# UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS SUNDAY, MARCH 10 AT 2 AM. DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR BEFORE YOU GO TO BED SATURDAY NIGHT.



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



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Theme

# **PURIM 2019** –

# WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, MARCH 20 & 21

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 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 is requested to Emily: 610-667-5000 or



8:30 PM - Dessert Reception

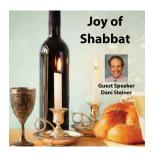
### THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 5-7 PM

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!

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

# Purim Shpiel Rehearsals – Thursday, March 14 at 7 PM in the Gorson Auditorium

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



Joy of Shabbat Friday, March 8 – dinner following 6 PM Services By reservation only 8:15 PM – SPECIAL SERIES SPEAKER – DANI STEINER (Free and open to the community) Clearing the Fog: More of the Same or Dramatic Change? Behind the Scenes of Israel's 2019 Elections More on Dani Steiner



#### Sisterhood Mishloah Manot Volunteers Needed for Assembling Packages (Tuesday, March 12, 9 AM and 4 PM) and Delivery (Sunday, March 17) Contact us ASAP! If you would like to volunteer to pack and/or make deliveries, please contact Shelley Brietling, <a href="mailto:sbrietling@comcast.net">sbrietling@comcast.net</a>, 610-888-5499, Madelyn Karasick, madsk1410@gmail.com, 610-505-6131 or Dorene Karasick, dorene.karasick45@gmail.com, 215-290-7570.

# 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 <u>http://www.policyconference.org/</u> Discounted tickets are available. Please contact Norman Einhorn, 610-667-5000, ext 150 or neinhorn@harziontemple.org.

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Join us in welcoming Rabbi Sizomu back to Har Zion! For more information on the Charlestein dinner, click here



# This Week...

# Cook for a Friend – Sunday, March 10, 9:30 AM

Please join us in preparing meals for community members in need. For more information and to RSVP, contact Elaine Stewart, <a href="mailto:estew23@verizon.net">estew23@verizon.net</a>.

# 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?



# Sisterhood Mah Jongg – Mondays, 12:30 PM

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

# 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.

# Sisterhood Mishloah Manot Packing – Tuesday, March 12, 9 AM and 4 PM

# Shul Stitchers – Tuesday, March 12, 11:30 AM

We invite you to join us! Knitters and Crocheters needed! Beginners or advanced! We create a variety of items for those in need – hats, blankets, and more. For more information, please contact Charlotte Muchnick.

# Tikkun Olam Meeting – Tuesday, March 12, 4:45 PM

# TISCH with Rabbi Shawn – Wednesday after 7 AM Minyan

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

## Learning our Liturgy with Dr. Sara H. Cohen – Wednesday, March 13, 11 AM Continuing classes: March 20, 27; April 3, 10

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.

#### HAZAAC Luncheon and Program – Wednesday, March 13, 12 PM Immortality: Blessing or Curse?

# Luncheon with program to follow

**Rabbi Shawn SimonHazani** and **Norman Einhorn** will lead an interactive discussion of Dara Horn's novel, *Eternal Life* 

Imagine a person who lives forever, a person who is unable to die, one who can regain a youthful body and begin life all over again in a different time and place yet remember all past experiences. Is such a person blessed or cursed? Rachel, the protagonist in Dara Horn's novel *Eternal Life*, is such a person. Join us for a fascinating discussion.

# There is a \$10 charge for the luncheon, payable at the door. Reservations are requested for the luncheon by Monday, March 11 – Please call Emily Berton at 610-667-5000 to make reservations.

# Har Zion After Dark – Wednesday, Wednesday, March 13, 6:30-8 PM Rabbi Shawn SimonHazani

## Purim Prep: Politics, Persecution and Power in Ancient Persia

Join Rabbi Shawn as we seek out deeper meanings of Megilat Esther. Too often, this book remains a child's fairy tale not explored and analyzed for the profound meaning it had to the rabbis and can have for us in the 21st century.

# Caring Connection Meeting – Thursday, March 14, 4:30 PM

# 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.

# Friday Lunch Bunch with Rabbi Shawn and Norman Einhorn – Friday, March 15 at 12 PM

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

# Adult Education at HZT...

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

## Special Programming

Joy of Shabbat Speaker Series – Dani Steiner March 8, 8:15 PM *Clearing the Fog: More of the Same or Dramatic Change? Behind the Scenes of Israel's 2019 Elections* (Free and open to the community) <u>More on Dani Steiner</u>

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

# Sisterhood Mishloah Manot

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Sisterhood Board Meeting – Sunday, March 17, 10 AM

# 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, <u>eberton@harziontemple.org</u>

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, <u>eberton@harziontemple.org</u> 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: skenworthy@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 <u>community@hiaspa.org</u> 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 <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 – <u>Click here</u> for more information.

# Positive Judaism Summit – Thursday, March 14, starting 9 AM in Philadelphia From Survive to Thrive: A New Approach for Jewish Living in the 21st Century" *Tracey Spector and Michele Levin are just two of the featured speakers*

Click here to register

A national gathering for clergy, educators, executives, mental health professionals, youth engagement and camp professionals, volunteer leaders, researchers, students and anyone seeking to have a positive impact on their communities, organizations, and schools. We look forward to seeing you there.

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## 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 <u>lalbert@harziontemple.org</u>. 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, <u>daviskjij@aol.com</u> or Anne Stein, <u>annestein1@comcast.net</u>.

**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 <a href="https://www.nkitole.com">rhk101@hotmail.com</a>.

# 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 <a href="mailto:sbkochman@aol.com">sbkochman@aol.com</a>.





# INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISFAEL

### 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: <u>http://www.israelideas.org/#!current/c1gqf</u>.

### **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 <u>eberton@harziontemple.org</u>.

### **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**

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.