

OTHER HZT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

APPROACHES TO TORAH WITH RABBI ROSENBERG

TUESDAYS, APRIL 19 AND MAY 3, 6:15-7:30 PM

Conservative Judaism believes that there is more than one approach to understanding Torah. We debate about what really happened at Sinai. What does Torah mean? How can two Jews have three opinions about matters of "fact?" Come learn about and discuss the question of divine authority from Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist perspectives. Join with Rabbi Rosenberg after evening minyan for light dinner and discussion.

There is no cost for dinner and rsvps are required: mgubernick@harziontemple.org.



RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY MONTHLY LUNCH AND LEARN

All are welcome. For more information, please call Rabbi Gary Charlestein, 610-239-6003.

Tuesdays, 12:00-1:00 PM, Elkins Park at the Library of Adath Jeshurun Congregation.

Tuesdays, 12:00-1:30 PM, Center City at the offices of Cozen & O'Connor, One Liberty Place, 1650 Market Street. **Rabbi Robert Alpert will teach at this location on April 19.**

Tuesdays, 12:30-1:30 PM, Plymouth Meeting at the offices of Premier Dental, 1710 Romano Drive – off Ridge Pike and Belvoir Road. **Rabbi Gary Charlestein teaches at this location.**



JOIN HAZZAN ELIOT & KAREN VOGEL FOR THE SEPHARDIC SOUNDS AND SITES OF SPAIN JULY 3-14, 2016

Featuring concerts and special events created by the Cantors Assembly

- Tour the world famous Prado Museum and stroll through beautiful Retiro Park in Madrid
- Visit the Grand Toledo Cathedral and Transito Synagogue in Toledo
- Enjoy a special Ladino program at Casa De Sefarad in Cordoba
- Visit the Moorins Alcazar Palace and Old Jewish Quarter in Seville
- Tour Alhambra Palace

-Discover the works of Gaudi, include Segrada Familia & Guel Park

-Visit the ancient synagogue in Barcelona, the former Jewish center of Gerona and the lovely medieval towns of Benyoles and Besalu

Brochures available in the lobby, through Hazzan Vogel or at www.ayelet.com.

CONGREGANTS NOT RECEIVING E-HIGHLIGHTS

If you know Har Zion members who are not receiving E-HIGHLIGHTS, tell them to send their email address to jfetscher@harziontemple.org with the request to be added to the E-HIGHLIGHTS distribution list. Also, if your email has changed, please notify the synagogue office.

ALIYOT ARE FOR EVERYONE!

If anyone would like an honor for the High Holidays, or if you would like an aliyah to commemorate a yahrzeit, celebrate a birthday or anniversary, graduation or just because – please contact Rabbi Alpert, 610-667-5000, ext 104 or rralpert@harziontemple.org.

Need to review or learn the blessings? Rabbi Alpert can help you with that too!

CHAI SIMCHA WALL PLAQUES

There is no greater joy than the celebration of Jewish life cycle events. The meaning and memory of your event is heightened when it becomes a permanent part of our synagogue's Chai Simcha Tablet. The Tablet is a beautiful reminder of a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, baby naming, wedding, anniversary, and other happy occasions shared with family and friends. For more information, please call Marcy in the synagogue office, 610-667-5000, ext 108.

YAHARZEIT PLAQUES

Remember your loved ones with a yahrzeit plaque in the Bronstein Memorial Room. The donation for each plaque is \$750. For information or to order a plaque, please call Marcy in the synagogue office, 610-667-5000, ext 108.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US FOR THE FIRST ANNUAL ANNE FRANK HADASSAH MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 11:00 AM CHECK IN – ENDS AROUND 4:30 PM

Pending timely delivery, 2016 card play.

\$50 registration includes coffee, snacks & lunch

To register, call Abby Slutsky at 610-832-0220.

*First-time tournament players welcome; this is **not** a master tournament.

Proceeds for this event donated for Hadassah Cancer Research

William Jeanes Library, 4051 Joshua Road, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

\$250 First Prize – \$125 Second Prize – \$75 Third Prize



JAY LENO UNITED HATZALAH BENEFIT CONCERT – SUNDAY, APRIL 10 – 7:30 PM

Rose Theater at Jazz at Lincoln Center

For info and more details: www.EveningForIsrael.com

All proceeds go towards purchasing lifesaving equipment for United Hatzalah volunteers in Israel.

Tickets are between \$360 and \$1,800. We also are looking for people to sponsor the concert, which means getting orchestra seats, a half page ad in the event program, and then there's the Jay Leno meet and greet after the show.

THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY INVITES YOU TO THE JACK AND LEWIS RUDIN LECTURE "ART/GENDER/JUDAISM: TRANSFORMING IDENTITIES" – MONDAY, APRIL 11, 7:30 PM

Panelists: **Danielle Abrams**, Performance Artist; Faculty, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston;

Amichai Lau-Lavie, Spiritual Leader, Lab/Shul, New York;

Gil Yefman, Visual and Performance Artist, Tel Aviv

Moderator: **Norman L. Kleeblatt**, Susan and Elihu Rose Chief Curator, Jewish Museum, New York

Shows like *Transparent* and *Orange Is the New Black* have brought issues of gender and sexual identity to the forefront of public discussion. This "mainstreaming" of gender nonconformity has been furthered by artists whose work focuses on understanding and celebrating those who have been considered as "other." What strategies do artists use to explore gender fluidity? How have Jewish artists advanced the current conversation around gender and sexual identity, which at times has included confronting their religious and cultural tradition?

The Jewish Theological Seminary, 3080 Broadway (at 122nd Street), New York City

Admission is free, but reservations are required. To register, please visit:

https://www.wizevents.com/register/register_add.php?sessid=6805&id=4174.

This program is being held in conjunction with the JTS Arts Advisory Board exhibition

Traversing Tradition: Transformation in and of Contemporary Jewish Life, and is co-sponsored by A Wider Bridge, America-Israel Cultural Foundation, Artis, Columbia Barnard Hillel, The Jewish Museum, JOY, Keshet, Lab/Shul, and Smack Mellon.

At 7:00 pm, you are invited to join artist Gil Yefman for brief remarks about his installation *Zygote* in the JTS courtyard. Light refreshments will be served.

BETH CHAIM REFORM CONGREGATION PROUDLY PRESENTS A SPECIAL EVENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 7:00 PM

SCREENING OF "A WING AND A PRAYER"

Meet and discuss the Film with the writer, director, and producer Boaz Dvir.

A WING and a PRAYER tells a true and remarkable post-WWII story. A crew of pilots eludes the FBI, outsmart the U.S. State Dept., create fictitious airlines, smuggle Nazi weapons from behind the Iron Curtain into Israel...and change history.

Brought to you by the Beth Chaim Adult Education Committee in collaboration with the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia.

Elegant Desserts, wine and coffee will be served

Adults \$10 - Children and Students free – RSVP to administrator@bethchaim.net OR buy tickets online at www.bethchaim.net

Beth Chaim Reform Congregation, 389 Conestoga Road, Malvern, PA, 610-640-2147

For more on the story, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ryTIIelRFFY>

PENN'S KATZ CENTER PRESENTS:

JEWS BEYOND REASON - EXPLORING EMOTION, THE UNCONSCIOUS, AND OTHER DIMENSIONS OF JEWS' INNER LIVES

With this year's theme of "Jews Beyond Reason," we're shining a spotlight on Jews' inner lives. **Comedy, tragedy, and heroism; genius, art, and literature; spirituality and belief; sex, family, and the psyche** are all on display in this series of lectures, films, and discussions, all open to the public. We also invite you to attend "From Miracles to Mindfulness," a lecture series on Penn's campus exploring current scholarly approaches to religious experience.



Herbert D. Katz Center
for Advanced Judaic Studies
UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA

To register or more info, go to <http://katz.sas.upenn.edu/spring-2016-public>

22nd Annual Gruss Colloquium in Judaic Studies - April 17-18

Reason and Its Discontents: Exploring Affect and the Imagination in Jewish Culture and Beyond

Fellows will share the fruits of their collective labors with the wider academic community, and open new avenues of research in conversation with invited external papers. Panels confront the paradoxes and provocations of the irrational through a range of discursive evidentiary and disciplinary fields: religion; philosophy and theory; art and affect; and politics.

To register or for more info: <https://katz.sas.upenn.edu/beyondreason>

JACK M. BARRACK HEBREW ACADEMY

Come love where you learn. For more information or a personal tour, contact Jen Groen: jgroen@jbha.org or 610-922-2350.

GROWING UP PERELMAN

Academics. Ethics. Community. And an unparalleled dual-language curriculum that strengthens cognitive development, problem solving and reasoning.

Attend an Open House, schedule a personal tour, speak to current Perelman parents

Perelman Jewish Day School

Stern Center, Wynnewood (K-5): 3/14 – 9:30 – 11:30 am

For information or to sign up, call Mindy Andelman, 610-658-2518 X207, mandelman@pjds.org or go to http://www.pjds.org/ftpimages/446/download/download_1693477.pdf

SHANDLER-PINCUS POST #305 – JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE USA

Questions/Comments/Newsletter Ideas: Henry Frank, Adjutant, cell-215-459-1261
(IF YOU NEED A RIDE or CAN GIVE A RIDE, CALL HENRY 215-459-1261)

ATTENTION: We need new members. Most of you know someone who is a vet, or who is an active service member. If they are Jewish, they should be JWV members. Active service members' dues are free as long as they are active. Consider gift memberships: Purim, Shalach Manot, Pesah afikomen, Awe gifts for High Holy Days, Hanukkah gelt gifts. See any officer for an application.

KLEIN JCC...

10100 Jamison Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19116 • www.kleinjcc.com

Heart to Heart is here for you! Are you having difficulty making ends meet? Have you recently lost your job? Have you been experiencing hardship or recent life changes? Are you struggling to put food on the table? Are you looking for assistance in deciding what to do next in order to improve your situation? If you've said yes to any of these questions and you are under the age of 65, contact us now for help!

For additional information and eligibility, please contact Anya Goldberg, Program Director at 215-698-7300 x135 or agoldberg@kleinjcc.org.

JEWISH RELIEF AGENCY NEEDS YOU!

A Call for Young Professionals...

We are coordinating a regular group of volunteers to attend JRA each and every month of the year, and are asking the Har Zion young professionals group (AVIV) if they would be interested in joining. We typically meet at 9:00 AM and help assemble boxes for 2-2.5 hours and then make deliveries using our own vehicles. So, all told, it's about a four hour commitment. We need to have a list of volunteers in order to get routes assigned, etc. We just need volunteers' full names and email addresses. And we need to know if they'll be bringing their own cars as we're responsible for delivering the boxes of food to the recipients. Because of this, it's important that people honor the commitment as we get assigned a certain number of routes and boxes based on how many people volunteer and how many cars we have at our disposal. If you are interested, please contact Josh Brockman, jobrockm@yahoo.com.



JFCS NEEDS VOLUNTEER DRIVERS FOR SENIORS

Help steer an older adult in the right direction! Be part of JFCS' Silver Wheels program and provide easy, accessible, and affordable transportation for older adults. We help out with non-emergency medical appointments; food shopping, bank, pharmacy and social activities errands.

Please contact Lisa Tischler at 267.256.2082 or email ltischler@jfcsp Philly.org.

The **Mitzvah Food Project** needs your help to deliver food boxes to seniors in need! We are relying on support from our community to deliver food boxes to nearby senior homes and apartments (once a month) from two of our pantry locations. Boxes are provided by the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP).



Now is your chance to do a wonderful mitzvah: sign up for a delivery route today! Delivery routes are local and will take approximately 30 minutes. Recipients will sign for the food box at the door. Please know...we must fill these routes in order to pilot this new program.

Locations of food box pick-up are: **JCCs Raymond & Miriam Klein Branch, 10100 Jamison Ave, Northeast Philadelphia 19116** and **JCCs Jacob & Esther Stiffel Senior Center, 604 Porter Street, South Philadelphia 19148.**

Whether you are looking for a B'nai-Mitzvah Project for your child, community service work, or just volunteering for a wonderful cause, please e-mail or call us. We thank you for your time and look forward to hearing from you soon! Together, we can end hunger in our community.

Contact the Mitzvah Food Project's Administrative Office with any questions: 215-832-0509 or by email at foodproject@jfgp.org.

Deirdre Mulligan, Interim Project Manager, (215) 832-0509

Deena Goldstein, Mitzvah Food Project Coordinator, (215) 832-0831

HELPING HANDS - JEVS HUMAN SERVICES CAREER STRATEGIES

1845 Walnut Street, 7th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103

Call 215-854-1834 today to learn more about this exciting program and to see if you qualify.

Are you an unemployed or underemployed Jewish individual under 65 living in the Delaware Valley? Helping Hands may be just what you're looking for . . . and it's FREE! *Funded by Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia in collaboration with Jewish Family and Children's Services.*

JEWISH FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

We invite you to be a part of the extraordinary journey of growth and freedom that these women are courageously facing. For more information call 267-256-2000, or visit www.jfcsp Philly.org.

IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL . . .

****Let Washington know that we appreciate the US support of Israel and to urge continued support.**

Call 202-456-1111 or e-mail to comments@whitehouse.gov. Contact your Senators and Congressmen – visit www.senate.gov; www.house.gov. FOR INFORMATION AND TO MAKE DONATIONS FOR FRIENDS OF THE ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCES, visit www.fidf.org.