purity – Come learn what Judaism and our texts teach us about relationships between parents and children.

Trip to the Mikveh at Beth Hillel-Beth El

Fee for this visit is \$15/person (payable to Har Zion Temple) RSVP to rnmarshall@harziontemple.org.

**MEN'S CLUB MATZO BREI 8 WAYS IN 8 DAYS WITH DR. JOE CARVER AND RABBI ALPERT THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 7:30 PM

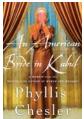


(Har Zion Men's Club meeting is at 7 PM, prior to the cooking event) Join us in the catering kitchen (matzo brei sampling included) *Free to Har Zion Men's Club members, all others will be charged \$10*. LIMITED SPACE! RSVP REQUIRED by March 16: Ellis Weinberger, elliswein@aol.com

**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.

**OPEN A BOOK...OPEN YOUR MIND WELCOMES PHYLLIS CHESLER SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 7:00 PM



Join us for a complimentary wine tasting at 6:00 PM

The Sisterhood of Har Zion Temple and the Jane Fishman Grinberg Religious School in collaboration with the Har Zion Temple Adult Education Committee presents: **Phyllis Chesler**, **author of** *An American Bride in Kabul: A Memoir*

Twenty years old and in love, a Jewish-American Bride in Kabul. A memory adventure. In 1961, when she arrived in Kabul with her Afghan bridegroom, authorities took away her American passport. Phyllis Chesler found herself trapped in a posh polygamous family, with no chance of escape. She fought against her seclusion and her Afghan family's provert her from Judgiam to John

attempts to convert her from Judaism to Islam. Books will be available for sale and signing. **Cost: \$10 – reservations necessary**

Please go to http://harziontemple.ticketleap.com/

**SISTERHOOD GENERAL MEETING – TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 7:30 PM COGNITIVE FITNESS – PRESERVING NEUROPLASTICITY

We welcome Clara Boyd, MD from Penn's Memory Center and our own Deborah Stein, MD from Main Line Health Neuroradiology Department. Join us for an evening of lively presentations, dessert and games you may never forget.

There is no charge for this program.

RSVP to Melissa Sayer, melissasayer@aol.com by Friday, March 20

**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 also 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."

**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.

INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISrael

Israeli Agritech Firm Lets Thirsty Plants 'Order' a Drink Via Wifi

Everyone loves a nice houseplant, but taking care of it often gets put on the back burner. A day here and a day there without watering or trimming – and pretty soon, you have a dead plant. It's happened to you, right? It doesn't have to be this way. Israel agri-tech start-up Agrolan connects your plants to your home wi-fi system, which will remind you what to do and when to do it, to care for your plants. This isn't the Internet of Things you have heard about, it is the Internet of Living Things! 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 PASSOVER NEEDS!

PASSOVER WINE STORE

Passover is quickly approaching. Wine will be sold on these specified dates:

Thursday, March 26 - 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM and 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Sunday, March 29 – 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Tuesday, March 31 - 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM and 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Wednesday, April 1 - 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Wine must be paid for at the time of pick-up by <u>cash or check only</u>. Wine will <u>only</u> be sold on above specified days. You may pre-order your wine by email, giftbox@harziontemple.org or call 610-667-2698, or by returning this form **on or before March 20**. Wine must be picked up on the above dates and times. Please pre-order if you desire a particular label or quantity.

Join us for a wine tasting on Sunday evening, March 22 at 6:00 PM.

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

