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B'shirei Zimra

by Rav Shai Cherry

"Writers of Blessings are like Burners of Torah" – b. Shabbat 115b

PURIM IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Mark your calendars for the Purim Shpiel: "Someone Saved Our Lives Tonight!" featuring the music of Elton John!

Monday, March 9, at 6:00 PM See page 9 for more information!



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It is true that the Rabbis were prone to hyperbole. Yet, we have to ask ourselves, what is so wrong with writing blessings?

It turns out this is a HUGE issue that appears in ancient Greek philosophy and later in Judaism. Let me remind you that the laws of Judaism's Oral Torah were never supposed to have been written down in the first place. That's why it's called the Oral Torah. Indeed, we see in another

section of the Babylonian Talmud (Temurah 14b) the following: "Writers of laws are like burners of Torah." The laws were written down because there was a real fear that our traditions would be lost as a result of our travails. But, that still doesn't explain what's wrong with writing down laws or blessings.

The Talmud is all about situational ethics. Just about everything depends on the context. The problem with writing down a law is that you can't detail every bit of the context. When someone looks at what was written a hundred years ago, the context may have changed to the extent that there is uncertainty about how to apply the law now. When laws are transmitted orally, there is the give and take of dialogue between teacher and student to help ensure clarity. As legal codes were written in the middle ages, many Jewish scholars rejected the entire qenre of legal codes for fear of petrifying our Tree of Life.

There is a similar problem in the world of prayer. To cite Jakob Petuchowski: "One generation's spontaneity becomes another generation's routine." If prayer is stripped of all spontaneity, the script becomes rote. In the Book of Psalms, we are told to sing a new song no fewer than six times. Over a thousand years ago, we described God as One who delights in melodious songs—haboher b'shirei zimra. Since we are created in the divine image, we, too, delight in melodious songs!

Last month, we inaugurated our first Tefillah Lab and dedicated it to delighting in (relatively) new musical songs. Jamie Clark, Lauren Cohen, and the Kaplan Brothers (Gary and Elon) brought their instruments,

and I put together some readings. We had about forty people who seemed delighted, and we're excited to do it again on March 28 and April 25. From now on, this type of service will be called *B'shirei Zimra*.

B'shirei Zimra is not designed to take the traditional liturgy and jazz it up. We're not trying to sing an old song in a new way. We're actually singing a new song. Our goal is to capture some of the underlying themes of our prayers and express them in a contemporary, musical idiom. What I add to the mix is an explanation of those underlying themes. Sometimes I'll show you the theme by actually looking at the traditional prayer. Other times, I'll explain it from "outside" the prayer book. And, sometimes, I'll select another reading, usually from the mystical tradition, that expresses those themes in different language. Here's a poem by a young Abraham Joshua Heschel (in 1930) that we read in lieu of the Amidah.

My Song (*Translated from Yiddish by Morton M. Leifman*)

I want to give you—world, the inner lattice of my limbs; My word, my hands, the wonder in my eyes. Take me for service to you, and use me for your ends!

Place me in alien railroad depots like a greeting-statue For forlorn guests...

With joy, and throat filled with words, With a bright face and sunny hands.

Send me to exiled brothers, prisoners in jails.
Send me with good news and consolation to mourners.
With help to the poor, with rescue to the sick.
Take me for a friend!
Take me for a slave!

The Amidah, during the week, includes many requests. What we don't emphasize enough in our synagogues is that every request to God doubles as a demand of us. We don't ask God to help us with anything that we're not obligated to do for others. We ask God to free the fettered—and Heschel asks to be sent to prisoners in jail. Worship is not only prayer. Worship is service—avodah.

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Service Schedule

TETZAVEH SHABBAT ZACHOR March 6, 7, 2020 11 Adar 5780	VAYAKHEL PEKUDEI SHABBAT HAHODESH	EREV PESA <u>H</u> SIYUM BE <u>H</u> OROT AND LECOFF SIYUM		
Light Shabbat Candles5:40 PM	March 20, 21, 2020 25 Adar 5780	BREAKFAST, FAST OF THE FIRSTBORN		
FRIDAY EVENING	Light Shabbat Candles6:55 PM	April 7, 8, 2020 14 Nisan 5780		
Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached6:15 PM	FRIDAY EVENING	WEDNESDAY MORNING SERVICE7:15 AM		
SATURDAY MORNING	• Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM			
Shabbat Service9:30 AM	SATURDAY MORNING	•••		
Bat Mitzvah of	Shabbat Service9:30 AM	FIRST DAY OF PESA <u>H</u>		
BAYLIN MANUSOV	Pesah Bowl	April 8, 9, 2020 15 Nisan 5780		
Daughter of	Havurah Service10:00 AM	Light Yom Tov Candles7:14 PM		
Michael Manusov	 Extended Kiddush luncheonfollowing services 	THURSDAY MORNING		
Havurah Service10:00 AM	SATURDAY EVENING	Morning Service9:30 AM		
Kiddushfollowing services	• Min <u>h</u> ah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah6:55 PM	Annual Passover Gathering		
SATURDAY EVENING	•••	Havurah Service10:00 AM		
• Min <u>h</u> ah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah5:40 PM	ROSH <u>H</u> ODESH NISAN	•••		
•••	March 25, 26, 2020 1 Nisan 5780	SECOND DAY OF PESAH		
FAST OF ESTHER	THURSDAY MORNING	April 9, 10, 2020 16 Nisan 5780		
March 8, 9, 2020 13 Adar 5780	Morning Service7:00 AM	•		
MONDAY MORNING	• • •	Light Yom Tov Candles 8:23 PM FRIDAY MORNING		
• Morning Service7:15 PM		Morning Service9:30 AM		
•••	SHABBAT VAYIKRA	The Havurah will join the Chapel service.		
	March 27, 28, 2020 3 Nisan 5780	The navaran win join the enaperservice.		
PURIM	Light Shabbat Candles7:02 PM	•••		
March 9, 10, 2020 14 Adar 5780	FRIDAY EVENING	THIRD DAY OF PESA <u>H</u>		
MONDAY EVENING	Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM	April 10, 11, 2020 16 Nisan 5780		
• Min <u>h</u> ah5:45 PM	SATURDAY MORNING	Light Shabbat Candles7:16 PM		
• Tot Program6:00 PM	Shabbat Service9:30 AM	FRIDAY EVENING		
Family Megillah service, including	• The Havurah will join the Chapel service.	• Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM		
Purim Shpiel: The Music of Elton John6:00 PM	• Tefillah Lab: B'shirei Zimra10:30 AM	SATURDAY MORNING		
Refreshments/Party7:00 PM Ma/aris and full reading of	• Extended Kiddush Luncheonfollowing services SATURDAY EVENING	Shabbat Service with Choir and Organ9:30 AM		
Ma'ariv and full reading of Megillat Esther8:30 PM	Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:05 PM	Havurah Service10:00 AM		
TUESDAY MORNING	• Millinali-Ma aliv-Havualali	Learners' Minyan with Rav Shai10:30 AM		
Morning Service and Full reading of	•••	• Extended Kiddush Luncheonfollowing services		
Meaillat Esther7:00 AM	TZAV SHABBAT HAGADOL	SATURDAY AFTERNOON • Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:20 PM		
•••	April 3, 4, 2020 10 Nisan 5780			
	Light Shabbat Candles7:09 PM	•••		
KI TISA SHABBAT PARAH	FRIDAY EVENING	<u>H</u> OL HAMOED PESA <u>H</u>		
March 13, 14, 2020 18 Adar 5780	Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM	April 11, 12, 13, 14, 2020 18–20 Nisan 5780		
Light Shabbat Candles6:48 PM	SATURDAY MORNING	SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE9:00 AM		
FRIDAY EVENING	Shabbat Service9:30 AM	MONDAY MORNING SERVICE7:00 AM		
Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM	Havurah Service10:00 AM	MONDAY EVENING SERVICE AT AJ7:30 PM		
• In-Town Shabbat7:30 PM	B'nai Mitzvah of	Follows Matzah Bake Event		
SATURDAY MORNING	LEAH AND JACOB HARTMAN	TUESDAY MORNING SERVICE7:00 AM		
Shabbat Service9:30 AM Sisterhood Shabbat	Son and Daughter of	TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE AT AJ7:00 PM		
Havurah Service10:00 AM	Robert Hartman • Extended Kiddush Luncheonfollowing services	•••		
SATURDAY EVENING	SATURDAY EVENING	SEVENTH DAY OF PESAH		
• Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah6:50 PM	Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:10 PM	April 14, 15, 2020 21 Nisan 5780		
		Light Yom Tov Candles7:21 PM		
		WEDNESDAY MORNING		
		Morning Service9:30 AM		
		The Havurah will join the Chapel service.		

EIGHTH DAY OF PESAH

Eldilli DAL OL LESA <u>II</u>				
April 15, 16, 2020	22 Nisan 5780			
Light Yom Tov Candles WEDNESDAY EVENING	8:30 PM			
Evening Service THURSDAY MORNING	7:00 PM			
Morning Service and Yizkor Service	9:30 AM			
Havurah Service	10:00 AM			

SHABBAT SHEMINI

April 17, 18, 2020	24 Nisan 5780
Light Shabbat Candles	7:24 PM
FRIDAY EVENING	
 Kabbalat Shabbat 	6:15 PM
SATURDAY MORNING	
Shabbat Service	9:30 AM
Havurah Service	10:00 AM
 Kiddush 	following services
SATURDAY EVENING	
• Min <u>h</u> ah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah	7:25 PM

YOM HASHOAH

April 20, 21, 2020	24 Nisan 5780
TUESDAY MORNING	
Morning Service	7:30 AM
•••	

ROSH <u>H</u>ODESH IYAR

30 Nisan 5780
7:00 AM

ROSH <u>H</u>ODESH IYAR TAZRIA | SHABBAT METZORA

April 24, 25, 2020	1 lyar 5780
Light Shabbat Candles	7:31 PM
FRIDAY EVENING	
 Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Atta 	iched6:15 PM
SATURDAY MORNING	
Shabbat Service	9:30 AM
The Men's Ensemble joins the servi	ice.
 The Havurah will join the Chapel se 	rvice.
• Tefillah Lab: B'shirei Zimra	10:30 AM
 The Tish and Extended Kiddush Lun 	cheon
fol	lowing services
SATURDAY EVENING	
 Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 	7:35 PM

YOM HAZIKARON

April 27, 28, 2020	4 Iyar 5780
TUESDAY MORNING	
Morning Service	7:10 AM

YOM HA'ATZMAUT

April 28, 29, 2020	5 iyar 5/80
WEDNESDAY MORNING	
Morning Service	7:30 AM

DAILY MINYAN MORNING SERVICES

Sunday	9:00 AM
Monday and Thursday	7:20 AM
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday	7:30 AM
Rosh Hodesh Services (weekday)	7:00 AM

EVENING SERVICES

Sunday through Thursday7:00 PM In the month of March, Monday through Thursday evening, services will be at AJ at 7:00 PM. In the month of April, Monday through Thursday, evening services will be at Beth Sholom (BSC) at 7:00 PM.

SHABBAT HAVURAH SERVICE

The Havurah meets weekly on Saturday mornings in the AJ Library at 10:00 AM, finishing about the same time as the main congregational service. Everyone is welcome! Participation in the service is welcomed, but not required. The Havurah meets sporadically during the summer months. Call the synagogue for more information.

DON'T FORGET!

Sunday, March 8 2:00 AM



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At the end of the poem, when Heschel requests to be a slave, he is echoing Moses. We were not liberated from bondage in Egypt to be free; we were liberated to serve God. The translation of *eved* from Hebrew to English is both *servant* and *slave*. Correspondingly, *avodah* is both *worship* and *work*.

Future Tefillah Labs invite experimentation with different expressions and different media that will try to similarly evoke a devotional response. If you'd like to suggest an experiment, or if you have feedback from our first session, please, email me at RavShai@adathjeshurun.info.

With blessings,

Rav Shai 📵

Save the Date!

Rav Shai will be discussing "The Women of Pesa<u>h</u>" at Ann's Choice on March 18, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. Ann's Choice is located at 30000 Ann's Choice Way, Warminster, PA 18974.

Sponsor a Kiddush!

We all have special dates on our calendars, but we're never quite sure how to celebrate them. Share your joy by sponsoring a kiddush or co-sponsor a kiddush with friends or family!

For what occasions do people sponsor kiddush? ANYTHING! Birthdays, anniversaries, ufrufs, weddings, graduations, new jobs, OR just because you love having a nosh and a schmooze after services.

Contact the synagogue office at 215.635.6611 for more information.



Babayit In-House Catering Congregation Adath Jeshurun "Stay Home with Us"



SAVE THESE DATES FOR THESE COMMUNITY EVENTS!

Yom HaShoah

Annual Community Memorial Ceremony

Sunday, April 26, 2020 at 1:00 PM The Horwitz-Wasserman Holocaust Memorial Plaza, 16th and the Parkway, Philadelphia

Yom HaZikaron

Community Israel Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday, April 27, 2020 at 7:30 PM Har Zion Temple, 1500 Hagys Ford Road, Penn Valley, PA 19072

Yom Ha'Atzmaut

Koolulam-Style Celebration

Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 7:00 PM Adath Israel, 1500 Hagys Ford Road, Penn Valley, PA 19072 Co-sponsored by Perelman Jewish Day School and Temple Sinai

What's Happening at AJ

March

- ROBYN ORODENKER BOOK CLUB

 The World That We Knew, by Alice Hoffman. Please read the book before the meeting! 7:45 PM. Sponsored by
- AJWA Sisterhood.

 ADULT EDUCATION CLASS WITH RAV SHAI
 Rav Shai continues his Thursday evening teaching with a 6-week class: "Medieval Judaisms and Modern

Week 2 of 6.

Denominations." Thursdays from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

- 6 Unplug from a busy week with an acoustic Shabbat service led by Hazzan Howard Glantz with familiar tunes that will put a smile on your face and a song in your heart. Oneg Shabbat follows. 6:15 PM
- AJ HAMANTASCHEN HAPPENING!

 Come, have fun, and bake with us! We'll provide the dough, rolling pins, and filling. Make/bake/take hamantaschen home with you and/or take hamantaschen for Mishloach Manot baskets. Approximate start time, 6:30 PM. See page 6 for more info.
- 8 KEHILLAH COMMUNITY PURIM CARNIVAL
 Games, inflatables, magic mirrors, raffles, exciting prizes and more! At Keneseth Israel. See page 6 for more info.
- PURIM SHPIEL
 This year's Purim Shpiel is "Someone Saved Our Lives
 Tonight!," featuring the music of Elton John. See page 9
 for more info.
- 12 ADULT EDUCATION CLASS WITH RAV SHAI
 "Medieval Judaisms and Modern Denominations."
 Week 3 of 6.
- 13 IN-TOWN SHABBAT
 Shabbat services in center city Philadelphia for our members who live there. Call the synagogue at 215.635.6611 for more info. 7:30 PM
- 14 SISTERHOOD SHABBAT

 AJWA Sisterhood will hold Sisterhood Shabbat beginning at 9:30 AM. This year's Annette W. Black Memorial Lecture speaker will be Mia Blitstein, talking about "A Teacher's Voice: Empowering Children Through Acts of Literacy." See page 16 for more info.
- 17 SING HALLELUJAH

 Hazzan Howard Glantz and singers from AJ will return to the stage of Verizon Hall in the Kimmel Center for "Sing Hallelujah!"The theme will be *Broadway: A Jewish Legacy* and will feature music written by Jewish composers for the Broadway stage, the Yiddish Theater stage, and for the movies! See page 12 for more info.
- RAV SHAI AT ANN'S CHOICE
 See page 3 for more info.

19 ADULT EDUCATION CLASS WITH RAV SHAI "Medieval Judaisms and Modern Denominations." Week 4 of 6.

- 20 MITZVAH FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION BEGINS
 We will be collecting food, personal care items, and reusable bags at AJ from March 20 through April 3. Thank you in advance for helping someone in need. See the continuation of Judy Stutman Izes' article on page 6 for more info.
- 21 PESAH BOWL
 Test your knowledge of Passover for prizes! During morning Shabbat service.
- PESAH U!

 Join us for an afternoon of learning. 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

 See page 12 for more info.
- 24 PASSOVER POTTERY PAINTING PARTY

 Come to AJ from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM to create a new piece of pottery for your seder table. See page 7 for more info.
- 26 ADULT EDUCATION CLASS WITH RAV SHAI "Medieval Judaisms and Modern Denominations." Week 5 of 6.
- TEFILLAH LAB: B'SHIREI ZIMRA

 Join us for this alternative service featuring music and readings. It will be followed by an extended Kiddush luncheon. 10:30 AM –11:45 AM.
- PRAGRANT HISTORY OF JEWS AND SPICES

 Learn about the fascinating and fragrant history of Jews and spices from noted chef, cookbook author, and culinary tour leader, Aliza Green, at Adath Jeshurun.

 4:00 PM. See page 16 for more info.
 - 2 ADULT EDUCATION CLASS WITH RAV SHAI
 "Medieval Judaisms and Modern Denominations."
 Week 6 of 6.
 - WORKSHOP: KASHERING YOUR KITCHEN FOR PESAH
 See the Passover mailing for details!
 - 6 ROBYN ORODENKER BOOK CLUB
 Gateway to the Moon, by Mary Morris. Please read the book before the meeting! Dinner at Violet Zeitllin's house. Sponsored by AJWA Sisterhood.
 - 8 SIYUM BEHOROT (FAST OF THE FIRSTBORN)
 AND THE LECOFF SIYUM BREAKFAST
 The morning Shaharit service will begin at 7:15 AM, followed by the Siyum Behorot and the LeCoff Siyum Breakfast.
 - 9 ANNUAL PASSOVER GATHERING
 Join us for the first day of Passover. 9:30 AM.
- 3 SHABBAT SERVICE WITH CHOIR AND ORGAN
 Join us at 9:30 AM for an AJ Shabbat service with professional choir and organ, and an extended Kiddush luncheon.



11 LEARNERS'MINYAN

Rav Shai will lead a Learners' Minyan, beginning at 10:30 AM.

FAMILY PROGRAM: MOSTLY MATZAH
See the Passover mailing for details!

PEACE DRUMS BAND

Jewish and Arab students make up this interfaith steel band as they conclude their 2020 U.S. Tour. Come listen to this ensemble perform a wide array of music from all cultures. 7:30 PM. See page 8 for details.

24 KABBALAT SHABBAT WITH STRINGS ATTACHED
Unplug from a busy week with an acoustic Shabbat service led by Hazzan Howard Glantz with familiar tunes that will put a smile on your face and a song in your heart. Oneg Shabbat follows. 6:15 PM

TEFILLAH LAB: B'SHIREI ZIMRA

Join us for this alternative service featuring music and readings. It will be followed by an extended Kiddush Juncheon. 10:30 AM –11:45 AM.

THE TISH

Singing, more singing, and a little nosh. Sit at the table (tish) with Rav Shai, Hazzan Glantz, and friends, and sing and enjoy the melodies of Shabbat. Following Shabbat morning services in the Orleans Auditorium.

PLAYBILL

Congregation Adath Jeshurun Dresents

• SETH RUDETSKY •

Join Us for AJ's 2020 Annual Fundraiser (SPEC) Event OPENING NIGHT Sunday, May 17, 2020, at 7:00 PM

CAST.....Seth Rudetsky

Seth Rudetsky is an American musician, actor, writer, and radio host. He currently is the host of Seth's Big Fat Broadway and Seth Speaks on Sirius/XM Satellite Radio's On Broadway. Seth shares stories, backstage secrets and songs from his renowned Broadway career.

DETAILS.....To Follow

Executive Producers and Directors

The SPFC Committee



Let All Who Are Hungry Come and Eat

By Judy Stutman Izes, President of Adath Jeshurun

A few years ago, my parents moved from the home in which my family had lived for over forty years. As we packed, we took many trips down memory lane. We also took many trips into the basement which doubled as the family archives. Photos, books, magazines, letters, Judaica, artwork, and greeting cards conjured memories of some wonderful times. We found the large metal grinder my grandmother used to make gefilte fish. We found a box of old Maxwell House *haggadot* complete with wine stains on several of the pages. Of particular interest to me were newsletters from 1971 from West Oak Lane Jewish Community Center. (More about those in a future article.)

My parents' move pre-dated Marie Kondo's best-selling book, *The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up*. We were not aware of the Konmari Method of decluttering which calls for an object to be kept or discarded based upon whether it "sparks joy." I suspect our task would have remained daunting as most items brought back delightful remembrances. As we sorted, discarded and packed, we found a beautiful Seder plate. I could not recall having seen it before. It was not the vintage green metal seder plate my family had used for as long as I could remember. It was not one of the precious seder plates my daughters had created in preschool. My mom explained that it had belonged to my grandmother and she wanted me to have it. It brought her joy as she lovingly recalled family seders of years past and imagined family seders to be hosted at my home in the years to come.

Soon we will all begin to unpack for Pesah. We will start the arduous task of cleaning and ridding our homes of <u>hametz</u>. As I discovered on the internet, for the low, low price of \$96.00, an online balabusta will provide a step-by-step Pesah Prep course offering instruction as to how to best organize and prepare for Pesah while keeping energy up and smiles in place. One website dedicated to Pesah offers several check lists designed to take the stress out of Pesah prep. High on the list was the recommendation to start evaluating and "eating down" <u>hametz</u> immediately after Purim. Try as I might to follow this directive, I always seem to have an overabundance of pasta about a week before Pesah. Since there is a limit to how much lasagna and baked ziti my friends and family can consume in one week, I usually have a few boxes of pasta remaining shortly before Pesah.

Many in our community have never confronted the issue of an overabundance of food. To the contrary, they suffer from food insecurity. We are fortunate that The Mitzvah Food Pantry, housed at Beth Sholom, provides non-perishable food, free of charge, to local families in need. The Pantry is a joint project with the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia and is staffed by volunteers. AJ members,

Pam Maman and Scott Minkoff volunteer their time at the Mitzvah Food Pantry every Wednesday evening. They assist visitors as they select food



ABOVE: From left to right, Pam Fine Maman and Carra and Scott Minkoff at The Mitzvah Food Pantry

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President Judy Stutman Izes Continued from page 5

and other household items. The Pantry welcomes donations from individuals of kosher/pareve or vegetarian items such as peanut butter, pasta sauce, tuna, canned fruit, and vegetables; personal care items such as toilet paper, feminine products, toothpaste and tooth brushes; and reusable shopping bags.

As we gather at our seders to retell the story of the Exodus from Egypt, we will proclaim "Let all who are hungry come and eat." In an effort to fulfill that proclamation, we will be collecting food, personal care items, and reusable bags at AJ from **March 20 through April 3**. Bins will be located near the doors in the front and rear of the building to collect the donated items. The items will be delivered to the Mitzvah Food Pantry to help our neighbors in need.

This year, two major Pesa<u>h</u> events will occur at AJ on one day. On Shabbat, **March 21**, young and not so young will compete for fabulous prizes in the beloved **Pesa<u>h</u> Bowl** (see page 2). Also on that day, **Pesa<u>h</u> U** makes a welcome return (see page 12). We hope to see you at AJ as we celebrate and prepare for Pesa<u>h</u>.

It is my hope that as you unpack all of your special Pesah items, each one brings back sweet and joyful memories. Wishing you and your families a *Zissen Pesah*.

Purim Information

See page 9 for information about this year's Purim Shpiel: "Someone Saved Our Lives Tonight," featuring the music of Elton John.



at Keneseth Israel 8339 Old York Road, Elkins Park

Sunday, March 8, 2020

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Preschool Admission 12:00 – 2:00 PM Regular Admission

Pre-purchase at www.jewishphilly.org/purimoyr by March 4, \$10 per family; At the door, \$18 per family (cash only).

Kosher food and hamentaschen available for purchase.

For more information, contact oldyorkroad@kehillah.jewishphilly.org



Following Ma'ariv/Havdalah (approximate start time: 6:30 PM)

We'll provide the dough, rolling pins, and filling!

Make/bake/take hamantaschen home with you

and/or

Bake hamantaschen for Mishloach Manot baskets

and/or

Just come, have fun and bake with us!

Orders for dough and Mishloach Manot baskets must be made by Wednesday, March 4.

RSVP to the AJ office at 215.635.6611 or j.stutman.izes@gmail.com

Or, fill out the form below and return it to the AJ Office with your order and payment.

You must order dough to bake with us! By Wednesday, March 4, make your check payable to "Adath Jeshurun" and send or deliver to the AJ office, 7763 Old York Road, Elkins Park, PA 19027. Order Dough (makes approx. 10 hamantaschen) \$10.00/batch _____ batches \$_____ total Order a Mishloach Manot Basket (to take) \$18.00/basket _____ baskets \$_____ total Order a Mishloach Manot Basket (to be picked up at AJ) \$18.00/basket _____ baskets \$_____ total

Passover Information

Please see the Passover mailing for additional Pesah programming!



Passover Pottery Painting Party! Sunday, March 22 • 4:00 PM in the Orleans Auditorium

Join us for an evening of fun for all ages!

On Sunday, March 22, the Create Me Pottery Painting Studio of Huntingdon Valley will bring a Pottery Painting Party to us! Choose from a variety of plates, dishes, cups, and other things that can be painted for Pesah. Then they'll take them back to their shop where they will be glaze-fired in plenty of time to make it to your seder table. Stay tuned for details, coming soon.

Annual Ma'ot Hittim Fund Drive

This Pesah, please remember, through your contributions, families around the world who are in need of food. Contributions should be made by check, payable to the "Adath Jeshurun Ma'ot Hittim Fund" and sent to the office. This year contributions will be used to support Rise Against Hunger. See page 12 for more information.

Siyum Be<u>h</u>orot (Fast of the Firstborn) and the LeCoff *Siyum* Breakfast Wednesday Morning, April 8, 7:15 AM

It has been a traditional practice of our people that the first-born attend services on Erev Pesah and take part in a siyum (a study period based on a Rabbinic text). This is followed by the festive LeCoff Siyum Breakfast. This service will be held on Wednesday morning, April 8, beginning at 7:15 AM with the morning Shaharit Service, followed by the Siyum Behorot and the LeCoff Siyum Breakfast.



See page 12 for details about Pesah U. on Saturday, March 21!

By filling in this form, you will be delegating Rav Shai Cherry your agent for the sale of <u>h</u>ametz.

Delegation of Power of Attorney for Sale of Hametz

KNOW EVERYONE BY THESE PRESENTS: That I, the undersigned, do
hereby make, constitute and appoint Rav Shai Cherry (hereafter, Rav Shai), my true
and lawful attorney to act in my place and stead, for me and in my name and in my
behalf to sell all $\underline{H} AMETZ$ owned and possessed by me (knowingly or unknowingly)
as stated in the TORAH and defined and interpreted by the SAGES OF ISRAEL (e.g.,
HAMETZ that tends to harden and to adhere to a surface of inside of pans, pots, or
other cooking or eating utensils, of whatsoever nature, and all kinds of live animals
that have been eating $\underline{H}AMETZ$ or mixtures thereof, and to lease all places wherein
the aforementioned $\underline{\mathbf{H}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{Z}$ owned or possessed by me may be found), especially
in the premises located at the following address(es): [PLEASE WRITE OUT]

This authorization includes the sale of any and all <u>H</u>AMETZ that is in my possession on the morning of April 8 of this year at the time of sale, and transit goods that may be delivered to me during the period of April 8 to April 16 of this year, whether owned by me wholly or in part, or through shares of stock in corporations which own or deal in <u>H</u>AMETZ. All the aforesaid <u>H</u>AMETZ is to be sold to a non-Jew of Rav Shai's choosing, at any time during the time legally allotted for the sale of <u>H</u>AMETZ. The buyer has free access to the <u>H</u>AMETZ acquired by him. The place where the <u>H</u>AMETZ is located may be rented to the buyer for the period from 10:00 AM, April 8 to April 16, 2020 after sunset, and the rabbi is authorized to act as the agent for such rental.

The exact assessment of quantity and value will take place at any time agreed upon between Rav Shai and the purchaser, even after the Passover holiday. The buyer's deposit is to be paid to Rav Shai with the balance due on April 16, 2020. Should the buyer not remit the balance of the purchase price by sunset on April 16, the sale will be deemed null and void.

RAV SHAI CHERRY has the full power and authority to assign or appoint a substitute or substitutes to act in his place and stead with all the same powers and authority that I have invested in him, and I do hereby ratify and confirm all that my said attorney, or his substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of these presents.

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This form must be returned no later than Wednesday morning, April 8, 2020, at 9:00 AM.



In the Cantor's Corner

By Hazzan Howard Glantz

It's a Small World After All...

In part due to technology, our world is smaller than it has ever been. We communicate with friends and family all over the world instantaneously and potentially without cost. Dayna and I have a What's App chat group with the kids and I suspect the 4R's have their own chat group without us!

Our Jewish world is tiny, especially considered within the 7.3 billion people on Earth (and counting). The pack of those studying Talmud is yet even smaller. So maybe I shouldn't have been surprised.

"Hello Cantor Howard?!"

I glantz at the screen (pun intended) and see my former student's name, "Reb Jason, how are you?!" The usual niceties ensue, we chat about our respective work, spouses, kids.

"So to what do I owe this welcome phone call?"

"Well I just want to tell you that I know you've been shopping for used volumes of Talmud on Amazon."

"What," I exclaim, "How could you know that?"



Sending...
...Receivina!



"I'm the seller!" a pause of disbelief and I respond, "Well, they better be in the promised condition!"

Now I realize that the number those studying Talmud who are also buying used volumes of the Steinsaltz Babylonian edition online is likely among the smallest subset of human beings. Nonetheless, this blew me away as an amazing, but welcomed coincidence. Welcome for more than the benefit of catching up with a friend. Sometimes the world feels so impersonal, cold and overwhelming. I had a "small world" feeling for the rest of the day.

There are, of course, even more hard-to-believe occurrences. In 1979, a set of twins were separated at birth, and for 37 years, they hardly knew of each other's existence. They were finally repatriated at age 37. Both had been named Jim by their adoptive parents, both loved math and carpentry, and both pursued careers in security. Ready for this?...

They each married women named Linda, divorced, and remarried women named Betty!

Some equate coincidences with God's way of waving, "Hello!"

What do you think? Let me know. Now let's keep the world less impersonal...join us at AJ.

Here's what's happening in my corner of our precious shul.

March 9 at 6:00 PM — Purim Shpiel 2020, Someone Saved Our Lives Tonight! A Shushan -based celebration with a Sir Elton John twist. Come on out, hear, and cheer when your friends take the bimah to sing Elton hits and

all ages are encouraged to come in costume! For more information on Purim, see the opposite page.

March 17 at 8:00 PM — Sing Hallelujah. Join us for the third annual Sing Hallelujah concert at the Kimmel Center featuring soloists (including yours truly) and choirs (including several AJers) from local synagogues. We'll also welcome Steven Skybell and Jennifer Babiak, otherwise known as Tevye and Golde from the Yiddish Fiddler on the Roof, which played to sold-out audiences in New York City on Broadway. AJ Chorus members include Rabbi Sandi Berliner, Betsy Braun, Wendy Fein Cooper, Marlena Robinson Kleit, Sue Lawson (singer and Personnel Manager), Karen Moses, Denise Portner, Gail Schwartz, Suzanne Zlotnick, and Nancy Zucker. See page 12 for more information.

April 22 at 7:30 PM — The Peace Drums Project.

Part of our Hebraic Arts Music Series, this organization trains Christian, Muslim and Jewish Israeli youth to play steel drums. Tickets will be only \$5 simply to cover some of the costs and help us know how many to expect. See more information below.

And it's not too early to add to your calendar and prioritize attending our Kehillah events that mark Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron, and Yom HaAtzmaut. They are all free events that are meaningful, free and emboss important Jewish memories for you and yours. See page 3 for details.

Thanks for listening!

Save the Date for the Peace Drums Band!

On **April 22, at 7:30 PM**, Congregation Adath Jeshurun will present the **Peace Drums Band** from Israel. Jewish and Arab students make up this interfaith steel band as they conclude their 2020 U.S. Tour.

Peace Drums, run by Co-Founder and Executive Director Harvey Price, is an interfaith project centered in Israel which gives Arab and Jewish youth a chance to play together in a steel drum band, allowing kids who would typically not interact with one another to work together on a musical collaboration. They rehearse, learn, and subsequently perform concerts together as a group, and gain music education and experience in the process.

The project promotes peace among Jewish, Muslim, and Christian youth by introducing peacemaking and reconciliation through the shared activity of a dynamic steel drum band.

Come listen to this ensemble perform a wide array of music from all cultures. Special guests, **Hazzan Howard Glantz** and **Hazzan Alisa Pomerantz-Boro** will perform with the band. Tickets will be \$5 per person, with a maximum of \$20 per family.









Made possible by the Hebraic Arts Music Series.



Help us defray the costs of Purim!

This year, all families who make a donation to the Purim festivities will have their name displayed on a representation of a vinyl record or album cover which will be hung up in the Orleans Auditorium during our dancing and eating time (see the donation levels below). Purim is an amazing time that brings all ages together. We appreciate your contribution to the celebration. Please send your name and donation amount to Amy Devine-Stretch by email (devinea@adathjeshurun.info) or snail mail (AJ Office, 7763 Old York Road, Elkins Park, PA 19027).

Donation Levels:

Album Cover More than \$72 **33 RPM** \$72 **78 RPM** \$54 **45 RPM** \$36

Tell us your **favorite Elton John song** to put on your vinyl record, or **favorite Elton John album** to put on your album cover!

In the past, AJ congregants have helped to defray some of the cost of our Purim celebrations. We hope you will continue to help us this year. (Any donation amount is appreciated and will help toward our Purim celebration.) Thank you!



The Scourge of Antisemitism — A Call for Jewish Action

By David M. Seltzer

"If you see something, say something."

Whether at the airport, a bus terminal, a train station, or at other public venues, so often we hear this phrase broadcast over loudspeakers, or prominently displayed on signs. We are admonished that if we see an unattended package, an individual acting in an unusual fashion, or any atypical activity, we are to report same to authorities immediately, because it is better to be wrong than to say nothing and risk catastrophe. In contemporary society, we have learned to live with fear. Peace of mind has become an increasingly rare commodity. We live worrying constantly about the safety of those whom we love. We worry, too, about what all of this means for the future of our beloved America. Violence fueled by hatred has become normative, increasingly perceived as unavoidable or unchangeable, a reality to which we have seemingly and tragically acquiesced.

This collective numbness, which has led to apathy, is a particular threat to us as Jews. It is an intimation of tragic preludes to episodes in our history that we'd rather not repeat. As the scourge of antisemitism proliferates, and comes out in the open, as we bear witness to the transition from words of hate to acts of hate, if we allow ourselves to be lulled into complacency by a false belief that there is nothing we can do, we do so at the peril of our very existence.

We, Jews, have always been activists for righteous causes. Whenever we have seen wrong being done to others, we have collectively chosen to speak up. This is part of our religious and cultural DNA. This concern for the downtrodden and disenfranchised has expressed itself in a myriad of ways in our history. In the earliest days of Jewish nationhood, special leaders shaped our ethical and moral fabric. Moses, perhaps our most revered leader, and one whom we seek to emulate, wasn't an ideologue though he was raised in Pharaoh's palace; rather, he was a man moved to act by injustice and inequality. When he witnessed the Egyptian taskmaster strike the slave, he saw something and he did something. In modern times, and particularly at this time of year when we recall the extraordinary legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., many participate in a Day of Service that should ideally be a catalyst for a lifetime of service. We recall that Jews stood hand in hand with Dr. King in Selma and throughout the South in the years of the Civil Rights Movement, and continue the fight to legislate against discrimination of all kinds in the hope that we can eventually change hearts.

We Jews have, as a people, endured and survived enslavement, persecution, and murder throughout the ages — from Amalake, to Haman, to the Crusades,

to the Pogroms, to Hitler. That we speak up when others are oppressed is, therefore, no surprise.

That we oftentimes *fail* to speak up on *our own behalf* is enigmatic, but not beyond understanding.

There isn't one amongst us, who, while listening to the evening news, doesn't experience a moment of dread when a reporter announces the commission of a major fraud and charges being brought against the perpetrator. In that millisecond before the name is announced, we pray, collectively, that the last name of the alleged perpetrator will not be a Cohen, a Schwartz, or a Goldberg. It is a part of our psyche, and with good reason, to fear public discovery of our Jewishness, especially

If you see something, say something

when one of our own descends into ignominy. We imagine a resurgence of anti-Semitic acts and the reemergence of anti-Semitic tropes — that Jews harbor dual loyalties, that Jews are only concerned about "the Benjamins," or worse — that Jews use the blood of non-Jewish children to make Matzah.

However, my friends, in our lifetimes, we've borne witness to what silence brings. If the outcry in the aftermath of the Holocaust, 'Never Again' is to have any meaning, the time has come:

If you see something, say something.

In August of 2017 you will recall the "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, wherein hundreds of marchers exhibited Nazis salutes, waived Swastika flags, and shouted "Seig Heil". Even more disturbing was their repeated mantra, "Jews will not replace us." In the following year, 2018, the Anti-Defamation League, as reported in a recent article, recorded 1,879 acts of violence against Jewish persons and property, which constituted a record incremental increase in physical assaults, and included the deadliest attack on Jews in US history — the slaughter at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. There appears to be no end in sight. Indeed, the antithesis

appears to be true. We recall the most recent horror in Jersey City, New Jersey, where an antisemitic attack on a Jewish business establishment took Jewish and non-Jewish life, an attack that appears to have been intended for a Jewish School next door.

We can no longer expect that our preference for anonymity will protect us.

To be sure, we have had our bad eggs — the Jeffrey Epsteins and Harvey Weinsteins of the Jewish world. This is what happens to us, in my opinion, when Jews abandon their faith; when Jews believe that they are no longer responsible to live a godly life, and instead, achieve success without a moral compass.

In the last major prayer of every Jewish prayer service, Aleynu, there is a recitation of our mission statement as Jews in the third paragraph — "L'takain Olam B'Malchut Shadai" — To perfect/correct the world under the Kingdom of the Almighty." Unfortunately, in every prayer book that I have ever picked up, the translation of that mission statement typically reads, "We hope for the day when the world will be perfected under the Kingdom of the Almighty." The English is in the passive tense. The Hebrew, however, is in the active tense. In other words, we are not to sit around and wait for somebody else to do the work that each of us needs to do. We are not to hope for the day when the world will be better than it is today. We are charged with actively bringing the world to a better place.

When then Prime Minister of Israel, Yitzchak Rabin, was murdered by one of our own, the lyrics to a song entitled "Shir L'Shalom" ("A Song of Peace") were in his bloodstained pocket. How sadly ironic. In that song, the lyrics admonish: "Al Tagidu yom yavo, hayveeu et hayom" — Don't tell us that this day (of peace) will come, let us bring that day."

If you see something, say something.

Aside from reactive security measures synagogues and Jewish institutions are implementing to reduce the likelihood of mass loss of life, we all can be proactive in calling out antisemitism when we see it — before hateful ideologies translate into killing Jews.

Over the years, I have had the privilege of interacting with a number of local Holocaust survivors including Mr. Ernie Gross, who is a survivor of Auschwitz. He was 15 years old when he was taken to that camp. God knows how he survived. Another survivor, Ronnie Breslow, was on the St. Louis and graciously spoke at my request at an interfaith function. My daughter-in-law's grandparents were on 'Kindertransport.'

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Spotlight on the Havurah-at-AJ

By The Havurah

Meet the Havurahnicks!

In each issue of the AJ News, we'll introduce you to a member of the Havurah. This edition's spotlight is on **Leah Zebovitz**.

Please share a bit about yourself:

My name is Leah Zebovitz. I am 25 years old and a graduate of Franklin & Marshall with a BA in Animal Behavior. I was born in Elkins Park, PA, and except for college and a brief stint interning in Oklahoma, I've lived here ever since. I'm currently working locally as a nanny and a vet tech before I head off to vet school next year (still deciding which school, though!), so I'm temporarily living back with my parents, Tammy and Steve Zebovitz. In my free time, I love baking, watching TV, reading, and hanging out with my dog, Darwin, and my parents' dog, Rayna.

How long have you been involved with the AJ Havurah?

I was born into the Havurah, so technically I've been involved for about 25 years. As a child, the Havurah provided me with a Shabbat community, and back then, I was more interested in playing with my Havurah friends than participating in davening; however, during college breaks and since graduating, I have come to appreciate the opportunity to daven with a smaller community and to be involved to whatever degree I choose.

What attracted you to the Havurah, initially (or were you born into it)?

Obviously, since I was born into it, I did not initially choose the Havurah; however, now that I have returned to the area as an adult, I still choose to attend and participate, as this is where I feel at home. The "regulars" are like family, and I like the smaller, lay-led service, where each davener can feel comfortable introducing their own traditions, preferences, and tunes in a relaxed, encouraging atmosphere.

What do you love about participating in the Havurah?

I love the people and the relaxed atmosphere. The community is so welcoming and familiar. It's more than just a good group to just daven with — it is also a comfortable place to hone different skills, like Torah reading, chanting Haftarah, and giving a D'var Torah. As my levels of comfort in those areas have changed over the years, the Havurah has always been patient and supportive while I "practice."

What is your wish for the Havurah three years from now?

I hope the Havurah continues to have the same welcoming and relaxed atmosphere, but I would love to see new faces participating. A larger group would ease our



minyan and assignment challenges, and while I don't want the current atmosphere to change, I do think that new/more participants would revitalize and breathe new life into the Havurah by bringing their own personality and practices to the table.

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Despite the deep concerns they harbor regarding the rise of antisemitism in America and around the world, most survivors of the Holocaust still distinguish the antisemitism of today from the antisemitism of Germany in the 1930s. At the moment, the antisemitism we are experiencing is not *state* sponsored. The problem is that if these bigots are not 'called out,' and if they find places in government, as several Congressional Representatives have, they pose an insidious risk that public policy will change to the detriment of Israel and the Jews. Moreover, and make no mistake about it, if those countries who hate Israel and deny the Holocaust, most notably, Iran and its proxies, perceive for one moment that the United States will not come immediately and decisively to her support if she is attacked, the enemies of Israel *will* attack her.

It is time to come out of our cocoon. It is time to stop sheltering in place. It is time to stop playing ostrich. All of you will recall the words of Martin Neimoller, a prominent Lutheran pastor in Germany who, during the Holocaust, emerged as an outspoken public foe of Adolf Hitler and spent the last seven years of Nazi rule in concentration camps. His words resonate, ominously, today, "First they came for the Socialists, and I did not speak out because I was not a Socialist. They then came for the Trade Unionists and I did not speak out because I was not a Trade Unionist. Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew. Then they came for me and there was no one left to speak for me."

His words are memorialized at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. I am proud to tell you, parenthetically, that my sister-in-law, my wife's sister, Jody Small, was the film and video producer for the Museum, and her name is prominently displayed at the inside entrance.

When Jew-haters are not called out, what they say, and what they ultimately do in furtherance of that hate, become tacitly acceptable. They are emboldened by the fact that there are no consequences, not accountability. A wise person once said that, "All that is necessary for evil to prevail is for good people to do nothing." We cannot be silent any longer. We owe too much to our families, to those who have come before us, to those we've lost, and to God, not to courageously speak up in any way we can. Going forward...

If you see something, say something. 1

Looking for a Volunteer Opportunity?

Cook for a Friend is in great need of volunteers for its evening cooking group which makes, packages, and distributes 100 to 150 meals monthly to home-bound folks in need, through Meals on Wheels. It's just one Monday evening per month (date TBD monthly), 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the AJ Orleans (upstairs) kitchen. To volunteer and get more info, contact: Sandy Basickes, Cook for a Friend Evening Group Coordinator, at basicsandy5@gmail.com or 215.782.8586. This program is lovingly sponsored by AJWA Sisterhood.



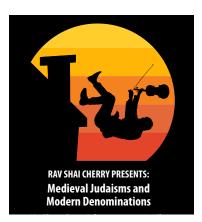
Be part of the party! **Design Divas** invite you to join them. No training is needed, just a fun attitude and a willingness to help. We decorate the tables and garnish platters for extended kiddushes and help in the kitchen as needed. You'll get on the job experience and will have a chance to show your personal style. For more information or to join us, please contact Carol Shackmaster at carshack@comcast.net.

Adult Education

By Skip Atkins

AJ Adult Ed Spring Semester Kicks Off with Rav Shai's "Medieval Judaisms and Modern Denominations"

This spring promises to be a busy time for Adult Education at AJ. Rav Shai's very popular course offerings, which began last fall with his Thursday evening series "A Journey of Jewish Thought from the Priests to the Moderns," followed by his four-part Sunday morning series on the transformative philosophy of Maimonides, continues this spring with a six-week series, "Medieval Judaisms and Modern Denominations."This course promises to be as educational, thought-provoking, and popular as his previous courses.



And there's much more! In preparation for Passover, a whole day of fun and learning will be happening on Shabbat, March 21. Following the annual Passover Bowl during morning services, AJ will bring back the very successful **Pesah University** (see details below). This event, which had been so popular in years past, will feature choices of sessions for the whole family, including learning about Passover songs, food, the ABCs of the seder, international customs, interfaith involvement, and more.

Later this spring, Hazzan Glantz plans to offer a class on the history of AJ's lush musical liturgy: its present form, its heritage, and the origin of the many variations of melodies that Hazzan has introduced in recent years.

On the horizon for next fall and winter, the AJ Adult Education committee is starting to plan a number of additional events. We intend to bring back the scholar-in-residence weekend, we will invite a series of journalists and educators to discuss the presidential election in November, and, in the long-term, we envision assembling an extended expert symposium on the interplay of science and Judaism.

Keep watch for information on all of these current and forthcoming events, as the spirit of learning fills the air at AJ!

Join Us for Pesah U.!

Pesah U. is back! On Saturday, March 21, we will have a day of learning and a day of fun all about the upcoming holiday of Pesah. We'll start with the annual Pesah Bowl during services. After a congregational Kiddush lunch, we'll continue with

four different sessions through the afternoon with different options, depending on your interests. There will be something for everyone — families, beginners, and those looking for deeper study or sharing — and learning from a variety of individuals. Please plan to bring a favorite seder story, custom, or heirloom/item to share when we all come back together at the end of the afternoon. More details will follow when the event gets closer.



Round-Trip Transportation Option to Kimmel Center

The bus will originate from the Plaza parking lot, at 1250 Greenwood Avenue in Jenkintown. It will depart at 6:15 PM and return after the concert. Minimum contribution is \$18 per person. Mail or drop off a check payable to Beth Sholom Congregation, 8231 Old York Road, Elkins Park. Include with check names, emails, and cell numbers of ALL people reserving seats on bus. Your seat will be reserved once the check with information has been received. Questions? Contact oldyorkroad@kehillah.jewishphilly.org or 267.630.5773.

Save the Date for Rise a Against Hunger Event

Join AJ congregants of all ages on **Sunday, May 3** to pack 10,000 meals with Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now). We will meet in the Orleans Auditorium at 12:30 PM. Since 1998, Rise Against Hunger has been committed to providing nutrition and resources for the world's most vulnerable while simultaneously engaging and inspiring volunteers around the globe to take action. The Rise Against Hunger experience brings to life a hands-on service event where volunteers can touch the lives of millions of people around the world in critical

need by packaging meals. More information to come!



AJ Preschool and Infant Center

Early Childhood Director: Anita Block

What's Happening in Our Preschool

As usual, life at the AJ Preschool and Infant Center has been a hub of activity. In January, we commemorated Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day with a fantastic community service project. Children, with guidance from teachers and AJ administrative staff, prepared 155 lunches which were donated to Manna on Main Street in Lansdale. Children decorated white lunch bags prior to arriving at the assembly line site in the downstairs lobby. The freshly baked rolls were filled with tuna salad and lettuce and placed in plastic baggies. Then, the children added a bag with 3 pickles, another bag with 2 cookies, and finally, an apple and a note from the staff and children of AJ. Thanks to **Calvin Thompson** who delivered the lunches to Manna on Main Street. Check out the pictures of our team at work at the right.

The values that we work to instill in our voungsters will last a lifetime. So, we are constantly making efforts to reinforce those values. As part of the pre-kindergarten curriculum, students count the days of the school year and the 100th day is a celebratory event. Our 100th day was February 4. So, we decided to add a canned food collection to the counting experience and, at the same time, donate the food to neighborhood food pantries. The colorful flyers and can collection chart adorned our lobby for two weeks and we collected and counted the cans hoping to reach the goal of 100 (or more) cans by February 14. (As of the writing of this article, cans are still being collected, so we don't have our totals.) I'm confident we'll reach our goal.



In January, we opened our Gross Motor Room for Infants and Toddlers in Room M, utilizing an existing toddler space. The room was equipped with soft climbing options, rest pads, and some small push toys. At the right are two photos of our youngest students enjoying their new indoor space.

An opportunity for parents to come together for some guidance in parenting was offered as a two-part Parenting Seminar entitled, "You Don't Have to Holler." On Monday, January 13 and on Monday, January 27, the focus was on helping parents to better communicate with their children in a way that would reduce stress for parents and their children as well as maintain a sense of dignity and composure. Karen Goode, a parenting coach and veteran teacher, led the sessions. Dinner was provided and child care enabled the parents to meet without the distraction of the children. Based on feedback from the participants, we expect to offer additional parenting seminars in the spring.

Save the Date: The First Annual AJ Preschool and Infant Center 5K Run, Walk or Stroll and Social is planned for Sunday, May 17 at Alverthorpe Park. Mark your calendar and watch for details on registration and sponsorship opportunities. For more information, contact Anita Block at 215.635.3490 or ablock@adathjeshurun.info. We look forward to participation from the entire AJ community.











100TH DAY CANNED FOOD COLLECTION



Next Parenting Seminar: "Setting Limits" Monday, March 23

- Seminar from 6:15 to 7:15 PM including time for Q & A
- Child care available (until 7:15 PM)
- Free to AJ Preschool and Infant Center families
- \$10.00 per family for non-AJ families

RSVP by Friday, March 20 to Anita at ablock@adathjeshurun.info or 215.635.3490

AJ Men's Association

President: Ed Moses

The World Wide Wrap was held at AJ on February 2. The Beth Sholom Men's Club joined with the Adath Jeshurun Men's Association for the Wrap, a teaching session with Rav Shai (which included the 5th and 6th grade religious school class of Ms. Schechter) and a breakfast enjoyed by all.



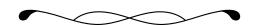












We are pleased to recognize the Men's Association "MENSCHEN" listed below whose generous support helped to make the AJMA Shabbat service and lunch possible.

Robert and Naomi Atkins Allan and Eadie Brooks **Edward and Sheila Chacker** Allan Freedman and **Amy Rappaport Howard Goldman** Paul and Judy Izes Ann Kalmanor, in loving memory of Warren Kalmanor, beloved husband

Harry and Wendy Lessig Mike and Nancy Markowich Allan and Vivien Marmon **Ed and Karen Moses** Al and Sandy Nadel David and Viki Pashman Art Verbit and Beryl Rosoff-Verbit Mark and Gail Schwartz Carol Shackmaster Sheldon and Rene Smith Sima Sussman

Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program™

Light a Candle, Preserve a Memory

Yom Hashoah......Sundown, April 20, 2020

The Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program is a creation of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (FJMC). Beginning in mid-March, the yellow candles will be available in the Sanctuary lobby. If you are not able to pick up a candle at the synagogue, please contact Ed Moses (karedlon@aol.com) or the AJ office at 215.635.6611 and one will be mailed to you. Donations are gratefully accepted to help defray the cost of the candles.

SCOUTING FOR FUTURE SCOUTS!

Boy Scout Troop 185 and Cub Pack 185 are looking for boys who are ready for adventure, fun, making new friends and learning new skills.

Boys ages 6–10, contact Dan Robbins at robbinsdb@gmail.com, or 215.782.8931. Boys ages 11–17, contact Neil Schmerling at taxscout@aol.com or 215.742.1758.



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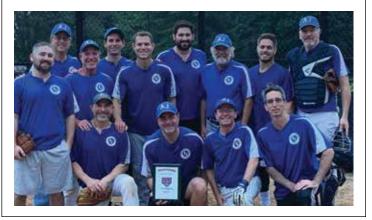
Sailing South

Al and Sandy Nadel mesmerized attendees at the Sunday breakfast program sponsored by the Men's Association and AJWA Sisterhood on January 12 of this year. Their journey to Antarctica in December of 2018 was captured by a professionally produced film made by the National Geographic Society who led their trip. In an apparent PTSD episode, Al became chilled by the end of the program.



Let's Play Ball!

AJ plays in the Delaware Valley Synagogue League, which is a competitive Jewish softball league based in Montgomery and Bucks Counties. The league includes 20 teams drawn from Conservative, Reform, Chabad, and Reconstructionist synagogues. League play begins in mid-April and extends through mid-August, including the playoffs. To be eligible to play you must be 21, Jewish, or live in a Jewish household. Although we have limited roster spots for additional players, if you are a competitive athlete who can run, hit, and throw, tryouts and practices are typically held in March and early April. And, we are always on the lookout for a good pitcher! Information regarding game schedules, standings, and other league information can be found on the DVSL website. If you are interested in learning more or coming out for the team, please contact Michael Freeman at mffreeman@msn.com.



PA Govenor Wolf Dines in Tel Aviv with Two of Our Own

The Glantz guys represented AJ and the state of Pennsylvania proudly while out to dinner with Governor Wolf in Tel Aviv. Among many other things discussed, Governor Wolf talked about security and Act 83 (\$5 million in grants designated specifically for synagogue security in the state of Pennsylvania). *BELOW: Left to right, PA Governor Tom Wolf, Rafi Glantz, and SSG (res) Remy Glantz.*



Hanging with RBG

On Wednesday, January 8, the AJ Social Action Committee attended a 90-minute docent-led tour of the Ruth Bader Ginsburg (RBG) exhibit at the National Museum of American Jewish History in Philadelphia. *BELOW: Top: The Social Action Committee and friends*. *Bottom: from left to right, posing with "RBG" in their robes and RBG collars are Suzan Fine, Michele Rifkin, Rav Shai, and Marcia Webber.*





AJWA Sisterhood

Co-Presidents: Amy Blum and Lorna Rosenberg

You are invited to join us for

Sisterhood Shabbat

Saturday, March 14 at 9:30 AM

Featuring a beautiful, multi-generational service led by the women of AJWA Sisterhood

Annette W. Black Memorial Lecture with speaker Mia Blitstein "A Teacher's Voice: Empowering Children Through Acts of Literacy"

Followed by a fabulous kiddush luncheon

Everyone is welcome!

Mia Blitstein, Program Manager of Healthy NewsWorks (a student journalism program for struggling writers), former literacy coach, and lifelong educator, will be sharing lessons she's learned, from being almost born in the library, to raising (menschy) readers, as well as the importance of literacy education for a



more just world. An AJ member, Mia is also a mother to preschooler, Zev, and middle schooler, Judah, and wife to math teacher husband. Dan.

To support the theme of Sisterhood Shabbat — Literacy — we are collecting new and gently used books for ages 4–14, to be donated to the Philadelphia READS Book Bank, which supplies Philadelphia teachers with hundreds of books for their classroom libraries. We are looking for books to meet a wide range of interests — informational, fiction, poetry, picture books, chapter books, all are welcome! Bins will be in both the Sanctuary and Preschool lobbies starting March 1.



The Fragrant History of Jews and Spices

Sunday, March 29, at 4:00 PM

Join us for an event we're calling "The Fragrant History of Jews and Spices with Chef Aliza Green." Learn about the fascinating and fragrant history of Jews and spices from noted chef, cookbook author, and culinary tour leader, Aliza Green, at Adath Jeshurun. Green will speak about the Jewish history of spices, create a display of exotic spices, and provide a tasting of spice-focused Jewish dishes all suitable for Passover.

The cost is \$18 per person in advance (until March 26); and \$36 per person at the door. The fee includes a set of the afternoon's recipes! Cookbooks by the author will be available for purchase. Go to **www.jewishphilly.org/oyrspices** to register and pay online. Alternatively, you can send a check made out to "Beth Sholom Congregation" or drop off payment to Beth Sholom.

Green has just appeared as guest chef on the FOOD NETWORK's "Throwdown with Bobby Flay"! The author of more than a dozen cookbooks including *Field Guide to Herbs & Spices and The Magic of Spice Blends*. Her newest book, *Starting with Ingredients: 100 Delicious Ways to Make Use of What You've Got*, will be published in early June 2020. She also leads culinary/history tours to Morocco, Israel, and Italy. Learn more about Aliza, her books, and tours at www.alizagreen.com.

Plan to join us and spice up your 2020 Passover menu! AJWA Sisterhood presents this program in conjunction with the Kehillah of Old York Road, Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, NA'AMAT USA, and the Sisterhoods of Beth Sholom, Keneseth Israel, Kol Ami, and MBIEE.

Would you like to participate in the AJWA Sisterhood Shabbat service? SAY YES!

We are pulling together the service and are currently organizing the parts. If you are an AJWA Sisterhood member (or would like to become one!) and would like to co-lead a Hebrew prayer or participate in an easy, small group English reading, please say so. We'd love for you to be included. If you are interested in participating, send an email to aiwasisterhood@gmail.com or call Mindy Goldstein at 610.506.0632.

Are You An Angel? Please consider becoming a Sisterhood Shabbat Angel!

Your donation of \$25 (or more) will help make possible AJWA Sisterhood's 2020 wonderful Shabbat service, speaker and luncheon. It is a program that reaches out to the entire AJ family and is met each year with great anticipation and enthusiasm! All Shabbat Angels will be acknowledged in the Sisterhood Shabbat program. Thank you!

Please return this form and your check to AJWA Sisterhood Shabbat Angels, 7763 Old York Rd., Elkins Park, PA 19027. Make checks payable to "AJWA Sisterhood" with "Shabbat Angel Donation" on the memo line. Or, you can donate on the AJ website (www.CongregationAJ.org): Click on Sisterhood Shabbat (March 14) on the events calendar to access the form.

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CALLING ALL COOKS! (from clueless to expert)

Join chefs Lorna Rosenberg and Ossi Nussbaum and friends as we prepare for Sisterhood Shabbat!

Thursday, March 12: 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM (desserts)

Friday, March 13: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (entrees, etc.)

Saturday, March 14: 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM, and clean-up

If you know when you'll be coming to help, please tell us by going to www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BAFA62BA64-ajwa. If you don't know, just show up!

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AJWA Sisterhood Ongoing Events and Causes



Join us for one or all of these AJWA Sisterhood-sponsored activities!

Yoga

For all levels of ability! Taught by Esther Goldberg, Certified Yoga Instructor. **Friday morning class** 9:00 to 10:00 AM \$12 per class. For more information on yoga, contact Esther Goldberg at zymesther@gmail.com or 215.676.8685.

Walk-ins are welcome.

Robyn Orodenker Book Club

March's book is *The World That We Knew*, by Alice Hoffman andthe meeting will be on March 2. Get a start on April's book—*Gateway to the Moon* by Mary Morris—so you're ready for our dinner meeting on April 6, at Violet Zeitlin's home. We meet on selected Monday evenings in the AJ Library at 7:45 PM.

Stitchers

If you are interested in learning about creating Judaic hand crafts, come be a part of "Stitchers." We are primarily stitchers, practitioners of the needle arts. No special experience is necessary. New learners are welcome. For more information, contact Karen Moses at 215.676.8542 or karedlon@aol.com (please include AJ Stitchers in the subject line). Wednesday mornings in the AJ Library from 10:00 AM to noon.

Cook for a Friend

Cook For a Friend, a unique program that prepares meals for those in need, is in search of volunteers (a.k.a. friends) to cook. Cook for a Friend meets once a month on a weekday evening and once a month on a weekday morning. **Evening sessions:** Sandy Basickes (215.782.8586). **Daytime sessions:** Sue Lawson (215.680.7112)

Laurel House Shelter and Domestic Violence Services for Abused Women and Their Children

For a list of needed items, go to laurel-house.org. Only new, requested items, please! NO gift-wrapped items, clothing, shoes or accessories. Please bring NEW items to the Braemer Auditorium coat closet and place in the box marked "Laurel House" or bring to any AJWA Sisterhood event.

Cooking at Ronald McDonald House

Join us on to prepare meals for families staying at the House at Front and Erie Sts.
Contact Judy Stutman Izes at 267.254.6633 or jpsizes@aol.com for more information.
Our next event is on **Sunday, May 3 at 4:30 PM**.





AJ College Connection Program

Surprise your college student with a taste of home! College students enrolled in the AJ College Connection Program will receive the monthly AJ News and enjoy holiday packages sent to school. Open to children of member families only. Please send the following information to Sandra Goldberg at saglpt@aol.com or call the synagogue office at 215.635.6611: Student Name, School Address, Student and Parent Email Addresses, and Expected Year of Graduation.



What's Happening at JTC

By Debbie Miner,
Director of Jewish Teen Collaborative

The other night we had a Shabbat dinner for some of our JTC students. After services, a congregant came up to me to compliment the teens. At dinner they sat together thoroughly enjoying each other's company. They were different ages, attended different home synagogues, went to different secular schools, but felt connected — Jewish teens participating in Jewish life.

It feels like that on Tuesday nights as well. Whether we are meeting at Beth Sholom or at Adath Jeshurun, our teens come together for dinner, classes, a short break, and more classes. Some classes are by grade, but there are electives which are mixed grade. We have 7th graders who are friends with 8th graders, 8th graders who are friends with 9th graders, and more. Some of the connections are enhanced by participation in USY and attendance at summer camps—informal educational experiences that are proven connections to Jewish commitment. Among our JTC teens are campers who attend different camps, those who attend USY programs and those who are involved in other activities. For many of our teens—it is JTC that brings them together weekly and has formed the basis for friendships, strengthened summer friendships throughout the school year, and has created a community not just of learners but of good friends.

Ben Sira said "A good friend is a tower of strength; to find one is a treasure." While JTC is, of course, committed to learning with our teens, we are truly grateful for the friendships our teens have made that continue to grow each time we are together.

OYR Youth

BELOW: Some of the OYR Teen volunteers at the Emily's Entourage Gala where we helped raise over \$800,000. For more information about this or future teens events, email Larry Kaplan at oyryouth@gmail.com.



מולם עולם In Remembrance

Anyone interested in perpetuating the memory of a loved one at AJ should contact the office for information at 215.635.6611. Yahrzeits of the following individuals will be observed as follows:

MARCH 1, 2020 to MARCH 7, 2020 5 Adar 5780 to 11 Adar 5780 To be read on Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7

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MARCH 29, 2020 to APRIL 4, 2020 4 Nisan 5780 to 10 Nisan 5780 To be read on Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4

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APRIL 5, 2020 to APRIL 11, 2020 11 Nisan 5780 to 17 Nisan 5780 To be read on Friday, April 10 and Saturday, April 11

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APRIL 26, 2020 to MAY 2, 2020 2 Iyar 5780 to 8 Iyar 5780 To be read on Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2

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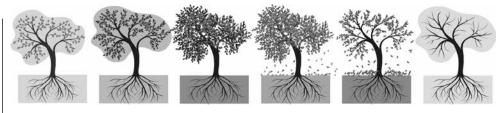
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AJ Caring Community Committee

We all experience times of need. For many of us, family and friends step in to provide support. For others, those resources are less present, less apparent, and asking for help can be embarrassing and complicated. This is where the AJ Caring Community Committee (AJCCC) comes in with varying levels of support, anything from a phone call to a meal.

Should you know of someone who has such a need or if you find yourself in a difficult situation, please get in touch with us. You can leave a message with Beryl in the office (215.635.6611), or with Rav Shai at ravshai@adathjeshurun.info, or with Naomi Atkins, the chair of the AJCCC, at nrsa@comcast.net.

Your AJ family is here to help you.



The Seasons of Our Lives

Adath Jeshurun looks forward to acknowledging significant milestones in the lives of our members. Announcements for *The Seasons of Our Lives* should be sent to the synagogue office in writing or by email to brosoff-verbit@adathjeshurun.info with the notation "Seasons of Our Lives" in the subject line. Information received by the first of the month will appear in the following month's issue. Please include your phone number.

Births

Aviv Eitan Cowan, great-grandson of Lorraine Cowan

December 27, 2019

Benjamin Matti Schwartz, grandson of Baruch (Berta z"/) Schwartz

January 11, 2020



Engagements

Samantha Radinsky, daughter of **Shelly and Ted**, became engaged to **Michael Schaer**, son of **Nancy and Ted**, in January, 2020.

Deaths

Berta Schwartz, wife of Baruch Schwartz

December 22, 2019

Neil Leventhal, father of Brian (Michal) Leventhal

December 27, 2019

Selma Wilder, wife of William Wilder z"I

January 1, 2020



April Milestone Anniversaries

50 YEARS

Barbara and Steven Shotz

April 12, 1970

Don't See Your Milestone Anniversary?

If we have missed your Milestone Anniversary this month, please call the office and provide us with your information for next year.

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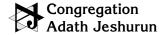
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