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BETH SHALOM CONGREGATION

The Center for Conservative Jewish Life In Howard County

Affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Caring, Creative, Conservative

Beth Shalom Congregation

presents

A Mary Poppins
Purim

Wednesday, March 20

6:30 p.m.: Tot Purim

6:45 p.m.: Ma'ariv Service

7 p.m.: Megillah Reading &
Silly Symphony

8070 Harriet Tubman Lane

Columbia, MD 21044

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Caring, Creative, Conservative: Interfaith Families welcome

A Message from Rabbi Grossman

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Purim, Passover and Pittsburgh
By Rabbi Susan Grossman

You know the joke: "They tried to kill us, we survived, let's eat." It's funny because it's true. On Purim we remember how Haman sought our destruction. We drown out his name in a cathartic cacophony and then eat hamentashen and candy. On Passover,

we recount how Pharaoh enslaved us and tried to murder our male newborns. Then we enjoy an elaborate feast.

Yet each holy day transmits a deeper message: how faith and Jewish community sustained us despite the precarious nature of living as a minority in the Diaspora; how our experience of being abused as strangers in a strange land requires us to care for the stranger; and how God and non-Jews who recognized God as the Ultimate Moral Authority, helped us, whether the palace official Harboneh, in the Purim story, of the Hebrew midwives and Pharaoh's daughter, in the Passover story.

The shooting in Pittsburgh last fall, the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in US history, reminded us that we are not immune to the impact of the rising tide of hate talk in our nation. Yet the overwhelming community response to the vigil we and other Jewish communities around the country held following Pittsburgh reminded us that we are not alone in combating the dangers prompted by such hate talk. Our ancient Rabbis taught that violence anywhere can become violence everywhere. Thus we are to work with our neighbors to promote Shalom Bayit, peaceful relations, in our communities.

That is what we hope to accomplish this spring with two programs. And that is why your participation in both is so important.

First, we need you in Courageous Conversations. This year, participation is more diverse and the structure will allow deeper conversations than last year. It is critical Jewish voices are heard in these conversations about race and religious bias. (Register at <https://www.hococourageousconversations.com/>)

Second, our annual community Holocaust Commemoration Service, May 1 at Beth Shalom, will include for the first time public school and significant interfaith participation. Highlights include a pre-service exhibit of survivor video testimony and artifacts and the US Holocaust Museum's poster exhibit *State of Deception: The Power of Nazi Propaganda as well as a chance to meet our speaker Edwin Black, author of IBM and the Holocaust.* (These programs are appropriate for middle schoolers and up.) (Ushers are needed for all these events. Email Liat.novek@beth-shalom.net to volunteer.)

I invite you to join these efforts to help build the kind of peaceful world we hope to bequeath our children and sing about at our Seder tables. May you and yours enjoy both a happy Purim and Passover.



There's More to Passover Than Matzah!

You are invited to a Passover Open House

Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 pm

at the home of

**Rabbi Grossman and David Boder
for delicious desserts and a brief service**

6525 Freetown Road
Columbia, MD 21044

RSVP to the Beth Shalom office
(410) 531-5115 by April 18

(Please park at the Hickory Ridge Village Center to allow space in the front of the house for handicapped visitors)

Minyan at the Rabbi's home at 7:45 PM

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Worship With Us - Fridays**Main Service Starts at 8 pm** *(except as noted below)*

Date	Candle Lighting	
March 1	5:42 pm	
<i>5:45 pm: Shabbat Across America Dinner (registration required)</i>		
<i>7:00 pm: Junior Congregation</i>		
<i>7:00 pm: Growing Up Jewish Around the World</i>		
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Unplugged Service</i>		
March 8	5:49 pm	
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Service Guest Speaker Shay Rubinstein</i>		
March 15	6:56 pm	
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Service with Rabbinic Intern Reb. Rishe Groner</i>		
<i>"Exploring Esther: Power in Vulnerability"</i>		
March 22	7:03 pm	
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Service - Ask the Rabbi</i>		
March 29	7:10 pm	
6th Grade Shabbaton		
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Service</i>		
April 5 - Mens' Club Shabbat	7:17 pm	
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Unplugged Service</i>		
April 12 - Shabbat HaGadol	7:24 pm	
<i>5:45 pm: Vatikim Dinner</i>		
<i>6:00 pm: Shorashim In-Home Shabbat Service</i>		
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Service</i>		
April 19	7:31 pm	
Passover - First Seder		
<i>7:00 pm: Passover Evening Service for those needing to say Kaddish at Rabbi Grossman's Home. Advanced RSVP required</i>		
<i>No Service at Beth Shalom</i>		
April 26	7:38 pm	
<i>8:00 pm: Shabbat Passover Service</i>		

Purim Schedule**Wednesday, March 20**

6:30 pm: Shorashim Tot Purim
 6:45pm: Ma'ariv evening service
 7:00pm: Megillah reading and Silly Symphony

Thursday, March 21

9:30am: Purim Service



Saturday afternoons in the Beth Shalom Social Hall
 following Shabbat service and Kiddush
March 30 and April 27

If you would like to be added to the email list, please
 send an email with the subject "Add me" to:
chosen-meeple-admin@googlegroups.com

Organized by Jacqueline Bernstein & Bernie Gabin
 Sponsored by the Social Events Committee

Worship With Us - Saturdays**Main Service starts at 9:30 am**

Date	Shabbat Ends
March 2	6:41 pm
<i>9:30 am: The Bat Mitzvah of Rebecca Lavner</i>	
March 9	6:48 pm
<i>9:30 am: The Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Levine</i>	
<i>10:30 am: Junior Congregation</i>	
March 16 - Sisterhood Shabbat	7:55 pm
<i>9:30 am: Shabbat Service with Rabbinic Intern Reb. Rishe Groner</i>	
<i>"Amalek Today: Empowering Memory for Spiritual Warriors"</i>	
March 23	8:02 pm
<i>9:30 am: The Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Saunders</i>	
<i>10:30 am: Junior Congregation</i>	
March 30	8:09 pm
6th Grade Shabbaton	
<i>9:30 am: Shabbat Service</i>	
<i>10:30am: Shorashim Tot Shabbat with Robyn Helzner</i>	
<i>12:30 pm: The Chosen Meeples</i>	
April 6 - Rosh Hodesh Nissan	8:17 pm
<i>9:30 am: Shabbat Service - Torah Talks with Rabbi Scheinerman</i>	
April 13 - Shabbat HaGadol	8:24 pm
<i>9:30 am: The Bar Mitzvah of Eli Stettner: Ask the Rabbi Passover Questions</i>	
April 20	8:32 pm
First Day of Passover	
<i>9:30 am: Shabbat Passover Service</i>	
April 27	8:39 pm
<i>9:30 am: Shabbat Passover Service with Yizkor</i>	
<i>10:30 am: Junior Congregation</i>	
<i>10:30 am: Shorashim Tot Shabbat</i>	
<i>12:30 pm: The Chosen Meeples</i>	

Passover Schedule**Thursday, April 18 - Bedikat Hametz**

5:00pm: Harmony Hall pre-Passover Seder (not kosher)

Friday, April 19 - First Seder

7:30am: Siyum for the First Born

7:00pm: Passover Evening Service for those needing to say
 Kaddish at Rabbi Grossman's Home. Advanced RSVP
 required

Saturday, April 20 - Passover Day 1, Second Seder

9:30am: Shabbat Passover Service

Sunday, April 21 - Passover Day 2

9:30am: Passover Service

No Evening Minyan

Thursday, April 25

7:00pm: Rabbi's Passover Open House with minyan

No evening minyan at Beth Shalom

Friday, April 26 - Passover Day 7

9:30am: Passover Service

8:00pm: Shabbat Passover Service

Saturday, April 27 - Passover Day 8

9:30am: Shabbat Passover Service with Yizkor

A Message from the President - Irva Nachlas-Gabin

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Who is that Masked Man?

Well, these folks aren't masked. But many don't know who they are. Recently a new member asked me about the people whose names appear on our detached classrooms, and on the names of many of our funds. I'll try to shed a little light on our named funds and spaces to help you understand why we named them what we did.

Alan Reid Youth Fund – This is one of the dedicated funds that assists students attending Jewish camps or training events. Last year we were able to give scholarships to two students – one to attend Capital Camps, and the other to attend Camp Ramah. The fund is named after Alan Reid, an early member of Beth Shalom who served on the Board of Trustees and as Treasurer. Alan enjoyed kids. He had four of his own, and he also coached soccer and basketball and was Cub Scout leader. When he died in 1983 of a brain tumor, his family endowed the Alan Reid Youth Fund in his name.

The A.R.K – the detached classroom accessible through the Sukkah door is named *The Amazing Rich Kavalsky*, after our Religious School Director from 1998 to 2008. Likewise, the *Special Education Fund* for our Religious School bears Rich's name. Rich really was Amazing. He started his career with Beth Shalom as a *bnai mitzvah* tutor, and worked with many kids who struggled with learning challenges. The Congregation soon hired him as Religious School Director. Rich coined the phrase "The School That's Fun To Go To," and did everything he could to meet that goal. With his perennial smile, his pervasive kindness, and the ubiquitous cup of coffee in his right hand, Rich reached out to every child, and the adults too, spreading his love of learning, his gentle good humor, and his innate goodness. Rich died of cancer in 2011.

Noah Golinkin Plaza – Where's that? It's the paved open space in front of Beth Shalom's front door, bordered by the classroom wing and the outside wall of the Social Hall. It's named in honor of Beth Shalom's first full time Rabbi. Rabbi Noah Golinkin was a teacher, an activist, a scholar, and a gentleman. In the 1940's he worked to bring attention to the German atrocities in Europe. He marched for Civil Rights in the 1960's. He founded the Hebrew Marathon for Hebrew Literacy, a day-long immersion training to teach non-Hebrew readers the basics, so they could follow and understand the prayers better. He and his wife Devorah taught thousands of Jews around the country to read Hebrew. And at the same time he served as Beth Shalom's rabbi, on the pulpit and in the classroom. He possessed a wry sense of humor, and was always ready to give a word encouragement or a compliment. Rabbi Golinkin was a powerhouse. It's fitting that we pass through an area named in his honor as we enter our building.

Gillian Cohen "Scholar in Residence" - Gillian Cohen was the wife of Rabbi Kenneth Cohen, who served Beth Shalom from 1986 to 1997. Although she wasn't with us for long, Gillian was a good friend to many in the congregation. When she died of cancer, Rabbi Cohen and Gillian's many friends set up a fund to bring Jewish scholars to Beth Shalom annually for a weekend of instruction, discussion and learning. Our Adult Education Committee plans a Scholar-in-Residence weekend every year in

the fall, carrying on Gillian's vision.

Myer and Phyllis Kuritzky Library - located in the Chaitovitz classroom. Myer and Phyllis were curious, scholarly people, interested in the history of American Judaism. Both Myer and Phyllis received a Masters degree in Jewish History from the Baltimore Hebrew College. Myer's thesis *The pre-planned Jewish community of Columbia, Howard County, Maryland: A history of Howard County Jewry, 1890-1986*, remains the best description of the coming-of-age of the local Jewish community yet written. Phyllis's Masters' thesis discussed Jim Rouse's Interfaith Concept for Columbia, and explored its growth and impact on Howard County residents and Jews. They were early and active members of Beth Shalom, and served on the boards of several local Jewish organizations, including Jewish War Veterans, Pioneer Women, and the Howard County Jewish Council (which became the Jewish Federation of Howard County). Upon her death, Phyllis left their personal library to Beth Shalom. It became the foundation for the current library.

The Steven Chilton Memorial Children's Library was donated in memory of a young member who died of possible meningitis. Steven was only eight when he became ill. His parents, Scott and Jill, reacted to the tragedy of his death by reaching out to help others. Although the Chiltons now live in Texas, they remain Associate members of Beth Shalom, and visit when they are in Maryland. *The Steven Chilton Memorial Library* continues as a resource for the Religious School and for parents and children of Beth Shalom.

The Chaitovitz Classroom, and the Harriet Chaitovitz Walkway. The Chaitovitz classroom is the second detached classroom, located behind the new expansion. It's named after Marty and Harriet Chaitovitz, founding members of Beth Shalom, and long-time promoters of Jewish life in Howard County. Miss Harriet taught at Bet Yeladim for many years, and instilled Jewish values in hundreds of preschoolers. Marty was a familiar sight around Beth Shalom. He volunteered in the office, showed up for Saturday services in his jogging suit, and appeared on Purim dressed as a boxer in a neon yellow robe and gloves. For years Harriet headed the Beth Shalom bereavement committee, only one of her many roles in Beth Shalom. Marty served in several board positions, including Membership, Annual Appeal, Treasurer, and President. *The Harriet Chaitovitz walkway* is the circular pavement around the playground, and was dedicated to Harriet in honor of her years of working with children. In the larger community, they were founding members, and early promoters of the Howard County Jewish Council. *The Chaitovitz classroom* honors this dedicated, energetic couple who gave so much and did even more to promote Beth Shalom and Jewish life in our area.

These are only a few of our members who contributed and who have been honored in our congregation. In the next month, I will highlight some of the others who have built, and continue to build Beth Shalom. And I welcome your stories. Please share your memories of Beth Shalom members who have touched your lives. As we move into our 50th anniversary year, we want to preserve memories of the many Beth Shalom congregants who have shaped and nourished our Jewish community.

Adult Education by Stephen Seliger

Beth Shalom 2019 Winter-Spring curriculum continues with a wide range of exciting and stimulating classes, speakers, and activities!

Our exciting **Shabbat programming** includes:

- **March 8 - Combating Extremism in Israel: Modern Voices.** Shay Rubinstein, the Shaliach for Jewish Federation of Howard County, will be leading a discussion on how the rise of religious, political and social extremism in Israel affects the vision of Israel as a light unto the nations and as the homeland of the entire Jewish People. What can be done to combat the rise of such extremism in Israel?
- **April 6 - Torah Talks:** Join Rabbi Amy Scheinerman, author of the new 2 volume work, *The Talmud of Relationships*, for an engaging discussion on the how the weekly Torah reading can inform how we live our lives. Discussions take place during Sabbath services that begin at 9:30am.
- **March 22, April 12 (Passover edition) - Ask the Rabbi:** Bring your questions about any aspect of Jewish belief, custom, history, tradition, and current events for a spirited discussion with Rabbi Grossman during Friday evening services that begin at 8 PM.

Join THE (Interfaith) Conversation, The Courageous Conversation: Build skills for discussing differences and building understanding as our second series of **Conversation Circles** begins with a kick-off event Monday, March 11, 6:30 pm at St. John Baptist Church. (contd.)

Engage in deeper conversations with more participating interfaith partners to ensure a greater diversity of voices in each conversation circle. Join this opportunity to build a more understanding and kinder community. Free and open to the public. Bring your friends and neighbors. Conversations will continue Tuesdays at 7:00pm beginning March 19, through April 9. For more information and registration, please see the Beth Shalom website or <https://www.hococourageousconversations.com>.

Beth Shalom's Jewish Author Series continues in Spring 2019. Our next speaker, on Sunday, March 24, 11:00am will be Brigitte Goldstein, author of the novel *Death of a Diva*. *Bagels and coffee will be served beginning at 10:45am*. Ms. Goldstein is the author of four award-winning historical novels. She holds a Ph.D. in European History and Culture from New York University. Besides fiction writing, she has translated several literary works from the German into English, notably the daily notes of a Viennese journalist from the ghetto of Lodz. **Separate Registration for this event is required.**

Living on a Prayer: Making Meaning out of Our Service, Part 2: Liturgy of the High Holidays, led by Cantor Rebecca Pohl Apt, begins Thursday at March 7 at 7:45, and continues weekly through March 28. Have you ever wondered how the High Holiday service came to be or attended a service and wondered where it all came from, who composed it, and why is it important? Come and learn about the beautiful Poems, Prayers and Psalms of High Holiday Liturgy!

From Kristallnacht to Tree of Life* Uniting Against Hate

*On Kristallnacht, the "Night of Broken Glass" 1938, Nazi sympathizers attacked Jews and destroyed synagogues and Jewish shops as neighbors stood by. Eighty years later, the killing of 11 congregants at Tree of Life Congregation inspires unprecedented interfaith support.

Keynote: The Chasm of Corporate Complicity and the Holocaust
By Edwin Black
NY Times Best Selling Author of: IBM and the Holocaust

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019

At Beth Shalom Congregation
8070 Harriet Tubman Lane, Columbia

6:00 pm: **State of Deception: The Power of Nazi Propaganda** - Traveling Exhibit from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Holocaust Artifacts Exhibit, Survivor Video Testimonials

Meet & Greet the Authors - Display of "Uniting Against Hate" Essay Contest Winners

7:00 pm: Memorial Service, Including Community Choir, Interfaith Participation, Candle Lighting, and Keynote Address

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YomHaShoah



Hashoah
Commemoration

Social Action News by Marlyn Safren - Social Action Co-Chair

Spring in to Action!

With Beth Shalom's Social action committee.

Please join us! Below is a list of upcoming projects and actions:

- Kosher for Pesach food drive Sunday, March 24th-Wednesday, April 10, 2019-Join the Religious school and the Social Action committee by donating Hametz and/or Kosher for Pesach Food. For more information: louis.nagel@beth-shalom.net
- Jewish Women's Prison Project at MD Correctional Institution for women: for more information please contact Abby Glassberg aglassberg@klnb.com or Becky Lessey blessey1@gmail.com First Thursday of every month
- PATH: People Acting Together in Howard projects include: Community Public Education Action, March 7th from 7-8:30 pm at St. John Baptist Church. For more information please contact Becca Niburg rniburg@gmail.com and Nancy Schweiss bobschweiss@verizon.net
- Road Clean Up: Harriet Tubman road cleanup May 27, 2019 for more information please contact Abby Glassberg aglassberg@klnb.com
- Elizabeth House: Serving dinner at the soup kitchen the May 30, June 29, Aug 31, Nov 30, 2019 for more information please contact Phyllis Bloom prsbloom1228@gmail.com
- Cold Weather Shelter: Partnering with Kittamaqundi Church March 18-25, 2019 Please look for the sign-up genius soon or for more information please contact Abby Glassberg aglassberg@klnb.com

Please reach out, we'd love to hear from you and see you at our next action! We look forward to working with you to create a more just and equitable world!

COLD WEATHER SHELTER:

March 18 - March 25, 2019

Beth Shalom to assist Kittamaqundi Community Church

Please contact the Beth Shalom office if you can help.

- Make dinners or breakfasts.
- Drive guests from the church in the morning to Columbia Mall.
- Pick guests up from Columbia Mall in the evening and drive them back to the church.
- Work the 5-10 pm shift in an evening to serve dinner and provide other assistance and or program/activity (music, make cookies, etc.)
- Work the overnight shift.
- Wash guests' laundry (pick up early in the morning, drop off in the evening)
- Donate money to cover expenses of meal preparation.
- Donate supplies (bring to Beth Shalom)
Twin size sheets & sheet sets; Hand Towels; Bath Towels (gently used O.K. for all above)
- Pocket packs of tissues
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Wash cloths
- Pillow Cases
- Shaving Cream
- Deodorant
- Hand Cream
- Razors
- Foot Powder
- Lip Balm

Over the Counter Medicines:

Pain medication: Acetaminophen 500 mg caps/tablets, Children's acetaminophen chewable and syrup versions, Infant acetaminophen drops, Ibuprofen 200 mg.

GI Meds (generic OK): Pepto-Bismol tabs, Imodium AD caps, antacids (liquid or tabs) i.e., Mylanta, Gaviscon, Prilosec 10 mg, Zantac mg, stool softener (Ducosate)

Read the eScroll and check the website throughout these two months for updates. For more information or to volunteer to call Abby Glassberg @410-952-4446 or aglassberg@KLNb.com

Mark Your Calendar!

Cantor Rebecca Apt's Installation Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

A joyous celebration to welcome Cantor Apt to her new home at Beth Shalom June 2 at 4 PM. Songs. Shmoozing. Tributes. Food & Drink.

Watch your e-mail for sponsorship opportunities and further details.

Education by Dr. Louis Nagel

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The Torah is filled with narratives speaking to the theme of leadership, *Mahn-be-goot*, in Hebrew. Noah organizes construction and provisioning of the ark, gathering the animals and presumably maintaining a level of calm over the year on board. Avram/Abraham heads up a migration out of a well-developed

Mesopotamian society to create a whole new way of interacting with the world in “the land that I will show you.” Moses is ultimately the most profound, inspiring and influential of the Torah’s models in this area. He persistently faces challenges to his authority, battles with his own shortcomings all while advancing a revolutionary social organization. This would be a case of grossly negligent writing, especially as March is Jewish Women’s History Month, to not include: Eve, who is, arguably, the first human to assert leadership; Sarah who brought foresight and vision to her council of Abraham; and Shiphrah, Puah, Yocheved (who at first is only identified as “a Levite woman”) and Miriam who gave us early models of civil disobedience.

With this grand theme of leadership infused throughout Jewish culture, it is natural to see the Religious School as a

laboratory for cultivating the skills and qualities that enable that talent to flourish. In services, students clearly and with great determination take leadership positions and in the process earn the respect of schoolmates. Similar opportunities are presented through group projects, presentations and public performances. As we advance in the project of creating a middot (Jewish ethical values) driven school community, we are developing an appreciation and an understanding of the importance of how we treat each other. The 10th grade *Derekh Eretz* course is based on the verse, “In a place where no one is a mensch, strive to be a mensch” (Pirke Avot 2:5). Ultimate goals are that these principles will extend beyond the Synagogue’s property lines, another Jewish contribution to the greater society.

Over the next few months, the Jewish calendar is rich in celebrations that can be viewed through this lens of leadership. These holidays are rooted in the Torah (Passover), later traditions (Purim), and others more modern in origin (Yom HaShoah and Yom HaAtzmaut). In the Religious School, they will be taken as opportunities to explore our tradition’s perspectives on community, values and *mahnbe-goot*.

Philadelphia Trip - The Jewish Place in the American Experiment Sunday, April 7

Special Discussions with Rabbi Grossman

Explore what the American Experiment has meant to the Jewish people in regard to freedom of speech, freedom of religion and the concept of equal rights under law.

Jewish walking tour

Private walking tour highlighting Jewish community and involvement in Pre-Revolutionary and Revolutionary times – with Joella Klinghoffer

Museums and attractions

National Constitution Center (with special Hamilton exhibit), Liberty Bell, and ticketed tour of Independence Hall

Meals

Bring a bag lunch. Carry-out dinner from local, kosher restaurant - eat on the bus

Cost

\$48.50 pp, including tickets, tours, and round-trip bus transportation. Dinner cost is extra. Cost is dependent upon minimum of 15 attendees.

Co-sponsors

The Religious School, Sisterhood, Men’s Club, and Adult Ed Committee

RSVP and questions

RSVP by March 28. Email SisterhoodBethShalom@gmail.com or call the office. Limited space availability

Howard County Faith Communities Present

COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS

RACE AND RELIGIOUS BIAS

Kick-Off Event: Monday, March 11, 2019
St John Baptist Church | Columbia MD | 6:30PM



4 Consecutive Tuesday Night Conversations

MARCH 19 - APRIL 9, 2019

**How do we work towards creating a connected
community of different people rather than a
community that lets different people in?**

Host Locations

St. John Baptist Church
Beth Shalom Congregation
Dar Al-Taqwa Islamic Center

REGISTRATION & DETAILS

www.HoCoCourageousConversations.com

Sisterhood and Men's Club News



Sisterhood News By Linda Eisenberg

Philadelphia! - April 7

Join us on our April 7 trip to Philadelphia featuring special discussions with Rabbi

Grossman, a private Jewish walking tour, and visits to National Constitution Center, the Liberty Bell, and Independence Hall. We will explore the Jewish Place in the American Experiment from the perspective of Jewish and world history and in light of contemporary issues in American society. See the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter.

Sisterhood Shabbat - March 15-16

Celebrate women in Judaism with our special guest rabbinic intern, Reb Rishe Groner, from the Jewish Theological Seminary. Sisterhood women will lead services on Saturday, but Reb Groner will inspire us with her talks on both Friday night and Saturday.

Born in Melbourne, Australia, Reb Rishe Groner is the founder and vision weaver of The Gene-Sis, a movement towards embodying the Jewish experience through feminine spirituality. Reb Groner focuses on bringing ancient and newer spiritual practices that incorporate the body and soul from Judaism into the contemporary landscape, including Chassidic traditions of *niggun*, dance and immersive ritual. She is currently producing embodied Shabbat experiences in Brooklyn, NY, and during the summer brings Shabbat ceremonies to festivals across the country.

She is currently a first-year Rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Tax Changes: How They Affect You This Tax Season - March 12

7:00 pm - Sisterhood meeting

7:45 pm - Special guest speaker, Jay Block, CPA/attorney (after minyan). All are welcome.

Organ Donation Awareness:

Sisterhood is helping spread the word about the tremendous need for organ donors and the mitzvah of being an organ donor. This year's Purim Carnival will include the Gift of Life exhibit. Within Howard County's Jewish community and each congregation there are family members, friends, colleagues and others in desperate need of organ or tissue donations. Loved ones and friends have also been lost while awaiting the gift of life. Learn more about becoming a living donor or a donor upon passing by stopping by this important exhibit.

Save the Date

March 14 & 16 Shalach manot package assembly and pickup - 8:00 pm

March 15 & 16: Sisterhood Shabbat

March 12 Sisterhood meeting (new date) 7:00 pm - Speaker Jay Block, CPA/attorney

April 7: Trip to Philadelphia

April 10: Joint Sisterhood Dinner

April 22, May 13, June 24: Sisterhood Meetings - 7:00 pm



Men's Club's 2019 Calendar

(check your email for date changes)

March 14 - Men's Club Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm

March 24 - Religious School packs Yom HaShoah bags

April 5 - Men's Club Shabbat

April 7 - Philadelphia Jewish Museum Trip

April 11 - Men's Club Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm

April 14 - Pick up & Deliver Yom HaShoah Yellow Candles

April 19 - 1st Passover Seder

May 1 - Erev Yom HaShoah

May 9 - Men's Club Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm

June 2 - End of Year Religious School Cook-out

June 14 - Men's Club Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm

We would love to see you at a Men's Club event in the coming year. Thanks.

Alan

Alan Spiegel

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Passover Judaica Shop

Everything you need for
Passover!

Seder and matzoh plates, matzoh
covers, gifts, etc.

Dates:

Sundays: March 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 9:00 am

Wednesdays: March 7, 14, 21

& 28 at 4:00 pm

NOT FOR FIRST BORN ONLY!

Siyum for the First Born
Friday, April 19 at 7:30 am

Are you the first born in your family?

According to tradition, the first born of every family fasts the morning before Passover in memory of God passing over the Jewish first born on the night before Passover. Don't want to fast? You are in luck: if you engage in a seudah mitzvah, a meal for a religious purpose, you don't have to fast. One such seudah mitzvah is held upon the completion, Siyum, of a section of rabbinic literature.

BEDIKAT HAMETZ -

Search and Store by Thursday, April 18

Bedikat Hametz means the Search for Hametz. We search the house the night before Passover with a candle to make sure we did not leave any hametz lying around. The next day any hametz that was not already sold or stored away is to be burnt or gotten rid of. The ritual of Bedikat Hametz is based on the Biblical precept that we are not to own, see, or benefit from hametz during the week of Passover.

Inexpensive kits with a spoon, feather, candle and bag are available from our Sisterhood Gift Shop.

The prayer for the Search and Removal of the Hametz can be found in the kit and in the front of most Hagaddahs.

Passover Mitzvah Possibilities

• Help with the Pre-Passover

Community Seder at Harmony Hall Assisted Living Facility on April 18 call the office at (410) 531-5115 to help serve. Set up will begin at 4:00 pm. The meal will be served at 5:00 pm. Please RSVP directly to Harmony Hall by April 10 if you'd like to order a meal. Guest meals for non-Harmony Hall residents are \$15. **The meals are not kosher.**

• Host someone new for Passover:

Some people in the Beth Shalom Community need a place to celebrate Passover First Seder.

If you have space to host at your table, please contact the Beth Shalom Office (410) 531-5115 no later than **Monday, April 8**. And of course, let us know if you would like to be invited to celebrate with fellow congregants.

Committee and Community News



Shul Lady

Share all of your good news with Beth Shalom! Your congregational family would love to bask in the glow of your simchas. Please contact Sherri Kersey with any joyful announcements: sak0526@gmail.com.

Mazel Tov to our growing congregation!

Mazel Tov to Judah Landzberg and Ann Che on the birth of their son on January 6. Welcome to the world Solomon Ezra!

Mazel Tov to Jackie Bernstein and Joe Gabin on the birth of their daughter on January 31. Welcome to the world Shai Jordan! Mazel tov to grandparents Ian and Cheryl Bernstein and Roger Gabin and Irva Nachlas-Gabin.

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THE RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY UPDATED PESAH GUIDE

by Rabbi Barry Starr and the Committee on Jewish Law & Standards (CJLS) Kashrut Subcommittee

Introduction by Rabbi Elliot N. Dorff, Chair, CJLS, Edited for Beth Shalom by Rabbi Susan Grossman

With significant changes in the nature and manufacture of kitchen products and food stuffs, new policies are required to maintain a kosher for Pesah kitchen. There are also many significant differences of opinion amongst rabbis regarding the laws of Pesah. We cannot present all of the various approaches. Pesah is the Jewish festival which requires the most preparatory effort and is the most complex. Yet Jews are committed to doing their best to observe the laws of Pesah. This Rabbinical Assembly Pesah guide is a brief outline of the policies and procedures relevant to the preparation of a kosher for Pesah home. Please contact your local Conservative rabbi or local religious authority if you have any questions. This guide is intended to help families maintain a kosher for Pesah home in accordance with the principles of Conservative Judaism and its understanding of Jewish Law.

KASHERING THE KITCHEN

It is customary (and easiest) to remove the utensils and dishes that are used during the year, replacing them with either new utensils or utensils used year to year only for Pesah. This is clearly not possible for major appliances and may not even be possible for dishes and utensils. There is a process for kashering many, but not all, kitchen items thus making them kosher for Pesah:

The general principle used in kashering is that the way the utensil absorbs food is the way it can be purged of that food, (פולטו כך כבולטו) *Ke-volo kach pol'to*). This principle operates on the basis of the quality or intensity of how the items absorb food. Things used for cold food can be kashered by rinsing since no substance has been absorbed by the dish or glass. Items used on a stove absorb the food and thus need a stronger level of action namely expelling the food into boiling water, called (הגעלה) *hag'alah*). The most intense form of usage is directly on a fire or in an oven and these utensils require the most intense method of kashering, namely (ליבון) *libbun*), which burns away absorbed food.

For specific details, see the full Rabbinical Assembly Pesah guide 5779/2019 online at www.rabbinicalassembly.org/sites/default/files/final_pesah_guide_5779.pdf

FOODS

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| • biscuits | • coffees with cereal derivatives | • leavened bread |
| • Cakes | • crackers | • pasta |

grain: wheat, oats, barley, rye or spelt) during Pesah. Ideally we burn or remove all חמץ (*hametz*) from our premises which may be effected by donations to a local food pantry. In some cases, however, this would cause prohibitive financial loss.

In such cases, we arrange for the sale of the חמץ (*hametz*) to a non-Jew and its repurchase after Pesah:

Prohibited foods

Since the Torah prohibits the eating of חמץ (*hametz*) during Pesah, and since many common foods contain some חמץ (*hametz*), guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for Pesah.

Prohibited foods חמץ (*hametz*) include the following:

These are foods that are generally made with **wheat, barley, oats, spelt or rye** (grains that can become חמץ (*hametz*)). Any food containing these grains or derivatives of these grains must be certified kosher for Pesah. Flavorings in foodstuffs are often derived from alcohol produced from one of these grains which would render that food חמץ (*hametz*). Such products also need Pesah supervision.

קטניות - Kitniyot UPDATE

Our Movement's Committee on Jewish Law and Standards has long permitted the use of peanuts and peanut oil on Pesah provided said items have proper year round kosher certification and do not contain any חמץ (*hametz*) ingredients.

In Fall, 2015, the CJLS has ruled that kitniyot (beans, etc.) are permitted to be eaten by all Jews on Passover. The details of how to eat kitniyot on Passover are detailed below. Those who choose to retain the Ashkenazic tradition of refraining from eating kitniyot on Passover may do so. Kitniyot (prepared properly for Passover) do not make plates, pots or utensils unkosher for Passover even for those who prefer not to eat kitniyot on Passover.

Kitniyot include:

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| • beans | • corn | • millet | • peas | • rice | • soy |
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Other plant foods (e.g. mustard, buckwheat and sesame seeds) were also not permitted for eating on Pesah by Ashkenazic authorities. Such ingredients also include but are not limited to ascorbic acid (vitamin C), corn oil, corn sweetener, and soy oil.

If you choose to eat kitniyot: Processed kitniyot (e.g., tofu or canned beans) **must be marked Kosher for Passover to be fit for Passover use. Raw kitniyot** (e.g. dried beans) **do not need a Kosher for Passover label ONLY if purchased before Passover and preferably if packaged in a bag or box rather than purchased from a bulk container** (e.g. from a natural food store) **where contamination from flour or other hametz is likely.**

Israeli products are often marked “contains *kitniyot*” and thus Ashkenazi Jews who do not use *קטניות* (*kitniyot*) need to be vigilant when purchasing Israeli products for Passover.

Permitted Foods

An item that is kosher all year round, that is made with no *חמץ* (*hametz*), and is processed on machines used only for that item and nothing else (such as ground coffee) may be used with no special Pesah supervision. As we learn more about the processing of foods and the ingredients they contain, relying on the kashrut of a product for Pesah without a Passover *הכשר* (*hekhsher*) may be problematic. Wherever possible, processed foods ought to have a “*כשר לפסח*” (“*kasher l’Pesah*”) (*kasher l’Pesah*) *הכשר* (*hekhsher*) from a reliable source. Since that is not always possible, however, our guidelines reflect some alternatives that are acceptable.

Any food that you purchase with a “*כשר לפסח*” (“*kasher l’Pesah*”) *הכשר* (*hekhsher*) must have a label that is integral to the package and it should have the name of a recognizable, living supervising Rabbi or creditable kosher supervision agency if possible. If the label is not integral to the package or if there are questions regarding the labeling, the item should not be used without consulting a Rabbi.

NO PESACH HEKHSHER REQUIRED

Products which may only be purchased without a Pesah *הכשר* (*hekhsher*) before Pesah. If bought during Pesah they require a Pesah *הכשר* (*hekhsher*).

Frozen, uncooked vegetables may be processed on shared equipment that uses *חמץ* (*hametz*). It is preferable to purchase those with a “*כשר לפסח*” (“*kasher l’Pesah*”) label. One may, however buy bags of frozen non-*hekhshered* vegetables before Pesah provided that one can either absolutely determine that no shared equipment was used or one is careful to inspect the contents before Pesah and discard any pieces of *חמץ* (*hametz*). Even if one did not inspect the vegetables before Pesah, if one can remove pieces of *חמץ* (*hametz*) found in the package on Pesah, the vegetables themselves are permissible.

- all pure fruit juices (no additives, no fruit mixtures)
- frozen fruit (no additives)
- quinoa (nothing mixed in)
- filleted fish
- non-iodized salt
- white milk
- pure white sugar (no additives)

PESACH HEKHSHER ALWAYS REQUIRED

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| • all baked goods | • matzah meal | • cheeses | • ice cream | • vinegar |
| • farfel | • Pesah cakes | • chocolate milk | • liquor | • wine |
| • matzah | • frozen/canned foods | • decaf coffee & tea | • non Grade A butter | • yogurt |
| • anything with matzah | • candy | • dried fruits | • oils | |
| • matzah flour | • canned tuna | • herbal tea | • soda | |

Products which require reliable “*כשר לפסח*” (“*kasher l’Pesah*”) certification (regular kosher supervision being not sufficient) whether bought before or during Pesah:

BABY FOOD

Baby food with a Passover *הכשר* (*hekhsher*) is sometimes available. Of course, home preparation of baby food, using “*כשר לפסח*” (“*kasher l’Pesah*”) utensils and kitchen items is always possible. Pure vegetable prepared baby food that is *כשר* (*kasher*) the year round is acceptable for Pesah. The use of *קטניות* (*kitniyot*) for babies is also acceptable with care taken that this baby food does not mix with food from the rest of the family. Separate dishes and utensils are recommended. Most infant formulas are made from soy and the use of *קטניות* (*kitniyot*) does not apply to infants. Thus infant formula

products, כשר (*kasher*) the year round, are acceptable for Pesah. Here as in baby foods, the bottles, nipples and formula should be kept away from the general kitchen area and clean up should be done out of the kitchen area (e.g. a bathroom sink).

MEDICINES

Prescription medicines are permitted. Non-prescription pills and capsules are permitted; for liquids, check with your Rabbi.

PET FOOD

The issue of pets on Pesah is a complicated one. There are several options:

1. The pet is given, for the week of Pesah, to a gentile who can feed it whatever food is available.
2. Since no חמץ (*hametz*) is allowed in our possession on Pesah, one could feed the pet either “כשר לפסח” (“*kasher l’Pesah*”) pet food, pet foods with no grain, or food off your own table which is already “כשר לפסח” (“*kasher l’Pesah*”). Incidentally קטניות (*kitniyot*) would be permissible even for Ashkenazim who do not eat kitniyot themselves.¹
3. Some authorities allow for the pet to be sold along with the חמץ (*hametz*) and, since the pet does not belong to the Jewish owner, regular pet food would be fed. Note that the document of sale would have to include the pet as well as חמץ (*hametz*). If you have these pet foods in your home be careful to keep them away from the general kitchen area. Washing of pet utensils should be done out of the kitchen area (e.g. a bathroom sink).

PESACH HEKHSHER ALWAYS REQUIRED

Any detergents, cleaners, etc. which are not a food stuff and which are not eaten, may be used for Pesah with no *hekhsher* supervision. This would include:

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| • aluminum products | • charcoal | • paper bags | • powder and ointment |
| • ammonia | • coffee filters | • paper plates (with no starch coating) | • sanitizers |
| • baby oil | • fabric softener | • plastic cutlery | • scouring pads |
| • bleach | • isopropyl alcohol | • plastic wrap | • stain remover |
| • candles | • laundry and dish detergent | • polish | • water without additives |
| • contact paper | • oven cleaner | | • wax paper |

Hametz Sale Form

The Torah commands us not to own any hametz, leavened products on Passover. Tradition allows us to sell our hametz for the eight (8) days of the Festival. Sale is usually accompanied by a donation to the synagogue and a donation to *Maot Hittin* – (money for the poor).

I/We hereby authorize Rabbi Susan Grossman to be my agent to sell all hametz in my/our possession according to Jewish law and practice.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Location of Hametz to sell (i.e. basement): _____

Date: _____

Please send to: Rabbi Susan Grossman, Beth Shalom Congregation
8070 Harriet Tubman Lane, Columbia, MD 21044

This form must be received no later than Wednesday, April 17 at 9 am

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It's a mitzvah to make a Minyan for those reciting the Mourner's Kaddish. If you cannot attend on the dates assigned below, we ask that you please sign up for at least 4 other days by visiting

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C044AAEA82AA3FF2-minyan/22346034

MINYAN SCHEDULE

Please support the daily minyan

Everyone is asked to attend; in particular, families with a last name that falls in the ranges listed below should attend during the assigned week. Please bring your children.

Minyan Times*:

Sunday at 7:15 pm

Monday - Thursday at 7:30 pm

*Unless otherwise noted in the weekly e-scroll or other special Congregation-wide messages

MARCH

Last names begin with:

Week 1: March 3 - 7

GAN-GRI

Week 2: March 10 - 14

GRO-JO

Week 3: March 17 - 21

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Week 4: March 24 - 28

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Week 1: March 31 - Apr 4

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Week 2: April 7 - 11

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Week 4: April 21 - 25

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Week 5: April 28 - May 2

TR - Z

MAY

Week 1: May 5 - May 9

A - B

Week 2: May 12 - May 16

C - DA

Week 3: May 19 - May 23

DR - GAB

Week 4: May 26 - May 30

GAN - GRI

GOOD AND WELFARE

Mazel Tov To:

Daniel and Stephanie Lavner on the Bat Mitzvah of the daughter, Rebecca
 Jamie Thakore and Daniel Levine on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Dylan
 Jodi and Josh Saunders on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Sophie
 Jeanny Silva and Andrew Stettner on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Eli

Our Condolences to:

Steve Sandler on the loss of his father, Henry Morton Sandler
 Carla McGrain on the loss of her sister, Jill Baxter
 Peter Filderman on the loss of his father, Sidney Filderman

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In memory of Mollie Berkowitz on her yahrzeit:
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 Irva and Roger Gavin
 In honor of the birth of Harold and Helene Tyler's grandson, Eli Benjamin:
 Irva and Roger Gabin
 In honor of our son David Grabiner and in thanks for the honors we received:
 Judy and Sandy Grabiner

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In honor of Rabbi Grossman:
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 Gail and Michael Hollander
 A donation was made by Robert Markovitz
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 In honor of Clara Pumpian Haffner, my mother, on her yahrzeit:
 Steven A. Haffner

In honor of Fannie Pumpian, my grandmother, on her yahrzeit:

Steven A. Haffner

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Jonathan and Marlyn Safren

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 Marilyn Schwartz Langer

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26 Adar I/March 3 David Rubinstein	11 Adar II/March 18 Sidney Rosenberg	4 Nisan/April 9 David Kay	12 Nisan/April 17 Rachel Hazout	Herbert Langer
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					<u>1 Mar/24 Adar I</u> 5:45pm: Shabbat Around the World Dinner 7:00pm: Junior Congregation 7:00pm: Growing Up Jewish Around the World 8:00pm: Shabbat Service	<u>2 Mar/25 Adar I</u> 9:30am: Shabbat Service - <i>The Bat Mitzvah of Rebecca Lerner</i>
<u>3 Mar/26 Adar I</u> 9:00am: Religious School 9:00am: Jews & Java grades 3-5 10:00am: JEW on Sunday 10:30am: 7th grade Torah on Trial into 12:00pm: Purim rehearsal 6:00pm: Heb. High 7:15pm: Minyan	<u>4 Mar/27 Adar I</u> 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>5 Mar/28 Adar I</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>6 Mar/29 Adar I</u> 4:30pm: Religious School 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Conversational Hebrew	<u>7 Mar/30 Adar I</u> 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Living on a Prayer II	<u>8 Mar/1 Adar II</u> 8:00pm: Shabbat Service - <i>Guest Speaker Shay Rubinstein "Combating Extremism in Israel: Modern Voices"</i>	<u>9 Mar/2 Adar II</u> 9:30am: Shabbat Service - <i>The Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Levine</i> 10:30am: Junior Congregation
<u>10 Mar/3 Adar II</u> 9:00am: Religious School 10:00am: Israel Trip Info Meeting 12:00pm: Purim rehearsal 6:00pm: Heb. High 7:15pm: Minyan	<u>11 Mar/4 Adar II</u> 6:30pm: Courageous Conversations Kickoff Event (St John Baptist) 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>12 Mar/5 Adar II</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:00pm: Sisterhood Meeting 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>13 Mar/6 Adar II</u> 4:30pm: Religious School 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Conversational Hebrew	<u>14 Mar/7 Adar II</u> 7:00pm: Shalach Manot Assembly and Pick Up 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Living on a Prayer II	<u>15 Mar/8 Adar II</u> 8:00pm: Shabbat Service with Rabbinic Intern Reb. Rishe Groner	<u>16 Mar/9 Adar II</u> 9:30am: Sisterhood Shabbat Service with Rabbinic Intern Reb. Rishe Groner 8:00pm: Shalach Manot pick up
<u>17 Mar/10 Adar II</u> 9:00am: Religious School @Reservoir High School 12:00pm: Purim Palooza 12:00pm: Purim rehearsal 6:00pm: Heb. High 7:15pm: Minyan	<u>18 Mar/11 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 7:00pm: Purim dress rehearsal 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>19 Mar/12 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Courageous Conversations	<u>20 Mar/13 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 6:30pm: Tot Purim 6:45pm: Ma'ariv 7:00pm: Megillah Reading & <i>A Mary Poppins</i> Silly Symphony	<u>21 Mar/14 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Living on a Prayer II	<u>22 Mar/15 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 8:00pm: Shabbat Service - <i>Ask the Rabbi</i>	<u>23 Mar/16 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 9:30am: Shabbat Service - <i>The Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Saunders</i> 10:30am: Junior Congregation
<u>24 Mar/17 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 9:00am: Religious School 1:30pm: Hebrew High Fiddler Trip 6:30pm: Annual Appeal Event 7:15pm: Minyan	<u>25 Mar/18 Adar II</u> Cold Weather Shelter 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>26 Mar/19 Adar II</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Courageous Conversations	<u>27 Mar/20 Adar II</u> 4:30pm: Religious School 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Conversational Hebrew	<u>28 Mar/21 Adar II</u> 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Living on a Prayer II	<u>29 Mar/22 Adar II</u> 6th Grade Shabbaton 8:00pm: Shabbat Service	<u>30 Mar/23 Adar II</u> 6th Grade Shabbaton 9:30am: Shabbat Service 10:30am: Shorashim Tot Shabbat with Robyn Helzner 12:30pm: The Chosen Meeples
<u>31 Mar/24 Adar II</u> 9:00am: Religious School 9:00am: 7th Grade Holocaust Museum Trip 11:00am: 5th Grade Mock Wedding 6:00pm: Heb. High 7:15pm: Minyan						

Beth Shalom Congregation Calendar - April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<u>1 Apr/25 Adar II</u> 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>2 Apr/26 Adar II</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Courageous Conversations	<u>3 Apr/27 Adar II</u> 4:30pm: Religious School 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Conversational Hebrew	<u>4 Apr/28 Adar II</u>	<u>5 Apr/29 Adar II</u> 8:00pm: Men's Club Shabbat Unplugged Service	<u>6 Apr/1 Nissan</u> 9:30am: Shabbat Service - <i>Babynaming for the daughter of Jackie Bernstein and Joe Gabin and Torah Talks with Rabbi Scheinerman</i>
<u>7 Apr/2 Nissan</u> 9:00am: Religious School 9:00am: Trip to Philadelphia 6:00pm: No Hebrew High 7:15pm: Minyan	<u>8 Apr/3 Nissan</u> 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>9 Apr/4 Nissan</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Courageous Conversations	<u>10 Apr/5 Nissan</u> 4:30pm: Religious School 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Conversational Hebrew	<u>11 Apr/6 Nissan</u>	<u>12 Apr/7 Nissan</u> 5:45pm: Vatikim Dinner 6:00pm: Shorashim In-home Shabbat 8:00pm: Shabbat Service <i>Guest Speaker "Combating Extremism in Israel: Modern Voices"</i>	<u>13 Apr/8 Nissan</u> 9:30am: Shabbat Service - <i>The Bar Mitzvah of Eli Stettner and Ask the Rabbi Passover Questions</i>
<u>14 Apr/9 Nissan</u> 9:00am: No Religious School 12:00pm: Pick up and Deliver Yom HaShoah Candles 6:00pm: No Hebrew High 7:15pm: Minyan	<u>15 Apr/10 Nissan</u> 7:00pm: Courageous Conversations Culminating Program (St John Baptist) 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>16 Apr/11 Nissan</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan	<u>17 Apr/12 Nissan</u> 4:30pm: No Religious School 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Conversational Hebrew	<u>18 Apr/13 Nissan</u> Bedikst Hametz 7:30pm: Minyan 7:30pm: Men's Club Meeting	<u>19 Apr/14 Nissan</u> Erev Passover Beth Shalom's Offices close at noon 7:30am: Siyum for the first born No Evening Shabbat Service	<u>20 Apr/15 Nissan</u> Passover Day 1 9:30am: Shabbat Passover Service In evening count Omer 1
<u>21 Apr/16 Nissan</u> Passover Day 2 9:30am: Passover Service No Evening Minyan In evening count Omer 2	<u>22 Apr/17 Nissan</u> 7:00pm: Sisterhood Meeting 7:30pm: Minyan In evening count Omer 3	<u>23 Apr/18 Nissan</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan In evening count Omer 4	<u>24 Apr/19 Nissan</u> 4:30pm: Religious School 7:30pm: Minyan 7:45pm: Conversational Hebrew In evening count Omer 5	<u>25 Apr/20 Nissan</u> Passover Day 6 Beth Shalom's Offices close at 2pm 7:00pm: Rabbi's Passover Open House with minyan In evening count Omer 6	<u>26 Apr/21 Nissan</u> Passover Day 7 Beth Shalom's Offices closed 9:30am: Passover Services 8:00pm: Shabbat Passover Service In evening count Omer 7	<u>27 Apr/22 Nissan</u> 9:30am: Shabbat Passover Service with Yizkor 10:30am: Junior Congregation 10:30am: Shorashim Tot Shabbat 12:30pm: The Chosen Meeples In evening count Omer 8
<u>28 Apr/23 Nissan</u> 9:00am: Religious School 9:00am: Jews & Java grades 6-7 10:00am: 6th grade preparing your D'var Torah 6:00pm: Hebrew High In evening count Omer 9	<u>29 Apr/24 Nissan</u> 7:30pm: Minyan In evening count Omer 10	<u>30 Apr/25 Nissan</u> 2:15pm: Daytime Discussion Group (off-site) 7:30pm: Minyan In evening count Omer 11				

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March and April Highlights

Friday, March 1: Shabbat Across America Dinner

Friday, March 8: Guest Speaker Shay Rubinstein on Combatting Extremism in Israel

Friday, March 15 & Saturday, March 15: Sisterhood Shabbat with Rabbinic Intern Reb Rishe Groner

Tuesday, March 19: First Session of Courageous Conversations. Join at www.beth-shalom.net

Wednesday, March 20: *A Mary Poppins Purim* Silly Symphony and Megillah Reading

Sunday, March 24: Jewish Author Series Bruch with Brigitte Goldstein

Tuesday, March 26: First Session of Courageous Conversations. Join at www.beth-shalom.net

Friday, March 29 & Saturday, March 30: 6th Grade Shabbaton

Saturday, March 30: Shorashim Tot Shabbat with Robyn Helzner

Tuesday, April 2: Third Session of Courageous Conversations. Join at www.beth-shalom.net

Sunday, April 7: Jewish Heritage Trip to Philadelphia

Tuesday, April 9: Last Session of Courageous Conversations. Join at www.beth-shalom.net

Thursday, April 18: Harmony Hall Pre-Passover Seder and Bedikat Hametz

Friday, April 19: Siyum for the first Born and 1st Passover Seder

Saturday, April 20: 2nd Passover Seder

Wednesday, May 1: Community Yom HaShoah Service at Beth Shalom

Mark Your Calendar!

Cantor Rebecca Apt's Installation

Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

A joyous celebration to welcome Cantor Apt to her new home at Beth Shalom. Songs. Shmoozing. Tributes. Food & Drink.

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