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The Bulletin

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The music continues....

Sunday, May 22

Nashirah: The Jewish Chorale of Philadelphia

Wednesday, June 1

Cantor Randy Herman and Friends featuring the Guthrie Brothers

Sunday, September 11

Young Families Concert with Eliana Light

... and a Weekend with the Cantor November 4-6

November 4 – Instrumental Shabbat November 5 – Sing with the Cantor

November 6 – Gala Concert Event

Watch your emails to RSVP and for more information

Share your memories, musical and otherwise, with Hazzan Eliot I. Vogel

You are invited to submit photos and/or videos for inclusion in two albums being assembled to capture Hazzan Vogel's Har Zion tenure.

Be part of these precious keepsakes!

Memories with Hazzan Eliot I. Vogel: The Photo Book

Send your photos to woodlang Don't overlook pre-digital age images. Just take a photo of the photo. Please identify people pictured and, if possible, the date and occasion. The deadline for photo submissions is June 30.

Memories with Hazzan Eliot I. Vogel: The Video Album

This link (https://www.tribute.co/hazzan-eliot-i-vogel/) will take you to a dedicated page on Tribute, with simple instructions how to record and upload your 30-second message.

The deadline for video entries is August 31.

Message from Rabbi Haaz

After our Passover journey from slavery to freedom, we are eager to celebrate receiving the Torah together on Shavuot, and, at the same time, our attention turns toward this upcoming High Holy Day season. While it may seem early to plan out these High Holy Days, this is an exceptional holiday season at Har Zion because it is Cantor Vogel's final holidays leading us from the bimah with his voice, his passion, his piety, and his love. Please plan to be with us for all of the fall holidays – not just Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur but also Selihot, Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret, and Simhat Torah – to listen to, sing with, be inspired by, and dance with Cantor Vogel. As meaningful as his voice and



compassion are to all of us, our presence and participation are equally meaningful to him. And, please reserve on your calendars the entire weekend of November 4-6, 2022, to be at Har Zion for "A Weekend with Hazzan Vogel." We will have an instrumental Friday night service, an inspiring Saturday morning service, and a Gala Concert Event on Sunday. This will be a weekend not to be missed – a historic weekend celebrating Cantor Vogel and Har Zion that we will always remember.

From the President...

Dear Har Zion Temple community,

I am delighted to welcome the summer by sharing updates on important Har Zion milestones. Most importantly, it has been wonderful to see more and more people in person at services and other events at the synagogue! The recent low rates of COVID-19



risk have allowed us to eliminate mask requirements at services, although of course, individuals may continue to wear masks if they prefer. If you haven't returned yet, please consider doing so! If you're not ready yet, our Zoom option remains available.

We also don't have to be inside to gather at Har Zion – exciting outdoor changes are coming! Construction of the pavilion beyond the south parking lot will begin in the next months. And in case you have not heard, our community has come together to fund fabulous gifts to our youngest generations: new equipment and a wooded play area in expanded playground space in the south side of our building, and new equipment for the younger children's playground behind the school. The new equipment reflects exciting advances in playground design, with musical features, more imaginative formats, and greater accessibility for children of diverse ability. Many thanks to Sara Horowitz, HSA President, for spearheading this major effort, and to all the leaders and donors who have made it possible!

I know many of you have enjoyed the first three events related to Cantor Vogel's upcoming retirement, including the "Salute to Sondheim" in January, a performance with the Lower Merion Symphony Orchestra in February, and the Cantor and Karen Vogel's honors at the Torah Fund Luncheon in March. The commemoration continues with Nashirah: The Jewish Chorale of Philadelphia in May, Cantor Randy Herman and Friends featuring the Guthrie Brothers in June, and more, culminating in our Gala Event on November 6. Stay tuned for details.

On a personal note, as I approach the mid-point of my term as your president, I would like to share what a privilege it has been to get to know so many members who are new to the community or just new to me. I enter my final year inspired by the passion and generosity of this community.

- Josh Friedman

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Saturday, June 4

8:20 PM – Minha/Ma'ariv/Havdalah

Tikkun Leil Shavuot

9:30 PM - Introductory Talk with Rabbi Haaz on Inclusivity

10:00 PM - Dessert break

10:15 PM - Making Space for Everyone

A conversation with Solomon Friedman and other members of the Inclusivity Committee about the work we are doing to make Har Zion a welcoming and accepting place for all.

10:45 PM - Snack

11:00 PM – Which is the Moabite Here? And Which the Jew?

The Book of Ruth tells a lovely tale of love and loyalty, of faith and fidelity, and of Shavuot and chauvinism. Let us reread this story in terms of how it presents identity and identity-politics. The case study of Moabites in Israelite society could just as easily have been any other minority group in the dominant context.

11:45 PM - Snack

12:00 AM – Homosexuality, Human Dignity and Halakha with Rabbi Shawn

Together we will read exerpts of the CLJS Halakhic responsum from the last 30 years to better understand where the movement currently stands with regards to inclusivity of all people no matter their sexual identity or orientation.

Sunday, June 5

9:15 AM – Morning Service 10 AM – Fifth/Sixth Grade Service 6 PM – Minha

Monday, June 6

9:15 AM – Morning Service (Yizkor recited) 8:30 PM – Minha

The Nominating Committee has placed the following names in nomination for the terms indicated:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – election for three-year term expiring in 2025:

Jennifer Goodbinder Jacob Guzman Scott Hoeflich

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – elevated by virtue of having served as Directors for at least 10 years:

Steven Moskowitz Reisel Weinberger

Election will take place at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 7 PM

In accordance with Section 904 of the By-laws, "additional nominations for the position of Director may be made only by petition signed by at least fifty (50) members in good standing.... All petitions must be filed with the Secretary of the Congregation at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the Annual Meeting. If additional nominations of eligible candidates are made by petition, as herein provided, notice of the names of all candidates so nominated shall be posted at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the Annual Meeting." Such petitions should be sent to the synagogue office, attention Deborah Zarwin Rose, Secretary.

Ritual Matters

Message from **Dr. Ely Levine**, Ritual Director and Scholar in Residence

Whether this issue of the *Bulletin* reaches your mailbox at the beginning of May or at the end of May, it will be a time to remember. The last Monday in May, of course, is Memorial Day, designated in the aftermath of the Civil War as a day to recall



those who died in the war. Yom HaZikaron, Israeli Memorial Day, is observed on 4 lyar, corresponding this year to Tuesday night to Wednesday, May 3-4. This was a day established by the Knesset to commemorate soldiers who fell in wars and civilians who were killed in acts of terror. Maybe there is something about May, because Armed Services Day, commemorating active service members, is the third Saturday in May, and Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israeli Independence Day, 5 lyar) falls on May 4-5 and Yom Yerushalayim (28 lyar) falls on Saturday night to Sunday, May 28-29.

That is a lot of remembering! It is not surprising that there is no date on which we are instructed to forget! We all know that we do plenty of that: it is our default setting. The dates asking us to remember are the punctuation in the otherwise steady stream of forgetfulness.

Another day in May is Mother's Day. Please do not mistake me: I value mothers very much; I just think that we ought to show them that every day, not just on the second Sunday in May. Same with fathers, grandparents, and administrative professionals. What does it say that we need a single day on the calendar for each of these groups? Clearly, that we neglect them for 364 days of the year.

So what about Yahrzeits? On yahrzeits, the anniversary of a death, we commemorate the life of a loved one. Our tradition adds four days each year on top of the yahrzeit when we recite Yizkor, including on the second day of Shavuot (June 6, this year). We are given some time to remember in private: we light a candle to symbolize the light that the person continues to bring into our lives. But we also need to remember in public – not because of some psychological need to perform our continuing grief, but because being with our community is an antidote to that grief. Coming into the community allows us to live the life inspired by our loved ones. It also gives us the opportunity to share those memories that inspire us with others, thus keeping the memories alive.

Yes, this is a plug for coming to our daily services to help make a minyan. It is also an invitation to share memories and to build memories inspired by our loved ones: both to remember – and to become – what they mean for us in our lives.

Har Zion Caring Connection

Now that Spring is here...Har Zion Caring Connection would love to hear from our Har Zion Family. Just drop us an email (caring@harziontemple.org) and let us know how we can help, reconnect or celebrate with you, join you at daily Minyan, Shabbat and Yom Tov services. Let's celebrate Spring together....at Har Zion.

From Allyson Zacharoff, Rabbinic Intern

Thank you, Har Zion, for welcoming me into the community for these past three years as your Rabbinic Intern. I will graduate in May from the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College and be moving into full-time work likely in New York City and wanted to say goodbye.



It has been a joy for me to meet many of you through our multifaith programming, learn about your lives and interfaith families, and serve as a resource since beginning at Har Zion in 2019. As any of you who came to my Shabbat presentation before the pandemic know, my mission in life is to make sure that we all find the courage to engage with those who are different from us. I am so grateful that many of you were willing to join me on this journey as we built our Multifaith Engagement program at Har Zion.

Over these three years, we have held sessions for interfaith families at the synagogue. We have met our neighbors from local churches for text study. We have formed deep relationships with clergy of different communities. We have explored various topics in our multifaith panels (take a look at the Multifaith Engagement page under "Connect" on the website for the recordings!). We have welcomed in speakers from different communities for meaningful presentations. And most importantly, we have found ways to grow in relationship with our neighbors and within our own families, for which I am incredibly grateful.

So as I leave this role, I ask you all to please continue to find the courage to have the hard conversations. Ask questions when you encounter difference, instead of giving in to fear. Be willing to share your Judaism with those of other religions and also with other Jews, for we have so much beautiful diversity within our own community. Remember that we are all created *betzelem Elohim*, in the image of G-d, and that is true even and especially in those with whom we disagree – we just have to be willing to seek it out.

May we all see the day when we can live in true diverse harmony and peace, and let us all build that better world together.

Shalom to all.



On Tuesday, March 29, members of Har Zion and other nearby faith communities gathered in person for an evening of learning about the holidays of Passover, Easter, and Ramadan (all happening in April this year!). We had the opportunity to learn the backgrounds of the holidays, partake in holiday foods, and learn more about and share with the lovely people in our wider area.

(L-R) Rabbinic Intern Allyson Zacharoff; Pastor Dan Smith, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Narberth; Sheikha Maryam Kabeer, Bawa Muhaiyaddeen Fellowship, Philadelphia

ADULT JEWISH LEARNING . . .

All classes will continue on Zoom. Some may be held in-person at Har Zion. Please watch the weekly emails for more info and updates.

MONDAY

1 PM – NaKh: The Rest of the Bible with Dr. Ely Levine thru May 23

We spend a lot of time on certain parts of the Bible – chiefly, the Torah. It is time to read through the Prophets and the Writings more carefully. Join this class to read and discuss the rest of the Bible. We will move at a comfortable pace, but include some deep exploration of texts. New participants are welcome at any time! We began this fall reading through the Books of Samuel.

8:30 PM – Talmud Study with Rabbi Gary Charlestein Call Gary (215-290-0405) if you need to pick up the text.

TUESDAY

10 AM – Experience the Joys of Yiddish with Gerry Spector May 3, 17, 31, June 14

4 PM – Sisterhood Rosh Hodesh May 31, June 28

Warm, interactive, and challenging discussions related to the holidays and themes of each month are led by group members. For more information, please contact Meryl Littman, merylitt@vet.upenn.edu or Janice Katz, rhk101@hotmail.com.

WEDNESDAY

8:15 AM - TISCH with Rabbi Shawn thru June 15

Are you looking for a little traditional text early in the morning? If so, join Rabbi Shawn, the Rambam and friends from Har Zion as each week we work our way through the Mishnah Torah, written by Rabbi Moses Maimonides in the 12th Century. You can join the group from the comforts of your own home by Zoom or in person after morning minyan. We have just begun the fascinating section on Torah, Mezuzah, and Tefillin and would love to have you come along for the friendly conversation and the traditional learning.

12:30 PM – Jewish Books in Christian Bibles with Dr. Ely Levine

Ancient Jewish literature was quite varied. What Jews decided to preserve was just a small portion; Christians preserved many, many Jewish texts. Come read through some of these Jewish texts, including the Gospels, Jubilees, and Maccabees. See what other ideas Jews had that may not have been preserved in mainstream Judaism, other ideas that seemed to find a roundabout way into normative Judaism, and still other Jewish ideas that ended up being used against Jews.

Save the Date – Thursday evening, June 23

Food and Beverages from Ancient Israel

Join Dr. Jon Greenberg, Ph.D. for an

experiential dinner with drink pairings

Watch your emails for more information.

THURSDAY

10 AM – Commentaries on Exodus with Rabbi Ira Flax Now in-person and on Zoom thru June 30

Join us for an in-depth study of the Book of Exodus. Starting with the commentary of the Hertz and Etz Chaim Chumash we then delve into the insights found in the Talmud, Midrash, and the major commentators spanning the length of Jewish history. It's Torah as you have never studied it!

7 PM – Foundations for a Thoughtful Judaism

While this course flows from beginning to end, each session stands alone, so we welcome you to drop in as you are able.

Practice with Rabbi Shawn May 5 (Yom Ha'atzma'ut), 12, 19

Explores questions that are fundamental to Jewish practice: What is the system of mitzvot trying to accomplish? Why the need for ritual action beyond belief? How have Jewish thinkers conceived of the meaning of mitzvot in an age of radical human autonomy?

This series comes to us from the Shalom Hartman Institute and is an introduction to philosophical ideas



מכון SHALOM HARTMAN

in Jewish peoplehood, practice, faith, and ethics based on Hartman Torah from the past four decades.

SHABBAT

Following morning services – Milton Pomerantz Interactive Torah Study

This participant-led and organized study group wrestles with the meaning of the weekly Torah portion.

Shabbat Talmud Class with Rabbi Gary Charlestein Saturday afternoon, one hour before Minha

In-person only in the Rudofker Library
We will begin with the tractate of Sukkah.
This class is in addition to his Monday evening class.

ScholarStream Continues!

The Conservative Movement seminaries and institutions are partnering to offer these virtual series that will bring you face-to-face with the brightest and most engaging scholars our movement has to offer.

Series #7: Liturgy of Resilience - Tuesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24 at 8 PM

Series #8: Israel - Models of Resilience – Wednesdays, May 11, 18, 25 and June 1 at 1 PM

Registration is required before each session – You can register at no cost, but you need to use coupon code: **HZTPennValley21** to skip through the credit card/billing info. A day before each session, the Zoom link will be sent out to all those who registered. **Check the weekly emails for more information and to register for these FREE sessions.**

NACHES, ETC...

BIRTHS

Welcome to the world!

Ibha Jha Fishman, son of Lepi Jha Fishman & Tedward Fishman, grandson of Jill & Mark Fishman and Bandana & Krishna Jha, and great grandson of Annabelle Fishman and Gyatri Jha. Ibha arrived on December 28, 2021.

Remi Ernest Debs-Sauer, son of Emily Sauer & John Debs, grandson of Judy & Harry Sauer, nephew of Sarah & Jonathan Sauer, and cousin of Sophie and Micah. He is named in memory of his great-grandmother Erna. Remi arrived on February 14, 2022.

Theo Rex Drotman, son of Sara & Spencer Drotman, grandson of Margie & Jeffrey Honickman and Myra & Scott Drotman, great-grandson of Lynne & Harold Honickman and Stanley & Shelly Kramer (z"l), nephew of Mauri Honickman and Cassie & Bill Farrant, great nephew of Jill & Lenny Feinberg and Robert & Eileen Kramer. Theo arrived on his mom's birthday....February 12, 2022.

Golda Hart Schpero, daughter of Aurora Greenberg & Gil Schpero, granddaughter of Leta Shubin and great-granddaughter of Gladys & Aaron Shubin (z"l). Goldie arrived February 21, 2022.

Olivia Lynn Goldstein, daughter of Max & Andrea Rodriguez Goldstein, sister of Sophia, granddaughter of David & Pearl Graub Goldstein and Maria Puentes, great granddaughter of Dr. Milton & Evelyn Birenbaum Graub (z"l) and Bernard & Gloria Young Goldstein (z"l), niece of Akiva & Jessica Steerman Goldstein, Ariel & Gabe Amzallag and cousin of Ava, Maya, Isaac, Ayal, and Riley Michelle. Olivia is also the great-great-granddaughter of Fannie & Abe Birenbaum (z"l). Abe was a Har Zion President. She is named in memory of her paternal great-grandmother, Evelyn Birenbaum Graub. Olivia arrived March 18, 2022.

Ellis Ronen Reichlin, son of Emily & Aaron Reichlin, grandson of Norma & Larry Reichlin and Lori & Jim Bilodeau, great-grandson of Claire & Robert (z"l) Reichlin, and nephew to Jake Reichlin and Adam Bilodeau. He was named after three great-grandparents: Robert, Richard, and Rose (z"l), and was born on the birthday of both Stephen Sondheim and Andrew Lloyd Webber. His middle name means "song of joy." Ellis arrived on March 22, 2022.

ENGAGEMENT

Mazel tov to

David Falk is engaged to Hannah Baumstein. David is the son of Lynn Shesser & Dr. Gary Falk, and brother of Amy Falk. Hannah is the daughter of Brucie & Ed Baumstein. An October 2022 wedding is planned.

CONGRATULATIONS

Max Marine Makes Good in Tel Aviv – Featured in an article in the *Times of Israel...*

The Gratitude Wall at Habima Square in Tel Aviv offers bystanders the chance to write, draw or paint about the good things in life. The art installation, situated in the center of Habima Square is part of Max Marine's planned digital art collection that he calls Grateful Labs. People come to the wall to write, draw or paint about what they're grateful for, sometimes participating in the morning yoga classes, meditation sessions or evening

TIKKUN OLAM ...

Message from Melissa Sayer and Norma Dworkin, Co-chairs

Due to our congregants' generosity, our committee agreed to use extra funds to send much needed support to The Ukraine Relief Fund via Jewish Federation. Additionally, a donation has been given to support HUNAS at Golden Slipper GEMS to honor Rabbi Moriah SimonHazani for her stewardship of this organization which provides emergency financial assistance for those in need in the Philadelphia region.

Cook and serve at the Eastern DE County shelter on June 15 and August 17. If interested contact Norma at nldworkin58@gmail.com or Melissa at msapirosayer@gmail.com.

Shul Stitchers

Our Shul Stitchers continue to be busy knitting and crocheting blankets and scarves. This winter, we've held in-person meetings since January and dropped off several bags of blankets and scarves to The Life Center, a shelter in Upper Darby.

Jackie Allen is our liaison to Laurel House, a shelter for women and children. With Jackie's help, our blankets and scarves have provided warmth and comfort for many Laurel House residents this past winter.

Saunders and Inglis House Seders

On April 12, Saunders House held an in-person seder for their residents for the first time in two years. Hazzan Vogel masterfully conducted a personalized, fun-loving and song-filled seder; while Har Zion volunteers served a tasty and traditional meal and schmoozed with residents and their families. All participants were delighted to be there and were most grateful.





And, after a two year hiatus, our Har Zion volunteers returned to Inglis House on April 20 to host an in-person seder. Cantor Naomi Hirsch led a very beautiful and meaningful seder with lots of singing and participation.

Naches, *etc* (continued)

concerts organized by Grateful Labs. Marine came up with the idea with two friends, his partners in the venture. They received permission from the Tel Aviv municipality to install the wall for two weeks, drawing more than 1000 people to write their thoughts on the wall's surface. Max Marine is the son of Shelley & Jack Marine.

JFCS Honors Anna Zuritsky Boni – Jewish Family and Children's Services honors Anna Boni as part of its annual fundraising event on May 10. Har Zion is also proud of event co-chairs Sheri & Ken Resnik and all the other Har Zion members who work to support JFCS and other Jewish organizations.

Other good news to share? Just let us know: <u>jfetscher@harziontemple.org</u>

EDUCATION . . .

Message from

Dr. Michael Schatz, Assistant Director, JFGRS

The winter and early spring has been a time of seeing a light at the end of the long, dark pandemic tunnel. We have been so pleased to bring parents back into the Religious School, to learn with their children and experience first-hand some of the accomplishments we have made. A special feature of this year is our effort, funded by the Abiri-Jean Family Fund for Religious School Special Programs, to help each child build their own Jewish library. Our Gan and Aleph class had a Model Shabbat dinner, where they demonstrated the Shabbat table brachot that they have learned. Each family received a book Shabbat at Home, a guide to family-based Shabbat ritual and experience. Our Bet class had a short service when they demonstrated some of the prayers they have learned, and each received Siddur Sholom, the prayerbook we use each day of Religious School. This also marks their learning to decode the Aleph-Bet and actually read the prayers themselves! Gimel learned Birkat HaMazon, and had a special dinner with parents where they sang the blessing after dinner, and received a Birkon, a small book of blessings and songs. Dalet received a Haggadah A Night to Remember at the Keiser-Wilf Religious School Passover Seder. Hay will mark the beginning of their Bar and Bat Mitzvah preparation as they receive an Etz Chayim Humash, and Vav will receive a standard Siddur Sim Shalom as part of our Shavuot celebration in June. By the end of their elementary and middle school experience in the Jane Fishman Grinberg Religious School, our children will have the beginnings of a wonderful Jewish library!

Sunday, April 3 marked our annual Keiser-Wilf Religious School Seder. Our children prepared for weeks – learning special Seder melodies for songs and blessings, learning about the various aspects of the Pesach story, and making special projects to beautify our Model Seder as well as your Sedarim at home. This is another example of a time when our parents come together with the children to experience the richness of Jewish tradition and the bonds formed with our greater Har Zion family.

As we wind down our school year in May, we have many special activities planned. On Sunday, May 1 our Hay class and

NCCECE Calendar

May 27 - No School

May 30 - Memorial Day - No School

June 6 – Shavuot – No School

June 9 - Gan Graduation

June 10 – Last Day of School 12PM Dismissal Pre-K Move up and Closing Picnic

June 20 – First Day of Camp!

JFGRS Calendar

May 24 – Lag B'Omer and Israel Activities outside

May 29 - No School - Memorial Day

May 31 - Move Up Day, Last Day of School

June 5 – Shavuot and Hay-Vav Kabbalat Chumash, Kabbalat Siddur JFGRS Passover Seder on Sunday, April 3.











parents celebrated as they begin their Bar/Bat Mitzvah studies with a Parasha Pizza party. On May 3, local musician Matt Bar, of Rappers and Rabbis, presented a concert for our children in celebration of Israel's Independence. May 24 we will celebrate Lag B'Omer and Israel's independence with fun and games outside. On Sunday afternoon, May 22, we are pleased to partner with the Har Zion Temple Men's Club to cheer on the Phillies as they play the Dodgers. We wrap up the school year with our annual Move Up Day, Tuesday, May 31. We will hear from our high school graduates, confirmands, and celebrate our Bar and Bat Mitzvah students and each class as they officially graduate to the next level in our Religious School. That evening we are pleased to present the Isadore Kirschner Outstanding Teacher award to Mrs. Shulie Taban, our dynamic and creative Dalet class Morah at a special dinner for faculty. Our year concludes with the Shavuot service on Sunday, June 5, as our Hay and Vav students receive an Etz Chayim Humash or Siddur Sim Shalom, and share their newly developed skill of Torah chanting that they have been working on all year with Rabbi Haaz.

We are looking forward to getting ready this summer for a fabulous 5783 next year!

NCCECE Celebrates Purim...









...and Passover













NCCECE Spring Fundraiser Casino Royale May 19, 2022 - 7:30 -10:30 PM

We are finally able to host our annual spring fundraiser in person at Har Zion. Join friends for a night of casino games, live music, dinner and drinks, along with some amazing silent auction items.

The silent auction will be online as well and open to all of Har Zion, not just those attending in-person.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities or to donate an item to our silent auction,

contact Sara Horowitz at sarahorowitz85@yahoo.com.

Mazel Tov to our Confirmands and our Project Teach and LMAHH Graduates!

Confirmands

Jacob Kestenbaum Dina Pedowitz
Emma Perlstein

Project Teach

Sara Kestenbaum Leo Perlstein Lindsay Reisner Jakob Schulman Bella Stein

LMAHH Graduate

Andrew Strayer

LMAHH (Lower Merion Area Hebrew High)

Our new LMAHH curriculum structure and curriculum launched this year: in-person social hang-out time with dinner and electives, and the beginning of a five-year unique curriculum so we can learn together as a school as well as in different groups.

Highlights of our LMAHH programming included:

- Two-part summit on Anti-Semitism with guest speaker Shira Goodman the from the ADL
- Unit on Tikkun Olam / Chesed and Tzedek with: Special program with James Pollard together with Hazzan Harold Messinger: Musical Connections in the Black/Jewish communities
- Reverend Chaz Howard, VP of Social Equity and Community, University of Pennsylvania
- The TV Show "Manifest" and Jewish Values with guest speaker Jeff Rake, Creator of Manifest and all-around mensch
- Plus ... great response from our other curricular units: social bonding and friendship, the Book of Genesis revisited, Israel History Month Round Robin, Hot Topics and Jewish Text, the IDF, and current events.

LGBTQ+ Pride Movie Night, Q&A, & Discussion:

Who's Gonna Love Me Now?

Co-Sponsored by the Men's Club and Sisterhood

In honor of LGBTQ+ Pride Month, the Inclusivity Committee of Har Zion Temple will be screening the Heymann Brothers' 2016 film,

"Who's Gonna Love Me Now?"

Monday, June 13 at 7:00 PM Levin/Bailis Room

Join us for a screening followed by a pre-recorded Q&A with one of the filmmakers and the Inclusivity Committee, and a group discussion about the film and inclusivity within our congregation.

Popcorn will be provided!

The film follows Saar Maoz, an Israeli man who finds acceptance in the London Gay Man's Choir after being thrown out by his family and kibbutz for his sexuality.

19 years later, after learning he is
HIV positive, Maoz reaches out
to them in an attempt at reconciliation.





Admission is free, but we ask that you please
RSVP by June 9 via the link or QR code
https://bit.ly/3L3N5YV

If you have any questions, please email

inclusivity@harziontemple.org



SISTERHOOD ...

Message from

Lynne Landsburg, Sisterhood President

This is my last bulletin article as Sisterhood President. It has been my honor and privilege to have served as the President of Har Zion Sisterhood for the last four years. The last two and a half years have been challenging for Sisterhood as well as for everyone, but I feel Sisterhood was able to meet the challenges. We were able to switch our programming and events to Zoom and continued on with our support of our members and the entire Har Zion community.

I want to thank the officers, board of directors and all the voluteers who have supported me and Sisterhood these past years. We have begun to return to in-person programs and events and I look forward to this continuing.

The nominating committee, chaired by Susan Kochman is working hard to finalize the slate of officers and board of directors for the upcoming 2022-2024 term. The new slate will be sent to all Sisterhood members via email. Look for your invitation in the mail for our closing luncheon and installation of officers and board of directors on Wednesday, June 8.

On Sunday, March 20, Sisterhood held it's first in-person event in two years with our Torah Fund luncheon. We honored Karen and Hazzan Eliot Vogel with our special guest Gedalia Penner-Robinson, JTS cantorial student. Thank you to Michele Perlstein and Judy Shrager, Sisterhood Ways and Means Vice Presidents who chaired the event, for all your hard work. Thank you to Maxine Rosen for her help with the table decorations, as well as Reisel Weinberger, Sisterhood Financial Secretary who managed all the Torah Fund contributions and payments for lunch. Most especially, thank you to everyone for your generous contributions to Torah Fund in support of the five seminaries of the Conservative Movement. Har Zion Sisterhood has always been a leader in our support of Torah Fund and once again we did not disappoint. Your contributions totaled over \$27,000 and are greatly appreciated. It was a wonderful day and enjoyed by all.

SISTERHOOD CALENDAR

Sisterhood Board Meeting Sunday, May 22, 10 AM

Sisterhood Book Club Wednesday, June 1 at 12:30 PM

Sisterhood Rosh Hodesh Tuesdays at 4 PM – May 31, June 28 (on Zoom)

Challah Making with Maxine Rosen Tuesday, May 17, 1-3 PM at HZT (by RSVP only)

> Sisterhood Closing Event Wednesday, June 8, 11:30 AM

> Sisterhood Board Dinner Wednesday, June 22, 6:30 PM

Sisterhood thanks the following who have contributed to this year's Torah Fund:

Patron

Sheila Abiri Linda Brodie Jill & Mark Fishman Marjorie & Jeffrey Honickman Sylvia Kreithen Tracey Specter Etta & Ivan Szeftel

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