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 Patrons Dinner 8:00 PM Program 9:30 PM Dessert Reception Check out this 3 minute video!

Send in your RSVP by March 22 or order your tickets online



Theme Songs

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 by Friday, March 15 to Emily: 610-667-5000 or eberton@harziontemple.org

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

8:30 PM - Dessert Reception



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!

Tzedakah opportunity: Bring NEW baby board books and pajamas for newborn to 2 years old to be donated to Crayles to Crayl

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/

Visiting Scholar Rabbi Gershom Sizomu will be here on March 29 and 30

He will be speaking at the Charlestein Dinner on Friday evening and will join us for Shabbat morning Services as well as the Milton Pomerantz Interactive Torah Study and Havdalah. Join us in welcoming Rabbi Sizomu back to Har Zion!

For more information on the Charlestein dinner, click here





COMMUNITY PORTRAIT

Have you heard about Community Portrait?

It's a population study, commissioned by the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia once every 10 years that will help us to most effectively evaluate and support the needs of our local Jewish communities. Your answers will help us to direct our resources to where they're most needed so our entire Jewish

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This Week...

Learners Minyan with Rabbi Moriah SimonHazani - Saturday, March 16, 10 AM

Relaxed, Intimate, Responsive – If these are words you want to associate with a prayer service but are not able to yet, come and try the new Learners Minyan at Har Zion Temple. Join Rabbi Moriah as we explore the service, the siddur and ourselves to make prayer more meaningful.

Parents Night Out - Saturday, March 16, 6:30-9:30 PM

Har Zion Youth invites you, the parents, to have a night out – leave the kids with us! All HZT kids ages 4-12 in three different groups – Supervised programming, fun, Havdalah service and hearty snack

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Talmud with Rabbi Sarra Lev, PhD - Mondays, 11:15 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, 12:15 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.



Sisterhood Mah Jongg - Mondays, 12:30 PM

Please bring your set. You may bring Kosher dairy/parve lunch or snacks. Questions and to RSVP, contact Phyllis Gorson, 610-667-5000, ext 112.

Purim Shpiel Rehearsals – Monday, March 18 at 7 PM in the Gorson Auditorium

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

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.

Experience the Joys of Yiddish with Gerry Spector - Tuesday, March 19, 10 AM and 5 PM

You do not have to be able to speak Yiddish to experience the Joys of Yiddish culture. Enjoy the works of Yiddish authors, poets, songs, theater and cinema and incidentally learn the language.

TISCH with Rabbi Shawn - Wednesday after 7 AM Minyan (Fast of Esther - no breakfast)

TISCH – remain after Minyan for halacha study with Rabbi Shawn in the Rudofker Library. We will read the traditional text and then connect it to our own current practices.

Learning our Liturgy with Dr. Sara H. Cohen – Wednesdays, March 20, 27; April 3, 10, 11 AM

An in-depth study of the *tefillot* in our Siddur. By engaging in a close, careful reading of the text of the service we will uncover the meaning, the history and background of our *tefillot*. Who wrote them, when, why? Why were certain phrases and words used? What feelings do they evoke within us and how do they shape and influence our entire value system and heritage? By truly knowing, understanding and feeling the words, ideas and thoughts inherent in our prayers, our participation in services will become more meaningful and will enhance our spiritual quest to capture the beauty and majesty of our heritage.

Parashat Hashavuah for the Sandwich Generation with Rabbi Shawn - Wednesdays, 11 AM

Rabbi Shawn will briefly summarize the parsha. He will then bring one or more contemporary interpretations of the text for us to study and discuss. This class is designed for the "Sandwich Generation" student (those that are sandwiched between the needs of their children and those of their aging parents and between the ages of 45ish and 65ish). We will focus on topics that are relevant today. If you would like

to receive information about upcoming programs, please email Patty Grobman - pgrobman@harziontemple.org.

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 with Rabbi Haaz - 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.

Adult Education at HZT...

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Har Zion After Dark

Wednesday, March 27, 6:30-8 PM Rabbi Moriah SimonHazani Passover Cooking

Special Programming

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

Sisterhood Mishloah Manot

Volunteers Needed for Package Delivery – Sunday, March 17 – Contact us ASAP! If you would like to volunteer to 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.

Open a Book . . . Open Your Mind

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

SOUL

OF A THIEF

NEW AUTHOR FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 31!

STEVEN HARTOV The Soul of a Thief

The Husband Hour

7:00 PM Cost: \$18



Join us for a Special Sisterhood Luncheon

RSVP needed by March 27 to Emily, eberton@harziontemple.org

FREE for HZ Sisterhood members/\$18 for non-Sisterhood members

Tuesday, April 2, 1:00 PM - BETH WARREN Secrets of a Kosher Girl

Cost: \$18

Wednesday, April 3, 7:00 PM - TOVA MIRVIS

The Book of Separation

Cost: \$18

Thursday, April 4, 7:00 PM - MAX WALLACE

In the Name of Humanity: The Secret Deal to End the Holocaust

Cost: \$18

Make your reservation online at harziontemple.ticketleap.com or RSVP to Emily, 610-667-5000 or eberton@harziontemple.org

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



HZ Men's Club Basketball League Starting Monday, April 8

Open to the Community (you don't have to be a HZ member to play)

Meets every Monday (excluding holidays)

Kaiserman JCC, 45 Haverford Road, Wynnewood, PA 19096

45 minute games starting at 6:45 PM

6 teams of 7 players to maximize playing time

ONLY 42 spots available for the first season

Cost: \$150 (includes court time and referees)

For more info and to sign up, contact Scott Rosenthal, hztmbl@gmail.com

Youth...

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Tikkun Olam...

-Mother's Day and Father's Day Toiletry Collection for Seniors at the Brith Sholom House

All sizes needed – sample and full size – for baskets that will be distributed. Please leave items at the front desk. Due before Mother's Day on May 12. Please help bring a smile to our seniors that tend to feel forgotten!



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

- 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 <u>Target Registry</u>.

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.

Charlestein Family 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.

Featuring Rabbi Gershom Sizomu

Chief Rabbi of Uganda, he leads a 100 year old Abayudaya Community of Eastern Uganda. Rabbi Sizomu, a member of the Uganda Parliament graduated from the American Jewish University. This unique, very approachable leader will enlighten and inspire with incredible accounts of Jewish life in the former empire of Idi Amin. You should not miss this awesome evening.

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, daviskjjj@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.





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, <u>nancigoldman22@gmail.com</u> 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, <u>risey@aol.com</u> or 610-668-1148.

Regular Daily Minyan

Eveninas: 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.