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Founded in 1853 and the oldest synagogue in Harrisburg, Temple Ohev Sholom is a diverse and inclusive Reform Jewish Congregation in Central Pennsylvania. We support one another throughout the cycles of life. We foster and encourage spiritual growth, lifelong learning, social opportunities, and connections, and Tikkun Olam—healing the world.

### **MARCH CALENDAR**

Saturday, March 1 – 9:00am – Weekly Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc Saturday, March 1 – 7:00pm – Ohev Means Love Concert & Kids Movie Night Sunday, March 2 – 9:30am – Religious School Sunday, March 2 – 10:45am – Shabbat Learning Service Sunday, March 2 – 10:00am – Snow Date for Sisterhood General Meeting/Program Tuesday, March 4 – 7:00pm – Introduction to Judaism via Zoom Wednesday, March 5 – 6:00pm – Confirmation + Teen Program Thursday, March 6 – 6:30pm – Choir Practice Friday, March 7 – 6:00pm – First Friday Potluck Dinner Friday, March 7 - 7:00pm - First Friday Family Shabbat Service led by Grades 2 & 3 Saturday, March 8 – 9:00am – Weekly Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc Sunday, March 9 – 9:30am – Temple Ohev Sholom Community Mitzvah Day Sunday, March 9 – 9:30am – Religious School Teacher in Service Sunday, March 9 – 9:45am – Sisterhood meeting Monday, March 10 - 11:30am - Crafts and Conversation Wednesday, March 12 - 6:00pm - Confirmation + Teen Program Thursday, March 13 - 7:00pm - Temple Ohev Sholom Board Meeting Friday, March 14 – 6:00pm – Shabbat Services Saturday, March 15 – 9:00am – Weekly Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc Saturday, March 15 – 10:00am – Tot Shabbat Saturday, March 15 - 5:30pm - Purim Spiel Event: Wicked! Sunday, March 16 - 9:30am - Religious School Sunday, March 16 – 10:45am – Shabbat Learning Service Sunday, March 16 - 12:00pm - Book Club Monday, March 17 – 11:30am – Crafts and Conversation Thursday, March 20 – 6:30pm – Choir Practice Friday, March 21 – 7:00pm – Shabbat Service Saturday, March 22 – 9:00am – Weekly Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc Saturday, March 22 – 10:30am – Elise Rosen Bat Mitzvah Sunday, March 23 – 9:30am – Religious School Sunday, March 23 – 10:45am – Shabbat Learning Service Sunday, March 23 – 12:30pm – Hungry for Hebrew Cooking Class - Challah Monday, March 24 – 11:30am – Crafts and Conversation Wednesday, March 26 – 6:00pm – Confirmation + Teen Program Thursday, March 27 – 6:30pm – Choir Practice Friday, March 28 – 6:00pm – Sisterhood Shabbat & Oneg Saturday, March 29 – 9:00am – Weekly Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc Sunday, March 30 – 9:30am – Religious School Sunday, March 30 - 6:00pm – Freedom Seder at Beth El Temple Monday, March 31 - 11:30am - Crafts and Conversation

# DURDAY SATURDAY MARCH 15 5:30 pm

Lehrman Chapel

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### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**



It's hard to believe that spring is almost here. The cold weather certainly hasn't stopped our Temple community from being with one another, but I look forward to the renewal that comes with every spring.

In the coming months we will be welcoming Rabbi Tzvia Jasper as our new Rabbi, and I am putting together a team to welcome the Jasper family to Harrisburg. If you would like to be part of this effort, please reach out to me at <u>president@ohevsholom.org</u>. I am looking for five to seven people to help plan welcome events throughout the summer as we make this exciting transition.

We'll be hearing more from Rabbi Jasper in the coming months through our newsletter and we can't wait for you to get to know her better.

We also need a team to help to say goodbye to our dear friends Rabbi Kline and his wife Lori as they move onto the next phase of their careers. If you would like to help plan their send-off celebration, please reach out. It is sure to be a fun event and a great way to thank them for all they have done for our community.

I can't wait to see you at the next Temple event!

B'Shalom, April Hutcheson President

### **MESSAGE FROM RABBI MARC**

Purim is coming, then Pesach, and then Shavuot. We will celebrate redemption on three different levels and wrestle with the blessings and pangs of freedom. The blessings are easy.

With Purim, we celebrate not being annihilated in Persia. We celebrate a strong woman who had to make a tough choice that risked her life. She chose to stand up to evil.

With Pesach (Passover), we celebrate redemption from slavery in Egypt. Moses stood up to Pharaoh, who eventually set us free.



With Shavuot, we celebrate receiving the Torah at Mt. Sinai. Amidst the wilderness, we learned that God is indeed everywhere and that, physically and spiritually, we are never alone. The pangs are a little more challenging.

If we read the entire story of Esther, it does not end with our freedom. We become the slaughterers of Persia – 70,000 in one day. People convert to Judaism out of fear of Mordechai's abuse of power. On Purim, we wear masks and costumes to spend one day not being our normal selves. We spend one day being just like (and prayerfully empathetic with) everyone else. We spend that day remembering that holding power over another is an abuse in the face of God.

Our redemption from Egypt came at the cost of the degradation and loss of lives of all of Egypt. As the text reads, more than Pharaoh freed us, the people forced Pharaoh to let us go. In his rage, he caused the death of every Egyptian soldier and military horse. The Midrash teaches us that when God closed the waters, drowning Egypt's chariots, God cried, for they were divine children, as well. Passover reminds us that power is corrupting and that redemption for one at the cost of the other does not heal the world.

Yes, we celebrate receiving the Torah on Shavuot. As Torah tells us, we committed ourselves to the Torah with the words "*Na-aseh v'nishmah* – We will listen and do." We committed to living ethically, caring for the stranger, not wielding power over another, and treating every living being as a child of God. We spend so much time "one-upping" each other, demeaning those with whom we disagree, and dismissing the very tenets that promised world salvation that even as we celebrate the holiday, we must acknowledge how much work we still must do.

This struggle between blessing and pain is the journey of faith. If we accept the blessings, we must also accept the responsibilities. One without the other is nice,

but it is not Judaism. As we begin this cycle of redemptive holidays this year, let's pay close attention to what we must do beyond the party to flourish in our faith that hope for world redemption is still real.

Rabbi Marc Aaron Kline, J.D., D.D. Judgment may well up as a wall of water, but Righteousness is the mightiest of rivers.



Get Well Wishes

רְפּוּאָה: רְפָאַׁנוּ יְהוָה וְגַרְפֵּא, הוֹשִׁיעַׁנוּ וְנִוְּשֵׁעָה, כִּי תְהִלְחֵׁנוּ אָתַה, וְהַעֲלֵה רְפּוּאָה שְׁלֵמָה לְכָל מַכּוֹתֵׁינוּ, כִּי אֵל מֶׁלֶךּ רוֹפֵא נֶאֶמָן וְרַחֲמָן אָתַה. בָּרוּךָ אַתָּה יְהוָה רוֹפֵא חוֹלֵי עַמוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל.

We send our prayers and healing energy to members of our Temple Ohev Sholom family and loved ones of members who have been hospitalized or injured in recent weeks or who are facing or have had health challenges. Prayers will be offered during Shabbat services when the Mi Shebeirach blessing is said.

Please contact Rabbi Marc if you would like to add the name of someone you love to the Temple Ohev Sholom healing prayer list, to the list of family members who have died or if there is a celebration or milestone in your life which you want to share with the Temple Ohev Sholom family. Additionally, please let Rabbi Marc know when you are ready to have names removed from the healing list. (Names may be removed after a few weeks if we don't receive an update.)

### **MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

I was honored to help lead a lay-led Shabbat Service on February 14th where I delivered the D'var Torah. I thought I would share it with you as my article for the March Newsletter. If you would like to discuss, which I would love, please give me a call 717 233-6459 or email me: <u>reynajose@</u> <u>ohevsholom.org</u>

This week's Torah portion, in my opinion, is a big one. Now I know that every Torah portion is important, but this week is the giving of the Ten Commandments. I thought about doing a sermon on that, but something else caught my eye.



If the Ten Commandments are so

important, which they are, why is it then that the parshah is named Yitro? Why not name this week's Torah portion, The Ten Commandments? Who is Yitro?

It turns out that Yitro is Moses' father-in-law. He was a Midianite priest, a non-Jew. The Torah portion opens with Yitro, at the foot of Mount Sinai, where Moses is encamped with the Israelites. Yitro brings with him his daughter, Tziporah, who is Moses' wife, and their two children, Eliezer and Gershom. On arrival, Yitro is greeted warmly and is invited to eat with Moses, Aaron, and the elders of Israel.

The next day, Yitro observes Moses as Moses ministers and counsels his people who come for judgment on various conflicts. "When they have a matter, it cometh unto me; and I judge between a man and his neighbor, and I make them know the statutes of God, and God's laws." (Exodus 18:16) While observing these exchanges, Yitro says to his son-in-law, "The thing you are doing is not right; you will surely wear yourself out, and these people as well. For the task is too heavy for you alone; you cannot do it alone. (Exodus 18:18) Yitro then goes about advising Moses on how to set up a judicial system, appointing trustworthy men to judge the many cases and bringing only the major issues to Moses.

The above passages spoke to me and the following are some of the things I learned:

1) Offer respect and hospitality to others, even when they may be different than you: Although Yitro is a Mediante priest, Moses welcomes him warmly and bestows upon him great honor. "*Moses, Aaron and the elders of Israel join Jethro to eat bread with him before G-d. (Exodus 18:12)* 

2) Observe and suggest possible improvements: Yitro teaches us how important it is to observe a situation and to suggest a concrete solution to ease a burden.

3) Listen and be willing to change: It's easy for us to stick to the known and the familiar. This parashah shows us how Moses is humble enough not only to listen to Yitro's guidance but also to have the courage to act upon it. In this week's Torah portion, Yitro, observed Moses at work and offered him what we might call a little "constructive criticism." There are several ways that Moses might have received this feedback. However, instead of getting defensive or passing it off as irrelevant, Moses takes the opportunity to truly hear the words being offered to him, and he ultimately changes his course of action based on his new understanding of the situation.

4) Don't be afraid to ask for help: I am not a big football fan, but the Philadelphia Eagles coach Nick Sirianni says, "You can't be great without the greatness of others." As leaders and as change-makers, we can get so caught up in what we are pursuing individually that we forget that the real strength of leadership comes from the love that leads to listening, sharing, working together, and realizing that what we will accomplish **together** is greater than anything we can ever do alone.

This is something I need to be better at doing... asking for help. We, as a congregation, need to work together to make Ohev run smoothly. We have a great foundation: Rabbi Marc, Amanda, Jon, Leah and our Religious School teachers, Conrad, Lisette and Scott and our Temple Board of Trustees, but we can't do it alone. I must be better at knowing when to ask for help and I know I love it when someone comes to me and says, how can I help, do you need any help? Working together is the key to having the temple run smoothly. If you have a little time to give, we have some activities that are coming up in the future that we can use some assistance: Music Fundraiser and Movie Night (March 1st), Purim Shpiel (March 15th) and the Passover Seder (April 13th). Please do not be shy and I won't be either. Ask how you can help, and I will be sure to point you in the right direction.

Yitro, I did not know him before I worked on this D'var Torah, but once I started reading about him and learning about him, I now know that this parshah is perfectly named.

Reyna Jose Executive Director

### **FACILITIES REPORT**

The committee has recently been tasked with generating a Facilities Condition Assessment (FCA). An FCA is a comprehensive evaluation of the condition of a facility's various components. The assessment will be conducted by Steve Davidheiser, P.E. and Tim Carre, P.E.

Tim is a licensed Professional Engineer and has over 30 years of construction experience that includes 18 years in the field of structural engineering. Steve is a licensed Professional Engineer with over 20 years of construction experience which includes preparing detailed budgeting cost estimates for a wide variety of project types. Together they will go room by room evaluating the structural elements, mechanical systems, electrical systems, etc. In addition to the visual inspections, this effort will also include data collection, analysis, and the strategic planning necessary to keep facilities in optimal working condition.

The final product will be a comprehensive snapshot of the facility's health with the goal of helping our congregation understand what is working well and what needs attention. The assessment will also assist the facilities committee with developing the facilities budget and planning for long-term and short-term facility upgrades and maintenance items to ensure that our home remains functional and vibrant.

Recommendations will include cost-savings measures to improve operating efficiency long-term, optimizing usage of the existing spaces, and immediate needs for repair or replacement of failing or aging systems that have exceeded their useful service life if identified.

Currently the annual operating cost of Temple Ohev Sholom is estimated at \$150,000/year just to keep the lights on and complete minor repairs as needed.

Timothy Carre Vice President Facilities Committee



### **MAZEL TOV**

#### **ELISE ROSEN**



Elise Rosen will be called to Torah on March 22nd at 10:30am. She is a seventh-grade student at Allen Middle School. Elise resides in Camp Hill with her parents Jacob and Amanda, brother Leo, Cousin Starr Black and dog Sammy.

Elise plays basketball, field hockey and serves in Student Council, including serving as President in the past.

For Elise's service project, she and Mackenzie Goddard chose to help transform a used classroom at the Hebrew School into a Teen Lounge. They envisioned having a space for students to be able study for their Be Mitzvah and to utilize once they graduated from Hebrew School.



### **MEET THE NEWSLETTER TEAM**

#### Cindy Lynch Newsletter Content Editor

I'm happy and proud to say that my family and I have been members of Temple Ohev Sholom for 40+ years. I presently serve on the Board of Trustees and co-chair the Membership Committee and serve as the content editor of the monthly newsletter. I hope you all enjoy reading the newsletter as much as I enjoy preparing it for you.

While I've lived in Harrisburg most of my life, I am not a native Harrisburger. I was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and moved to Harrisburg as a young child. I grew up attending services first at Chisuk Emuna and then Temple Ohev Sholom. I attended Hebrew School twice a week at the JCC spending many a Sunday there participating in "Sunday



Funday" activities – bowling, swimming, and hanging out in the teen lounge. As a teenager, I was active in BBYO, USY, JCY, and Young Judea.

After graduating from the University of Pittsburgh, I returned to Harrisburg and spent 15+ years of my professional life in retailing at Gimbels, Hess', and ultimately, John Wanamaker's. I met Don Lynch, and when we decided to marry, we consulted with then Rabbi Mintz deciding to join Temple Ohev Sholom. It was the perfect fit for us. We attended Rabbi Mintz's conversion classes with other couples and Don completed his conversion in 1981. We were married on the Bima at the Temple in 1982, where I later celebrated my adult Bat Mitzvah. In 1987, when we had our daughter, Leslie, we had her baby naming on that same Bima. The same Bima where she would later begin her Religious School education by way of Consecration, her Bat Mitzvah and Confirmation. Her wedding to our son-in-law, Matt, was performed by Rabbi Kessler, and our grandson's baby naming was held in our backyard due to COVID. Leslie, Matt and little Max now enjoy attending Tot Shabbat together.

Following my years at Wanamaker's my career path lead me to the PA State Treasury Department where I served as Deputy State Treasurer, to a local PR firm where I was Vice President for Operations, to the PA State Ethics Commission where I served as Director for Administration, and finally to the Penn State College of Medicine where I served until my retirement in 2020 as Chief of Staff to the Dean and CEO and Secretary to the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and Penn State Health Boards of Directors. Even as a full-time wife and mother and a full-time administrator, I gladly volunteered my time to Temple Ohev Sholom. I was honored to be invited to join the Sisterhood and to serve on its board eventually becoming a Sisterhood President. It's been an honor serving with and learning from the women of Sisterhood and I cherish the many friendships I have developed thanks to Sisterhood. It was through my Ohev friendships that I joined the board of Jewish Family Service ultimately becoming its President. And now I find myself back on the Ohev Board of Trustees. I am happy to serve the congregation at this pivotal time in its history and to play a part in its future so that one day, my grandson, Max, will also stand on the Bima for Consecration, his Bar Mitzvah, and Confirmation. When I'm not chasing around and playing with our grandson I enjoy gardening, reading, and spending time in Bethany Beach, DE with my family.

#### Brooke Kibler Newsletter Graphic Designer

My name is Brooke Kibler and Temple Ohev Sholom is my home. When I was only 3 days old, my mother, Honi Kibler, took me with her to the Temple and put me on the kitchen counter while she and other long-time members and friends prepared for a New Member dinner. My mother is still a dedicated member of the congregational family, and I thoroughly enjoy the welcoming feeling every time I walk through the Temple Ohev Sholom doors.

I moved to South Carolina, with my now husband, in 2020 and since it was the peak of COVID, I never had a chance to find a new congregation there. When I was pregnant with my son, I moved back to PA for my third trimester so I could be surrounded by family. During this time, I took advantage of being back around familiar faces and immersed myself in Temple Ohev Sholom life. I enjoyed participating in the weekly coffee talk events and helping out in the Temple office.

Once it was time for me and my husband to return to South Carolina with our son, I was able to still be

involved with Temple Ohev Sholom by being the graphic designer for the newsletter. Since I went to college for communications which provided me with an advertising/ marketing background, it was a perfect fit. I have loved being a part of the creative process for the Temple newsletter each month.

I hope that you enjoy the newsletter and that you will say hi next time you see me at Temple Ohev Sholom.

### SISTERHOOD REPORT

#### Hello Everyone,

Sisterhood is getting ready for our annual Sisterhood Shabbat on March 28. Anyone in Sisterhood who is interested in taking part should let Jeanette and Jodi know.



Please take note: through our social action work, we continue to assist organizations such as Jewish Family Service and Bethesda Mission. Look for ongoing information on our latest efforts. Thanks to everyone who has donated coats, underclothing, socks and food! We have such a generous temple family.

Put Sunday, May 4, on your calendar. We are holding an event with Recycle Bicycle and collecting bikes that you and your family are no longer using. We will be setting up a collection station in the parking lot that morning and early afternoon. Recycle Bicycle, located in Harrisburg, is a wonderful organization that refurbishes bikes and gives them away to children and adults who can't afford one. This includes people who need a bike as a primary source of transportation. Look for more information in the April newsletter and via the weekly Sholom-A-Gram.

Also, look for information about our November book event. We are planning a great program. Details to come.

Visit our gift shop; new items are arriving all the time! Stay tuned for specials! We hope we see you at our activities!

Jodi Neuschwander and Jeanette Krebs, Sisterhood Co-Presidents

Celebrating a special occasion or commemorating a yahrzeit?? How about making a donation in honor of that occasion or person by sponsoring an Oneg or purchasing flowers for our bema on Shabbat??

To sponsor an Oneg, please contact Doreen at Doreen819@verizon.net. To provide flowers for our bema, contact Fran at <u>Fr1ca19@yahoo.com</u>.

Your name and special occasion or special person you are honoring will be listed in our Friday evening Shabbat handout.



A big shout out and thank you to Amy Labella and Adam Carrick who did a tremendous job of picking up the donated coats and delivering them to JFS and Bethesda Mission throughout the months of December, January and February. We also offer thanks and gratitude to Tide Cleaners for cleaning the coats as a contribution to our endeavor. Last but not least, many thanks to our wonderful congregational family who went all out with their donations. What tremendous turnout of coats. Thank you! Thank you!

Coming next will be an event on May 4th in which we will partner with the Harrisburg organization Recycle Bicycle and collecting bikes that you and your family are no longer using. Watch for information in the April newsletter.

> Gratefully Yours, Sisterhood's Social Action Committee





### **MARCH CELEBRATION LIST**



Shelley Adler Cricket Baar Kurt Barnes David Bronstein Justin Carre' Fran Casher Michael Chwastyk Bruce Cohen Alan Cohn Barbara Danowitz Eli Duke Alice Enders Jennifer Enders Vicki Fox Michael Fox Jan Frushone-Gibas Sydney Hutcheson Dennis Katz Michael Kryger Mike Levinstein Eitan Levinstein Patti Lightman Leslie Locy

Michael McNulty Denyse Miskin Nancy Rose Howard Rosen Elise Rosen Elise Rosen Amanda Rosen Susan Rosenberg Izzy Salenger Elaine Schwab Ethan Shamash Brian Sheinfeld Rachel Sheinfeld Julia Sheinfeld Adam Shienvold Rya Smigel Beth Spicer Holden Stapp Benjamin Teplitz Shelley Winer-Remme Sandy Zeliger



Andrew & Sarah Brown Julie & Keith Goddard

Ernie & Reyna Jose Jason & Jennifer Kirsch

Nick & Jill Stapp

### **Donations/Contributions to Temple Funds**

Donations made to Temple Oheu Sholom In Memory of Maxine Talkov David & Nancy Rose In Memory of Charles Berman Robert Hench & Tanya Hench Drs. John & Margaret Goldman In Honor of Isaac's Consecration Thomas and Vicki Lynch In Memory of Hariet Martin Sternber, Yetta Narubi & Richard Shulman Robin Farber In Honor of Dylan Rose & the entire Confirmation Class David & Nancy Rose A Speedy Recovery to Marc Simon Donald & Whitney Mayer In Honor of April Hutcheson Daniel & Carolyn Green In Honor of Sylvie Casher's Bat Mitzvah Judy Teplitz In Honor of Reyna Jose Philip Platcow In Memory of Lois Kline Fran Casher In Memory of Israel Sweig David & Nancy Rose in Memory of Henry Cohen Rose Ann Woldorf In Memory of Jack Rose David & Nancy Rose Donations made to the Temple Ohev Sholom Building Fund In Memory of Timothy Carre's conversion David & Stacy Feldman Donations made to the Temple Ohev Sholom Harpster Tikkun Olam Fund In Memory of Charles Berman Marjorie Sherman Donations made to the Temple Ohev Sholom Religious Education Fund In Memory of Pamela Kassnar Barbara Cohen In Memory of Michael A. Brenner Varsha Life Donations made to the Temple Ohev Sholom Rabbi's Discretionary Fund In Memory of Gladys Allen David Bronstein

#### In Memory of Lois Kline

Martha & James McGraw Lisa & Bob Wolff

Donations made to the Temple Ohev Sholom Music Fund

#### In Memory of Lois Picker Samet

Denise Ehrich Bonnie Eisner Susanne Hirschhaut Marla & Andy Hoffman Nina Keneally Springwell Senior Living Lisa & Robert Wolff Ricki Hurwitz & Garry Brinton Donna Root Casey Sharbaugh Susan Richards Small Brian Sofer Anita Walia John & Margaret Goldman Nancy Weber Beik Lerardi Family Marjorie Sherman

#### In Honor of Lori Bernard

Dan & Carolyn Green

<u>In Honor of Sarah & Conrad</u> Julie Sherman & Marty Rogoff

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### COOKING









Brunch





With Dr. Steven Ettinger, Penn State Heart and Vascular Institute - IO Silver Clinic





Wednesdays at 6pm (dinner included!)

February 5, 19 March 5, 12, 26 April 2, 16

May 21, 28 (10<sup>th</sup> grade only)

May 7, 14



Join us the First Friday of each month for a Community Pot Luck Dinner at 6pm With Shabbat Services at 7pm

#### March 7

We'll celebrate Members with birthdays and anniversaries in the month of March, our 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Religious School Students who will be helping lead Shabbat Services that night & enjoy a simple dinner with our Ohev Family.

Please use the link in the QR Code to let us know what you plan to bring.



March '25 Pot Lock Sign Up Page



We hope to see you there!





#### Come check out Temple Ohev Sholom

### TOT SHABBAT IN MARCH...

(perfect for kids 0-6 years of age)

### LET'S CELEBRATE PURIM

Dress- up (kids and adults) in your favorite costume!

Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> @ 10am

### Prayer, fun, and snacks

Questions: please call Temple Ohev Sholom: 717 233-6459

For more Info-Contact Bernice at BHausman210@gmail.com

## Sunday, March 16 at noon

All are Welcome!

Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood Board Room

Coming up Next: April 27 <u>Five Days at Memorial</u> by Sheri Fink (2016)

'One of the best twists in years' Stylist **'Irresistible'** Independent on Sunday

Karen Joy Fowler

Temple Ohev Sholom

Book

Club

'Hilarious and heartbreaking' Guardian

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Winner of the 2014 PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction

## CRAFTS & CONVERSATION

Mondays March 17, 24, § 31 11:30-12:30 Temple Ohev Sholom - Lehrman Chapel

Come meet others, try a craft, and learn about Israel With Ori & Yaeli our Shinshiniot Student Ambassadors!

> Pack a lunch & JOIN US !



# Please join us For

# Sisterhood Shabbat

### Friday, March 28th @ 6:00pm

### An oneg will follow services

Join us in-person or you may live-stream the service.





#### Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 рм at Beth El Temple

**The Freedom Seder** is an interfaith event that commemorates the journey from slavery to freedom for Jews in ancient Egypt and for African Americans in the United States. We celebrate these emancipations while acknowledging the forms of hatred and oppression that persist today and committing to work against them together. We will sing, perform Passover rituals, and share a meal as we explore how we can **cultivate compassion**.

The cost to attend is \$25 per person and \$15 per teen (includes dinner)

#### **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**

Join us for interfaith discussion about accepting, understanding, and uplifting our neighbors in these difficult times. After the Passover Seder rituals, participants at each table will be invited to share the ways that our communities are experiencing discrimination and oppression, and suggest ways we can better support one another. These courageous conversations will help us to build stronger and more resilient communities for the days ahead.

**Please RSVP by March 24**. If you have any questions or problems registering contact Amy at amy@bethelhbg.org or call 717 232-0556.

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community The Arc Baha'i Faith- Harrisburg Community Beth El Temple Chisuk Emuna Congregation Christian Churches United Episcopal Diocese of Central PA H.A.R.P. Hindu American Religious Institute Interreligious Forum

Life Streamz Ministries Market Square Presbyterian Church (PC USA) New Branches Ministries Saint Catherine Labouré Church Saint Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral Susquehanna Conference of the United Methodist Church Temple Beth Shalom Temple Ohev Sholom Unitarian Church of Harrisburg World Affairs Council of Harrisburg



### "READING OF NAMES"

#### April 23-24, 2025 at Kesher Israel

Beginning on Wednesday evening, April 23 at 7:30 pm, Kesher Israel Congregation will host our community's annual "Unto Every Person There is a Name" program. This special commemoration seeks to dignify the memories of victims of the Shoah by reading their names aloud. Through the public reading of names of Holocaust victims over a twenty-four hour period, this program strives to restore a portion of their humanity and to retrieve them from the lost depths of anonymity.

In an effort to pass the torch of remembrance to the next generation, students from congregational Religious Schools will take part in the opening ceremony and will also read names. We hope that you and your family will be able to attend this special service and will stay for a portion of the Reading of Names program.

In addition Ohev Sholom members are encouraged to volunteer to read names during the following times: Thursday, April 24 from 3:00 am-4:30 am (via zoom) and from 1:00-3:30 pm (in person).

If you would like to sign up to read, please contact our congregational representatives, Tom Bryant (notreif@yahoo.com) for the overnight slots or Judy Heckert (judith678@verizon.net) for the afternoon slots.

For more information contact Lillian Rappaport (l.rappaport@jewishfedhbg.org)

> Opening Program Wednesday, April 23 at 7:30 at Kesher Israel

Unlo Every Person There is a Name



#### PLEASE SAVE-THE-DATE FOR: NEW MEMBER SHABBAT

MAY 9th, 2025 6:00 PM

Special Oneg Shabbat will follow



### Mental Health Shabbat

Friday May 16 at 7pm

### **MARCH KADDISH LIST**

To make sure we are not missing anything, we are in the process of updating our records. As such, if you have not received a letter notifying you of the Shabbat service kaddish date for your loved one, or, if you have loved ones whose yahrzeits you wish to have remembered, please contact the Temple Office at 717-233-6459.

#### March 7

Liebman Adler Louis Brenner Joseph I. Claster Mollie Cohn Joseph Cohn April DeLoach Rosa Frank Lewis C. Friedman Dr. Benjamin Gainsburg Meyer Jacobs Ivy Dixon Knaub Caryl Louise Hess Kramer Sam Levy Edgar Marks Romaine Sadler Menaker Mark Pihonv Melvin Portnoy Jonathan Saxe **Charles Silver** Louis Spitalny Bernard Zaritzky

#### March 14

Huldah Appell Jeanette M. Brenner Lena T. Brenner Dora Cramer Gerald Eisnitz **Tillie Garner** Samuel Gross Abram S. Jacobson Joseph G. Kanenson Rosalind Lax Israel Mayer George Jasper McArthur Fay Millstein May Lillian A. Roberts Hannah Ries Schleisner Sheila Schooler Barbie Shauf Miriam R. Silver William Strouse

#### March 21

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#### March 28

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